SUBSTANCE USE IN WOMEN AND MEN

DIFFERENCES IN MARIJUANA USE DISORDER

WOMEN

- Develop disorder more quickly[1]
- More anxiety disorders[2]
- More panic attacks[2]

MEN

- More severe disorder[1]
- More antisocial personality disorders[2]
- More of other substance use problems[2]

PRESCRIPTION PAIN MEDICINES

Women are less likely to misuse or abuse prescription pain medicines.[3]

4 MILLION
women report past-year misuse.

5 MILLION
men report past-year misuse.

TREATMENT FOR SLEEPING AID MISUSE

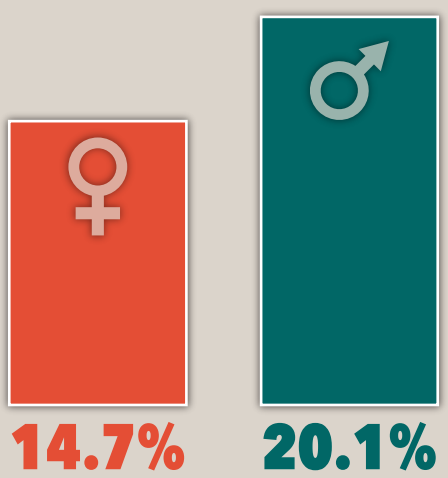
Women are more likely to seek treatment for misuse of barbiturates.[4]

55%
of past-year treatment admissions for barbiturate misuse are **women**.

45%
of past-year treatment admissions for barbiturate misuse are **men**.

QUITTING NICOTINE

Nicotine replacement options, such as the patch or gum, are less effective for women than for men.[5]



Quit rates after 6 months on the nicotine patch

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