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Household Survey

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Foreword

This report presents the summary results from the 2004 National Drug Strategy Household Survey and is the thirteenth report in the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare’s (AIHW) Drug Statistics Series. The main survey report—subtitled Detailed Findings—will be published later in 2005.

The AIHW undertook the survey at the request of the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing. The survey project was approved by both the AIHW Health Ethics Committee and the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing’s Ethics Committee. For the second time, the survey was conducted under AIHW legislation, providing a very high level of protection to the personal information collected in the survey.

Custody of the survey data set rests with the AIHW and is protected by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare Act 1987. Public use of the confidentialised data set is available through the Australian Social Science Data Archives at the Australian National University.

The release of First Results represents a timely and substantial contribution to research and debate on the drug-related knowledge, attitudes and behaviours of Australians.

I am pleased that the AIHW has been able to undertake this important survey on a topic of high policy concern to all levels of government and the community.

I would like to pay particular tribute to Amber Summerill for her role in managing the survey and authoring the report, to co-authors Suraiya Nargis and Mark Cooper-Stanbury, and the department’s officers who worked closely with the AIHW team in all phases of the survey.

The participation of almost 30,000 Australians in a survey of a highly personal nature is very much appreciated.

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Summary

The 2004 National Drug Strategy Household Survey

The 2004 National Drug Strategy Household Survey was conducted between June and November 2004. This was the eighth and largest survey in a series which commenced in 1985, and was the third to be managed by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW). Almost 30,000 Australians aged 12 years and older participated in the survey, in which they were asked about their knowledge of and attitudes towards drugs, their drug consumption histories, and related behaviours. To enable comparisons over time, many of the analyses reported in the 2004 First Results report are based on the population aged 14 years and over.

Tobacco

Almost half of Australians aged 14 years and over had smoked 100 cigarettes or the equivalent amount of tobacco at some time in their lives, but one in five had smoked in the last 12 months. The proportion of the population aged 14 years and over who smoked daily declined by two percentage points between 2001 and 2004, to 17.4%. However, the average age at which smokers took up tobacco remained stable at 16 years.

Tobacco was thought to be associated with a drug ‘problem’ by 3.3% of Australians aged 14 years and over and 39.3% accepted the regular use of tobacco by adults. Tobacco was the second most accessible drug: one in every two Australians aged 14 years and over was offered or had the opportunity to use tobacco in the last 12 months.

Daily smokers were more likely than other recent smokers or non-smokers to report high or very high levels of psychological distress.

Alcohol

Nine out of every ten Australians aged 14 years and over had tried alcohol at some time in their lives and 83.6% had consumed alcohol in the 12 months preceding the 2004 survey. The proportion of the population drinking daily remained stable (8.9%) between 2001 and 2004 as did the average age at which people had their first full serve of alcohol (17 years of age). The proportion of teenagers drinking at least weekly (around 25%) declined over the period.

One in seven people admitted to driving a motor vehicle and one in 17 verbally abused someone while under the influence of alcohol. One-quarter of Australians aged 14 years and over had been verbally abused and 4.4% had been physically abused by someone under the influence of alcohol.

Alcohol was thought to be associated with a drug ‘problem’ by one in ten Australians (10%) aged 14 years and over, whereas 77.0% accepted the regular use of alcohol by adults. Alcohol
was the most accessible drug: four in five Australians aged 14 years and over were offered or had the opportunity to use alcohol in the last 12 months. High-risk and risky drinkers were more likely than low-risk drinkers or abstainers to experience high or very high levels of psychological distress.

Illicit drugs

Almost two in every five Australians had used an illicit drug at some time in their lives and almost one in seven had used illicit drugs in the previous 12 months. Between 2001 and 2004, there was a decline in the proportion of the population, from 16.9% to 15.3%, who had used an illicit drug in the past 12 months. Recent marijuana/cannabis use, in particular, has dropped significantly between 2001 and 2004, from 12.9% to 11.3%.

The average age at which new users first tried illicit drugs increased to 19.4 years of age. The most accessible illicit drugs were painkillers/analgesics and marijuana/cannabis—41.3% and 20.6% of the population respectively were offered or had the opportunity to use these drugs.

Driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of illicit drugs was reported by 3.3% of Australians aged 14 years or over. One in ten persons were verbally abused and one in 60 were physically abused by someone affected by illicit drugs.

Almost nine in every ten Australians aged 14 years and over primarily associated an illicit drug with a drug ‘problem’. Although the proportion of Australians approving the regular use of illicit drugs was low, one in five accepted the regular use of marijuana by adults.

Almost two in five persons who used an illicit drug in the past month reported high or very high levels of psychological distress.
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Abbreviations and symbols

Abbreviations

AIHW  Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
CATI  Computer-assisted telephone interview
CURF  Confidentialised unit record file
MCDS  Ministerial Council on Drug Strategy
NCADA National Campaign Against Drug Abuse
NHMRC National Health and Medical Research Council
NDS  National Drug Strategy
SE  Standard error
RSE  Relative standard error

Symbols

—  nil, or rounded to zero
..  not applicable
#  2004 result significantly different from 2001 result (2-tailed $\alpha = 0.05$)
n.a.  not available
1 Introduction

The National Drug Strategy

The National Drug Strategy 2004–2009 (NDS), formerly the National Campaign Against Drug Abuse (NCADA), provides a framework for a coordinated, integrated approach to drug issues in the Australian community. The mission of the NDS is to improve health, social and economic outcomes by preventing the uptake of harmful drug use and reducing the harmful effects of licit and illicit drugs in Australian society.

The National Drug Strategy is the responsibility of the Ministerial Council on Drug Strategy (MCDS). The MCDS is a national ministerial-level forum responsible for developing policies and programs to reduce the harm caused by drugs to individuals, families and communities in Australia. The MCDS is the peak policy — and decision — making body on licit and illicit drugs in Australia. It brings together Australian government, state and territory ministers responsible for health and law enforcement, and the Australian government minister responsible for education. The MCDS is responsible for ensuring that Australia has a nationally coordinated and integrated approach to reducing the substantial harm associated with drug use.

Drug-related costs

Tobacco, alcohol and illicit drug use contributes to significant illness and disease, injury, workplace concerns, violence, crime, and breakdowns in families and relationships in Australia (MCDS 2004). Collins and Lapsley (2002) estimated that the economic costs associated with licit and illicit drug use in 1998–99 amounted to $34.5 billion, of which tobacco accounted for 60%, alcohol 22%, and illicit drugs 17%.

About the 2004 survey

The 2004 National Drug Strategy Household Survey was built on the design of the 2001 survey, making it the most comprehensive survey concerning licit and illicit drug use ever undertaken in Australia. Almost 30,000 people aged 12 years and over provided information on their drug use patterns, attitudes and behaviours. The sample was based on households, therefore homeless and institutionalised persons were not included in the survey (consistent with the approach in previous years).

The survey was the eighth conducted under the auspices of the NDS. Previous surveys were conducted in 1985, 1988, 1991, 1993, 1995, 1998 and 2001. The data collected from these surveys have contributed to the development of policies for Australia’s response to drug-related issues.
Comparison with previous surveys

The methodology of the 2004 survey differed slightly from that of previous surveys: a discussion of the main differences is presented in chapter 6.

The 2004 survey used the drop and collect method and the computer-assisted telephone interview (CATI) method to collect information from respondents. The CATI results were scrutinised by the Technical Advisory Group and it was agreed that these results were sufficiently comparable with the drop and collect method to support inclusion in the survey data set.

The 2004 sample (29,445) included almost 2,000 more respondents that the 2001 sample, was almost three times larger than the 1998 sample (10,030) and around eight times larger than the 1995 and 1993 samples (3,850 and 3,500 respectively). Due to the greater sample size, the 2004 estimates should be the most reliable.

Questions relating to tobacco cessation attitudes and alcohol literacy were included in 2004. Questions relating to use of ketamine and GHB were also included for the first time as were physical and mental health measures. There was a minor change in the wording of questions used to determine use of amphetamine-type stimulants including methamphetamine and ecstasy.

This report applies the National Health Data Dictionary (NHDC 2003) definition of tobacco smoking status, notably relating to ex-smokers and never-smokers where a threshold of 100 cigarettes is used. Data are presented for 1998 (revised), 2001 and 2004; however, the definition is not applicable to previous survey data.

About this report

The report presents estimates derived from survey responses weighted to the Australian population aged 12 years and over or 14 years and over as specified. It is important to note that 12 and 13 year olds were surveyed for the first time in 2004. Not all questions were asked of all respondents and the age of the population of interest differs from table to table.

The chapters examine status of drug use in 2004, patterns of consumption, community support for drug-related policy and drug-related activities. A chapter detailing the survey methodology, response rates, reliability and definitions (Chapter 6) is provided. Estimates of sampling errors are presented in Appendix 2 and a copy of the survey instrument is provided in Appendix 5.

Prevalence figures and population estimates are provided for information, regardless of their levels of statistical reliability. For a number of the measures with low prevalence, resultant estimates are more likely to be statistically less reliable than the same measures with high prevalence. Readers are reminded, therefore, that when interpreting results, reference should always be made to the table of standard errors and relative standard errors (Appendix 2). Results subject to relative standard errors of between 25% and 50% should be considered with caution and those with relative standard errors greater than 50% should be considered as unreliable for most practical purposes. For selected ‘recent use’ tables, the significance of change from 2001 to 2004 is presented. The difference is shown to be statistically significant if the z-statistic of the pooled estimate of the two rates being compared is > 1.96 or < −1.96.

The totals of some percentages and numbers may not add up to the total provided (or 100) due to rounding.
2 Overview—the status of drug use in 2004

The drugs most accepted by, available to and used by Australians aged 14 years and over were the licit drugs: tobacco and alcohol. Overwhelmingly, the use of illicit drugs by adults was not accepted and increased penalties for the sale and supply of these drugs were supported. Most Australians did not want illicit drugs legalised and illicit drugs were more likely than licit drugs to be associated with the concept of a drug ‘problem’.

Drugs recently used (in the last 12 months)

Between 1993 and 2004, the proportions of persons aged 14 years and over recently using alcohol increased and the proportions using illicit drugs declined with few exceptions. Comparison of recent use of tobacco is possible only for 1998, 2001 and 2004 due to a change in definition.

Table 2.1: Summary of recent\(^{(a)}\) drug use: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, Australia, 1993 to 2004

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\(^{(a)}\) Used in the last 12 months. For tobacco and alcohol, ‘recent use’ means daily, weekly and less-than-weekly smokers and drinkers respectively.

\(^{(b)}\) For non-medical purposes.

\(^{(c)}\) Non-maintenance.

\(^{(d)}\) This category included substances known as ‘Designer drugs’ prior to 2004.

# 2001 result significantly different from 2004 result (2-tailed \( \alpha = 0.05 \)).
• Between 1998 (24.9%) and 2004 (20.7%) there was a decline in the proportion of persons who had recently smoked tobacco.
• The proportion of the population recently using alcohol increased over the 11-year period, from 73.0% in 1993 to 83.6% in 2004.
• Recent use of marijuana/cannabis rose and fell over the period, with the proportion of recent users in 2004 (11.3%) dropping to the lowest proportion seen over the 11-year period.

Drugs ever used

In 2004, alcohol and tobacco were the drugs most commonly ever used by the Australian community (Table 2.2). With the exception of marijuana/cannabis, the proportion of the population who had used illicit drugs at some time in their life was relatively low.

Table 2.2: Summary of drugs ever used/tried: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, Australia, 1993 to 2004

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(a) Tried at least once in lifetime.
(b) Used at least once in lifetime.
(c) For non-medical purposes.
(d) Non-maintenance.
(e) This category included substances known as ‘Designer drugs’ prior to 2004.

Notes
1. For tobacco, 1998, 2001 and 2004 figures represent proportions of the population who have smoked more than 100 cigarettes in their lifetime.
2. For alcohol, figures represent proportions of the population who have consumed a full glass of alcohol.
3. 2001 result significantly different from 2004 result (2-tailed α = 0.05).
Almost one in two (47.1%) Australians aged 14 years and over in 2004 had smoked at least 100 cigarettes or the equivalent amount of tobacco in their lifetime, declining from the proportion in 2001 (49.4%).

In 2004, nine out of every ten (90.7%) people had consumed a full glass of alcohol in their lifetime. Over the period from 1993 to 2004, this has not changed substantially.

Marijuana/cannabis had been used by one-third of Australians aged 14 years and over in 2004 (33.6%).

Over one-third of the population of Australians aged 14 years and over had ever used any illicit drug (38.1%).

Age of initiation—ever used

The mean ages at which Australians first used licit and illicit drugs remained stable or rose slightly between 1995 and 2004 (Table 2.3).

Table 2.3: Age of initiation(a) of lifetime drug use, Australia, 1995 to 2004

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(a) Age first tried/used drug.
(b) For non-medical purposes.
(c) Non-maintenance.
(d) This category included substances known as ‘Designer drugs’ prior to 2004.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

For tobacco and alcohol, the mean ages of initiation remained relatively stable between 1995 and 2004 at around 16 years of age for tobacco and 17 years of age for alcohol.

The mean age of initiation for first use of all illicit substances surveyed either remained stable or increased between 2001 and 2004.
Availability of drugs

Survey respondents were asked whether they had been offered or had the opportunity to use selected drugs in the preceding 12 months (Table 2.4).

Table 2.4: Offered or had the opportunity to use selected drugs: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by sex, Australia, 2001, 2004

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(a) For non-medical purposes.
(b) This category included substances known as 'Designer drugs' prior to 2004.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- Six in ten Australians (52.8%) aged 14 years and over had been offered or had tobacco available for use, whereas nine in ten (90.3%) had been offered or had alcohol available for use.
- Availability of alcohol remained stable between 2001 and 2004 but declined for tobacco to 52.8% in 2004 from 57.2% in 2001.
- Approximately one-fifth (20.6%) of the population were offered or had the opportunity to use marijuana/cannabis. The proportion with access to marijuana/cannabis was slightly lower than in 2001 (24.2%).
- The availability of all other illicit drugs surveyed remained stable or declined slightly over the period.
Drugs thought to be associated with a drug ‘problem’

Respondents were asked to name the drug they thought of when people talked about a drug ‘problem’. Although the public perceived the same three drugs to be primarily associated with a drug problem in 2001 and 2004, there were differences in degree (Table 2.5).

Table 2.5: Drug first nominated(a) when asked about a specific ‘drug problem’: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by sex, Australia, 2001, 2004

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(a) Respondents were allowed to nominate up to two drugs.
(b) For non-medical purposes.
(c) This category included substances known as ‘Designer drugs’ prior to 2004.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

Of the drugs ‘first thought of’ as associated with a drug ‘problem’:

- The proportion of persons nominating heroin decreased sharply from 50.1% in 2001 to 39.4% in 2004. This degree of change was observed for both males and females.
- Marijuana/cannabis was nominated by 29.2% of respondents in 2004, an increase over the proportion in 2001 (23.7%).
- The proportion of respondents nominating alcohol increased from 7.8% in 2001 to 10.0% in 2004. The increase was similar for both males and females.
- The proportion of persons nominating tobacco also increased slightly between 2001 (2.7%) and 2004 (3.3%).
- Other notable increases were seen for meth/amphetamines, cocaine and ecstasy.
Acceptability of drug use

In 2004 the licit drugs—tobacco and alcohol—were considered the most acceptable for regular use by adults by two out of five and three out of four Australians, respectively (Table 2.6). For the majority of the illicit drugs, less than 5% of Australians aged 14 years and over in 2004 thought that regular use by adults was acceptable.

Table 2.6: Regular drug use by adults acceptable: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by sex, Australia, 2001, 2004

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(a) For non-medical purposes.
(b) Non-maintenance.
(c) This category included substances known as ‘Designer drugs’ prior to 2004.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- Regular use of alcohol by adults was considered acceptable by more than three-quarters (77.0%) of Australians aged 14 years and over in 2004, remaining relatively stable since 2001 (74.7%). Females were less likely than males in both 2001 and 2004 to consider the regular use of alcohol acceptable.
- Regular use of tobacco by adults was considered acceptable by similar proportions of persons in 2004 (39.3%) as in 2001 (39.7%). Males (42.1%) considered such use more acceptable than females (36.5%).
- Almost one-quarter (23.2%) of Australians aged 14 years and over considered the regular use of marijuana/cannabis acceptable in 2004, remaining stable from 2001 (23.8%). Males were more likely than females, in both 2001 and 2004, to consider the regular use of marijuana/cannabis by adults acceptable.
Support for the legalisation of illicit drugs

Support for the legalisation of illicit drugs declined slightly between 2001 and 2004 (Table 2.7).

Table 2.7: Support(a) for the personal use of selected drugs being made legal: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by sex, Australia, 2001, 2004

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(a) Support or strongly support (calculations based on those respondents who were informed enough to indicate their level of support)

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- Support for the legalisation of personal use of marijuana/cannabis in 2004 (27.0%) declined from 2001 (29.1%). Males (29.6%) were more likely than females (24.4%) to support legalisation.
- Levels of support for the legalisation of heroin, cocaine and amphetamines also declined between 2001 and 2004. Overall, the proportions supporting legalisation for personal use declined to fewer than one in 20 Australians aged 14 years and over. Males were slightly more likely to support legalisation than females.

Nominal distribution of a drugs budget

Respondents were asked how they would distribute $100 to be spent on education, law enforcement and treatment for each of a selected list of drugs (Table 2.8).

Table 2.8: Preferred distribution of a hypothetical $100 for reducing the use of selected drugs, Australia, 2001, 2004

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Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

In 2004:
- For tobacco ($45.60), marijuana/cannabis ($41.70) and alcohol ($40.80), the amount nominated to be spent on education exceeded amounts for both treatment and law enforcement.
- For heroin/cocaine ($43.90) and amphetamines ($41.40), law enforcement attracted the largest component of the $100 budget.
Between 2001 and 2004:

- The proportion of $100 preferred to be spent on education remained relatively stable for all of the selected drugs.
- The proportion of $100 preferred to be spent on treatment rose slightly for all of the selected drugs between 2001 and 2004.
- The proportion of $100 preferred to be spent on law enforcement declined slightly for all of the selected drugs. The greatest decline was for heroin/cocaine, declining from $45.90 in 2001 to $43.90 in 2004.

**Support for increased penalties for the sale or supply of illicit drugs**

Respondents were asked to consider to what extent they would support or oppose increased penalties for the sale or supply of a selected group of illicit drugs. Between 2001 and 2004, there was a decline in the level of support for increased penalties for the sale or supply of selected illicit drugs (Table 2.9).

**Table 2.9: Support(a) for increased penalties for the sale or supply of selected illicit drugs, proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by sex, Australia, 2001, 2004**

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<td>Meth/amphetamines (speed)</td>
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<td>87.7</td>
<td>86.1</td>
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<td>84.6</td>
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(a) Support or strongly support (calculations based on those respondents who were informed enough to indicate their level of support).

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- In 2004, there were lower levels of support for increased penalties for the sale or supply of illicit drugs, compared with 2001.
- As seen in 2001, females were more likely than their male counterparts to support increased penalties for sale or supply. For example in 2004, 62.0% of females support increased penalties for the sale or supply of marijuana/cannabis compared with 54.2% of males.
3 Consumption patterns

Tobacco

Between 1991 and 2004, daily tobacco smoking rates declined by almost 30% to the lowest levels seen over the 13-year period (Table 3.1).

Table 3.1: Tobacco smoking status: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, Australia, 1991 to 2004

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(a) Smoked at least 100 cigarettes (manufactured and/or roll-your-own) or the equivalent amount of tobacco in their life, and no longer smoke.
(b) Never smoked 100 cigarettes (manufactured and/or roll-your-own) or the equivalent amount of tobacco in their life.
# 2001 result significantly different from 2004 result (2-tailed α = 0.05).

• In 2004, 17.4% of the population aged 14 years and over reported smoking daily, declining from 19.5% in 2001. The proportion of the population smoking less than weekly also declined over the 3-year period, from 2.0% in 2001 to 1.6% in 2004.

• More than one-quarter of Australians aged 14 years and over had ceased smoking. The proportion of ex-smokers was similar in 2001 (26.2%) and 2004 (26.4%).

Tobacco use by sex

• Fewer than one in five Australians aged 14 years and over smoked daily in 2004. Males were more likely to smoke daily than females in 2004 (Table 3.2).

Table 3.2: Tobacco smoking status: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by sex, Australia, 2001, 2004

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(b) Never smoked 100 cigarettes (manufactured and/or roll-your-own) or the equivalent amount of tobacco in their life.
# 2001 result significantly different from 2004 result (2-tailed α = 0.05).
• The proportion of males who smoke less than weekly declined between 2001 (2.6%) and 2004 (1.9%).

• In 2004, females (57.5%) were more likely than males (48.2%) to have never smoked a cigarette.

