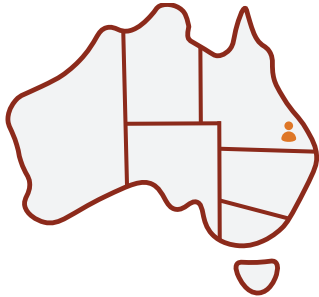


2023 SAMPLE CHARACTERISTICS

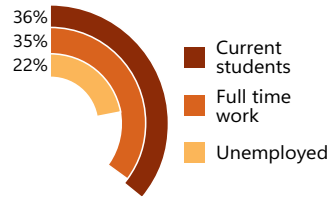


In 2023, 102 participants, recruited from Brisbane/Gold Coast, QLD were interviewed.

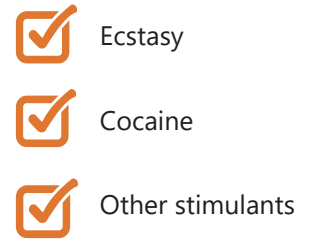


26 years 59%

The median age in 2023 was 26, and 59% identified as male.

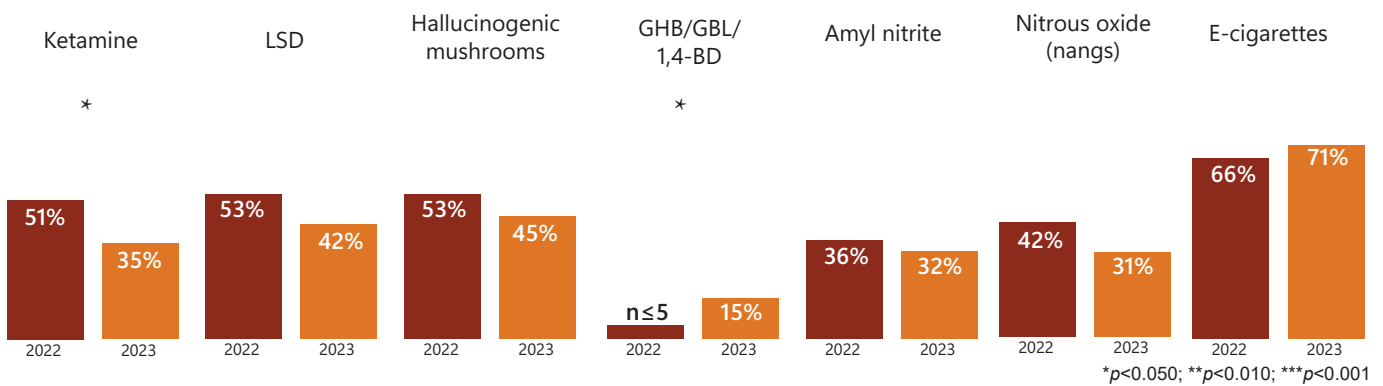


In the 2023 sample, 36% were current students, 35% were employed full time and 22% were unemployed.

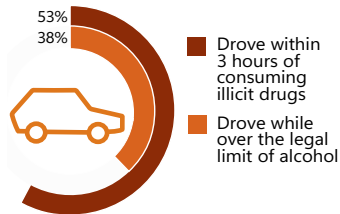


Participants were recruited on the basis that they had consumed ecstasy and/or other illicit stimulants at least monthly in the past 6 months.

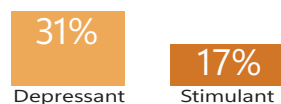
PAST 6 MONTH USE OF OTHER DRUGS



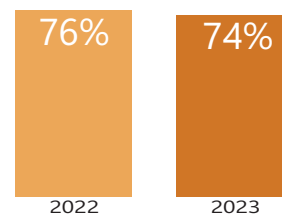
DRUG-RELATED HARMS AND RISKS



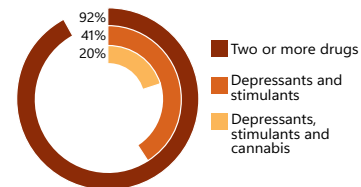
Among recent drivers, 53% reported driving a vehicle within 3 hours of consuming illicit drugs and 38% while over the legal limit of alcohol.



