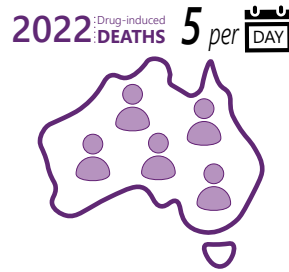


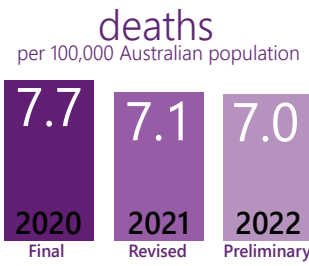
Overdose and Other Drug-Induced Deaths in Australia, 2022



Preliminary estimates indicate that there were 1,819 overdose and other drug-induced deaths in 2022 (excluding deaths caused by alcohol and tobacco).



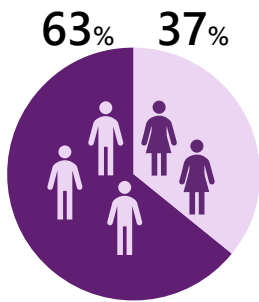
There were five overdose and other drug-induced deaths per day among Australians, which is around 1% of all registered deaths in Australia in 2022.



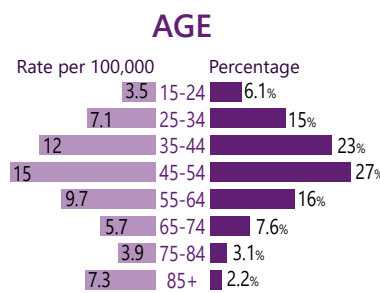
The preliminary rate of overdose and other drug-induced deaths in 2022 was similar to the revised rate in 2021; these rates are likely to further increase with data revisions.



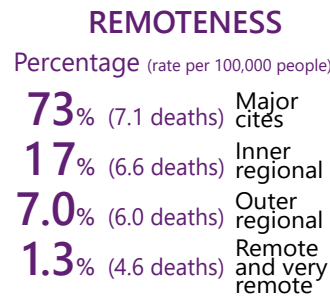
Preliminary data indicate 1,780 alcohol-induced deaths in 2022, equating to a rate of 6.2 deaths per 100,000 people, the highest across the course of monitoring.



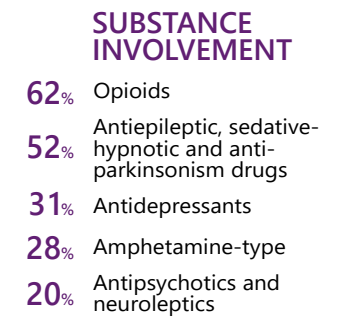
More than three in five overdose and other drug-induced deaths occurred among males.



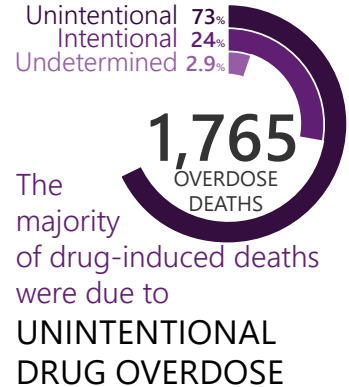
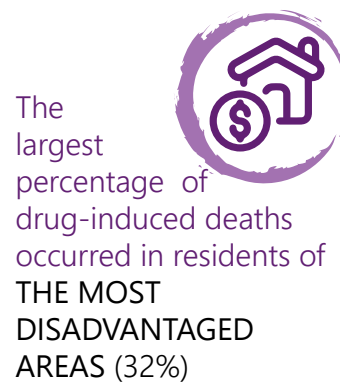
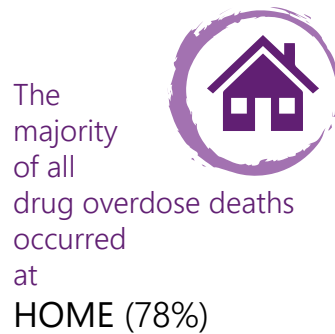
Overdose and other drug-induced deaths were most common among 45-54 and 35-44 year olds.



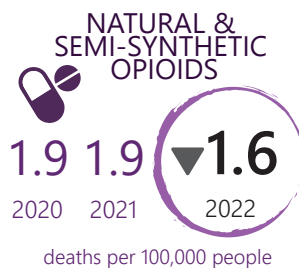
The majority of overdose and other drug-induced deaths occurred in major city areas.



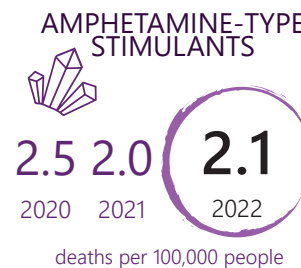
Opioids were the most commonly identified substances involved in drug overdose deaths.



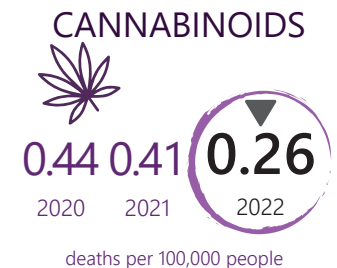
The estimated rate of overdose deaths involving heroin in 2022 was similar to the rate in 2020; the rate in 2021 was significantly lower.



The rate of overdose deaths involving natural and semi-synthetic opioids was lower in 2022 compared to 2021.



The rate of overdose deaths involving amphetamine-type stimulants was similar in 2021 and 2022.



The rate of overdose deaths involving cannabinoids was lower in 2022 compared to 2021, aligning with an overall decrease since 2018.