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A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR:

This report summarizes drug crime arrest figures for the state of Alabama for the calendar year 1989. The information contained in this report was obtained from ACJIC's Uniform Crime Reporting Division.

If you need information not included in this report, please contact ACJIC's UCR Division at 1-800-392-8025.

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1989 DRUG ARRESTS

Drug abuse violations involve the illegal sale, possession, manufacture, use, cultivation, etc. of narcotic and non-narcotic drugs.

Illegal drugs are divided into four categories:

1. Opium or cocaine and their derivatives such as morphine, heroine, codeine.
2. Marijuana.
3. Synthetic narcotics which are manufactured narcotics which cause true drug addiction such as demerol, and methadones.
4. Dangerous non-narcotic drugs which include barbiturates, benzedrine, etc.

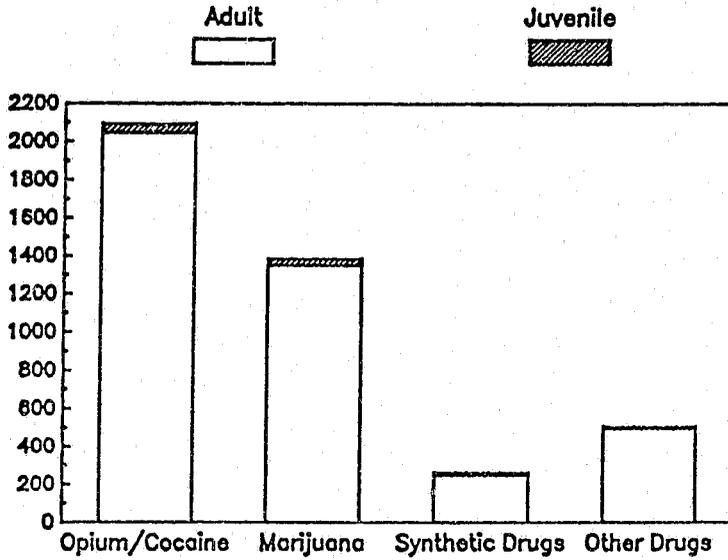
SALE
JUVENILE AND ADULT ARRESTS
1989

SEX/RACE OF PERSONS ARRESTED	Opium/Cocaine		Marijuana		Synthetic Drugs		Other	
	Adult	Juvenile	Adult	Juvenile	Adult	Juvenile	Adult	Juvenile
White Male	362	15	480	17	74	6	119	5
White Female	94	3	123	7	19	1	33	2
Black Male	1349	30	623	11	126	8	292	7
Black Female	232	2	120	3	26	1	50	0
Other Male	4	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Other Female	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	2043	50	1347	38	245	17	494	14
GRAND TOTAL	2093		1385		262		508	

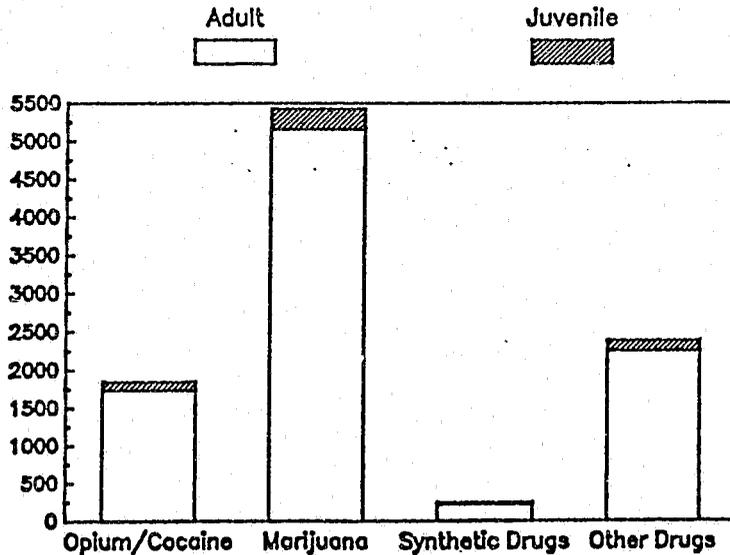
POSSESSION
JUVENILE AND ADULT ARRESTS
1989

SEX/RACE OF PERSONS ARRESTED	Opium/Cocaine		Marijuana		Synthetic Drugs		Other	
	Adult	Juvenile	Adult	Juvenile	Adult	Juvenile	Adult	Juvenile
White Male	278	15	2984	153	57	2	550	12
White Female	84	3	468	21	26	3	194	0
Black Male	1166	90	1512	96	124	23	1290	122
Black Female	204	11	186	4	9	2	206	8
Other Male	0	0	6	0	0	0	2	0
Other Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
TOTAL	1732	119	5156	274	216	30	2243	142
GRAND TOTAL	1851		5430		246		2385	