In the 2023 sample, 31% reported a non-fatal depressant overdose in the previous 12 months, and 17% reported a non-fatal stimulant overdose.

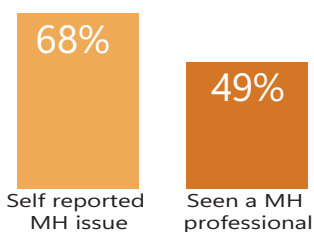


74% of the sample obtained an AUDIT score of eight or more, indicative of past year hazardous alcohol use (76% in 2022).

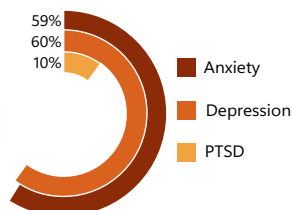


On the last occasion of ecstasy or related drug use, 92% used two or more drugs, 41% used both stimulants and depressants, and 20% used stimulants, depressants and cannabis.

OTHER BEHAVIOURS



In the total sample, 68% self reported a mental health issue and 49% had seen a mental health professional in the past 6 months.



Of those who commented, the three most common mental health issues reported were depression (60%), anxiety (59%), and PTSD (10%).

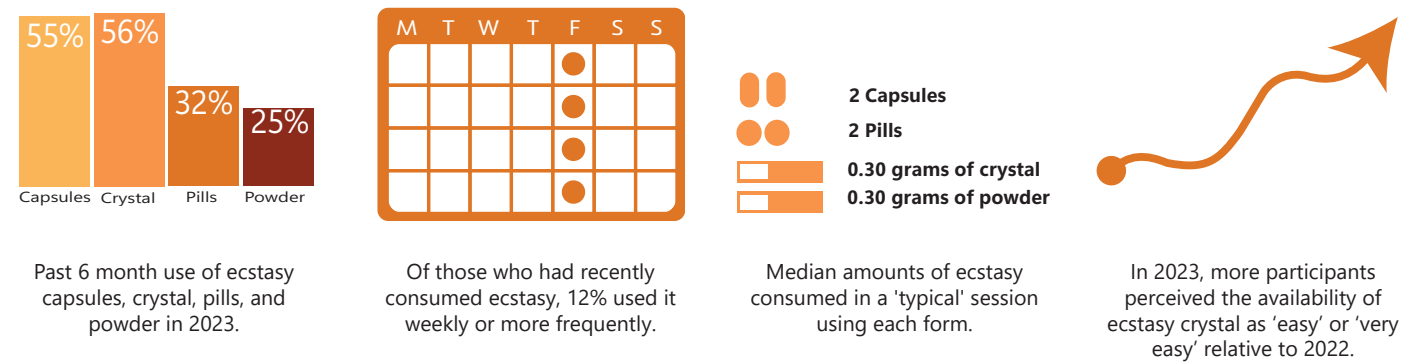


24% of the sample reported that they or someone else had tested the content and/or purity of their illicit drugs in Australia in the past year.

