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Economic Cost of Alcohol and Drug Abuse 2010 April 2013

All major report categories have increased: total increase \$505.0million (56.2%); \$1,057 per capita

Cost Category	Estimated Cost (includes direct and indirect)		
	2005 Cost	2010 Cost	Percent Change
Deaths (due to drugs and alcohol)	\$204,182,361	\$409,642,749*	100.6%*
Morbidity (age/sex adjusted work force productivity loss)	\$155,615,925	\$188,637,664	21.2% (Alc 10%; Drugs 109% increase)
Treatment Admissions	\$25,177,162	\$45,611,078	81.2% (Increase by fund source: 62% public; 225% private) (Alc 14%; Drug 191%; Alc & drug 161% increase)
DEEP Intervention		\$1,364,822	
CRIME:	\$101,089,931	\$119,674,301	18.4% (Police Protection 29%; Drug Control 12% increase) (Source: Federal supply/demand 15%; State Prevention -7%)
Law Enforcement			
Judicial	\$16,599,999	\$20,983,081	26.4%
State Corrections	\$28,039,722	\$68,403,301*	144.0%*
County Corrections	\$15,973,973	\$42,638,303*	166.9%*
Other	\$52,715,377	\$91,711,398	74.0%
MEDICAL CARE:			
Hospital Inpatient	\$111,184,589	\$145,072,409	30.5%
Hospital Outpatient	\$51,263,998	\$122,587,504	139.1%
Other	\$24,390,108	\$35,169,844	44.2% (Prescription Drug 52%; Nursing home 20% increase)
Child Welfare	\$52,250,000	\$45,893,500	-12.2%
Social Welfare	\$2,257,768	\$3,541,178	56.8%
Motor Vehicle	\$48,426,726	\$53,050,585	9.5%
Fire Protection & Destruction	\$9,233,514	\$9,453,680	2.4%
Total	\$898,401,153	\$1,403,435,398	56.2%

This fact sheet was originally developed by the Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center, University of Maine. It has been updated by the Maine Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services. For questions regarding the findings in the report please contact Dr. Marcella Sorg at 207-581-2596 or Anne Rogers (SAMHS) at 207-287-4706. The full 2010 cost report is expected to be released by spring 2013.

*Use caution when comparing with 2005, due to updated and differing methodology to derive estimate.