**Tobacco use by age**

In 2004, age-specific smoking prevalence peaked for daily, weekly and less-than-weekly smokers in the 20–29 years age group. The age group with the lowest proportion of daily smokers was the 60 years and over age group (Table 3.3).

**Table 3.3: Tobacco smoking status: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by age and sex, Australia, 2004**

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(a) Smoked at least 100 cigarettes (manufactured and/or roll-your-own) or the equivalent amount of tobacco in their life, and no longer smoke.

(b) Never smoked 100 cigarettes (manufactured and/or roll-your-own) or the equivalent amount of tobacco in their life.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

• One in seven teenagers (aged 14–19 years) smoked tobacco in 2004, with 10.7% smoking daily. A further 1.6% smoked weekly and 1.2% smoked less than weekly. More than four in five (83.3%) teenagers had never smoked.

• Female teenagers (11.9%) were more likely than male teenagers (9.5%) to be daily smokers. For all other ages, males had higher smoking rates than females.

• Smoking rates peaked in the 20–29 years age group: 23.5% smoked daily, 3.2% smoked weekly and 2.9% smoked less than weekly.
Tobacco use of younger people

Estimates of tobacco use by younger people should be interpreted with caution due to the low prevalence and smaller sample sizes for these age groups (Table 3.4).

Table 3.4: Tobacco smoking status: proportion of the population aged 12–19 years and all ages, by age and sex, Australia, 2004

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(a) Smoked at least 100 cigarettes (manufactured and/or roll-your-own) or the equivalent amount of tobacco in their life, and no longer smoke.
(b) Never smoked 100 cigarettes (manufactured and/or roll-your-own) or the equivalent amount of tobacco in their life.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- Fewer than one in twelve persons aged 12–19 years reported smoking daily in 2004.
- In 2004, approximately 96% of 12–15-year-olds reported having never smoked a cigarette; this result was consistent for both males and females.
- In 2004, 16–17-year-old females were almost twice as likely as their male counterparts to smoke daily.
Population estimates of the number of smokers

It is estimated that in 2004 approximately 2.9 million Australians aged 14 years and over were daily smokers (Table 3.5).

Table 3.5: Tobacco: number of tobacco smokers, by tobacco smoking status, by age and sex, Australia, 2004

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<th>Smoking status</th>
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<td>333,700</td>
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<td>Weekly</td>
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<td>177,500</td>
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<td>456,700</td>
<td>517,600</td>
<td>841,800</td>
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<td>1,187,200</td>
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(a) Smoked at least 100 cigarettes (manufactured and/or roll-your-own) or the equivalent amount of tobacco in their life, and no longer smoke.

(b) Never smoked 100 cigarettes (manufactured and/or roll-your-own) or the equivalent amount of tobacco in their life.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- Almost 3 million Australians smoked daily, with a further 530,000 weekly or less-than-weekly smokers. There were more male daily smokers (1.5m) than female daily smokers (1.4m).
- There were approximately 200,000 fewer daily smokers in 2004 compared with 2001.
- Approximately 180,000 teenagers smoked daily. There were fewer male teenage daily smokers (80,600) than female teenage daily smokers (96,900).
- The number of ex-smokers (4.3m) and persons who had never smoked (8.7m) far exceeded the number of smokers in 2004.
**Number of cigarettes smoked**

The mean number of cigarettes smoked per week was highest in the 50–59 years age group, and lowest among teenagers (Table 3.6). The number of cigarettes smoked among recent tobacco smokers includes both manufactured and ‘roll-your-own’ cigarettes.

Table 3.6: Recent(a) tobacco smokers: mean number of cigarettes smoked per week, by age and sex, Australia, 2004

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<td>50–59</td>
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<td>60+</td>
<td>109.4</td>
<td>99.7</td>
<td>105.3</td>
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<tr>
<td>Aged 14+</td>
<td>102.9</td>
<td>93.4</td>
<td>98.5</td>
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</table>

(a) Used in the last 12 months.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- The mean number of cigarettes smoked per week increased with age until the 50–59 years age group (120 cigarettes). This trend applied to males but not to females, whose average consumption peaked at 40–49 years of age.
- Male and female teenage smokers on average smoked 68 and 70 cigarettes per week respectively.
- The mean number of cigarettes smoked per week by males (103) was higher than that for females (93).
Alcohol

Between 1991 and 2004, alcohol consumption patterns have remained relatively stable for those aged 14 years and over (Table 3.7).

Table 3.7: Alcohol drinking status: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, Australia, 1991 to 2004

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<td>Less than weekly</td>
<td>30.4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ex-drinker(a)</td>
<td>12.0</td>
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<td>10.0</td>
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<td>12.2</td>
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(a) Has consumed at least a full serve of alcohol, but not in the last 12 months.

# 2001 result significantly different from 2004 result (2-tailed α = 0.05).

- The proportion of the population drinking daily remained stable since the early 1990s at less than 9%.
- Between 1993 and 2004, the proportion of persons drinking weekly has fluctuated slightly around 40%.
- The proportion of ex-drinkers has generally declined since 1991 to a relatively low 7.1% in 2004.

Alcohol use by sex

The alcohol drinking status of Australians aged 14 years and over varies considerably between males and females (Table 3.8).

Table 3.8: Alcohol drinking status: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by sex, Australia, 2001, 2004

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<th>Drinking status</th>
<th>Males 2001 (per cent)</th>
<th>Males 2004 #</th>
<th>Females 2001 (per cent)</th>
<th>Females 2004</th>
<th>Persons 2001 (per cent)</th>
<th>Persons 2004 #</th>
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<td>33.2</td>
<td>35.0 #</td>
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<td>Less than weekly</td>
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<td>Ex-drinker(a)</td>
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<td>9.2</td>
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<td>7.1 #</td>
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<td>9.6</td>
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</table>

(a) Has consumed at least a full serve of alcohol, but not in the last 12 months.

# 2001 result significantly different from 2004 result (2-tailed α = 0.05).

- Males (12.0%) were more likely than females (5.8%) to drink daily.
- The proportion of the population who consumed alcohol on a weekly basis increased between 2001 (39.5%) and 2004 (41.2%). Males (47.6%) were more likely than females (35.0%) to drink weekly.
- The proportions of ex-drinkers decreased slightly between 2001 (8.0%) and 2004 (7.1%), with a greater change seen among females.
Alcohol use by age

The proportion of daily drinkers increased with age; the peak for weekly drinkers was in the 40–49 years age group, and the peak for less-than-weekly drinkers was among teenagers (Table 3.9).

Table 3.9: Alcohol drinking status: proportion of the population who are recent(a) alcohol drinkers aged 14 years and over, by drinking status, by age and sex, Australia, 2004

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<th>50–59</th>
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<td>55.0</td>
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(a) Used in the last 12 months.
(b) Has consumed at least a full serve of alcohol, but not in the last 12 months.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- Almost half (46.0%) of teenagers consumed alcohol less than weekly. A further one in four (24.4%) consumed alcohol weekly and fewer than one in 100 (0.6%) drank alcohol daily.
- One in four (26.6%) male teenagers consumed alcohol weekly, compared with one in five (22.2%) females. Half of female teenagers (49.9%) consumed alcohol on a less-than-weekly basis, compared with 42.2% of males.
- Across all age groups, most drinkers in 2004 were weekly drinkers. For males, the proportion of weekly drinkers outweighed daily and less-than-weekly drinkers at all ages except for 14–19-year-olds. Females, however, were more likely to consume alcohol on a less-than-weekly basis with the exception of 40–49-year-olds.
Alcohol use of younger people

Estimates of alcohol use by younger people should be interpreted with caution due to the low prevalence and smaller sample sizes for these age groups (Table 3.10).

Table 3.10: Alcohol drinking status: proportion of the population aged 12–19 years of age and all ages, by age and sex, Australia, 2004

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(a) Has consumed at least a full serve of alcohol, but not in the last 12 months.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- Fewer than one in 1000 persons (0.1%) aged 12–15 years of age reported drinking daily and approximately one in 200 (0.6%) 16–17-year-olds reported drinking daily in 2004.
- In 2004, approximately 30% of 12–15-year-olds reported drinking less than weekly; this result was consistent for both males and females.
- In 2004, 87.1% of 18–19-year-olds reported drinking daily, weekly or less-than-weekly, compared with 77.4% of 16–17-year-olds and 32.4% of 12–15-year-olds.
Population estimates of the number of alcohol drinkers

It is estimated that in 2004 over 13.7 million Australians aged 14 years or over consumed alcohol in the last 12 months (Table 3.11). 

Table 3.11: Alcohol consumption: number of recent(a) alcohol drinkers, by drinking status, by age and sex, Australia, 2004

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<td>175,200</td>
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(a) Used in the last 12 months
(b) Has consumed at least a full serve of alcohol, but not in the last 12 months.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- In 2004, almost 1.5 million Australians consumed alcohol daily, 6.8 million on a weekly basis and a further 5.5 million on a less-than-weekly basis.
- There were approximately 150,000 more daily alcohol drinkers in 2004 compared with 2001.
- It is estimated that 1.2 million teenagers consumed alcohol in 2004. Approximately 10,000 teenagers were daily drinkers, 406,000 were weekly drinkers and a further 764,000 drank less than weekly.
- Slightly more male (592,000) than female (587,000) teenagers consumed alcohol in 2004; there were more male teenagers (6,400) than female teenagers (3,300) who consumed alcohol on a daily basis. This result was the opposite of that observed in 2001.
Risk of alcohol-related harm in the long term

In the 12 months prior to the survey, 74% of Australians aged 14 years and over consumed alcohol in quantities that were considered a low risk to health in the long term by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC 2001). A further 16% of the population aged 14 years and over did not consume alcohol in the previous 12 months. The remaining 10% of the population consumed alcohol in a way considered risky or a high risk to health in the long term (Table 3.12).

Table 3.12: Alcohol consumption: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over at risk of harm in the long term, by age and sex, Australia, 2004

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(a) Not consumed alcohol in the last 12 months.

(b) For males, the consumption of up to 28 standard drinks per week is considered ‘Low risk’, 29 to 42 per week ‘Risky’, and 43 or more per week ‘High risk’. For females, the consumption of up to 14 standard drinks per week is considered ‘Low risk’, 15 to 28 per week ‘Risky’, and 29 or more per week ‘High risk’.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- Persons in the 20–29 years age group were most likely to consume alcohol in a way that put them at risk for long-term (chronic) alcohol-related harm. This age group was also the least likely to abstain from consuming alcohol.
- Female teenagers (12.3%) were more likely than male teenagers (7.7%) to consume at risky or high-risk levels for long-term harm.
Risk of alcohol-related harm in the short term

There are also risks to health in the short term from alcohol consumption. In 2004, 48% of Australians aged 14 years and over drank in a pattern that is considered low risk for alcohol-related harm in the short term, and 16% were abstainers (Table 3.13).

Table 3.13: Alcohol consumption: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over at risk of harm in the short term, by age and sex, Australia, 2004

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(a) Not consumed alcohol in the last 12 months.

(b) For males, the consumption of 7 or more standard drinks on any one day. For females, the consumption of 5 or more standard drinks on any one day.

Notes
1. Respondents that have been coded ‘Can’t say/No answer’ to all GOF matrix F13a to F13f are assumed to be low-risk drinkers for this alcohol risk analysis.
2. Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- At all ages, greater proportions of the population drink at risky or high-risk levels for short-term harm compared with risk for long-term harm.
- Overall, about one-third (35.4%) of persons aged 14 years and over put themselves at risk of alcohol-related harm in the short term on at least one drinking occasion during the last 12 months.
• Males aged 20-29 years (17.4%) were the most likely group to consume alcohol at risky or high-risk levels for short-term harm at least once in the last week.

• More than one in ten persons aged 14-19 years put themselves at risk of alcohol-related harm in the short term on at least a weekly basis during the last 12 months.
**Illicit drugs**

In 2004, over one-third (38%) of the population aged 14 years and over had ever used an illicit drug (Table 3.14). Illicit drugs can include illegal drugs (such as marijuana/cannabis), prescription drugs (such as tranquillisers/sleeping pills) when used for illicit purposes and other substances used inappropriately (such as naturally occurring hallucinogens and inhalants).

**Table 3.14: Use of any illicit drug: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over and numbers, by age and sex, Australia, 2004**

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**Ever used(a)**

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<th>Age group</th>
<th>Males</th>
<th>Females</th>
<th>Persons</th>
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<td>14–19</td>
<td>177,500</td>
<td>176,900</td>
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<tr>
<td>20–29</td>
<td>525,300</td>
<td>347,900</td>
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<td>377,400</td>
<td>226,200</td>
<td>602,200</td>
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<td>40–49</td>
<td>221,800</td>
<td>141,400</td>
<td>362,700</td>
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<td>50–59</td>
<td>96,000</td>
<td>59,900</td>
<td>155,800</td>
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<td>60+</td>
<td>66,500</td>
<td>75,100</td>
<td>141,600</td>
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**Aged 14+**

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Ever used(a)</th>
<th>Recent use(b)</th>
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<td>Males</td>
<td>Females</td>
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<tr>
<td>485,800</td>
<td>29.1</td>
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**Notes:**

(a) Used at least once in lifetime.
(b) Used in the last 12 months.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

**Ever used illicit drugs**

- Almost three in five (58%) persons aged 20–39 years had used an illicit drug in their lifetime. Compared with other age groups, this age group had the greatest proportion of persons who had ever used an illicit drug.
- One-third (29.3%) of teenagers had ever used an illicit drug.
- Female teenagers were slightly more likely than male teenagers to have ever used an illicit drug. However, for all other age groups, males were more likely than females to have ever used an illicit drug.
Recent use of illicit drugs

- Across all age groups, males were more likely than females to have recently used an illicit drug with the exception of those aged 14–19 years, where females (21.8%) were more likely to have used an illicit drug in the preceding 12 months than their male (20.9%) counterparts.

- In 2004, there were 1.5 million male recent illicit drug users compared with 1.0 million female users.

- There were approximately 150,000 fewer recent illicit drug users in 2004 when compared with 2001.

- The age group with the highest proportion of recent illicit drug users was 20–29 years (31.5%, 870,800 users).

- More than one in five (21.3% or over 350,000) teenagers had used illicit drugs in the past 12 months.

When comparing ever and recent illicit usage, approximately 55% of males and 63% of females who had used illicit drugs at some time in their life no longer consumed illicit drugs.

Recent use of any illicit drug 1995 to 2004

The proportion of the population who had used any illicit drug in the last 12 months generally declined or remained stable over the period 1995 to 2004 (Table 3.15).

Table 3.15: Recent(a) use of any illicit drug: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by age and sex, Australia, 1995 to 2004

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<th>Age group</th>
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<tr>
<td>14–19</td>
<td>37.9</td>
<td>38.3</td>
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<td>20–29</td>
<td>46.1</td>
<td>47.1</td>
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<td>30–39</td>
<td>24.7</td>
<td>27.5</td>
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<td>40–49</td>
<td>12.0</td>
<td>22.1</td>
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<tr>
<td>50–59</td>
<td>3.5</td>
<td>7.2</td>
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<tr>
<td>60+</td>
<td>1.8</td>
<td>5.2</td>
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<tr>
<td>Aged 14+</td>
<td>21.1</td>
<td>25.0</td>
</tr>
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</table>

(a) Used in the last 12 months.

# 2001 result significantly different from 2004 result (2-tailed α = 0.05).

- Between 2001 and 2004, the decreases in the proportions of total males and females who had used illicit drugs in the last 12 months were statistically significant, as were the decreases for the 14–19 and 20–29 years age groups.
Recent illicit drug use of younger people

Estimates of tobacco, alcohol and illicit drug use by younger people should be interpreted with caution due to the low prevalence and smaller sample sizes for these age groups (Table 3.16).

Table 3.16: Recent use of illicit drugs: proportion of the population aged 12 years and over, by selected age, Australia, 2004

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Drug type</th>
<th>12–15 (per cent)</th>
<th>16–17 (per cent)</th>
<th>18–19 (per cent)</th>
<th>Aged 12–19 (per cent)</th>
<th>Aged 12+ (per cent)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Marijuana/cannabis</td>
<td>5.2</td>
<td>18.0</td>
<td>26.5</td>
<td>13.8</td>
<td>10.9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pain-killers/analgesics(a)</td>
<td>2.0</td>
<td>3.2</td>
<td>3.2</td>
<td>2.6</td>
<td>3.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tranquillisers/sleeping pills(a)</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>1.2</td>
<td>1.6</td>
<td>0.8</td>
<td>1.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Steroids(a)</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>0.1</td>
<td>0.1</td>
<td>—</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Barbiturates(a)</td>
<td>0.1</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>0.8</td>
<td>0.3</td>
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<tr>
<td>Inhalants</td>
<td>1.1</td>
<td>0.5</td>
<td>0.9</td>
<td>0.9</td>
<td>0.4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Heroin</td>
<td>0.1</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>0.2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Methadone(b)</td>
<td>0.1</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>0.1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other opiates/opioids(b)</td>
<td>0.1</td>
<td>0.4</td>
<td>0.6</td>
<td>0.4</td>
<td>0.2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Methamphetamine (speed)(a)</td>
<td>0.7</td>
<td>3.0</td>
<td>8.8</td>
<td>3.3</td>
<td>3.1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cocaine</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>0.8</td>
<td>1.8</td>
<td>0.8</td>
<td>1.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hallucinogens</td>
<td>0.4</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>2.6</td>
<td>1.1</td>
<td>0.7</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ecstasy</td>
<td>0.6</td>
<td>2.8</td>
<td>8.8</td>
<td>3.2</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ketamine</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>0.3</td>
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<tr>
<td>GHB</td>
<td>0.1</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>0.6</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>0.1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Injected drugs</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>0.5</td>
<td>0.9</td>
<td>0.5</td>
<td>0.4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Any illicit</td>
<td>7.6</td>
<td>20.9</td>
<td>30.8</td>
<td>16.8</td>
<td>14.9</td>
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<tr>
<td>None of the above</td>
<td>92.4</td>
<td>79.1</td>
<td>69.2</td>
<td>83.2</td>
<td>85.1</td>
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</table>

(a) For non-medical purposes.
(b) Non-maintenance.

Notes
1. ‘Any illicit’ does not include ‘other opiates’, ketamine, GHB or injecting drug use for those aged 12–13 years. Statistics reported for these substances are based on those people aged 14 years and over only.
2. Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- In 2004, approximately one in twenty (5.2%) 12–15-year-olds used marijuana/cannabis in the previous 12 months compared with one in five (18.0%) 16–17-year-olds and one-quarter of 18–19-year-olds.
- Approximately 3% of 12–19-year-olds used painkillers/analgesics for non-medical purposes, meth/amphetamines (speed) and ecstasy in 2004.
- For all other substances, less than 1% of 12–19-year-olds used the substance in the preceding 12 months.
Marijuana/cannabis use

In 2004, one in every three Australians aged 14 years and over had used marijuana/cannabis at some time in their lives (Table 3.17).

Table 3.17: Use of marijuana/cannabis: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over and numbers, by age and sex, Australia, 2004

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Age group</th>
<th>Ever used (a)</th>
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<td></td>
<td>(per cent)</td>
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<td>14–19</td>
<td>24.9</td>
<td>26.2</td>
<td>25.5</td>
<td>18.4</td>
<td>17.4</td>
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<td>20–29</td>
<td>57.4</td>
<td>51.6</td>
<td>54.5</td>
<td>32.4</td>
<td>19.5</td>
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<td>30–39</td>
<td>59.1</td>
<td>50.0</td>
<td>54.5</td>
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<td>40–49</td>
<td>47.0</td>
<td>36.2</td>
<td>41.6</td>
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<td>16.5</td>
<td>22.1</td>
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<td>60+</td>
<td>5.7</td>
<td>3.3</td>
<td>4.4</td>
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<td>0.2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Aged 14+</td>
<td>37.4</td>
<td>29.9</td>
<td>33.6</td>
<td>14.4</td>
<td>8.3</td>
</tr>
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</table>

| (number) | | | | | | |
|-----------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|           | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons |
| 14–19     | 211,300 | 212,800 | 424,200 | 156,000 | 141,200 | 297,100 |
| 20–29     | 805,000 | 702,400 | 1,506,600 | 454,000 | 265,900 | 718,000 |
| 30–39     | 874,600 | 749,300 | 1,623,000 | 316,700 | 159,400 | 475,000 |
| 40–49     | 695,400 | 540,700 | 1,235,200 | 175,500 | 84,800 | 259,800 |
| 50–59     | 349,100 | 207,400 | 556,400 | 54,500 | 25,900 | 80,400 |
| 60+       | 93,000 | 62,100 | 155,200 | 6,400 | 3,800 | 10,200 |
| Aged 14+  | 3,028,200 | 2,487,800 | 5,516,000 | 1,163,700 | 686,400 | 1,848,200 |

(a) Used at least once in lifetime.
(b) Used in the last 12 months.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

**Ever used marijuana/cannabis**

- More than one-quarter (25.5%) of teenagers (aged 14–19 years) had used marijuana/cannabis in their lifetime.
- Australians aged 20–39 years were more likely than those in the other age groups to have used marijuana/cannabis at some time in their lives. Almost three in five (54.5%) persons aged 20–39 years had used marijuana/cannabis in their lifetime.
- Across all age groups, males were more likely than females to have ever used marijuana/cannabis, with the exception of 14–19-year-old females who were slightly more likely to have used marijuana/cannabis than their male counterparts.
Recent use of marijuana/cannabis

- In 2004, there were almost 2 million Australians aged 14 years and over who had recently used marijuana/cannabis.
- There were approximately 180,000 fewer recent marijuana/cannabis users in 2004 when compared with 2001.
- Almost one in five teenagers had used marijuana/cannabis in the last 12 months. More male teenagers (156,000) than female teenagers (141,200) were recent marijuana/cannabis users.
- Persons aged 20–29 years were most likely to be recent marijuana/cannabis users.

