

1. Record Nr.	UNINA9910483387003321
Autore	Khey David N
Titolo	Emerging trends in drug use and distribution // by David N. Khey, John Stogner, Bryan Lee Miller
Pubbl/distr/stampa	Cham : , : Springer International Publishing : , : Imprint : Springer, , 2014
ISBN	3-319-03575-4
Edizione	[1st ed. 2014.]
Descrizione fisica	1 online resource (103 p.)
Collana	SpringerBriefs in Criminology, , 2192-8533 ; ; 12
Disciplina	362.29 615.58
Soggetti	Criminology Public health Criminology and Criminal Justice, general Public Health
Lingua di pubblicazione	Inglese
Formato	Materiale a stampa
Livello bibliografico	Monografia
Note generali	Description based upon print version of record.
Nota di bibliografia	Includes bibliographical references and index.
Nota di contenuto	New Trends in Drugs of Abuse -- Historical Comparison in Development of Drug Trends: Impact of Internet -- Case Studies of Emerging Drugs: Salvia Divinorum, Bath Salts and Research Chemicals -- Policies, Law Enforcement and Public Health Responses -- Drug Policy for the 21st Century.
Sommario/riassunto	This Brief explores emerging trends in drug use and distribution. This timely Brief examines recent examples of emerging drugs including salvia (from the plant Salvia divinorum), bath salts (and other synthetic stimulants) and so-called research chemicals (primarily substituted phenethylamines, synthetic cousins of ecstasy), which have tended to receive brief levels of high intensity media coverage that may or may not reflect an actual increase in their usage. Over the past decade in particular, "new" substances being used recreationally seem to come out of obscurity and gain rapid popularity, particularly spurred on by discussion and distribution over the internet. While changing trends in the drug market have always presented a challenge for law enforcement and public health officials, online forums, media coverage and other recent trends discussed in this Brief allow them to gain popularity more

quickly and change more frequently. These rapid shifts allow less time for researchers to understand the potential health consequences of these substances and for law enforcement to stay abreast of abuses of legal substances. This work includes: 1) review of relevant research and literature, 2) review the Internet sources in which many deem important in influencing the emerging drug market, 3) discussion of national and international trends in use, abuse and distribution of these substances and 4) examination of current drug policy and recommendations for the future. This brief will be useful for criminology and criminal justice, sociology and public health. It will also be useful for those that deal with youth and the problems that may develop during adolescence and early adulthood.
