The Federal Bureau of Investigation defines Drug/Narcotic Offenses as: “The violation of laws prohibiting the production, distribution, and/or use of certain controlled substances and the equipment or devices utilized in their preparation and/or use.”

**FACTS:**

- Drug Offenses per 1,000 people rose from 10.9 in 2010 to 13.6 in 2019
- Up to an ounce of marijuana was decriminalized in 2015, which corresponds with increased seizures.
- With Marijuana possession typically being a civil offense in Delaware, it is still federally illegal and is recorded as a criminal offense, a possible seizure, and no arrest typically.

**Drug/Narcotic Offenses by Year**

**2019 Seizures by Drug Type**

**2012-2019 Seizures by Drug Type**

**2019 Common Seizures by Drug Type & Month**

More Information:
Delaware Statistical Analysis Center, *Crime in Delaware reports 2010-2019*
Federal Bureau of Investigations, *National Incident Based Reporting System*
Other reports can be found here: [www.sac.delaware.gov/sac-publications/](http://www.sac.delaware.gov/sac-publications/)