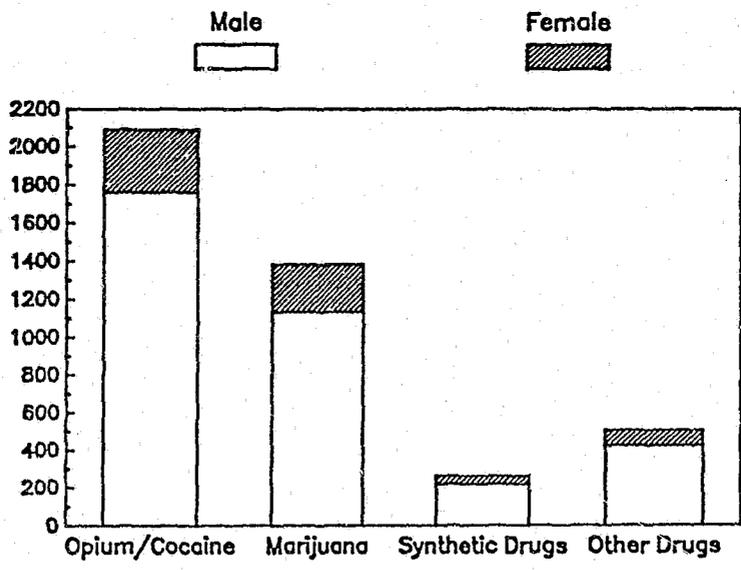
Arrests for Sale



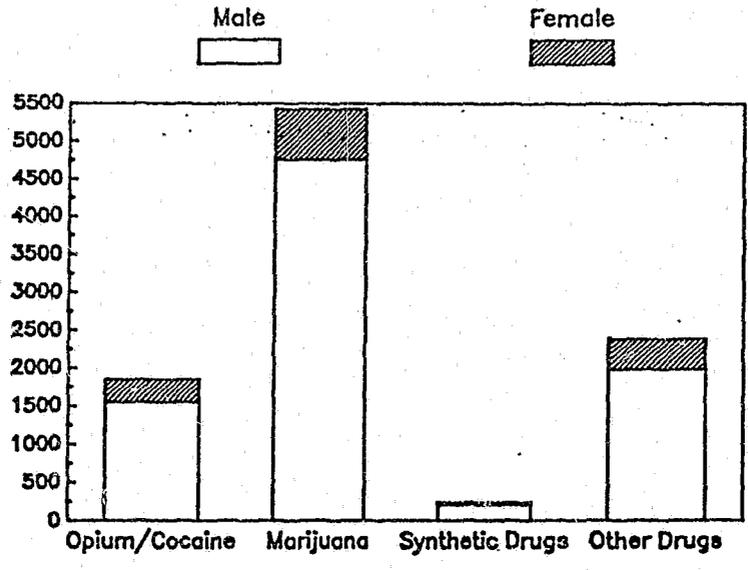
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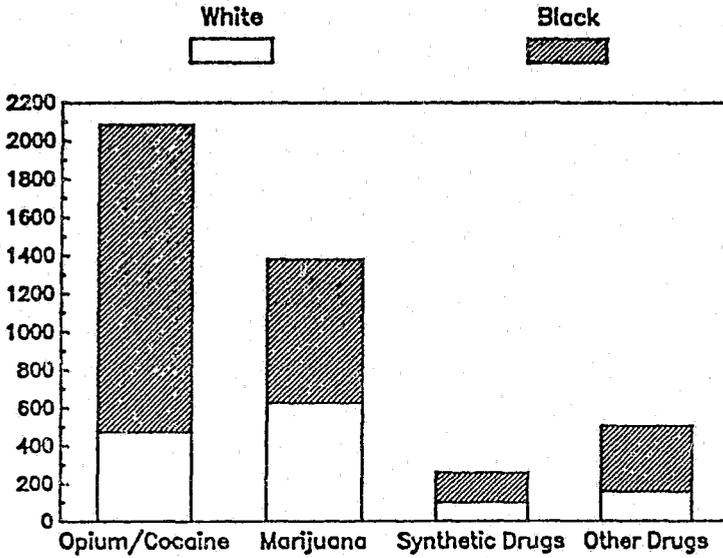
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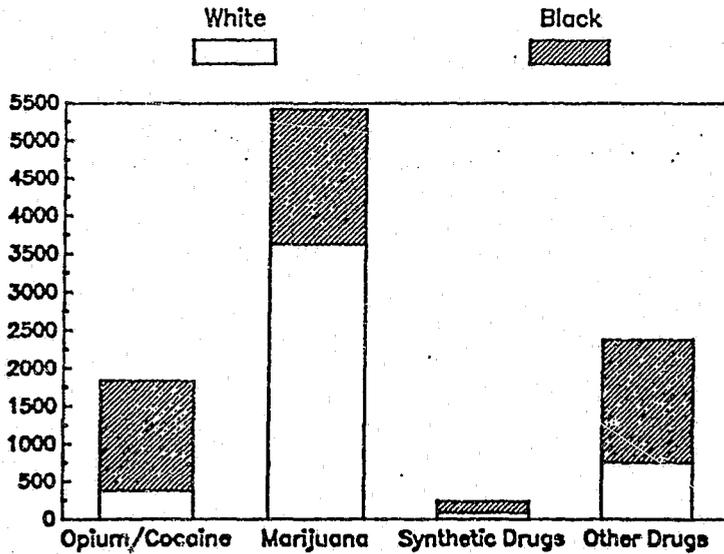
Arrests for Possession