When comparing lifetime and recent rates of usage, approximately 60% of males and 70% of females who had used marijuana/cannabis at some time in their life were no longer using in 2004.

Recent use of marijuana/cannabis 1995 to 2004

The proportion of the population aged 14 years and over who had used marijuana/cannabis in the last 12 months fluctuated over the period 1995 to 2004 (Table 3.18).

Table 3.18: Recent(a) use of marijuana/cannabis: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by age and sex, Australia, 1995 to 2004

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<td>35.9</td>
<td>35.0</td>
<td>26.6</td>
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<td>34.2</td>
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<td>43.7</td>
<td>43.7</td>
<td>35.1</td>
<td>32.4 #</td>
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<td>16.3</td>
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<td>40–49</td>
<td>8.0</td>
<td>16.6</td>
<td>10.7</td>
<td>11.9 #</td>
<td>2.2</td>
<td>6.3</td>
<td>6.6</td>
<td>5.7 #</td>
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<td>50–59</td>
<td>1.9</td>
<td>5.6</td>
<td>4.5</td>
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<td>60+</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>1.1</td>
<td>0.7</td>
<td>0.4 #</td>
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<td>1.2</td>
<td>0.3</td>
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<td>14.7</td>
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<td>8.3 #</td>
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</table>

(a) Used in the last 12 months.
# 2004 result significantly different from 2001 result (2-tailed α = 0.05).

- Between 2001 and 2004, decreases in proportions of the population who had used marijuana/cannabis in the last 12 months were statistically significant for most age groups.
Heroin

In 2004, the proportions of Australians aged 14 years and over who had recently used heroin or used heroin in their lifetime were low (Table 3.19).

Table 3.19: Use of heroin: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over and numbers, by age and sex, Australia, 2004

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Age group</th>
<th>Ever used(a)</th>
<th>Recent use(b)</th>
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<tr>
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<td>Males</td>
<td>Females</td>
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<td>14–19</td>
<td>0.5</td>
<td>0.9</td>
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<tr>
<td>20–29</td>
<td>2.9</td>
<td>1.7</td>
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<td>40+</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>Aged 14+</td>
<td>1.8</td>
<td>1.0</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Ever used heroin

- Heroin had been used by 1.4% of the population aged 14 years and over.
- With the exception of teenagers, males were more likely than females to have ever used heroin.
- The 20–29 years age group had the highest proportion of persons who had ever used heroin. Within this age group, males were almost twice as likely as females to have ever used heroin.
Recent use of heroin

- The 20–29 years age group had the highest proportion and number of recent heroin users (0.5%, 12,900).
- There were similar proportions of males and females who had recently used heroin; however, in terms of numbers, there were more male (14,800) than female (11,100) recent heroin users.
- There were approximately 12,000 fewer recent heroin users in 2004 when compared with 2001.

When comparing ever and recent use of heroin, 90% of persons who had used heroin at some time in their life were no longer using in 2004.

Recent use of heroin 1995 to 2004

The proportion of the population who had used heroin in the last 12 months fluctuated over the period 1995 to 2004, but was generally lower in 2004 (Table 3.20).

Table 3.20: Recent(a) use of heroin: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by age and sex, Australia, 1995 to 2004

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</thead>
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<td>14–19</td>
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<td>0.5</td>
<td>0.4</td>
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<td>0.9</td>
<td>1.4</td>
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<td>0.4</td>
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<td>20–29</td>
<td>2.2</td>
<td>2.9</td>
<td>0.6</td>
<td>0.8</td>
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<td>30–39</td>
<td>0.4</td>
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<td>40+</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>0.4</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>— #</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>0.1</td>
<td>0.1</td>
<td>— #</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Aged 14+</td>
<td>0.5</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>0.3</td>
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<td>0.5</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>0.1</td>
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</table>

(a) Used in the last 12 months.

# 2001 result significantly different from 2004 result (2-tailed $\alpha = 0.05$).

- Between 2001 and 2004, recent use of heroin by total males and females remained stable. Changes for all age groups, with the exception of both males and females aged 40+ years, were not statistically significant.
Meth/amphetamines

In 2004, approximately one in ten persons aged 14 years and over had ever used meth/amphetamines and 3% had recently used (Table 3.21).

Table 3.21: Use of meth/amphetamines: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over and numbers, by age and sex, Australia, 2004

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Age group</th>
<th>Males (per cent)</th>
<th>Females (per cent)</th>
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<td>6.6</td>
<td>33,700</td>
<td>39,800</td>
<td>73,600</td>
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<td>20–29</td>
<td>24.3</td>
<td>17.9</td>
<td>21.1</td>
<td>173,900</td>
<td>121,900</td>
<td>295,300</td>
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<td>30–39</td>
<td>19.8</td>
<td>12.3</td>
<td>16.0</td>
<td>83,700</td>
<td>37,300</td>
<td>120,700</td>
</tr>
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<td>40+</td>
<td>4.6</td>
<td>2.6</td>
<td>3.6</td>
<td>29,600</td>
<td>9,800</td>
<td>39,400</td>
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<tr>
<td>Aged 14+</td>
<td>11.0</td>
<td>7.3</td>
<td>9.1</td>
<td>321,600</td>
<td>210,900</td>
<td>532,100</td>
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</table>

(a) Ever used (a) Recent use (b)

(a) Used at least once in lifetime.
(b) Used in the last 12 months.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

Ever used meth/amphetamines

- The age group with the highest proportion of persons who had ever used meth/amphetamines is the 20–29 years age group (21.1%).

- Similar proportions of male and female teenagers had ever used meth/amphetamines. For the other age groups, males were more likely than females to have ever used meth/amphetamines.
Recent use of meth/amphetamines

- Overall, males (4.0%) were more likely than females (2.5%) to have used meth/amphetamines in the last 12 months; however, female teenagers (4.9%) were slightly more likely to be recent users than male teenagers (4.0%).
- One in ten persons (10.7%) aged 20–29 years had used meth/amphetamines in the last 12 months, the highest proportion of all age groups.

Recent use of meth/amphetamines 1995 to 2004

The proportion of the population who had used meth/amphetamines in the last 12 months fluctuated over the period 1995 to 2004 (Table 3.22).

Table 3.22: Recent(a) use of meth/amphetamines: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by age and sex, Australia, 1995 to 2004

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(a) Used in the last 12 months.
# 2001 result significantly different from 2004 result (2-tailed α = 0.05).

- Between 2001 and 2004, the proportion of males in the 14–39 years age groups who had used amphetamines in the last 12 months declined significantly, as did the proportion of 14–19 year old females. However, this decline was not seen for all ages combined.
Ecstasy

In 2004, similar proportions of the population aged 14 years and over reported having ever used or recently used ecstasy (Table 3.23) as had used meth/amphetamines. Caution should be used when interpreting these findings, as results are based on self-reported data and not empirical testing of the substance used.

Table 3.23: Use of ecstasy; proportion of the population aged 14 years and over and numbers, by age and sex, Australia, 2004

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<td>Aged 14+</td>
<td>9.1</td>
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</table>

Ever used ecstasy

- In 2004, approximately 1.2 million persons had ever used ecstasy.
- In general, males were more likely than females to have ever used ecstasy, with the exception of those aged 14–19 years.
- The 20–29 years age group had the highest proportion and number of persons ever using ecstasy compared with all other age groups.

Notes

1. Caution should be used when interpreting these findings as results are based on self-reported data and not empirical testing of the substance used.
2. Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.
Recent use of ecstasy

- One in eight (12.0%) persons aged 20–29 years and approximately one in 20 (4.3%) teenagers had used ecstasy in the last 12 months.
- There were approximately 100,000 more recent ecstasy users in 2004 when compared with 2001.
- In general, males were more likely than females to have used ecstasy in the last 12 months, with the exception of 14–19-year-old females who were more likely to have used than their male counterparts.
- In 2004, almost 560,000 persons reported using ecstasy at least once in the previous 12 months.

Recent use of ecstasy 1995 to 2004

The proportion of the population who had used ecstasy in the last 12 months fluctuated over the period 1995 to 2004 (Table 3.24).

Table 3.24: Recent(a) use of ecstasy: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by age and sex, Australia, 1995 to 2004

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Females

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(a) Used in the last 12 months.

# 2001 result significantly different from 2004 result (2-tailed α = 0.05).

Note: Caution should be used when interpreting these findings as results are based on self-reported data and not empirical testing of the substance used.

- Between 2001 and 2004, the proportion of 14–19-year-olds using ecstasy declined for both males and females; however, proportions using recently significantly increased for males in the 20–39 years age groups and for males overall.
Inhalants

In 2004, one in 40 persons reported ever having used inhalants and one in 250 persons reported using in the previous 12 months. Males were twice as likely to have used inhalants in the preceding 12 months compared with females (Table 3.25).

Table 3.25: Use of inhalants: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over and numbers, by age and sex, Australia, 2004

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<td>83,300</td>
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(a) Used at least once in lifetime.
(b) Used in the last 12 months.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

Ever used inhalants

- In 2004, approximately 400,000 had ever used inhalants.
- In general, males were more likely than females to have ever used inhalants, with the exception of those aged 14–19 years.
- The 20–29 years age group had the highest proportion and number of persons ever using inhalants compared with all other age groups.
Recent use of inhalants

- In 2004, 70,000 persons reported using inhalants at least once in the previous 12 months.
- Approximately one in 100 persons aged 20–29 years had used inhalants in the preceding 12 months.
- In general, males were more likely than females to have used inhalants in the last 12 months, with the exception of 14–19-year-old females who were more likely to have used than their male counterparts.

Recent use of inhalants 1995 to 2004

The proportion of the population who had used inhalants in the last 12 months fluctuated over the period 1995 to 2004 (Table 3.26).

Table 3.26: Recent(a) use of inhalants: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by age and sex, Australia, 1995 to 2004

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(a) Used in the last 12 months.

# 2001 result significantly different from 2004 result (2-tailed α = 0.05).

- Between 2001 and 2004, the proportion of persons using inhalants remained stable across all age groups.
Cocaine

In 2004, fewer than one in 20 persons had ever used cocaine and one in 100 persons had used in the previous 12 months. Males were one-and-a-half times more likely to have used cocaine in the preceding 12 months than females (Table 3.27).

Table 3.27: Use of cocaine: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over and numbers, by age and sex, Australia, 2004

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*(per cent)*

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*(number)*

(a) Used at least once in lifetime.
(b) Used in the last 12 months.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

Ever used cocaine

- In 2004, approximately 775,000 persons reported ever using cocaine.
- In general, males were more likely than females to have ever used cocaine, with the exception of those aged 14–19 years.
- The 20–29 years age group had the highest proportion (8.9%, 245,000) of persons ever using cocaine compared with all other age groups.
Recent use of cocaine

- In 2004, almost 170,000 persons reported using cocaine at least once in the previous 12 months.
- Approximately one in 33 persons aged 20–29 years had used cocaine in the preceding 12 months.
- In general, males were more likely than females to have used cocaine in the last 12 months, with the exception of 14–19-year-old females who were more likely to have used than their male counterparts.

Recent use of cocaine 1995 to 2004

The proportion of the population who had used cocaine in the last 12 months fluctuated over the period 1995 to 2004 (Table 3.28).

Table 3.28: Recent(a) use of cocaine: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by age and sex, Australia, 1995 to 2004

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(a) Used in the last 12 months.
# 2001 result significantly different from 2004 result (2-tailed α = 0.05).

- Between 2001 and 2004, the proportion of both males and females recently using cocaine remained stable.
- Declines in recent use were seen for males in the 14–29 age groups and females aged 20–29 years.
Injecting drug use

In 2004, it is estimated that a very low proportion of the population aged 14 years and over had ever injected or recently injected drugs (Table 3.29).

Table 3.29: Use of injecting drugs(a): proportion of the population aged 14 years and over and numbers, by age and sex, Australia, 2004

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(a) Any illicit drug injected.
(b) Used at least once in lifetime.
(c) Used in the last 12 months.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

Ever used injecting drugs

- Males (2.4%) were more likely than females (1.4%) to have ever injected drugs.
- Persons aged 20–29 years were the most likely compared with those in the other age groups to have ever injected drugs.
Recent use of injecting drugs

- Males (0.6%) were more likely than females (0.3%) to have injected drugs in the last 12 months.
- There were approximately 17,000 fewer recent injecting drug users in 2004 when compared with 2001.
- Almost 9,000 teenagers were injecting drug users.
- The age group with the highest proportion and number of injecting drug users was the 20–29 years age group, with 1.0% or almost 30,000 injecting drug users.

When comparing ever injecting drug use with recent injecting drug use, approximately 75% of persons who had injected at some time in their life were no longer injecting in 2004.

Recent use of injecting drugs 1995 to 2004

The proportion of the population who had injected drugs in the last 12 months fluctuated over the period 1995 to 2004 (Table 3.30).

Table 3.30: Recent(a) use of injecting drugs(b); proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by age and sex, Australia, 1995 to 2004

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(a) Used in the last 12 months.
(b) Any illicit drug injected.
# 2001 result significantly different from 2004 result (2-tailed α = 0.05).

- Between 2001 and 2004, there was a significant decline in the proportion of persons in the 14–29 years age groups who had injected drugs in the last 12 months. However, the proportion of 30–39-year-old males who had injected in the previous 12 months increased over this period.
**Illicit drugs injected**

In 2004, overwhelmingly the first drug injected was meth/amphetamines, followed by heroin and then benzodiazepines (Table 3.31).

**Table 3.31: Injecting drug use: first and recent(a) illicit drugs injected, proportion of ever/recent injecting drug users aged 14 years and over, by sex, Australia, 2004**

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<td>Meth/amphetamines</td>
<td>58.5</td>
<td>60.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cocaine</td>
<td>0.7</td>
<td>2.2</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hallucinogens</td>
<td>1.3</td>
<td>0.3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ecstasy</td>
<td>1.2</td>
<td>0.5</td>
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<tr>
<td>Benzodiazepines</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>0.2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Steroids</td>
<td>8.9</td>
<td>0.2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other drugs</td>
<td>1.9</td>
<td>5.2</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

(a) Used in the last 12 months.
(b) Answered by respondents who have ever injected.
(c) Answered by respondents who have injected in the last 12 months.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

**First drug injected**

- Meth/amphetamines was the most common (59.1%) first drug injected by injecting drug users. Similar proportions of males (58.5%) and females (60.0%) injected meth/amphetamines as their first injected drug.
- Heroin (24.5%) was the next most frequent first illicit drug injected by injecting drug users. Females (28.8%) were more likely than males (21.5%) to have first injected heroin.

**Drugs injected recently**

- The most common drug among recent injecting drug users was meth/amphetamines (83.6%). Similar proportions of male (84.2%) and female (82.6%) injecting drug users recently injected amphetamines.
- The second most common drug among injecting drug users was heroin, with 23.1% of injecting drug users reporting recently injecting this drug.
Source of supply

In 2004, illicit drugs were almost always sourced from friends or acquaintances, with the exception of heroin which was mostly sourced from dealers and analgesics and inhalants which were mostly bought at shops (Table 3.32).

Table 3.32: Source of supply of illicit drugs, by type of drug, Australia, 2004

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Drug</th>
<th>Friend or acquaintance</th>
<th>Relative</th>
<th>Dealer</th>
<th>Doctor shopping / forged script</th>
<th>Buy at shop</th>
<th>Other</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Marijuana/cannabis</td>
<td>69.4</td>
<td>6.1</td>
<td>16.9</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>7.6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Analgesics(^{(a)})</td>
<td>10.6</td>
<td>10.2</td>
<td>2.2</td>
<td>4.1</td>
<td>68.8</td>
<td>4.2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tranquillisers(^{(a)})</td>
<td>41.8</td>
<td>14.8</td>
<td>2.2</td>
<td>15.3</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>25.8</td>
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<tr>
<td>Steroids(^{(a)})</td>
<td>58.1</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>6.0</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>35.9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Inhalants</td>
<td>36.7</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>46.7</td>
<td>16.5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Heroin</td>
<td>21.0</td>
<td>11.9</td>
<td>63.5</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>3.5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Methadone(^{(b)})</td>
<td>43.1</td>
<td>11.5</td>
<td>28.8</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>16.6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Meth/amphetamines(^{(a)})</td>
<td>69.9</td>
<td>3.1</td>
<td>22.7</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>4.3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cocaine</td>
<td>71.5</td>
<td>7.0</td>
<td>18.0</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>3.4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hallucinogens</td>
<td>57.9</td>
<td>3.1</td>
<td>20.9</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>18.1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ecstasy</td>
<td>72.1</td>
<td>2.4</td>
<td>22.6</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>..</td>
<td>2.8</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

\(^{(a)}\) Non-medical use.
\(^{(b)}\) Non-maintenance.

Notes
1. Base for each substance equals respondents using in the last 12 months.
2. Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- Seven out of every ten marijuana/cannabis users (69.4%) obtained this drug from friends and acquaintances. The proportion was similar for meth/amphetamines (69.9%), cocaine (71.5%), and ecstasy users (72.1%).
- The majority of heroin users (63.5%) obtained the drug from dealers.
- Purchasing at shops was the most common source of supply for analgesic users (68.8%) and inhalant users (46.7%).
- One-third of steroid users obtained this drug from gyms/sporting clubs/fitness centres (shown as ‘Other’ in the table).
4 Community support for drug-related policy

Survey respondents were asked to indicate how strongly they would support or oppose specific policies, using a 5-point scale (strongly support, support, neither support nor oppose, oppose, and strongly oppose). Respondents also had the option of indicating that they did not know enough about the policy to give or withhold support. For the purposes of this chapter, responses of ‘support’ or ‘strongly support’ are taken as support for specific policies, and ‘Don’t know enough to say’ are excluded from analyses. The survey questions were in the context of reducing problems associated with the use of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana and heroin.

Tobacco

Between 2001 and 2004, public support increased for the majority of measures to reduce the problems associated with tobacco (Table 4.1).

Table 4.1: Support(a) for tobacco measures: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by sex, Australia, 2001, 2004

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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Banning smoking in the workplace</td>
<td>77.1</td>
<td>79.6 #</td>
<td>85.1</td>
<td>85.0</td>
<td>81.1</td>
<td>82.3 #</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Banning smoking in pubs/clubs</td>
<td>57.7</td>
<td>65.6 #</td>
<td>64.0</td>
<td>70.4 #</td>
<td>60.8</td>
<td>68.1 #</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Increasing tax on tobacco products to pay for health education</td>
<td>61.4</td>
<td>61.8</td>
<td>67.1</td>
<td>67.0</td>
<td>64.3</td>
<td>64.5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Increasing tax on tobacco products to contribute to treatment costs</td>
<td>64.7</td>
<td>64.9</td>
<td>69.2</td>
<td>69.2</td>
<td>67.0</td>
<td>67.1 #</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Increasing tax on tobacco products to discourage smoking</td>
<td>58.5</td>
<td>60.3 #</td>
<td>63.7</td>
<td>66.1 #</td>
<td>61.1</td>
<td>63.3 #</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Making it harder to buy tobacco in shops</td>
<td>57.5</td>
<td>60.9 #</td>
<td>62.4</td>
<td>66.2 #</td>
<td>60.0</td>
<td>63.6 #</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stricter enforcement of law against supplying to minors</td>
<td>89.6</td>
<td>87.9 #</td>
<td>92.7</td>
<td>91.1 #</td>
<td>91.2</td>
<td>89.6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stricter penalties for sale or supply of tobacco products to minors</td>
<td>n.a.</td>
<td>85.4</td>
<td>n.a.</td>
<td>88.9</td>
<td>n.a.</td>
<td>87.2</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bans on point of sale advertising and display of tobacco products</td>
<td>n.a.</td>
<td>66.8</td>
<td>n.a.</td>
<td>73.0</td>
<td>n.a.</td>
<td>70.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Implementing a licensing scheme for tobacco retailers</td>
<td>n.a.</td>
<td>68.5</td>
<td>n.a.</td>
<td>72.0</td>
<td>n.a.</td>
<td>70.3</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

(a) Support or strongly support (calculations based on those respondents who were informed enough to indicate their level of support).