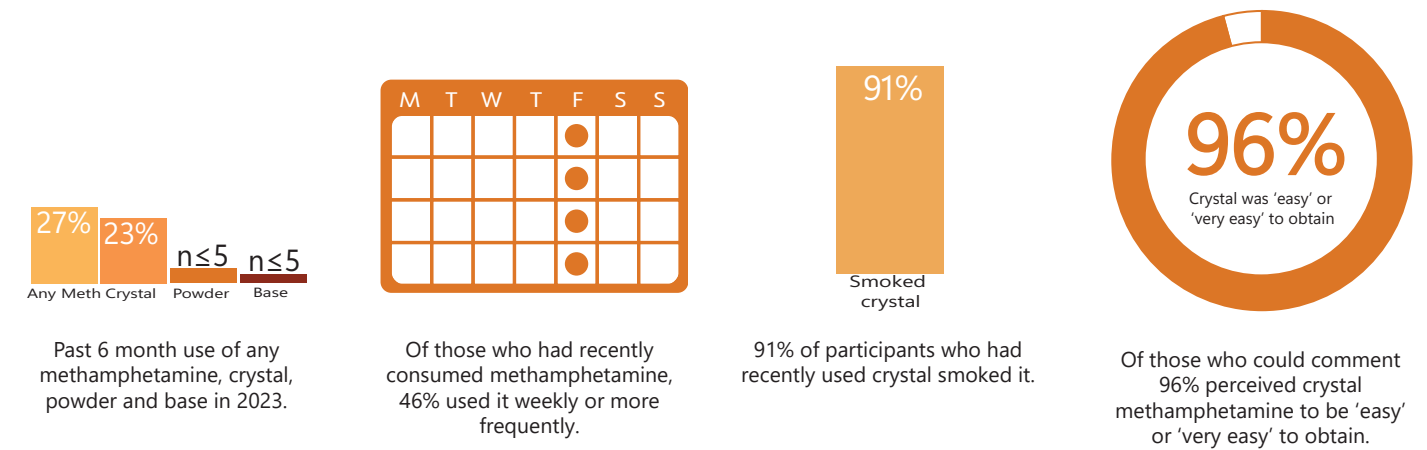


27% of the sample reported experiencing stigma because of their illicit drug use in the six months preceding interview, most commonly from police or a GP.

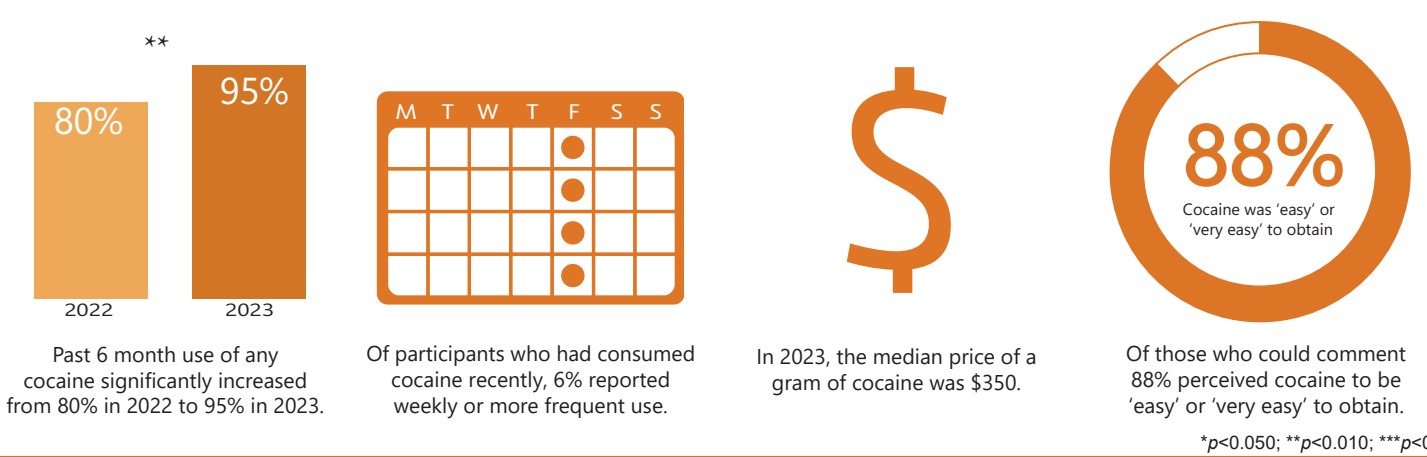
ECSTASY



METHAMPHETAMINE



COCAINE



CANNABIS AND/OR CANNABINOID-RELATED PRODUCTS

