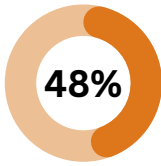


2024 SAMPLE CHARACTERISTICS



EDRS

Ecstasy and Related Drugs Reporting System



25 years Female

The median age in 2024 was 25, and 48% identified as female.

Current students **39%**
Full time work **23%**
Unemployed **18%**



In the 2024 sample, 39% were current students, 23% were employed full time and 18% were unemployed.



Ecstasy



Cocaine



Other stimulants

Participants were recruited on the basis that they had consumed ecstasy and/or other illicit stimulants at least monthly in the past 6 months.

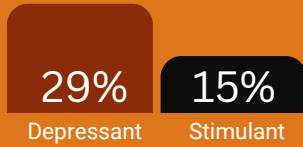
In 2024, 100 participants, recruited from Melbourne, VIC were interviewed.

DRUG-RELATED HARMS AND RISKS

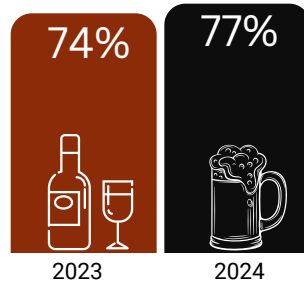
Drug driving **49%**
Drink driving **16%**



Among recent drivers, 49% reported driving a vehicle within 3 hours of consuming illicit drugs and 16% while over the legal limit of alcohol.



Percentage who reported past year non-fatal depressant and stimulant overdose.



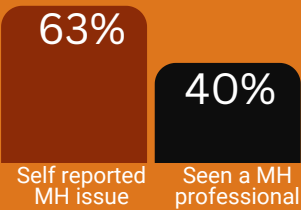
Percentage who obtained an AUDIT score of eight or more, indicative of past year hazardous alcohol use.

Two or more drugs **85%**
Depressants & stimulants **29%**
Depressants, stimulants & hallucinogens/dissociatives **9%**

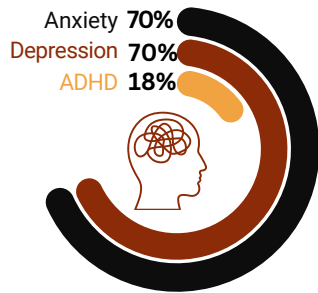


In 2024, 85% reported using two or more drugs on the last occasion of ecstasy or related drug use: the most commonly used combination of drug classes was depressants and stimulants (29%).

OTHER BEHAVIOURS



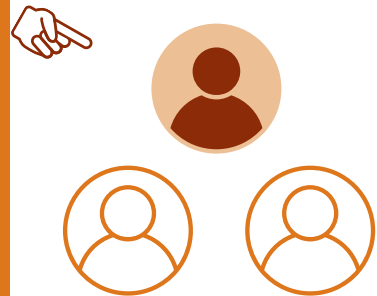
Percentage who self-reported mental health problems and treatment seeking in the six months preceding interview.



Among those who reported a mental health problem, the three most common mental health issues were anxiety, depression and ADHD.



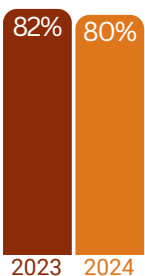
Percentage who reported that they or someone else had tested the content and/or purity of their illicit drugs in Australia in the past year.



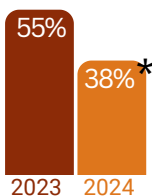
31% of the sample reported experiencing stigma because of their illicit drug use in the six months preceding interview, most commonly from police.

PAST 6 MONTH USE OF SELECT DRUGS

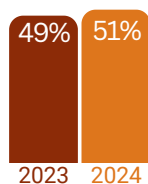
Ketamine



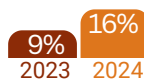
LSD



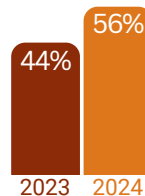
Hallucinogenic mushrooms/psilocybin



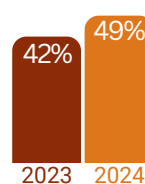
GHB/GBL/1,4-BD



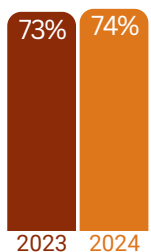
Amyl Nitrite



Nitrous oxide (nangs)

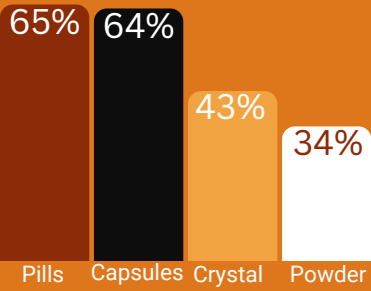


E-cigarettes

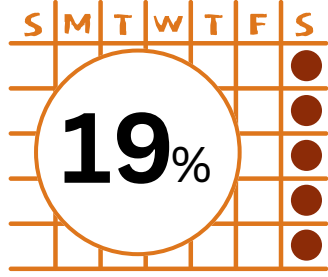


ECSTASY

FORM of ecstasy



Past 6 month use of ecstasy capsules, crystal, pills, and powder in 2024.