# 2001 result significantly different from 2004 result (2-tailed $\alpha = 0.05$).

- The greatest level of support for tobacco interventions was for ‘Stricter enforcement of laws against supplying tobacco products to minors’, with nine in ten persons surveyed supporting this measure. The level of support in 2004 (89.6%) remained stable from that in 2001 (91.2%).
- The lowest level of support was for ‘Increasing tax on tobacco products to discourage smoking’ (63.3%).
Alcohol

Support for possible measures to reduce the problems associated with alcohol fluctuated between 2001 and 2004 (Table 4.2).

Table 4.2: Support(a) for alcohol measures: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by sex, Australia, 2001, 2004

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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Increasing the price of alcohol</td>
<td>16.4</td>
<td>16.1</td>
<td>16.7</td>
<td>24.6</td>
<td>25.5</td>
<td>25.2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reducing the number of outlets that sell alcohol</td>
<td>23.9</td>
<td>22.7</td>
<td>23.3</td>
<td>33.4</td>
<td>32.4</td>
<td>33.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reducing trading hours for pubs and clubs</td>
<td>27.7</td>
<td>27.3</td>
<td>27.5</td>
<td>37.1</td>
<td>36.6</td>
<td>37.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Raising the legal drinking age</td>
<td>37.8</td>
<td>35.4 #</td>
<td>36.7</td>
<td>46.0</td>
<td>45.9</td>
<td>46.0 #</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Increasing the number of alcohol-free public events</td>
<td>60.2</td>
<td>56.9 #</td>
<td>58.5</td>
<td>71.7</td>
<td>69.5 #</td>
<td>70.5 #</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Increasing the number of alcohol-free dry zones</td>
<td>61.7</td>
<td>59.1 #</td>
<td>60.9</td>
<td>69.7</td>
<td>67.4 #</td>
<td>68.1 #</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Serving only low-alcohol beverages at sporting events</td>
<td>58.9</td>
<td>53.8 #</td>
<td>55.7</td>
<td>69.2</td>
<td>67.2 #</td>
<td>68.8 #</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Limiting TV advertising until after 9.30 p.m.</td>
<td>64.4</td>
<td>66.3 #</td>
<td>65.7</td>
<td>74.5</td>
<td>76.3 #</td>
<td>77.0 #</td>
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<tr>
<td>Banning alcohol sponsorship of sporting events</td>
<td>36.1</td>
<td>37.8</td>
<td>37.4</td>
<td>51.5</td>
<td>54.1 #</td>
<td>55.3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>More severe penalties for drink driving</td>
<td>81.7</td>
<td>80.4</td>
<td>81.0</td>
<td>92.6</td>
<td>91.1 #</td>
<td>92.2 #</td>
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<tr>
<td>Stricter laws against serving drunk customers</td>
<td>81.2</td>
<td>79.9</td>
<td>80.5</td>
<td>88.7</td>
<td>87.7 #</td>
<td>88.8 #</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Restricting late night trading of alcohol</td>
<td>45.3</td>
<td>45.5</td>
<td>45.4</td>
<td>56.4</td>
<td>58.1 #</td>
<td>59.0 #</td>
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<tr>
<td>Strict monitoring of late night licensed premises</td>
<td>68.8</td>
<td>68.4</td>
<td>68.6</td>
<td>76.7</td>
<td>75.7</td>
<td>76.4</td>
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<td>Increasing the size of standard drink labels on alcohol containers</td>
<td>61.9</td>
<td>60.3</td>
<td>61.1</td>
<td>73.8</td>
<td>72.4 #</td>
<td>73.5 #</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Adding national drinking guidelines to alcohol containers</td>
<td>64.4</td>
<td>63.9</td>
<td>64.1</td>
<td>76.5</td>
<td>75.7</td>
<td>76.9</td>
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<tr>
<td>Increasing tax on alcohol to pay for health, education and treatment of alcohol-related problems</td>
<td>n.a.</td>
<td>31.5</td>
<td>n.a.</td>
<td>n.a.</td>
<td>45.5</td>
<td>n.a.</td>
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</table>

(a) Support or strongly support (calculations based on those respondents who were informed enough to indicate their level of support)

# 2001 result significantly different from 2004 result (2-tailed α = 0.05).

- As seen for tobacco, in general there was greater support for enforcement measures than for bans and taxation increases.
- There were slight declines in support for increasing the number of alcohol-free public events (66.0% in 2001 to 63.3% in 2004) and dry zones (65.7% in 2001 to 63.3% in 2004).
- There was an increase in ‘Banning alcohol sponsorship at sporting events’ from 43.9% in 2001 to 46.0% in 2004.
- Without exception, females were more likely to support these measures than their male counterparts.
Marijuana

For the first time in 2004, the survey included measures relating to the use of marijuana in medical settings (Table 4.3).

Table 4.3: Support\(^{(a)}\) for marijuana measures: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by sex, Australia, 2004

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Measure</th>
<th>Males (per cent)</th>
<th>Females (per cent)</th>
<th>Persons (per cent)</th>
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<tr>
<td>A change in legislation permitting the use of marijuana for medical purposes</td>
<td>66.6</td>
<td>68.5</td>
<td>67.5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A clinical trial for people to use marijuana to treat medical conditions</td>
<td>72.6</td>
<td>74.5</td>
<td>73.5</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

\(^{(a)}\) Support or strongly support (calculations based on those respondents who were informed enough to indicate their level of support)

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- Two-thirds of respondents supported ‘A change in legislation permitting the use of marijuana for medical purposes’ and almost three in four supported ‘A clinical trial for people to use marijuana to treat medical conditions’.
- Females were more likely than males to support either of these measures.

Heroin

The survey included questions on support for measures to reduce the problems associated with heroin use, and support for legalisation of personal use of selected substances (see chapter 2).

Table 4.4: Support\(^{(a)}\) for heroin measures: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by sex, Australia, 2001, 2004

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<tr>
<td>Needle and syringe programs</td>
<td>57.8</td>
<td>52.9</td>
<td>60.2</td>
<td>56.2</td>
<td>59.0</td>
<td>54.6</td>
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<tr>
<td>Methadone maintenance programs</td>
<td>62.5</td>
<td>55.9</td>
<td>64.9</td>
<td>60.1</td>
<td>63.7</td>
<td>58.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Treatment with drugs other than methadone</td>
<td>65.0</td>
<td>58.4</td>
<td>66.7</td>
<td>59.9</td>
<td>65.8</td>
<td>59.1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Regulated injecting rooms</td>
<td>44.6</td>
<td>39.4</td>
<td>45.6</td>
<td>40.3</td>
<td>45.1</td>
<td>39.8</td>
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<tr>
<td>Trial of prescribed heroin</td>
<td>35.9</td>
<td>27.6</td>
<td>33.1</td>
<td>24.0</td>
<td>34.5</td>
<td>25.8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rapid detoxification therapy</td>
<td>79.1</td>
<td>72.7</td>
<td>80.7</td>
<td>74.1</td>
<td>79.9</td>
<td>73.4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Use of Naltrexone</td>
<td>75.4</td>
<td>69.2</td>
<td>75.0</td>
<td>66.8</td>
<td>75.2</td>
<td>68.0</td>
</tr>
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</table>

\(^{(a)}\) Support or strongly support (calculations based on those respondents who were informed enough to indicate their level of support)

\# 2001 result significantly different from 2004 result (2-tailed \(\alpha = 0.05\)).

- Support for measures to reduce the problems associated with heroin use declined between 2001 and 2004.
- In 2004, support was higher among females than males, with the exception of ‘Trial of prescribed heroin’ and ‘Use of Naltrexone’.
5 Harm and psychological distress associated with drug use

Perpetrators of drug-related harm

Survey respondents were asked how many times in the past 12 months they undertook specific potentially harmful activities while under the influence of alcohol or other drugs (Table 5.1).

Table 5.1: Activities undertaken while under the influence of alcohol or other drugs in the past 12 months: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by sex, Australia, 2001, 2004

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Influence and activity</th>
<th>Males</th>
<th>Females</th>
<th>Persons</th>
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<tr>
<td>Alcohol</td>
<td>(per cent)</td>
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<td>Drove a motor vehicle</td>
<td>18.0</td>
<td>18.6</td>
<td>7.7</td>
<td>8.3</td>
<td>12.8</td>
<td>13.4</td>
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<td>Operated a boat</td>
<td>1.9</td>
<td>2.1</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>1.0</td>
<td>1.1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Operated hazardous machinery</td>
<td>1.1</td>
<td>1.3</td>
<td>0.1</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>0.6</td>
<td>0.7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Verbally abused someone</td>
<td>8.4</td>
<td>7.8</td>
<td>4.3</td>
<td>4.3</td>
<td>6.3</td>
<td>6.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Physically abused someone</td>
<td>1.8</td>
<td>1.5</td>
<td>0.6</td>
<td>0.6</td>
<td>1.2</td>
<td>1.1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Caused damage to property</td>
<td>2.7</td>
<td>2.5</td>
<td>0.9</td>
<td>0.7</td>
<td>1.8</td>
<td>1.6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stole money, goods or property</td>
<td>0.8</td>
<td>0.7</td>
<td>0.4</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>0.6</td>
<td>0.4</td>
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<td>Created a public disturbance or nuisance</td>
<td>4.1</td>
<td>4.0</td>
<td>1.8</td>
<td>1.7</td>
<td>2.9</td>
<td>2.8</td>
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<tr>
<td>Went swimming</td>
<td>7.3</td>
<td>7.3</td>
<td>3.1</td>
<td>3.2</td>
<td>5.2</td>
<td>5.2</td>
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<tr>
<td>Went to work</td>
<td>6.5</td>
<td>6.7</td>
<td>2.2</td>
<td>2.1</td>
<td>4.3</td>
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Other drugs

|                                            | Males      | Females    | Persons    | Males       | Females    | Persons    |
| Alcohol                                   | (per cent)|           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Drove a motor vehicle                     | 5.7   | 4.8   | 2.2  | 2.0  | 3.9   | 3.3   |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Operated a boat                            | 0.7   | 0.7   | —    | —    | 0.4   | 0.3   |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Operated hazardous machinery               | 0.1   | 0.8   | 0.1  | 0.1  | 0.5   | 0.4   |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Verbally abused someone                    | 1.3   | 1.1   | 0.7  | 0.6  | 1.0   | 0.8   |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Physically abused someone                  | 0.4   | 0.3   | 0.1  | 0.1  | 0.3   | 0.2   |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Caused damage to property                  | 0.5   | 0.6   | 0.2  | 0.2  | 0.3   | 0.4   |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Stole money, goods or property             | 0.4   | 0.3   | 0.1  | 0.1  | 0.3   | 0.2   |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Created a public disturbance or nuisance   | 0.8   | 0.8   | 0.3  | 0.4  | 0.5   | 0.6   |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Went swimming                              | 3.6   | 2.8   | 1.3  | 0.8  | 2.4   | 1.8   |           |           |           |           |           |           |
| Went to work                               | 3.4   | 2.8   | 1.3  | 1.0  | 2.3   | 1.9   |           |           |           |           |           |           |

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

Perpetrators of drug-related harm—alcohol

- Males were more likely than females to undertake the specified potentially harmful activities while under the influence of alcohol.
- Between 2001 and 2004, the proportion of the population aged 14 years and over who drove a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol increased from 12.8% to 13.4%. Males (18.6%) were more than twice as likely as females (8.3%) to drive while under the influence.
• The proportion of persons who verbally abused someone while under the influence of alcohol remained stable between 2001 and 2004 at approximately 6%. Males (7.8%) were almost twice as likely as females (4.3%) to verbally abuse someone while under the influence of alcohol.

• The proportions of the population who physically abused someone, or stole money, goods or property while under the influence of alcohol declined between 2001 and 2004.

Perpetrators of drug-related harm—drugs other than alcohol

The prevalence of activities undertaken while under the influence of drugs other than alcohol was much lower than for alcohol.

• Similar to the findings above, males were more likely than females to undertake the specified activities while under the influence of other drugs.

• The activity most likely to be undertaken while under the influence of other drugs in 2004 was driving a motor vehicle (3.3%), a decline from the proportion seen in 2001 (3.9%). Males (4.8%) were more than twice as likely as females (2.0%) to drive while under the influence.

• Approximately 2% of persons reported swimming or going to work while under the influence of other drugs in 2004.

• Less than 1% of persons undertook any of the remaining activity categories while under the influence of other drugs.
Victims of drug-related harm

Australians aged 14 years and over were more than twice as likely to be victims of alcohol-related incidents than of incidents related to other drugs (Table 5.2).

Table 5.2: Proportion of the population aged 14 years and over who have been victims of alcohol or other drug-related incidents, by sex, Australia, 2001, 2004

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<td>1.8</td>
<td>1.4</td>
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Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

Victims of drug-related harm—alcohol

- The proportion of victims of alcohol-related incidents decreased slightly between 2001 and 2004.
- Males (27.5%) were more likely than females (22.5%) to be victims of alcohol-related verbal abuse in 2004.
- The proportion subjected to alcohol-related physical abuse dropped between 2001 and 2004, from 4.9% to 4.4%. Males were more likely than females to be victims of alcohol-related physical abuse.
- The likelihood of being ‘put in fear’ by a person under the influence of alcohol remained stable between 2001 and 2004, with approximately one in eight persons victimised. Females (15.3%) were more likely than males (10.6%) to be ‘put in fear’ by a person under the influence of alcohol.

Victims of drug-related harm—drugs other than alcohol

- In 2004, one in 10 (9.8%) Australians aged 14 years or over was a victim of verbal abuse from a person under the influence of other drugs. This was a decline from the proportion verbally abused in 2001 (11.3%).
- The proportion ‘put in fear’ by a person under the influence of other drugs in 2004 (7.3%) also declined compared with the proportion in 2001 (8.7%).
- The proportion physically abused by a person under the influence of other drugs also declined between 2001 (2.2%) and 2004 (1.6%).
Estimates of the number of victims of alcohol-related incidents
It is estimated that in the 12 months preceding the survey there were over 4 million victims of alcohol-related verbal abuse and a further 2 million Australians aged 14 years and over who were ‘put in fear’ by persons under the influence of alcohol (Table 5.3). More than half a million Australians were physically abused by persons under the influence of alcohol.

Table 5.3: Number of victims of alcohol-related incidents: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by age and sex, Australia, 2004

<table>
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<th>Incident</th>
<th>14–19</th>
<th>20–29</th>
<th>30–39</th>
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<tr>
<td>Verbal abuse</td>
<td>240,700</td>
<td>638,200</td>
<td>487,900</td>
<td>406,400</td>
<td>274,300</td>
<td>163,000</td>
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<td>Physical abuse</td>
<td>89,700</td>
<td>159,100</td>
<td>84,600</td>
<td>57,800</td>
<td>24,300</td>
<td>11,300</td>
<td>434,600</td>
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<td>Put in fear</td>
<td>88,600</td>
<td>238,500</td>
<td>201,700</td>
<td>145,300</td>
<td>106,300</td>
<td>69,900</td>
<td>856,700</td>
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<td>Females</td>
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<tr>
<td>Verbal abuse</td>
<td>239,400</td>
<td>482,200</td>
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<td>371,700</td>
<td>230,000</td>
<td>158,100</td>
<td>1,867,800</td>
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<td>Physical abuse</td>
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<td>48,700</td>
<td>49,800</td>
<td>21,400</td>
<td>8,500</td>
<td>287,800</td>
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<tr>
<td>Put in fear</td>
<td>217,100</td>
<td>330,300</td>
<td>242,300</td>
<td>261,000</td>
<td>128,700</td>
<td>81,800</td>
<td>1,275,500</td>
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<td>Verbal abuse</td>
<td>480,100</td>
<td>1,119,600</td>
<td>856,500</td>
<td>778,000</td>
<td>504,500</td>
<td>321,200</td>
<td>4,092,000</td>
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<td>Physical abuse</td>
<td>151,900</td>
<td>250,300</td>
<td>133,200</td>
<td>107,600</td>
<td>45,600</td>
<td>19,800</td>
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<td>Put in fear</td>
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<td>569,300</td>
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<td>235,100</td>
<td>151,600</td>
<td>2,134,900</td>
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Note: ‘All ages, and ‘Persons’ may not add up to sum of components due to rounding.

Notes
1. ‘All ages’ and ‘Persons’ may not add up to sum of components due to rounding.
2. Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- For all ages, there were more male than female victims of alcohol-related verbal or physical abuse.
- Conversely, for all ages, more females were ‘put in fear’ by persons under the influence of alcohol.
- The group with the most victims was the 20–29 years age group.
Injuries resulting from drug-related physical abuse

Approximately 5% of all Australians suffered an injury (non-self-inflicted) as a result of an alcohol or other drug-related incident in the 12 months preceding the survey (Table 5.4).

Table 5.4: Most serious injury sustained as a result of alcohol or other drug-related incidents: proportion of the population aged 14 years and over, by sex, Australia, 2004

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<td>Total physically abused</td>
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<td>4.7</td>
<td>4.0</td>
<td>5.7</td>
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<td>Most serious injury</td>
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<tr>
<td>Bruising, abrasions</td>
<td>36.1</td>
<td>35.1</td>
<td>47</td>
<td>47.2</td>
<td>40.7</td>
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<td>Burns, not involving hospital admission</td>
<td>0.5</td>
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<td>0.2</td>
<td>0.5</td>
<td>0.4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Minor lacerations</td>
<td>10.2</td>
<td>12.7</td>
<td>8.8</td>
<td>12.0</td>
<td>9.6</td>
<td>12.4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lacerations requiring suturing, but not hospital admission</td>
<td>4.0</td>
<td>4.3</td>
<td>3.2</td>
<td>2.1</td>
<td>3.7</td>
<td>3.4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fractures not requiring hospital admission</td>
<td>5.5</td>
<td>4.9</td>
<td>3.4</td>
<td>5.7</td>
<td>4.6</td>
<td>5.2</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sufficiently serious to require hospital admission</td>
<td>2.9</td>
<td>3.1</td>
<td>2.6</td>
<td>1.9</td>
<td>2.8</td>
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<tr>
<td>No physical injury sustained</td>
<td>40.7</td>
<td>39.3</td>
<td>34.4</td>
<td>31.0</td>
<td>38.1</td>
<td>35.9</td>
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Notes

2. Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- The most frequent serious injury sustained as a result of alcohol or other drug-related physical abuse was bruising or minor abrasions (40.0%). Males (35.1%) were less likely than females (47.2%) to sustain bruising or abrasions.
- One in three (35.9%) of those physically abused in the past 12 months sustained no physical injury.
- In 2004, minor lacerations accounted for 12.4% of injuries among victims of physical abuse as a result of alcohol or other drug-related incidents, an increase from 9.6% in 2001.
Risk of serious injury varied by age group and type of injury (Table 5.5). Victims of physical abuse aged 50–59 years were most likely to report no physical injury sustained.

Table 5.5: Most serious injury sustained as a result of alcohol or other drug-related physical abuse, by age, Australia, 2004

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<th>50–59</th>
<th>60+</th>
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<tr>
<td>Bruising, abrasions</td>
<td>44.4</td>
<td>44.4</td>
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<td>35.5</td>
<td>34.6</td>
<td>28.7</td>
<td>40.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Burns, not involving hospital admission</td>
<td>1.1</td>
<td>0.2</td>
<td>0.5</td>
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<td>0.4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Minor lacerations</td>
<td>13.5</td>
<td>13.2</td>
<td>11.8</td>
<td>12.1</td>
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<td>12.1</td>
<td>12.4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lacerations requiring suturing, but not hospital admission</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>4.6</td>
<td>5.9</td>
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<td>3.8</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fractures not requiring hospital admission</td>
<td>8.0</td>
<td>3.8</td>
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<td>5.6</td>
<td>3.0</td>
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<td>5.2</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sufficiently serious to require hospital admission</td>
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<td>2.2</td>
<td>2.9</td>
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<tr>
<td>No physical injury sustained</td>
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<td>38.5</td>
<td>41.4</td>
<td>48.9</td>
<td>40.9</td>
<td>35.9</td>
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**Notes**
1. Base equals total physically abused.
2. Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.

- Bruising or abrasions were the most serious type of injury resulting from alcohol or other drug-related incidents for the youngest age groups, namely 14–19 and 20–29 years. The likelihood of sustaining bruising or abrasions as the most serious injury was greatest for persons aged 14–29 years (44.4%).
- For the older age groups, namely 40–49, 50–59 and 60 years and over, no physical injury sustained as a result of these incidents was most common.
- Conversely, those aged 60 years and over were the most likely to sustain an injury sufficiently serious to require hospital admission (11.2%). For all ages, the proportion requiring hospital admission was 2.6%.
Psychological distress and patterns of drug use

The Kessler 10 scale of psychological distress (K10) was developed for screening populations on psychological distress. The scale consists of ten questions on non-specific psychological distress and relates to the level of anxiety and depressive symptoms a person may have experienced in the preceding 4-week period.

