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of amphetamines diverted from legitimate sources remains at a constant level with periodic reports of one thousand lots being available for rather short periods of time.

Generally throughout the Kansas City Region the percentage of amphetamines obtained from legitimate sources is relatively low when compared with the availability of clandestinely manufactured and counterfeit amphetamine products. The most common method of diversion utilized in the Kansas City Region is through the use of prescriptions, either forged or provided by a doctor. In the majority of these cases, the individual who obtains these prescriptions is also the ultimate consumer and does not intend to resell the amphetamines. If he does resell the amphetamines, the number involved is usually only a small percentage of that which was obtained. The other method of diverting drugs is through theft and diversion at the wholesale level. Amphetamines obtained through these methods are usually resold "on the street" to the ultimate consumer or a few levels from the ultimate consumer. Most thefts that do occur are from establishments that maintain small stocks of amphetamines, i.e. several thousand lots.

Throughout Region 10, the majority of case investigations involving amphetamines originating from legitimate sources are at the G-DEP level III or IV violators. These investiga-