Of those who had recently used any ecstasy, 19% reported weekly or more frequent use, stable from 2023 (9%).



2 Capsules



2 Pills

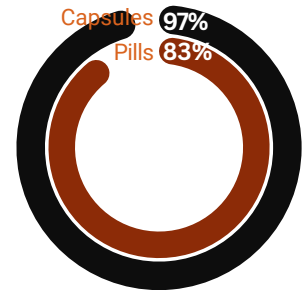


0.25 grams of crystal



0.40 grams of powder

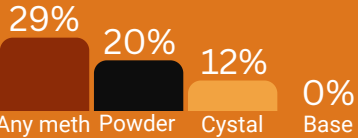
Median amounts of ecstasy consumed in a 'typical' session.



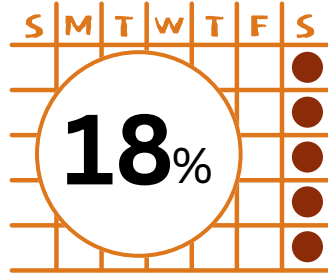
Percentage who perceived capsules and pills as being 'easy' or 'very easy' to obtain.

METHAMPHETAMINE

FORM of methamphetamine



Past 6 month use of any methamphetamine, crystal, powder and base in 2024.



Of those who had recently used any methamphetamine, 18% reported weekly or more frequent use, stable from 2023 (17%).

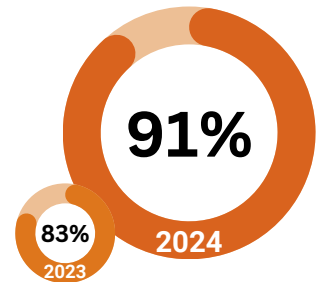
92%

Smoked crystal

85%

Snorted powder

92% of participants who had recently used crystal smoked it. Of those who had recently used powder, 85% snorted it.



Percentage who perceived crystal methamphetamine as being 'easy' or 'very easy' to obtain.

COCAINE

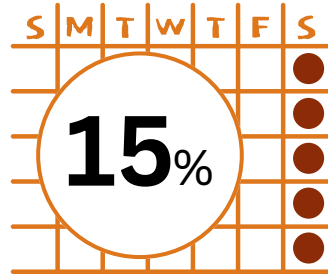
90% 2023

80% 2024

2023

2024

Past 6 month use of any cocaine remained stable between 2023 and 2024.



Of those who had recently consumed cocaine, 15% reported weekly or more frequent use, stable from 2023 (6%).

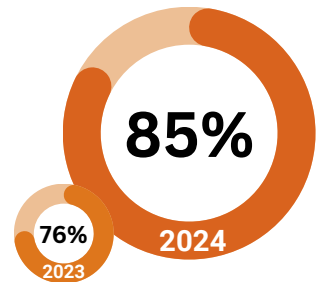


\$350 2023 \$350* 2024

2023

2024

The median reported price for a gram of cocaine.



Percentage who perceived cocaine as being 'easy' or 'very easy' to obtain.

CANNABIS AND/OR CANNABINOID-RELATED PRODUCTS

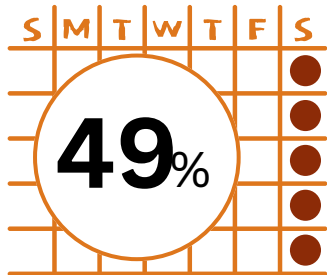
67% 2023

72% 2024

2023

2024

Past 6 month use of non-prescribed cannabis and/or cannabinoid-related products was stable between 2023 and 2024.



Of those who had recently used non-prescribed cannabis, 49% reported weekly or more frequent use, stable from 2023 (51%).



Of participants who had consumed cannabis in the last 6 months, 90% had smoked it (44% swallowed and 28% vaped it).



HYDRO

95%

90%

BUSH



Percentage who perceived cannabis/cannabinoid-related products as being 'easy' or 'very easy' to obtain (stable from 2023).