Table 5.6: Psychological distress(a) by selected drug-use patterns; proportion of the population aged 18 years and over, Australia, 2004

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<th>Substance/behaviour</th>
<th>Level of psychological distress(b) (per cent)</th>
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<td>All persons (18+)</td>
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<td>Tobacco smoking status</td>
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<td>Other recent smokers(c)</td>
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<td>Non-smokers(d)</td>
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<td>Risk of alcohol-related harm in the short term(e)</td>
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<td>Risky</td>
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<td>Low risk</td>
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<td>Abstainer</td>
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<td>Any illicit(f)</td>
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<td>Use in the last month(g)</td>
<td>50.0</td>
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<td>Not used in the last month</td>
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<td>Marijuana/cannabis</td>
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<td>Use in the last month(g)</td>
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<td>Not used in the last month</td>
<td>69.8</td>
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<td>Heroin</td>
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<td>Use in the last month(g)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Meth/amphetamines</td>
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<td>Use in the last month(g)</td>
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<td>Not used in the last month</td>
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<td>Use in the last month(g)</td>
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<td>Not used in the last month</td>
<td>68.5</td>
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(a) Using the Kessler 10 scale of psychological distress.
(b) Low: K10 score 10–15; Moderate: 16–21; High: 22–29; Very high: 30–50.
(c) ‘Other recent smokers’ are persons who smoke ‘Weekly’ or ‘Less than weekly’.
(d) ‘Non-smokers’ are ‘Ex-smokers’ or persons who have ‘Never smoked’.
(e) At least monthly.
(f) ‘Any illicit’ does not include ‘other opiates’ or ‘injecting drug use’.
(g) ‘Use in the last month’ refers to use of the substance at least once in the previous month.

Note: Statistical significance testing was not undertaken for this table.
• In 2004, approximately two in three people aged 18 years and over reported low levels of psychological distress (68.4%). Almost one in ten reported high or very high levels of psychological distress.

• Daily smokers were more likely than other recent smokers or non-smokers to report high or very high levels of psychological distress.

• High-risk and risky drinkers were more likely than low-risk drinkers or abstainers to experience high or very high levels of psychological distress.

• Almost two in five persons who used an illicit drug in the past month reported high or very high levels of psychological distress.

• Approximately two in three persons (64.9%) who used heroin in the past month reported high or very high levels of psychological distress.
6 Explanatory notes

The 2004 National Drug Strategy Household Survey is the eighth in a series which commenced in 1985. The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) was commissioned by the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing to manage the 2004 survey. The AIHW was supported in this task by a Technical Advisory Committee. Roy Morgan Research Pty Ltd was selected by competitive tender to conduct the survey. The CATI component of the survey was conducted between June and November 2004, and the drop and collect component was conducted between July and November 2004.

Scope

The estimates for 2004 contained in this publication are based on information obtained from persons aged 12 years and over or 14 years and over (as specified) from the populations of all states and territories.

Methodology

Households were selected by a multi stage, stratified area random sample design. Minimum sample sizes sufficient to return reliable strata estimates were allocated to states and territories, and the remainder distributed in proportion to population size. The Queensland Health Department funded additional drop and collect interviews for Queensland in the 12–29 years age groups.

Survey design

The survey employed two collection modes: drop and collect and the computer-assisted telephone interview (CATI). The sample was designed so that each method was implemented in separate census collection districts. For the drop and collect sample in country areas, the Statistical Local Area was selected for the first stage, rather than collection districts, as this had considerable efficiency benefits. More details of the sampling methods are available in the technical report accompanying the Confidentialised unit record file (CURF). Census collection districts could be selected only for one of the two survey components outlined below.
Drop and collect  Data were collected from a national random selection of households which returned self-completion booklets. One attempt was made by the interviewer to personally collect the completed questionnaire; if collection was not possible at this time, a reply-paid pre-addressed envelope was provided. The respondent was the household member aged 12 years or over next to have a birthday. The number of respondents who completed the survey from this sample was 24,109.

CATI  Data from computer-assisted telephone interviews were collected from a national random selection of households. As in the drop and collect sample, the respondent was the household member aged 12 years or over next to have a birthday. The number of respondents who completed the survey from this sample was 5,336. Due to the practical limitations of the CATI method, some questions were omitted in this mode.

Not all respondents were asked all questions; please see the questionnaire at Appendix 5 for a full description. Persons aged 12–15 years of age completed the survey with the consent of a parent or guardian. A separate, shorter questionnaire was administered to 12–13-year-olds in order to minimise respondent burden.

Sample distribution
The over sampling of lesser populated states and territories, in order to return reliable estimates, produced a sample which was not proportional to the state/territory distribution of the Australian population aged 12 years and over (Table 6.1). Queensland was also over sampled, as requested and funded by the Queensland Health Department. The drop and collect methodology was used for this additional targeted sample of 12–29-year-olds in Queensland.

Table 6.1: Comparison of sample and state/territory population distributions, by sex, 2004

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<td>3,594</td>
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<td>2,547</td>
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<td>523</td>
<td>565</td>
<td>484</td>
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<td>Females</td>
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<td>715</td>
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<td>622</td>
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<td>Persons</td>
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<td>% of total sample</td>
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Source: AIHW National Population Database.
Estimation procedures

Multi stage editing and weighting procedures were applied to derive the estimates.

Editing

All open-ended questions were coded manually prior to scanning. The only fully open-ended questions related to occupation and industry. The Australian Standard Classification of Occupations and the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industry Classification were used for coding. Various scan and logic edits were applied to maximise data quality.

Weighting

The sample was designed to provide a random sample of households within each geographic stratum. Respondents within each stratum were assigned weights to overcome imbalances arising in the design and execution of the sampling. Estimates in this publication are based on the weighted combined samples.

For questions that were not included in the CATI component, weights based on the drop and collect sample were used to calculate estimates. Further details on the derivation of weights and the nature and extent of non-responses can be found in the technical report accompanying the survey CURF.

Table 6.2: Comparison of the sample and estimated population distributions

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Source: AIHW National Population Database.
Sample disposition

When compared with 2001, the 2004 survey achieved a slightly lower but comparable response rate (46%).

Table 6.3: Sample disposition, by sample, 2004

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<td>Other ineligible</td>
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<td>Minus</td>
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<td>Completed</td>
<td>24,109</td>
<td>5,336</td>
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(Percent)

| Participation rate                      | 47.8 | 37.8 | 45.6 |

(a) Three attempts at drop and collect and six attempts at CATI.

Several strategies were used in order to minimise cases of non-contact and non-response by the originally selected respondent, including those below:

- fieldworkers conducted call backs at different times on different days
- strict protocols were applied to ensure that selected dwellings were fully attempted
- respondents were given a letter of introduction and support from the Director of the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
- calling cards were left where appropriate
- a ‘1800’ number was set up to answer queries.

Nevertheless, response rates in 2004 were lower than those in 2001. Possible factors for the decrease in response rates include:

- the sensitive nature of questions on drug use
- the length of the questionnaire
- a general decline in response rates for market research.

Users of the data should take the response rate into consideration when making assumptions about the data contained in this report.
Reliability of estimates

Sampling error
As the estimates are based on a sample, they are subject to sampling variability (that is, the extent to which the sample varies from all persons had a complete census been conducted). Estimates in this publication are assumed to be reliable if the relative standard error (the ratio of the sampling error to the population estimate) is less than 25%. Estimates between 25% and 50% should be interpreted with caution. Estimates with relative standard errors over 50% should be considered unreliable for most practical purposes. A table of standard errors and relative standard errors can be found in Appendix 2, and further details on their calculation will be available in the technical report accompanying the survey CURF.

Non-sampling error
In addition to sampling errors, the estimates are subject to non-sampling errors. These can arise from errors in transcription of responses, errors in reporting of responses (e.g. failure of respondents’ memories), and the unwillingness of respondents to reveal their ‘true’ responses.

Counter balancing
The order in which multiple possible answers are presented can sometimes affect the likelihood of responses (the earlier a possible response in a list, the higher the likelihood that it will be selected). To overcome this tendency, possible responses were rotated within questions. There were three rotations for the drop and collect component; the CATI questionnaire was comprehensively auto-rotated during execution. Thus, there were more than four different questionnaires with identical sequencing of questions, but different orders of possible responses within. The copy in Appendix 5 is a rotation 1 version of the drop and collect questionnaire. The symbols in the questionnaire, the telephone and two people talking, reflect those questions asked via CATI and of 12–13-year-olds respectively.

Limitations of the data
Excluded from sampling were non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, boarding houses, etc.) and institutional settings (hospitals, nursing homes, other clinical settings such as drug and alcohol rehabilitation centres, prisons, military establishments and university halls of residence). Accordingly, homeless persons were also excluded. The territories of Jervis Bay, Christmas Island and Cocos Island were excluded as well.

Illicit drug users, by definition, are committing illegal acts. They are, in part, marginalised and difficult to reach. Accordingly, estimates of illicit drug use and related behaviours are likely to be underestimates of actual prevalences.
Definitions

Definitions used in previous NDSHS surveys were retained for 2004. However, in the 1998, 2001 and 2004 surveys, greater assistance was provided to respondents on what was meant by ‘non-medical use’.

Recent smoker
A recent smoker was a person who had smoked 100 cigarettes (manufactured and/or roll your own) or the equivalent tobacco, and had not since permanently ceased smoking.

Ex-smoker
An ex-smoker was a person who has smoked at least 100 cigarettes (manufactured and/or roll your own) or the equivalent tobacco in their life, but reported no longer smoking.

Never smoked
A person who had not smoked 100 cigarettes (manufactured and/or roll your own) or the equivalent tobacco in their life, was deemed to have never smoked.

Recent drinker
A recent drinker was a person who consumed a full serve of alcohol in the last 12 months.

Ex-drinker
An ex-drinker was a person who had consumed a full serve of alcohol, but not in the past 12 months.

Never drinker
A never drinker was a person who had never had a full serve of alcohol.

Non-medical drug use
The definition used in the survey questionnaire and for this publication is:
1. either alone or with other drugs in order to induce or enhance a drug experience
2. for performance (e.g. athletic) enhancement
3. for cosmetic (e.g. body shaping) purposes.
This definition was also used in 1998 and 2001; however, in 1995, ‘non-medical use’ was undefined in the questionnaire.

Illicit drugs
Illegal drugs, drugs and volatile substances used illicitly or inappropriately, and pharmaceuticals used for non-medical purposes.
The survey asked questions on the following illicit drugs:

- painkillers/analgesics*
- tranquillisers/sleeping pills*
- steroids*
- barbiturates*
- amphetamines*
- marijuana/cannabis
- heroin
- methadone**
- other opiates*
- cocaine
- LSD/synthetic hallucinogens
- ecstasy
- ketamine
- GHB
- (any) injected*
* for non-medical purposes
** non-maintenance program

**Recent illicit drug use**

Use within the previous 12 months.

**Ever used illicit drugs**

Used at least once during a person’s lifetime.

**Ever tried illicit drugs**

Tried at least once during a person’s lifetime.

**Comparability with previous surveys**


**Methodology:**

- For the 1993 and 1995 surveys, a combination of personal interview with self-completion for the more sensitive issues; was collected nationally. Sample 1 of the 1998 survey was also collected nationally via this method. However, the similar component of the 2001 survey was collected only in capital cities. Personal interviews were not included at all in 2004.
The 2004 survey was the second of the series to include a CATI component. The CATI questionnaire was a version of the drop and collect questionnaire, shortened to suit telephone methodology. CATI was conducted nationally, proportional to the population.

Sample:
- In 1998, sample 2 targeted young people from capital cities in order to obtain more reliable estimates, in particular for illicit drugs. In 2001, the overall sample size was more than double that of 1998, eliminating the need for a targeted sample; however, as requested and funded by the Western Australian Department of Health, additional respondents aged 14–34 years were selected from metropolitan Perth. In 2004, the 12–17 years age group was boosted via CATI in all jurisdictions; and as requested and funded by the Queensland Health Department, additional respondents aged 12–29 years were selected via the drop and collect method from Queensland.
- In 1998, samples 1 and 2 were drawn from the same household, whereas for the 1993, 1995, 2001 and 2004 surveys only one respondent per household was selected.

Questionnaire:
- The 2001 survey included an expanded section on tobacco. Type of cigarette smoked was asked: manufactured or ‘roll your own’. Importantly, there was no upper limit on the reporting of the number of cigarettes smoked. There were also questions on unbranded loose tobacco, otherwise known as ‘chop-chop’. This question format was maintained in 2004.
- In 2004, new questions relating to attitudes to tobacco cessation were included for the first time.
- A new section on opiates other than heroin and methadone (e.g. morphine and pethidine) was included in 2001 and retained in 2004. Methadone was introduced as a separate category in 1998; thus, data on methadone use are not available for the 1993 and 1995 surveys.
- Questions relating to heroin overdoses were included only in the 1998 survey.
- The 1995 survey included three questions on personal health, whereas the 1998 survey used the SF-36 instrument to assess personal health. Based on an analysis of the 1998 data, the SF-36 was not included in the 2001 survey. This latter survey included five questions on personal health. A question on self-assessed health was consistent for the three most recent surveys. The 2004 survey included the Kessler 10 Scale of Psychological Distress and questions about diagnosis and treatment of selected health conditions.
- The 2004 survey included new sections on use of GHB and ketamine; thus, data about these substances are not available for the 1993, 1998 and 2001 surveys.
- In 2004, the section on barbiturates was reduced to seven questions and the hallucinogens section was clarified.
- In 2004, questions relating to meth/amphetamine use were refined to more accurately reflect substances used in Australia.
- In 2001, new questions related to drugs consumed during pregnancy and breastfeeding in the past 12 months were included. These were refined in 2004.
- The alcohol section was restructured and expanded in the 2001 survey. In previous surveys there were gender-specific questions on alcohol consumption. In 2001, however,
both genders answered the same questions and gave a detailed report of the previous day’s alcohol consumption. This format was maintained in 2004. In 2004, respondents were also able to indicate consumption of less than one standard drink or no standard drinks on given days.

- The 2001 survey included new alcohol consumption questions which enabled estimations of the population at risk of harm in the long and short term using the NHMRC (2001) Australian alcohol guidelines. These data were not collected in previous surveys but were maintained in the 2004 survey.
- In 2004, the question relating to quantity and types of alcohol consumed yesterday was expanded to include a wider variety of types and sizes of alcohol containers and a new question relating to awareness of the Australian alcohol guidelines was introduced.
- In 2004, 2001 and 1998, the term ‘non-medical purposes’ was explained to respondents.
- In 1998, questions on drug use were in grid layout formats; however, in 2001 they were returned to the 1995 and 1993 format of questions (separated into sections for each drug type). In 2001, questions relating to where drugs were first obtained and age last used were omitted and in 2004 they were reintroduced for most substances.
- The section relating to alcohol- and drug-related incidents varied in size between surveys.
- The 1998 and 1995 surveys included sections on regulations relating to cannabis use. This section in the 2001 survey was expanded to include heroin, ecstasy and amphetamines; however, the number of questions was reduced.
- In 2004, minor changes were made to some questions in the demographics section of the questionnaire.
- The mix of open-ended and forced-choice questions varied between surveys.

Fieldwork:
- In 2004 and 2001, the survey was conducted between June/July and November, compared with between June and September in 1998 and 1995, and between March and April in 1993.

This list comprises several of the major changes between versions of the surveys. Please see the relevant questionnaires to determine the full extent of changes made.

**Interpretation of results**

The exclusion of persons from dwellings and institutional settings described in ‘Limitations of the data’ on page 55, and the difficulty in reaching marginalised persons are likely to have affected estimates.

It is known from past studies of alcohol and tobacco consumption that respondents tend to underestimate actual consumption levels. There are no equivalent data on the tendencies for under- or over-reporting of actual illicit drug use. Anecdotal data, however, suggest that younger persons may overestimate actual consumption of these drugs.
Appendix 1: Membership of the Technical Advisory Group

Survey Technical Advisory Group


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Appendix 2: Standard errors

Table A2.1: Standard errors (SE) and relative standard errors (RSE) for indicative population sizes, Australia, 2004

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(a) Standard error expressed in same units as prevalence.
(b) Relative standard error.

Notes
1. The standard error estimates are modelled on the average design effects across 35 key variables.
2. Light shading indicates caution in using estimates; dark shading indicates unreliable for most practical purposes.
Table A2.2: Prevalence and population estimate thresholds for 50% relative standard error, Australia, 2004

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## Appendix 3: Population estimates

### Table A3.1: Population estimates, by age and sex, Australia, 2004

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<th>Age group</th>
<th>Males</th>
<th>Females</th>
<th>Persons</th>
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<td>14–19</td>
<td>849,778</td>
<td>810,886</td>
<td>1,660,664</td>
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<td>20–29</td>
<td>1,402,365</td>
<td>1,361,302</td>
<td>2,763,667</td>
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<td>30–39</td>
<td>1,479,421</td>
<td>1,499,590</td>
<td>2,979,011</td>
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<td>40–49</td>
<td>1,478,252</td>
<td>1,494,043</td>
<td>2,972,295</td>
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<td>50–59</td>
<td>1,263,010</td>
<td>1,259,840</td>
<td>2,522,850</td>
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<td>60+</td>
<td>1,621,979</td>
<td>1,887,161</td>
<td>3,509,140</td>
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<td><strong>Aged 14+</strong></td>
<td><strong>8,094,805</strong></td>
<td><strong>8,312,822</strong></td>
<td><strong>16,407,627</strong></td>
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(12 years and over)

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<th>Persons</th>
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<td>12–15</td>
<td>568,839</td>
<td>541,418</td>
<td>1,110,257</td>
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<td>279,736</td>
<td>266,777</td>
<td>546,513</td>
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<td>18–19</td>
<td>287,361</td>
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<td>12–19</td>
<td>1,135,936</td>
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<td>7,245,027</td>
<td>7,501,936</td>
<td>14,746,963</td>
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<td><strong>Aged 12+</strong></td>
<td><strong>8,380,963</strong></td>
<td><strong>8,585,074</strong></td>
<td><strong>16,966,037</strong></td>
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Source: AIHW National Population Database.
Appendix 4: Survey-related materials

References


Other statistics

In October 2005, the AIHW will release more statistics from the 2004 survey in a publication entitled 2004 National Drug Strategy Household Survey: Detailed Findings. Special analyses are available on request. Provision of data may be subject to an AIHW Health Ethics Committee application, and charges may apply. For further information contact Mark Cooper-Stanbury on (02) 6289 7027; or by e-mail at mark.cooper-stanbury@aihw.gov.au.

Access to confidentialised unit record files (CURF)

A public-use CURF will be available for researchers through the Australian Social Science Data Archive at the Australian National University, from May 2005: <assda@anu.edu.au>

The public-use CURF has geographic areas aggregated to capital city/rest of State and the Australian Standard Classification of Occupations (ASCO) code reduced to two digits.

Application for research access to the master data file, which contains all of the data items, may be approved subject to the agreement of the AIHW’s Health Ethics Committee. Contact Mark Cooper-Stanbury on (02) 6289 7027; or by e-mail at mark.cooper-stanbury@aihw.gov.au.
Appendix 5: The questionnaire

There were several questionnaires used to collect data for the 2004 National Drug Strategy Household Survey. Three samples were selected for the 2004 survey, a drop and collect sample of persons aged 12 years and over, a CATI sample of persons aged 12 years and over and a CATI booster sample of persons aged 12–17 years.

As 12–13-year-olds were included in the survey for the first time in 2004, a separate, shorter questionnaire was developed for people in this age group. The CATI questionnaire also had fewer questions than the drop and collect questionnaire.

However, questions in all three questionnaires were in the same sequence (refer to ‘Survey design’ on page 53 in chapter 6). Questions in common were identically worded for each questionnaire.

In order to obviate the possibility that the order of possible responses within questions might affect the likelihood of selection, response lists were rotated so that blocks of possible answers were presented in equal numbers across all samples. The drop and collect questionnaire had three rotations; the lists for the CATI questionnaire were randomly rotated at appropriate questions.

For the drop and collect component, respondents self-completed the entire questionnaire. An example of the drop and collect, rotation 1, questionnaire follows. Graphics at each question indicate those asked of 12–13-year-olds and/or CATI.
What is the purpose of this form?

The National Drug Strategy Household Survey has been conducted since 1985. This is the eighth occasion that information from households on drug awareness, attitudes and behaviour has been collected. We would like you to complete this questionnaire by yourself.

The questionnaire is for your use only. Your answers will help the Department of Health and Ageing to effectively examine important health and social issues and certain behaviours relating to tobacco, alcohol and drug use.

How confidential is the information you give?