Arrests for Sale



Arrests for Possession



**1989 Drug Arrests
Percent Change Over 1988**

Arrests for Sale	1988	1989	% Change
Opium/Cocaine	681	2093	+207%
Marijuana	639	1385	+117%
Synthetic Drugs	24	262	+992%
Other Drugs	427	508	+ 19%
TOTAL	1771	4248	+140%

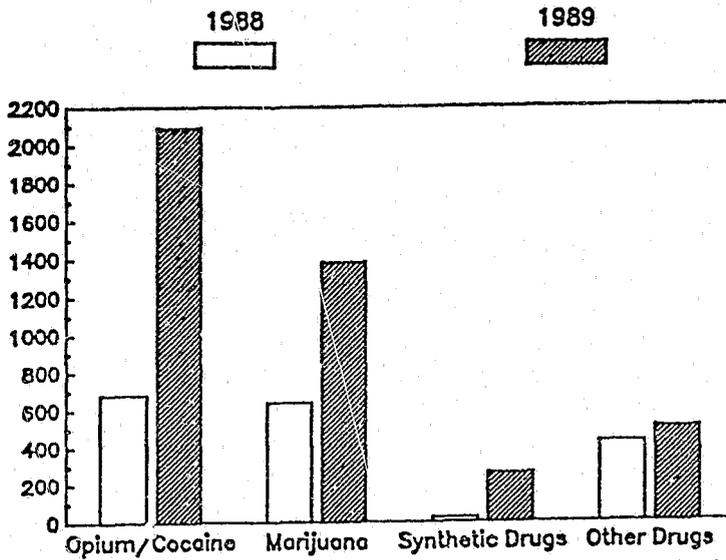
Arrests for Possession	1988	1989	% Change
Opium/Cocaine	1229	1849	+ 50%
Marijuana	5309	5424	+ 2%
Synthetic Drugs	169	246	+ 46%
Other Drugs	952	2386	+151%
TOTAL	7659	9904	+ 29%

Arrests by Juvenile or Adult Status	1988	1989	% Change
Sale-Juvenile	42	119	+183%
Sale - Adult	1729	4129	+139%
Possession-Juvenile	364	565	+ 55%
Possession-Adult	7295	9339	+ 28%
TOTAL	9430	14152	+ 50%

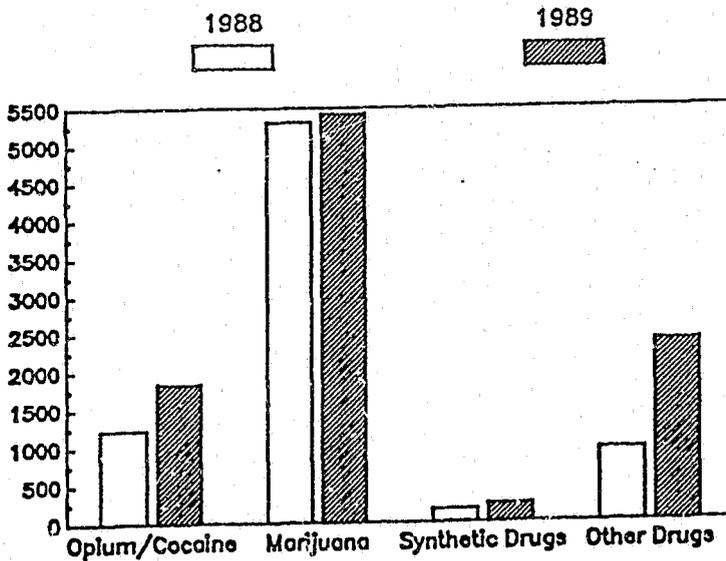
The substantial increase in drug arrests in 1989 over 1988 may not necessarily indicate a dramatic increase in drug crime itself. A possible contributing factor to this increase may be the more aggressive drug-control strategies now being incorporated by many police and sheriff's departments.

A greater awareness of drug-related crime by law enforcement agencies may, in part, be responsible for an increase in drug arrests.

Arrests for Sale



Arrests for Possession



Alcohol/Drug-Related Homicides

Year	Alcohol Related	% of Total	Drug Related	% of Total
1976	10	3.3%	1	.3%
1977	19	3.6%	1	.2%
1978	22	4.5%	2	.4%
1979	21	4.4%	2	.4%
1980	44	8.4%	3	.6%
1981	25	5.5%	6	1.3%
1982	23	5.0%	3	.7%
1983	17	4.8%	1	.3%
1984	10	2.7%	3	.8%
1985	28	9.7%	6	1.5%
1986	21	5.3%	9	2.3%
1987	12	3.2%	15	4.0%
1988	15	3.9%	30	7.9%
1989	12	2.9%	36	8.8%

The numbers above include only homicides where drug or alcohol use was clearly indicated. In some cases, drugs or alcohol may have been a contributing factor to a homicide, but were not indicated on the homicide report. Therefore, the incidents of drug or alcohol-related homicide may be somewhat greater than is indicated.

Alcohol/Drug-Related Homicides 1984-1989

Alcohol-related

Drug-related

