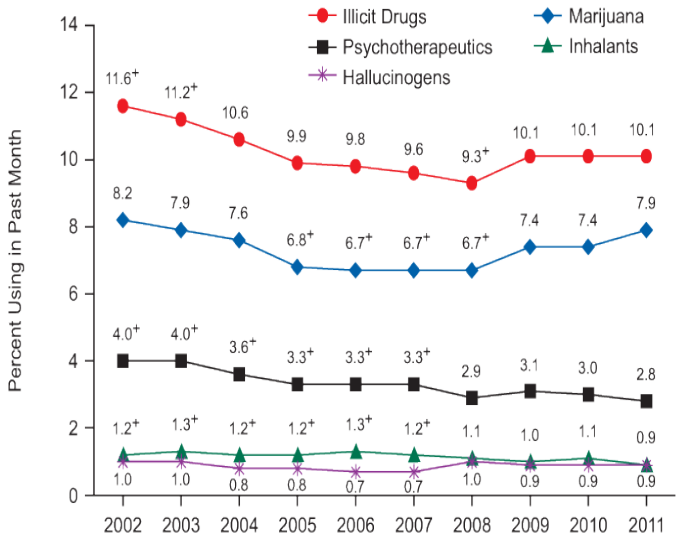
Graph of the Week
October 7-11, 2013

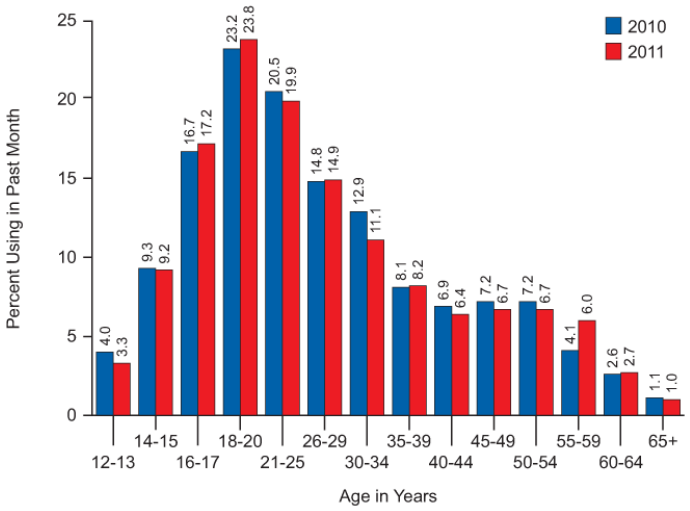
Analyze the graphs below and write a reflection on what you think the graphs are communicating to you. To guide you with your response, start with some observations.

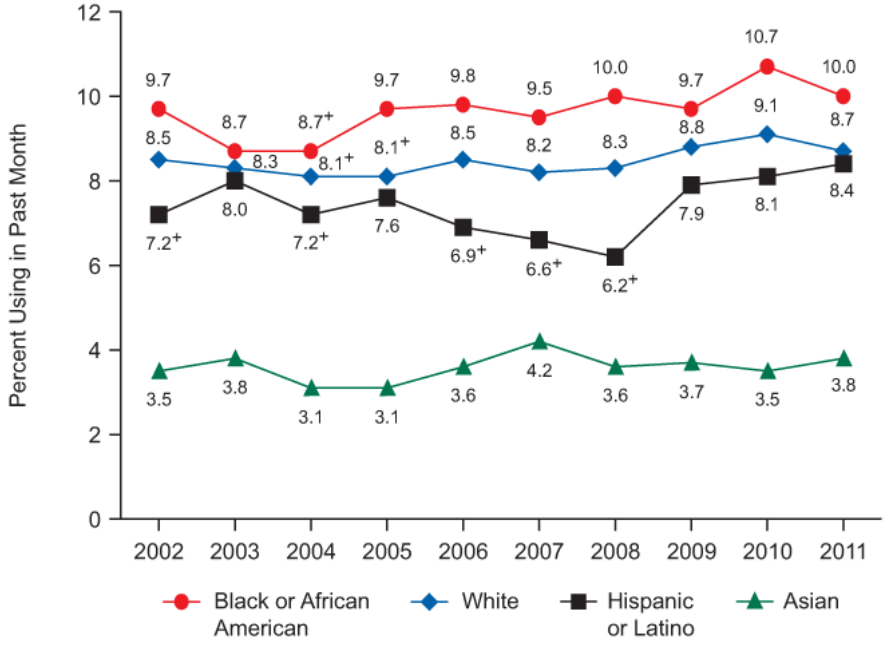
- What is the topic of the graph?
- What does the x-axis represent? What does the y-axis represent?
- What are some observations that you can make based on the graph?
- What do you foresee happening about 5 years from now?

Questions to ask when reading graphs:

- Is there an upward or downward trend?
- Are there any sudden spikes in the graph?
- What is being compared in the graph?
- What prediction can I make for the future?
- What inferences can I make about the graph?



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8.7+
9.7
9.8
9.5
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9.7
10.7
10.0
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9.1
8.7
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7.2+
7.6
6.9+
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Black or African American
White
Hispanic or Latino
Asian