Completely confidential! When you have completed this form, please seal it in the envelope provided and give it back to the Roy Morgan Research fieldworker who will return it sealed to the survey team for processing. The survey is conducted by the Australian Institute of Health & Welfare (AIHW), commissioned by the Department. Only the survey team will have access to your form and once the survey data is compiled your form will be destroyed. Your name and address will never be linked with any of the information you provide.

Section 29 of the AIHW Act prohibits the release of information about individuals collected in the survey.

Please be as honest and as accurate as possible. If you do not wish to answer any question for any reason, you do not have to do so. Participation in this survey is entirely voluntary.

How to complete this form:

• Please complete this form carefully using black ballpoint pen (not felt). Alternatively use blue pen.

Most questions only require you to answer by marking the appropriate box or boxes with a cross like this:

Please do not mark any areas outside the box.

• Other questions will require a numeric answer and can be filled in like this:

Please do not cross the number 7. Please make sure to write only one number in each box. Always round up to whole numbers, unless otherwise indicated.

• Other questions will ask you to write your answer in the box provided. Please ensure that you print your answers like this:

Last year I travelled to Bali on a Holiday

• If you make a mistake, completely shade out the box and cross the appropriate one.

• If you see an instruction like this (Skip to), you should follow the direction exactly. For example (Skip to Y1) means that you should miss all the questions after the one you have just answered, until you come to the question marked Y1. If you do not see the (Skip to), just answer the next question.

• Please answer each section and follow the Skips as required.
A note for all, but particularly, for our younger respondents.

The answers you give in this survey will be used by researchers to help in understanding what people think about tobacco, alcohol and other drugs and how widely drugs are used. You might feel embarrassed about giving honest answers. You might even be afraid that the researchers will be able to identify you, or that the answers will be shown to your parents. This will not, and cannot, happen.

All survey forms have codes entered onto them and the researchers will not know who you are. Your answers will be added to everyone else’s (over 20,000 people) before the researchers get to see them. When all the answers are collected, researchers will then be able to report, for example, that “most young people do not smoke” or that “less than half of all young women drink alcohol”. Your answers will simply become part of a much bigger pool of answers.

The only researchers who will get to see the pool of answers are those who are looking at health or social issues relating to drug use. They must meet strict guidelines before the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare or the Department of Health and Ageing will let them look at the answers you provide. Your answers will help in planning health and other services for the community.

Remember, your name and address will never be linked with any of the information you provide.

Section A - Perceptions

A1. When people talk about “a drug problem”, which are the first two drugs you think of? (Mark only one drug category in each column)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>1st drug</th>
<th>2nd drug</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Alcohol</td>
<td>Tobacco</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tea/coffee/caffeine</td>
<td>Barbiturates (e.g. Barbies, Barbs, Downers, Reds, Purple hearts)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tranquilisers, Sleeping pills (e.g. Benzos, Temazzies, Tranks, Sleepers, Valium, Serapax, Serries, Mandrax, Mandies, Rohypnol, Rowsies)</td>
<td>Pain killers, Analgesics (e.g. Aspirin, Paracetamol, Mersyndol)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Steroids (e.g. Roids, Juice, Gear)</td>
<td>Inhalants/Solvents/Aerosols/Glue/Petrol (e.g. Laughing gas, Whippits, Nitrous, Snappers, Poppers, Pearlers, Rushamines, Locker room, Bolt, Bullet, Rush, Climax, Red gold)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Marijuana/Cannabis (e.g. Pot, Grass, Weed, Reefer, Joint, MaryJane, Acapulco gold, Rope, Mull, Cone, Spliff, Dope, Skunk, Bhang, Ganja, Hash, Chronic)</td>
<td>Naturally Occurring Hallucinogens (e.g. Blue meanies, Gold tops, Mushies, Magic mushrooms, Datura, Angel’s trumpet)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LSD/Synthetic Hallucinogens/Psilocybin/PCP (e.g. Acid, Trips, Wedges, Windowpane, Blotter, Microdot, Angel dust, Hog, Loveboat)</td>
<td>Methamphetamine/Amphetamines (Speed) (e.g. Crystal, Whizz, Goey, Gogo, Zip, Uppers, Ice, Amphet, Meth, Ox blood, Leopards blood, MDEA, Methyamphetamine, Eve, Shabu)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Heroin (e.g. Hammer, Smack, Horse, H, Boy, Junk)</td>
<td>Cocaine (e.g. Coke, Crack, Flake, Snow, White lady/girl, Happy dust, Gold dust, Toot, Scotty, Charlie, Cecil, C, Freebase)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ecstasy (e.g. XTC, E, Ex, Ecii, E and C, Adam, MDMA, PMA)</td>
<td>GHB (e.g. Fantasy, Grievous bodily harm, GBH, Liquid E, Liquid X)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ketamine (e.g. K, Special K, Vitamin K, KikKat, Ket)</td>
<td>Drugs other than listed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Kava</td>
<td>None/Can’t think of any/any more</td>
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</table>
A2. Which ONE of these drugs do you think directly or indirectly causes the most deaths in Australia? (Mark one response only)

- Opiates/Opioids (e.g. Heroin)
- Alcohol
- Prescribed Drugs (e.g. Pain killers, Valium, Serapax, Sleeping pills)
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed)
- Ecstasy/Designer Drugs
- Tobacco
- Cocaine/Crack
- Marijuana/Cannabis
- Hallucinogens (e.g. LSD, Magic mushrooms)

A3. Which ONE of these forms of drug use do you think is the most serious concern for the general community? (Mark one response only)

- Marijuana/Hash use
- Tobacco smoking
- Heroin use
- Non-medical use of Barbiturates
- Excessive drinking of Alcohol
- Non-medical use of Tranquilizers
- Sniffing Glue/Petrol/Solvents/Rush
- Ecstasy/Designer Drug use
- Methamphetamine/Amphetamine (Speed) use
- Cocaine/Crack use
- Hallucinogen use
- Non-medical use of Pain killers/Analgesics
- Non-medical use of Steroids
- None of these

A4. In the last 12 months, have you read, seen or heard any information about the health effects of alcohol, tobacco or other drugs?

Yes □ (Continue) No □ (Skip to A6)

A5. What were the sources of information? (Mark all that apply)

- Drug and/or alcohol information service or advisory centre
- Drug and/or alcohol counselling service or rehabilitation centre (e.g. Alcoholics Anonymous/Narcotics Anonymous/Lifeline/ Helpline/etc.)
- Cancer Council/National Heart Foundation
- Drop-in centre/community centre/ youth access centre
- Health centre/community health centre/ health clinics
- Hospital
- Doctor/medical centre
- Chemist
- Other health worker
- A government health department
- Other government department or service/ local council services/Police
- Welfare worker/Red Cross/Salvation Army
- Priest/church
- Teacher/school/university
- The government’s ‘Tough on Drugs’ booklet
- The government’s television advertisements
- Australian Alcohol Guidelines
- Library
- Books/journals/magazines
- Internet
- Quit/Quit Line
- Parent
- Friend/relative about the same age (e.g. brother/sister)
- Other relative
- Other (Please write in)

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The picture below shows, in bold, the number of ‘standard drinks’ in some typical alcohol containers.

### Standard Drinks Guide

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<tr>
<th>Drink Type</th>
<th>Alcohol Content</th>
<th>Volume (ml)</th>
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<tr>
<td>1.5 Full Strength Beer</td>
<td>4.9% Alc./Vol</td>
<td>375ml</td>
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<tr>
<td>1 Mid Strength Beer</td>
<td>3.5% Alc./Vol</td>
<td>375ml</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0.8 Light Beer</td>
<td>2.7% Alc./Vol</td>
<td>375ml</td>
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<tr>
<td>1.5 Full Strength Beer</td>
<td>4.9% Alc./Vol</td>
<td>375ml</td>
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<tr>
<td>0.8 Light Beer</td>
<td>2.7% Alc./Vol</td>
<td>375ml</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1 Middy/Pot*</td>
<td>3.5% Alc./Vol</td>
<td>285ml</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0.7 Middy/Pot* Light Beer</td>
<td>2.7% Alc./Vol</td>
<td>285ml</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0.5 Middy/Pot*</td>
<td>11.5% Alc./Vol</td>
<td>750ml</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1.5 Standard Serve of Sparkling Wine</td>
<td>12% Alc./Vol</td>
<td>170ml</td>
</tr>
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**A6.** Before today, had you ever heard of a ‘standard drink’ of alcohol?
- Yes [ ] (Continue)
- No [ ] (Skip to A8)

**A7.** As far as you know, is the number of ‘standard drinks’ shown on cans and bottles of alcoholic beverages?
- Yes [ ]
- No [ ]
- Don’t know [ ]

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**A8.** Before today, had you ever heard of the Australian Alcohol Guidelines?
- Yes [ ]
- No [ ]
- Don’t know [ ]

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**A9.** How many ‘standard drinks’ do you believe an adult male could drink every day for many years without adversely affecting his health?
(Write in whole number e.g. 0, 3, 10, etc.)

Number of drinks [ ]

**A10.** How many ‘standard drinks’ do you believe an adult female could drink every day for many years without adversely affecting her health?
(Write in whole number e.g. 0, 3, 10, etc.)

Number of drinks [ ]

**A11.** Again thinking in terms of ‘standard drinks’, how many drinks do you believe an adult male could drink in a six hour period before he puts his health at risk?
(Mark one response only)

- 13 or more [ ]
- 11 - 12 [ ]
- 7 - 10 [ ]
- 5 - 6 [ ]
- 3 - 4 [ ]
- 1 - 2 [ ]
- None [ ]
- Don’t know [ ]
A12. And how many ‘standard drinks’ do you believe an adult male could drink in a six hour period before he puts others’ health at risk? (Mark one response only)

- 13 or more
- 11 - 12
- 7 - 10
- 5 - 6
- 3 - 4
- 1 - 2
- None
- Don’t know

A13. Again thinking in terms of ‘standard drinks’, how many drinks do you believe an adult female could drink in a six hour period before she puts her health at risk? (Mark one response only)

- 13 or more
- 11 - 12
- 7 - 10
- 5 - 6
- 3 - 4
- 1 - 2
- None
- Don’t know

A14. And how many ‘standard drinks’ do you believe an adult female could drink in a six hour period before she puts others’ health at risk? (Mark one response only)

- 13 or more
- 11 - 12
- 7 - 10
- 5 - 6
- 3 - 4
- 1 - 2
- None
- Don’t know

A15. How harmful or beneficial do you think your current alcohol consumption, including not drinking any alcohol, is to your health? (Mark one response only)

- Very harmful
- Somewhat harmful
- Neither harmful nor beneficial
- Somewhat beneficial
- Very beneficial
- Don’t know

A16. When you think about the health effects of alcohol consumption, which are the first two effects you think of? (Mark one response in each column)

<table>
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<tr>
<th>First Effect</th>
<th>Second Effect</th>
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<td>Heart disease</td>
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<td>Drunkenness</td>
<td></td>
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<td>Headaches/hangovers</td>
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<td>Loss of self-control</td>
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<td>Depression</td>
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<td>Accidents</td>
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<td>Violence</td>
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<td>Cancer</td>
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<td>Diabetes</td>
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<td>Brain disease</td>
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<td>Foetal alcohol effects</td>
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<td>Sleep disturbances</td>
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<td>Interactions with medications</td>
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<td>Increased health risks in older people</td>
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<td>Other negative effect</td>
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<td>Lowers cholesterol/ good for the heart or blood</td>
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<tr>
<td>Relieves tension or stress</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Other positive effect</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>No other effect</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Don’t know</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

A17. Thinking now about tobacco, do you think that non-smokers who live with smokers might one day develop health problems because of other people’s cigarette smoke?

- Yes
- No
- Don’t know

A18. Do you think non-smokers who work or socialise with smokers might one day develop health problems because of other people’s cigarette smoke?

- Yes
- No
- Don’t know

A19. Do you avoid places where you may be exposed to other people’s cigarette smoke?

- Yes, always
- Yes, sometimes
- No, never
Section B - Regulations relating to drug use

B1. Do you think the possession of small quantities of marijuana/cannabis for personal use should be a criminal offence, that is, should offenders acquire a criminal record?

- Yes ☐
- No ☐
- Unsure/Don’t know ☐

B2. What SINGLE action best describes what you think should happen to anyone found in possession of small quantities of the following drugs for personal use?

(Mark one response only for each drug type i.e. each column)

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Drug Type</th>
<th>Action</th>
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<td>Marijuana/ Cannabis</td>
<td>No action ☐</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ecstasy/ Designer Drugs</td>
<td>A caution or warning only ☐</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Heroin</td>
<td>Referral to drug education program ☐</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Methamphetamines/ Amphetamines (Speed)</td>
<td>Referral to treatment ☐</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Something similar to a parking fine, up to $200 ☐</td>
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<td></td>
<td>A substantial fine, around $1,000 ☐</td>
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<td>A community service order ☐</td>
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<td>Weekend detention ☐</td>
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<td>A prison sentence ☐</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Some other arrangement ☐</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Don’t know ☐</td>
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</table>

B3. If marijuana/cannabis were legal to use, would you . . .?

(Mark one response only)

- Not use it, even if it were legal and available ☐
- Try it ☐
- Use it about as often as you do now ☐
- Use it more often than you do now ☐
- Use it less often than you do now ☐
- Don’t know ☐

A20. What no-smoking policies or restrictions, if any, does your workplace, school or college have in place?

(Mark one response only)

- No restrictions ☐
- Allowed to smoke in own room only/office only ☐
- Allowed to smoke in inside smoking area ☐
- Allowed to smoke in outside smoking area ☐
- Allowed to smoke outside building (no special area provided) ☐
- Total ban (even outside) ☐
- Not applicable (not working or studying) ☐
Section C - General Health

C1. In general, would you say your health is...?  
(Mark one response only)  
- Excellent ☐ 
- Very good ☐ 
- Good ☐ 
- Fair ☐ 
- Poor ☐

C2. When was the last time you consulted a doctor about any illness or injury?  
(Mark one response only)  
- Within the last 3 months ☐ 
- More than 3, but within the last 6 months ☐ 
- More than 6, but within the last 12 months ☐ 
- More than 12 months ago ☐ 
- Have never consulted a doctor ☐

C3. Not counting any times you just went to the outpatients or casualty, how many times have you been admitted to a hospital in the last 12 months?  
(Write in the number of times in whole numbers (e.g. 1,3,10) or mark the box “Not admitted” ... as appropriate)  
Number of times admitted to hospital in the last 12 months ☐ 
Not admitted to hospital in the last 12 months ☐

C4. Have you ever used someone else’s medication when you were feeling unwell? (e.g. you used medications originally prescribed or recommended by a health professional for someone else, when you had similar symptoms)  
Yes ☐ (Continue) No ☐ (Skip to C6)

C5. Which medications originally prescribed or recommended for someone else have you used in the last 12 months when you were feeling unwell? (Mark all that apply)  
Pain killers/Analgesics ☐ 
Antibiotics ☐ 
Anti-depressants ☐ 
Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills ☐ 
Asthma medications ☐ 
Herbal and alternative medicines, vitamin and mineral supplements, etc. ☐ 
Others ☐ 
None in the last 12 Months ☐

C6. In the last 12 months have you been diagnosed or treated for...?  
(Mark relevant boxes for each condition)  
- Insulin dependent diabetes ☐ ☐ ☐ 
- Non-insulin dependent diabetes ☐ ☐ ☐ 
- Heart disease ☐ ☐ ☐ 
- Hypertension (high blood pressure) ☐ ☐ ☐ 
- Low iron (iron deficiency or anaemia) ☐ ☐ ☐ 
- Asthma ☐ ☐ ☐ 
- Depression ☐ ☐ ☐ 
- Anxiety disorder ☐ ☐ ☐ 
- Schizophrenia ☐ ☐ ☐ 
- Bi-polar disorder ☐ ☐ ☐ 
- Other form of psychosis ☐ ☐ ☐ 
- An eating disorder ☐ ☐ ☐ 
- A sexually transmitted infection (e.g. chlamydia, genital herpes) ☐ ☐ ☐ 
- Hepatitis B or C ☐ ☐ ☐ 
- Cancer (Please write in type) ☐ ☐ ☐ 
- Other major illness (Please write in type) ☐ ☐ ☐

Reminder:  
Are you filling in the boxes correctly?  
Are you shading the boxes fully for any mistakes?

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1 ☐ 2 ☐
C7. In the past 4 weeks, about how often did you feel tired out for no good reason?  
(Mark one response only)

- None of the time
- A little of the time
- Some of the time
- Most of the time
- All of the time

C8. In the past 4 weeks, about how often did you feel nervous?  
(Mark one response only)

- None of the time
- A little of the time
- Some of the time
- Most of the time
- All of the time

C9. In the past 4 weeks, about how often did you feel so nervous that nothing could calm you down?  
(Mark one response only)

- None of the time
- A little of the time
- Some of the time
- Most of the time
- All of the time

C10. In the past 4 weeks, about how often did you feel hopeless?  
(Mark one response only)

- None of the time
- A little of the time
- Some of the time
- Most of the time
- All of the time

C11. In the past 4 weeks, about how often did you feel restless or fidgety?  
(Mark one response only)

- None of the time
- A little of the time
- Some of the time
- Most of the time
- All of the time

C12. In the past 4 weeks, about how often did you feel so restless you could not sit still?  
(Mark one response only)

- None of the time
- A little of the time
- Some of the time
- Most of the time
- All of the time

C13. In the past 4 weeks, about how often did you feel depressed?  
(Mark one response only)

- None of the time
- A little of the time
- Some of the time
- Most of the time
- All of the time

C14. In the past 4 weeks, about how often did you feel that everything was an effort?  
(Mark one response only)

- None of the time
- A little of the time
- Some of the time
- Most of the time
- All of the time

C15. In the past 4 weeks, about how often did you feel so sad that nothing could cheer you up?  
(Mark one response only)

- None of the time
- A little of the time
- Some of the time
- Most of the time
- All of the time

C16. In the past 4 weeks, about how often did you feel worthless?  
(Mark one response only)

- None of the time
- A little of the time
- Some of the time
- Most of the time
- All of the time
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE AND YOUR HELP WITH THIS SURVEY
Section D

FOR THIS SURVEY, THE TERM ‘NON-MEDICAL PURPOSES’ MEANS DRUGS USED:

1. either alone or with other drugs in order to induce or enhance a drug experience;
2. for performance enhancement (e.g. athletic enhancement); or
3. for cosmetic purposes (e.g. body shaping).

D1. In the last 12 months, have you been offered or had the opportunity to use any of the following?
(Answer yes or no for each drug type)

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D2. How difficult or easy would it be for you to get some of the following drugs, if you wanted some?
(Mark one box for each drug type)

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Section E

E1. About what proportion of your friends and acquaintances smoke tobacco?  (Mark one response only)
   All ☐  Most ☐  About half ☐  A few ☐  None ☐

E2. In the last 12 months, have you or any other member of your household smoked at least one cigarette, cigar or pipe of tobacco per day in the home?  (Mark one response only)
   Yes, inside the home ☐  No, only smoke outside the home ☐  No-one at home regularly smokes ☐

E3. Have you personally ever tried smoking cigarettes or other forms of tobacco?  (Mark one response only)
   Yes ☐  No ☐ (Skip to E26)

E4. Have you ever smoked a full cigarette?  (Mark one response only)
   Yes ☐  No ☐ (Skip to E26)

E5. About what age were you when you smoked your first full cigarette?
   Age in years: ☐

E6. Who supplied you with your first cigarette?  (Mark one response only)
   Friend or acquaintance ☐  Brother or sister ☐  Parent ☐  Spouse or partner ☐  Other relative ☐  Stole it ☐
   Purchased it myself from shop/tobacco retailer ☐  Other ☐  Can’t recall ☐

E7. Would you have smoked at least 100 cigarettes (manufactured or roll-your-own), or the equivalent amount of tobacco in your life?  (Mark one response only)
   Yes ☐  No ☐ (Skip to E26)

E8. Have you ever smoked on a daily basis?  (Mark one response only)
   Yes, I smoke daily now ☐ (Skip to E10)
   Yes, I used to smoke daily, but not now ☐ (Continue)
   No, never smoked daily ☐ (Skip to E11)

E9. About what age were you when you stopped smoking daily?
   Age in years: ☐

E10. At what age did you first start smoking daily?
   Age in years: ☐ (If now smoke daily skip to E13 after answering E10)

E11. How often do you now smoke cigarettes, pipes or other tobacco products?
   Daily ☐  At least weekly (but not daily) ☐  Less often than weekly ☐
   Not at all, but I have smoked in the last 12 months ☐ (Skip to E18)
   Not at all and I have not smoked in the last 12 months ☐ (Continue)

E12. About what age were you when you last smoked?
   Age in years: ☐ (If not smoked in last 12 months skip to E26 after answering E12)

E13. Where do you usually obtain your cigarettes, pipes or other tobacco products now?  (Mark one response only)
   Friend or acquaintance ☐  Brother or sister ☐  Parent ☐  Spouse or partner ☐  Other relative ☐
   Steal them ☐  Purchase them myself from shop/tobacco retailer ☐  Other ☐

E14. How often, if at all, do you now smoke manufactured cigarettes?
   Daily ☐  How many per day? ☐
   At least weekly (but not daily) ☐  How many per week? ☐
   Less often than weekly ☐  How many per month? ☐
   Not at all ☐
E15. How often, if at all, do you now smoke roll-your-own cigarettes?

- Daily
- How many per day?
- At least weekly (but not daily)
- How many per week?
- Less often than weekly
- How many per month?
- Not at all

E16. How often, if at all, do you now smoke cigars or pipes?

- Daily
- How many per day?
- At least weekly (but not daily)
- How many per week?
- Less often than weekly
- How many per month?
- Not at all

E17. During the last 12 months, did you find that you couldn’t stop or cut down on your smoking, even though you wanted to or tried to?

- Yes
- No

E18. In the last 12 months, have you . . . ?

- Successfully given up smoking (for more than a month)
- Tried to give up unsuccessfully
- Changed to a brand with lower tar or nicotine content
- Tried to change to a brand with lower tar or nicotine content, but were unsuccessful
- Reduced the amount of tobacco you smoke in a day
- Tried to reduce the amount of tobacco smoked in a day, but were unsuccessful
- None of these

E19. Which of the following motivated you to try giving up, cutting down or changing to a lower tar or nicotine brand?

- Health warnings on cigarette packets
- Government advertisements on TV, press or radio advertising by pharmaceutical companies for products such as nicotine gum, patches or Zyban
- Tobacco Information Line (i.e. phone number on cigarette packet)
- QUIT line
- I wanted to get fit
- I was pregnant or planning to start a family
- I think it was affecting my health or fitness
- My doctor advised me to give up
- Family and/or friends asked me to quit
- I was worried it was affecting the health of those around me
- It was costing too much
- Smoking restrictions in public areas (e.g. restaurants, sporting venues, public transport, etc.)
- Smoking restrictions in the work place
- Other

E20. In the last 12 months, on average how much do you think you have cut down on your cigarette smoking?

- (Mark one response only)
- Have not cut down
- By about 1 to 5 cigarettes per day
- By about 6 to 10 cigarettes per day
- By about 11 to 15 cigarettes per day
- By about 16 to 20 cigarettes per day
- By more than 20 cigarettes per day
- Don’t smoke cigarettes

E21. Are you planning on giving up smoking?

- (Mark one response only)
- No, I have already given up
- Yes, within 30 days
- Yes, after 30 days, but within the next 3 months
- Yes, but not within the next 3 months
- No, I am not planning to give up

(Skip to E24)
E22. Why don’t you intend to quit? (Mark all that may apply)
- I enjoy smoking
- Smoking relaxes me
- I am addicted to nicotine
- Smoking is not as bad for my health as people say
- Smoking helps me manage my weight
- Other (Please write in) 

E23. What factors would motivate you to quit smoking? (Mark all that apply)
- Advice from my doctor
- Family/partner/parents
- Affecting my fitness
- Ill health
- Pregnancy
- Children in the home
- Other (Please write in)

E24. During the last 12 months, have you done any of the following? (Mark all that apply)
- Discussed smoking and health at home
- Rung the ‘QUIT’ line
- Asked your doctor for help to quit
- Used nicotine gum, nicotine patch or nicotine inhaler
- Used a smoking cessation pill (e.g. Zyban)
- Bought a product other than nicotine patch, gum or pill to help you quit
- Read ‘How to Quit’ literature
- Used the Internet to help you quit
- Done something else to help you quit
- None of the above
- Don’t know

E25. During the last 12 months, has anybody at your house been trying to get you to quit smoking? (Mark all that apply)
- Yes – Parent
- Yes – Child
- Yes – Sibling (brother or sister)
- Yes – Partner/spouse
- Yes – Friend/flatmate
- Yes – Other person
- No one trying to get me to quit
- Not applicable (live alone)

E26. At the present time, do you consider yourself . . .? (Mark one response only)
- A non-smoker
- An ex-smoker
- An occasional smoker
- A light smoker
- A social smoker
- A heavy smoker
- A chain smoker

E27. Which, if any, of the following tobacco products have you ever used and which have you used in the last 12 months? (Mark one response only for each product i.e. each row)

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E28. Have you seen or heard of unbranded loose tobacco (also called ‘chop chop’) sold in plastic bags or rolled into unbranded cigarettes?
- Yes (Continue)
- No (Skip to F1) (Continue) 

E29. Have you ever smoked it?
- Yes (Continue)
- No (Skip to F1) 

E30. How often do you smoke this type of tobacco? (Mark one response only)
- Every day
- Some days
- Only occasionally
- No longer use it (Skip to F1) 

E31. Would you say that when you smoke, you . . .? (Mark one response only)
- Only smoke this type of tobacco
- Mainly smoke this type of tobacco
- Smoke this type of tobacco about half of the time
- Smoke this type of tobacco less than half of the time
- Occasionally smoke this type of tobacco
Section F

F1. About what proportion of your friends and acquaintances consume alcohol?  
(Mark one response only)

- All □
- Most □
- About half □
- A few □
- None □

F2. Have you ever tried alcohol?

- Yes □  No □ (Skip to F22)

F3. Have you ever had a full serve of alcohol?  (e.g. a glass of wine, a whole nip of spirits, a glass of beer, etc.)

- Yes □  No □ (Skip to F22)

F4. About what age were you when you had your first full serve of alcohol?

Age in years: [ ]

F5. Who supplied you with the first glass of alcohol you consumed?  
(Mark one response only)

- Friend or acquaintance □
- Brother or sister □
- Parent □
- Spouse or partner □
- Other relative □
- Stole it □
- Purchased it myself from retailer  
  (e.g. pub, bottleshop) □
- Other □
- Can’t recall □

F6a. Have you had an alcoholic drink of any kind in the last 12 months?

- Yes □ (Skip to F7)  No □ (Continue)

F6b. About what age were you when you last had an alcoholic drink?

Age in years: [ ]  
(If non-drinker in past 12 months skip to F22 after answering F6b)

F7. In the last 12 months, how often did you have an alcoholic drink of any kind?  
(Mark one response only)

- Every day □
- 5 to 6 days a week □
- 3 to 4 days a week □
- 1 to 2 days a week □
- 2 to 3 days a month □
- About 1 day a month □
- Less often □
- No longer drink □ (Skip to F11)

F8. What type of alcohol do you usually drink?  
(Mark all that apply)

- Cask wine □
- Bottled wine □
- Regular strength beer  
  (greater than 4% Alc/Vol) □
- Mid strength beer  
  (3% to 3.9% Alc/Vol) □
- Low alcohol beer  
  (1% to 2.9% Alc/Vol) □
- Home-brewed beer □
- Pre-mixed spirits in a can  
  (e.g. UDL, Jim Beam & Cola) □
- Bottled spirits and liqueurs  
  (e.g. scotch, brandy, vodka, rum, 
  Kahlua, Midori, Baileys, etc.) □
- Pre-mixed spirits in a bottle  
  (e.g. Bacardi Breezer, Subzero, 
  Lemon Ruski/Stoli) □
- Cider □
- Fortified wine, port, vermouth, sherry, etc. □
- Other □

F9. Where do you usually drink alcohol?  
(Mark all that apply)

- In my own home □
- At a friend’s house □
- At a party at someone’s house □
- At raves/dance parties □
- At restaurants/cafés □
- At licensed premises  
  (e.g. pubs, clubs) □
- At school, TAFE, university, etc. □
- At my workplace □
- In public places  
  (e.g. parks) □
- In a car or other vehicle □
- Somewhere else □
F10. Where do you usually obtain your alcohol now?  
(Mark one response only)

- Friend or acquaintance
- Brother or sister
- Parent
- Spouse or partner
- Other relative
- Steal it
- Purchase it myself from retailer (e.g. pub, bottleshop)
- Get stranger/someone not known to me to get it
- Other

F11. In the last 12 months have you . . .?  
(Mark all that apply)

- Reduced the amount of alcohol you drink at any one time
- Reduced the number of times you drink
- Switched to drinking more low-alcohol drinks than you used to
- Stopped drinking alcohol
- None of the above (Skip to F13)

F12. What was the main reason for doing that?  
(Mark one response only)

- Health reasons (e.g. weight, diabetes, avoid hangover)
- Life style reasons (e.g. work/study commitments, less opportunity, young family)
- Social reasons (e.g. believe in moderation, concerned about violence, avoid getting drunk)
- Pregnant and/or breastfeeding
- Taste/enjoyment (e.g. prefer low alcohol beer, don’t get drunk)
- Drink driving regulations
- Financial reasons
- Peer pressure
- Other

If you no longer drink alcohol (at F7) – Skip to F15

F13. On a day that you have an alcoholic drink, how many standard drinks do you usually have? (see the coloured ‘Standard Drinks Guide’ provided to you, or the chart on page 3).  
(Mark one response only)

- 13 or more drinks
- 11 – 12 drinks
- 7 – 10 drinks
- 5 – 6 drinks
- 3 – 4 drinks
- 1 – 2 drinks

Reminder:

Are you filling in the boxes correctly?

Are you shading the boxes fully for any mistakes?
F14. When you have an alcoholic drink, how often do you do any of the following?
(Mark one response for each row below)

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F15. Please record how often in the last 12 months you have had each of the following number of standard drinks in a day?
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F16. Please mark the day of the week that is today.
(Mark one response only)

- Monday
- Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Thursday
- Friday
- Saturday
- Sunday

F17. How many standard alcoholic drinks did you have yesterday?

Number of drinks: [ ]

If less than 1, please indicate to the nearest fraction:

- ¼
- ½
- ¾

None (Skip to F19)
The question on the next page asks how many cans, bottles, glasses or nips of alcohol did you drink yesterday.

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Yesterday, this person had 2 large beer glasses of regular strength beer, 1 small bottle of Low Alcohol Beer and 2 English pints of Low Alcohol Beer.

**Notes -**

- Small Beer Bottles (330-375 mL) – e.g. Stubbies, echos, half-bottles of wine, premixed spirit bottles, cider bottles, etc.
- Large Beer Glass (425 mL) – e.g. 15 oz, schooners in NSW, pints in SA, etc.
- Medium Beer Glass (285 mL) – e.g. 10 oz, middies in NSW, pots in VIC and QLD, schooners in SA, handles in NT, etc.
- Small Beer Glass (210 mL) – e.g. small beer glass (7 oz, butchers, ponies) etc.
F18. How many bottles, glasses, cans or nips of alcohol did you drink yesterday? Please write in the number for each type of drink below:

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F19. In the last 12 months, about how often have you been unable to remember afterwards what happened while you were drinking?

(Mark one response only)

- Every day □
- 5 to 6 days a week □
- 3 to 4 days a week □
- 1 to 2 days a week □
- 2 to 3 days a month □
- About 1 day a month □
- Less often but at least once □
- Never □

F20. During the last 12 months, did you find that you couldn’t stop or cut down on your use of alcohol, even though you wanted to or tried to?

- Yes □
- No □

F21. Have you ever found that you drank alcohol much more often or in larger amounts than you intended?

- Yes □
- No □

F22. At the present time do you consider yourself...?

(Mark one response only)

- A non-drinker □
- An ex-drinker □
- An occasional drinker □
- A light drinker □
- A social drinker □
- A heavy drinker □
- A binge drinker □

Just as a reminder, this survey is conducted under the AIHW Act, which prohibits the release of individuals’ information collected from this survey. The information you provide in the following sections may appear to be self-incriminating, however, your individual information cannot be revealed and you will not be identified from the responses you provide.

Section G

FOR THIS SURVEY, THE TERM ‘NON-MEDICAL PURPOSES’ MEANS DRUGS USED:

1. either alone or with other drugs in order to induce or enhance a drug experience;
2. for performance enhancement (e.g. athletic); or
3. for cosmetic purposes (e.g. body shaping).

The term illicit drug and illegal drug are used interchangeably to describe each of the following:

- Any drug which is illegal to possess or use;
- Any legal drug used in an illegal manner, for example:
  - A drug obtained on prescription but given or sold to another person to use;
  - Glue or petrol which is sold legally, but is used in a manner that is not intended, such as inhaling fumes; or
  - Stolen pharmaceuticals sold on the black market (e.g. Pethidine).

G1. About what proportion of your friends and acquaintances use Pain killers/Analgesics for non-medical purposes?
(e.g. Aspirin, Paracetamol, Mersyndol)
(Mark one response only)

- All □
- Most □
- About half □
- A few □
- None □

G2. Have you ever used Pain killers/Analgesics for non-medical purposes?

- Yes □ (Continue)
- No □ (Skip to G8)

G3. About what age were you when you first used Pain killers/Analgesics for non-medical purposes?

- Age in years:

G4. Have you used Pain killers/Analgesics for non-medical purposes in the last 12 months?

- Yes □ (Continue)
- No □ (Skip to G8)

G5. During the last 12 months, did you find that you couldn’t stop or cut down on your use of Pain killers/Analgesics for non-medical purposes, even though you wanted to or tried to?

- Yes □
- No □

G6. Have you used Pain killers/Analgesics for non-medical purposes in the last month?

- Yes □ (Continue)
- No □ (Skip to G8)
G7. Have you used Pain killers/Analgesics for non-medical purposes in the last week?

Yes ☐ No ☐

G8. In the last 12 months, how often did you use Pain killers/Analgesics for non-medical purposes?
(Mark one response only)

Every day ☐
Once a week or more ☐
About once a month ☐
Every few months ☐
Once or twice a year ☐

G9a. Where did you first obtain Pain killers/Analgesics for non-medical purposes?
(Mark one response only)

Friend or acquaintance ☐
Brother or sister ☐
Parent ☐
Spouse or partner ☐
Other relative ☐
Dealer on the street ☐
Dealer delivery to my home ☐
Visit to the dealer's house ☐
Dealer at another location ☐
Doctor shopping/forged script ☐
Stole/steal it ☐
Bought/buy at a shop/retail outlet (e.g. chemist, supermarket, etc.) ☐
Other ☐

G9b. Where do/did you usually obtain Pain killers/Analgesics for non-medical purposes?
(Mark one response only)

In my own home ☐
At a friend's house ☐
At a party at someone's house ☐
At raves/dance parties ☐
At restaurants/cafés ☐
At licensed premises (e.g. pubs, clubs) ☐
At school, TAFE, university, etc. ☐
At my workplace ☐
In public places (e.g. parks) ☐
In a car or other vehicle ☐
Somewhere else ☐

G10. Where do/did you usually use Pain killers/Analgesics for non-medical purposes?
(Mark all that apply)

In my own home ☐
At a friend's house ☐
At a party at someone's house ☐
At raves/dance parties ☐
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At school, TAFE, university, etc. ☐
At my workplace ☐
In public places (e.g. parks) ☐
In a car or other vehicle ☐
Somewhere else ☐

G11. Which of the following did you use at the same time, on at least one occasion that you used Pain killers/Analgesics for non-medical purposes?
(Mark all that apply)

Alcohol ☐
Marijuana/Cannabis ☐
Heroin ☐
Cocaine/Crack ☐
Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills ☐
Anti-depressants ☐
Barbiturates ☐
Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) ☐
Ecstasy/Designer Drugs ☐
Other ☐

G12. What drug would you mostly use when Pain killers/Analgesics for non-medical purposes are not available?
(Mark one response only)

Alcohol ☐
Marijuana/Cannabis ☐
Heroin ☐
Cocaine/Crack ☐
Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills ☐
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Barbiturates ☐
Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) ☐
Ecstasy/Designer Drugs ☐
Other ☐
No other drug ☐
Section H

H1. About what proportion of your friends and acquaintances use Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills for non-medical purposes? (e.g. Benzos, Temazzies, Tranks, Sleepers, Valium, Serapax, Serries, Mandrax, Mandies, Rohypnol, Rowies)

- All □
- Most □
- About half □
- A few □
- None □

H2. Have you ever used Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills for non-medical purposes?

- Yes □ (Continue)  No □ (Skip to J1)

H3. About what age were you when you first used Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills for non-medical purposes?

Age in years: □

H4. Have you used Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills for non-medical purposes in the last 12 months?

- Yes □ (Continue)  No □ (Skip to J1)

H5. During the last 12 months, did you find that you couldn’t stop or cut down on your use of Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills for non-medical purposes, even though you wanted to or tried to?

- Yes □  No □

H6. Have you used Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills for non-medical purposes in the last month?

- Yes □ (Continue)  No □ (Skip to H8)

H7. Have you used Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills for non-medical purposes in the last week?

- Yes □  No □

H8. In the last 12 months, how often did you use Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills for non-medical purposes? (Mark one response only)

- Every day □
- Once a week or more □
- About once a month □
- Every few months □
- Once or twice a year □

H9a. Where did you first obtain Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills for non-medical purposes? (Mark one response only)

- First

- Usually

- Friend or acquaintance □  □
- Brother or sister □  □
- Parent □  □
- Spouse or partner □  □
- Other relative □  □
- Dealer on the street □  □
- Dealer delivery to my home □  □
- Visit to the dealer’s house □  □
- Dealer at another location □  □
- Doctor shopping/forged script □  □
- Stole/steal it □  □
- Other □  □

H9b. Where do/did you usually obtain Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills for non-medical purposes? (Mark one response only)

- In my own home □
- At a friend’s house □
- At a party at someone’s house □
- At raves/dance parties □
- At restaurants/cafés □
- At licensed premises (e.g. pubs, clubs) □
- At school, TAFE, university, etc. □
- At my workplace □
- In public places (e.g. parks) □
- In a car or other vehicle □
- Somewhere else □

H10. Where do/did you usually use Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills for non-medical purposes? (Mark all that apply)

- In my own home □
- At a friend’s house □
- At a party at someone’s house □
- At raves/dance parties □
- At restaurants/cafés □
- At licensed premises (e.g. pubs, clubs) □
- At school, TAFE, university, etc. □
- At my workplace □
- In public places (e.g. parks) □
- In a car or other vehicle □
- Somewhere else □

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Section J

J1. About what proportion of your friends and acquaintances use Steroids for non-medical purposes? (e.g. Roids, Juice, Gear)

- All
- Most
- About half
- A few
- None

J2. Have you ever used Steroids for non-medical purposes?

- Yes (Continue)
- No (Skip to K1)

J3. About what age were you when you first used Steroids for non-medical purposes?

- Age in years: [ ]

J4. Have you used Steroids for non-medical purposes in the last 12 months?

- Yes (Continue)
- No (Skip to K1)

J5. During the last 12 months, did you find that you couldn’t stop or cut down on your use of Steroids for non-medical purposes, even though you wanted to or tried to?

- Yes
- No

J6. Have you used Steroids for non-medical purposes in the last month?

- Yes (Continue)
- No (Skip to J8)

J7. Have you used Steroids for non-medical purposes in the last week?

- Yes
- No

J8. In the last 12 months, how often did you use Steroids for non-medical purposes?

- Every day
- Once a week or more
- About once a month
- Every few months
- Once or twice a year

Reminder:

Please cross inside the box, like this: ☒

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J9a. Where did you first obtain Steroids for non-medical purposes?  
(Mark one response only)

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J9b. Where do/did you usually obtain Steroids for non-medical purposes?  
(Mark one response only)

J10. Where do/did you usually use Steroids for non-medical purposes?  
(Mark all that apply)

- In my own home
- At a friend’s house
- At a party at someone’s house
- At raves/dance parties
- At restaurants/cafés
- At licensed premises (e.g. pubs, clubs)
- At school, TAFE, university, etc.
- At my workplace
- In public places (e.g. parks)
- In a car or other vehicle
- At gyms/sporting clubs/fitness centres
- Somewhere else

J11. How have you used Steroids for non-medical purposes?  
(Mark all that apply)

- Swallowed
- Injected

J12. Which of the following did you use at the same time, on at least one occasion that you used Steroids for non-medical purposes?  
(Mark all that apply)

- Alcohol
- Marijuana/Cannabis
- Heroin
- Cocaine/ Crack
- Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills
- Anti-depressants
- Pain killers/Analgesics
- Barbiturates
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed)
- Ecstasy/Designer Drugs
- Other

J13. What drug would you mostly use when Steroids for non-medical purposes are not available?  
(Mark one response only)

- Alcohol
- Marijuana/Cannabis
- Heroin
- Cocaine/ Crack
- Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills
- Anti-depressants
- Pain killers/Analgesics
- Barbiturates
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed)
- Ecstasy/Designer Drugs
- Other

- No other drug
### Section K

K1. About what proportion of your friends and acquaintances use Barbiturates for non-medical purposes?  
(e.g. Barbies, Barbs, Downers, Reds, Purple hearts)

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K2. Have you ever used Barbiturates for non-medical purposes?

- Yes □ (Continue)  
- No □ (Skip to L1)

K3. About what age were you when you first used Barbiturates for non-medical purposes?

- Age in years: [ ]

K4. Have you used Barbiturates for non-medical purposes in the last 12 months?

- Yes □ (Continue)  
- No □ (Skip to L1)

K5. Have you used Barbiturates for non-medical purposes in the last month?

- Yes □ (Continue)  
- No □ (Skip to K7)

K6. Have you used Barbiturates for non-medical purposes in the last week?

- Yes □  
- No □

K7. In the last 12 months, how often did you use Barbiturates for non-medical purposes?  
(Mark one response only)

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### Section L

L1. About what proportion of your friends and acquaintances use Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) for non-medical purposes?  
(e.g. Crystal, Whizz, Goey, Gogo, Zip, Uppers, Ice, Amphet, Meth, Ox blood, Leopards blood, MDEA, Methylamphetamine, Eve, Shabu)

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L2. Have you ever used Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) for non-medical purposes?

- Yes □ (Continue)  
- No □ (Skip to M1)

L3. About what age were you when you first used Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) for non-medical purposes?

- Age in years: [ ]

L4. Have you used Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) for non-medical purposes in the last 12 months?

- Yes □ (Continue)  
- No □ (Skip to M1)

L5. During the last 12 months, did you find that you couldn’t stop or cut down on your use of Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) for non-medical purposes, even though you wanted to or tried to?

- Yes □  
- No □

L6. Have you used Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) for non-medical purposes in the last month?

- Yes □ (Continue)  
- No □ (Skip to L8)

L7. Have you used Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) for non-medical purposes in the last week?

- Yes □  
- No □
L8. In the last 12 months, how often did you use Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) for non-medical purposes? (Mark one response only)

Every day  
Once a week or more  
About once a month  
Every few months  
Once or twice a year

L9a. Where did you first obtain Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) for non-medical purposes? (Mark one response only)

Friend or acquaintance  
Brother or sister  
Parent  
Spouse or partner  
Other relative  
Dealer on the street  
Dealer delivery to my home  
Visit to the dealer’s house  
Dealer at another location  
Doctor shopping/forged script  
Stole/steal it  
Other

L9b. Where do/did you usually obtain Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) for non-medical purposes? (Mark one response only)

First  
Usually

L10. Where do/did you usually use Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) for non-medical purposes? (Mark all that apply)

In my own home  
At a friend’s house  
At a party at someone’s house  
At raves/dance parties  
At restaurants/cafés  
At licensed premises (e.g. pubs, clubs)  
At school, TAFE, university, etc.  
At my workplace  
In public places (e.g. parks)  
In a car or other vehicle  
Somewhere else

L11. On a day you use Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed), on average how many points or grams do you normally have? (Mark one response only)

Number of points

Number of grams

If Less than 1, indicate to the nearest fraction:

points  
OR

grams

L12. What form of Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) do you use? (Mark all that apply)

Powder  
Liquid  
Crystal  
Base/paste/pure  
Tablet  
Prescription amphetamines

L13. How have you used Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed)? (Mark all that apply)

Smoked  
Snorted  
Swallowed  
Injected  
Other
L14. Which of the following did you use at the same time, on at least one occasion that you used Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) for non-medical purposes?  
(Mark all that apply) 
- Alcohol □  
- Marijuana/Cannabis □  
- Heroin □  
- Cocaine/Crack □  
- Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills □  
- Anti-depressants □  
- Pain killers/Analgesics □  
- Barbiturates □  
- Ecstasy □  
- GHB □  
- Ketamine □  
- Other □  
- Not used any of the above at the same time as Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) for non-medical purposes □

L15. What drug would you mostly use when Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) for non-medical purposes is not available?  
(Mark one response only) 
- Alcohol □  
- Marijuana/Cannabis □  
- Heroin □  
- Cocaine/Crack □  
- Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills □  
- Anti-depressants □  
- Pain killers/Analgesics □  
- Barbiturates □  
- Ecstasy □  
- GHB □  
- Ketamine □  
- Other □  
- No other drug □
M9a. Where did you first obtain Marijuana/Cannabis? (Mark one response only)
- Friend or acquaintance
- Brother or sister
- Parent
- Spouse or partner
- Other relative
- Dealer on the street
- Dealer delivery to my home
- Visit to the dealer's house
- Dealer at another location
- Grew/grow my own (made/make it myself)
- Stole/steal it
- Other

M9b. Where do/did you usually obtain Marijuana/Cannabis? (Mark one response only)
- In my own home
- At a friend's house
- At a party at someone's house
- At raves/dance parties
- At restaurants/cafés
- At licensed premises (e.g. pubs, clubs)
- At school, TAFE, university, etc.
- At my work place
- In public places (e.g. parks)
- In a car or other vehicle
- Somewhere else

M10. Where do/did you usually use Marijuana/Cannabis? (Mark all that apply)
- In my own home
- At a friend's house
- At a party at someone's house
- At raves/dance parties
- At restaurants/cafés
- At licensed premises (e.g. pubs, clubs)
- At school, TAFE, university, etc.
- At my work place
- In public places (e.g. parks)
- In a car or other vehicle
- Somewhere else

M11. On a day you use Marijuana/Cannabis, on average how many cones, bongs or joints do you normally have?
- Number of cones, bongs or joints: 

If less than 1, please indicate to the nearest fraction:
- ¼
- ½
- ¾

M12. What form of Marijuana/Cannabis do you use? (Mark all that apply)
- Leaf
- Heads
- Resin (including Hash)
- Oil (including Hash oil)
- Skunk
- Other

M13. How have you used Marijuana/Cannabis? (Mark all that apply)
- Smoked as joints (e.g. reefers, spliffs)
- Smoked from a bong or pipe
- By eating it (e.g. Hash cookies)
- Marijuana/Cannabis and tobacco mixed

M14. Which of the following did you use at the same time, on at least one occasion that you used Marijuana/Cannabis? (Mark all that apply)
- Alcohol
- Heroin
- Cocaine/Crack
- Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills
- Anti-depressants
- Pain killers/Analgesics
- Barbiturates
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed)
- Ecstasy/Designer Drugs
- Other
- Not used any of the above at the same time as Marijuana/Cannabis

M15. What drug would you mostly use when Marijuana/Cannabis is not available? (Mark one response only)
- Alcohol
- Heroin
- Cocaine/Crack
- Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills
- Anti-depressants
- Pain killers/Analgesics
- Barbiturates
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed)
- Ecstasy/Designer Drugs
- Other
- No other drug
Section N

N1. About what proportion of your friends and acquaintances use Heroin?
(e.g. Hammer, Smack, Gear, Horse, H, Boy, Junk)

- All □
- Most □
- About half □
- A few □
- None □

N2. Have you ever used Heroin?

- Yes □ (Continue)
- No □ (Skip to O1)

N3. About what age were you when you first used Heroin?

Age in years: □

N4. Have you used Heroin in the last 12 months?

- Yes □ (Continue)
- No □ (Skip to O1)

N5. During the last 12 months, did you find that you couldn't stop or cut down on your use of Heroin, even though you wanted to or tried to?

- Yes □
- No □

N6. Have you used Heroin in the last month?

- Yes □ (Continue)
- No □ (Skip to O8)

N7. Have you used Heroin in the last week?

- Yes □
- No □

N8. In the last 12 months, how often did you use Heroin?
(Mark one response only)

- Every day □
- Once a week or more □
- About once a month □
- Every few months □
- Once or twice a year □

N9. Where did you first obtain Heroin?
(Mark one response only)

N9a. First

- Friend or acquaintance □
- Brother or sister □
- Parent □
- Spouse or partner □
- Other relative □

N9b. Usually

- Dealer on the street □
- Dealer delivery to my home □
- Dealer at another location □

N10. Where do/did you usually use Heroin?
(Mark all that apply)

- In my own home □
- At a friend's house □
- At a party at someone's house □
- At raves/dance parties □
- At restaurants/cafés □
- At licensed premises (e.g. pubs, clubs) □
- At school, TAFE, university, etc. □
- At my work place □
- In public places (e.g. parks) □
- In a car or other vehicle □
- Somewhere else □

N11. On a day you use Heroin, on average how many hits do you normally have?

Number of hits: □
N12. What form of Heroin do you use?  
(Mark all that apply)  

- Heroin powder  
- Heroin rock  

N13. How have you used Heroin?  
(Mark all that apply)  

- Smoked  
- Snorted  
- Swallowed  
- Injected  
- Other  

N14. Which of the following did you use at the same time, on at least one occasion that you used Heroin?  
(Mark all that apply)  

- Alcohol  
- Marijuana/Cannabis  
- Cocaine/ Crack  
- Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills  
- Anti-depressants  
- Pain killers/Analgesics  
- Barbiturates  
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed)  
- Ecstasy/Designer Drugs  
- Other  

- Not used any of the above at the same time as Heroin  

N15. What drug would you mostly use when Heroin is not available?  
(Mark one response only)  

- Alcohol  
- Marijuana/Cannabis  
- Cocaine/ Crack  
- Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills  
- Anti-depressants  
- Pain killers/Analgesics  
- Barbiturates  
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed)  
- Ecstasy/Designer Drugs  
- Other  

- No other drug  

Section O  

O1. About what proportion of your friends and acquaintances use Methadone other than that which was supplied as part of a medically supervised maintenance program? (e.g. Done, Junk, Jungle juice)  

- All  
- Most  
- About half  
- A few  
- None  

O2. Have you ever used Methadone (not supplied to you medically)?  

- Yes  
- No  

O3. About what age were you when you first used Methadone (not supplied to you medically)?  

- Age in years:  

O4. Have you used Methadone (not supplied to you medically) in the last 12 months?  

- Yes  
- No  

O5. During the last 12 months, did you find that you couldn’t stop or cut down on your use of Methadone (not supplied to you medically), even though you wanted to or tried to?  

- Yes  
- No  

O6. Have you used Methadone (not supplied to you medically) in the last month?  

- Yes  
- No  

- Skip to O8
O7. Have you used Methadone (not supplied to you medically) in the last week?

☐ Yes ☐ No

O8. In the last 12 months, how often did you use Methadone (not supplied to you medically)? (Mark one response only)

☐ Every day ☐ Once a week or more ☐ About once a month ☐ Every few months ☐ Once or twice a year

O9a. Where did you first obtain Methadone (not supplied to you medically)? (Mark one response only)

☐ Friend or acquaintance ☐ Brother or sister ☐ Parent ☐ Spouse or partner ☐ Other relative ☐ Dealer on the street ☐ Dealer delivery to my home ☐ Visit to the dealer’s house ☐ Dealer at another location ☐ Doctor shopping/forged script ☐ Stole/steal it ☐ Other

O9b. Where do/did you usually obtain Methadone (not supplied to you medically)? (Mark one response only)

☐ Friend or acquaintance ☐ Brother or sister ☐ Parent ☐ Spouse or partner ☐ Other relative ☐ Dealer on the street ☐ Dealer delivery to my home ☐ Visit to the dealer’s house ☐ Dealer at another location ☐ Doctor shopping/forged script ☐ Stole/steal it ☐ Other

O10. Where do/did you usually use Methadone (not supplied to you medically)? (Mark all that apply)

☐ In my own home ☐ At a friend’s house ☐ At a party at someone’s house ☐ At raves/dance parties ☐ At restaurants/cafés ☐ At licensed premises (e.g. pubs, clubs) ☐ At school, TAFE, university, etc. ☐ At my work place ☐ In public places (e.g. parks) ☐ In a car or other vehicle ☐ Somewhere else

O11. On a day you use Methadone (not supplied to you medically), on average how many hits do you normally have?

Number of hits:

☑

O12. What form of Methadone (not supplied to you medically) do you use? (Mark all that apply)

☐ Methadone syrup ☐ Physeptone tablets

☐ Swallowed ☐ Injected

O13. How have you used Methadone (not supplied to you medically)? (Mark all that apply)

☐ Methadone syrup ☐ Physeptone tablets ☐ Swallowed ☐ Injected

☐ Not used any of the above at the same time as Methadone (which has not been supplied medically)

O14. Which of the following did you use at the same time, on at least one occasion that you used Methadone (not supplied to you medically)? (Mark all that apply)

☐ Alcohol ☐ Marijuana/Cannabis ☐ Heroin ☐ Cocaine/Crack ☐ Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills ☐ Anti-depressants ☐ Pain killers/Analgesics ☐ Barbiturates ☐ Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) ☐ Ecstasy/Designer Drugs ☐ Other

☐ Not used any of the above at the same time as Methadone (which has not been supplied medically)

O15. What drug would you mostly use when Methadone (not supplied to you medically) is not available? (Mark one response only)

☐ Alcohol ☐ Marijuana/Cannabis ☐ Heroin ☐ Cocaine/Crack ☐ Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills ☐ Anti-depressants ☐ Pain killers/Analgesics ☐ Barbiturates ☐ Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) ☐ Ecstasy/Designer Drugs ☐ Other ☐ No other drug
Section P

P1. About what proportion of your friends and acquaintances use Cocaine?  
(e.g. Coke, Crack, Flake, Snow, White lady/girl, Happy dust, Gold dust, Toot, Scotty, Charlie, Cecil, C, Freebase)

- All ☐
- Most ☐
- About half ☐
- A few ☐
- None ☐

P2. Have you ever used Cocaine?  
- Yes ☐ (Continue)  
- No ☐ (Skip to Q1)

P3. About what age were you when you first used Cocaine?  
Age in years: ☐

P4. Have you used Cocaine in the last 12 months?  
- Yes ☐ (Continue)  
- No ☐ (Skip to Q1)

P5. During the last 12 months, did you find that you couldn’t stop or cut down on your use of Cocaine, even though you wanted to or tried to?  
- Yes ☐  
- No ☐

P6. Have you used Cocaine in the last month?  
- Yes ☐ (Continue)  
- No ☐ (Skip to P8)

P7. Have you used Cocaine in the last week?  
- Yes ☐  
- No ☐

P8. In the last 12 months, how often did you use Cocaine?  
(Mark one response only)

- Every day ☐
- Once a week or more ☐
- About once a month ☐
- Every few months ☐
- Once or twice a year ☐

P9a. Where did you first obtain Cocaine?  
(Mark one response only)

P9b. Where do/did you usually obtain Cocaine?  
(Mark one response only)

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P10. Where do/did you usually use Cocaine?  
(Mark all that apply)

- In my own home ☐
- At a friend’s house ☐
- At a party at someone’s house ☐
- At raves/dance parties ☐
- At restaurants/cafés ☐
- At licensed premises (e.g. pubs, clubs) ☐
- At school, TAFE, university, etc. ☐
- At my work place ☐
- In public places (e.g. parks) ☐
- In a car or other vehicle ☐
- Somewhere else ☐

P11. On a day you use Cocaine, on average how many ‘hits’ or ‘lines’ do you normally have?  
Number of hits or lines: ☐

If less than 1, please indicate to the nearest fraction:  
¼ ☐ ½ ☐ ¾ ☐

P12. What form of Cocaine do you use?  
(Mark all that apply)

- Cocaine powder ☐
- Crack Cocaine (smokable crystal) ☐
P13. How have you used Cocaine?  
(Mark all that apply)
- Smoked □
- Snorted □
- Swallowed □
- Injected □
- Other □

P14. Which of the following did you use at the same time, on at least one occasion that you used Cocaine?  
(Mark all that apply)
- Alcohol □
- Marijuana/Cannabis □
- Heroin □
- Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills □
- Anti-depressants □
- Pain killers/Analgesics □
- Barbiturates □
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) □
- Ecstasy □
- GHB □
- Ketamine □
- Other □

Not used any of the above at the same time as Cocaine □

P15. What drug would you mostly use when Cocaine is not available?  
(Mark one response only)
- Alcohol □
- Marijuana/Cannabis □
- Heroin □
- Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills □
- Anti-depressants □
- Pain killers/Analgesics □
- Barbiturates □
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) □
- Ecstasy □
- GHB □
- Ketamine □
- Other □
- No other drug □

Q1. About what proportion of your friends and acquaintances use LSD/Synthetic Hallucinogens or Naturally Occurring Hallucinogens?  
- All □
- Most □
- About half □
- A few □
- None □

Synthetic Hallucinogens include LSD, Psilocybin, PCP, Acid, Trips, Wedges, Windowpane, Blotter, Microdot, Angel dust, Hog, Loveboat.

Naturally Occurring Hallucinogens include Magic mushrooms, Blue meanies, Gold tops, Mushies, Datura, Angel's trumpet.

Q2. Have you ever used any Hallucinogens?  
Yes □ (Continue) No □ (Skip to R1)

Q3. About what age were you when you first used Hallucinogens?  
Age in years: □

Q4. Have you used Hallucinogens in the last 12 months?  
Yes □ (Continue) No □ (Skip to R1)

Q5. During the last 12 months, did you find that you couldn’t stop or cut down on your use of Hallucinogens, even though you wanted to or tried to?  
Yes □ No □

Q6. Have you used Hallucinogens in the last month?  
Yes □ (Continue) No □ (Skip to Q8)

Q7. Have you used Hallucinogens in the last week?  
Yes □ No □
Q8. In the last 12 months, how often did you use Hallucinogens? (Mark one response only)
- Every day
- Once a week or more
- About once a month
- Every few months
- Once or twice a year

Q9a. Where did you first obtain Hallucinogens? (Mark one response only)
- Friend or acquaintance
- Brother or sister
- Parent
- Spouse or partner
- Other relative
- Dealer on the street
- Dealer delivery to my home
- Visit to the dealer’s house
- Dealer at another location
- Doctor shopping/forged script
- Stole/steal it
- Other

Q9b. Where do/did you usually obtain Hallucinogens? (Mark one response only)
- In my own home
- At a friend’s house
- At a party at someone’s house
- At raves/dance parties
- At restaurants/cafés
- At licensed premises (e.g. pubs, clubs)
- At school, TAFE, university, etc.
- At my work place
- In public places (e.g. parks)
- In a car or other vehicle
- Somewhere else

Q10. Where do/did you usually use Hallucinogens? (Mark all that apply)
- In my own home
- At a friend’s house
- At a party at someone’s house
- At raves/dance parties
- At restaurants/cafés
- At licensed premises (e.g. pubs, clubs)
- At school, TAFE, university, etc.
- At my work place
- In public places (e.g. parks)
- In a car or other vehicle
- Somewhere else

Q11. On a day you use Hallucinogens, on average how many ‘trips’ do you normally have?
- Number of trips:

Q12. What form of Hallucinogens do you use? (Mark all that apply)
- Tabs
- Liquid
- Magic mushrooms
- Datura or Angel’s trumpet

Q13. Which of the following did you use at the same time, on at least one occasion that you used Hallucinogens? (Mark all that apply)
- Alcohol
- Marijuana/Cannabis
- Heroin
- Cocaine/Crack
- Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills
- Anti-depressants
- Pain killers/Analgesics
- Barbiturates
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed)
- Ecstasy/Designer Drugs
- Other
- Not used any of the above at the same time as Hallucinogens

Q14. What drug would you mostly use when Hallucinogens are not available? (Mark one response only)
- Alcohol
- Marijuana/Cannabis
- Heroin
- Cocaine/Crack
- Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills
- Anti-depressants
- Pain killers/Analgesics
- Barbiturates
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed)
- Ecstasy/Designer Drugs
- Other
- No other drug
Section R

R1. About what proportion of your friends and acquaintances use Ecstasy? (e.g. XTC, E, Ex, Ecci, E and C, Adam, MDMA, PMA)

- All □
- Most □
- About half □
- A few □
- None □

R2. Have you ever used Ecstasy?

- Yes □ (Continue)  No □ (Skip to S1)

R3. About what age were you when you first used Ecstasy?

- Age in years: □

R4. Have you used Ecstasy in the last 12 months?

- Yes □ (Continue)  No □ (Skip to S1)

R5. During the last 12 months, did you find that you couldn’t stop or cut down on your use of Ecstasy, even though you wanted to or tried to?

- Yes □  No □

R6. Have you used Ecstasy in the last month?

- Yes □ (Continue)  No □ (Skip to R8)

R7. Have you used Ecstasy in the last week?

- Yes □  No □

R8. In the last 12 months, how often did you use Ecstasy? (Mark one response only)

- Every day □
- Once a week or more □
- About once a month □
- Every few months □
- Once or twice a year □

R9a. Where did you first obtain Ecstasy? (Mark one response only)

- Friend or acquaintance □
- Brother or sister □
- Parent □
- Spouse or partner □
- Other relative □
- Dealer on the street □
- Dealer delivery to my home □
- Visit to the dealer’s house □
- Dealer at another location □
- Doctor shopping/forged script □
- Stole/steal it □
- Other □

R9b. Where do/did you usually obtain Ecstasy? (Mark one response only)

- In my own home □
- At a friend’s house □
- At a party at someone’s house □
- At raves/dance parties □
- At restaurants/cafés □
- At licensed premises (e.g. pubs, clubs) □
- At school, TAFE, university, etc. □
- At my work place □
- In public places (e.g. parks) □
- In a car or other vehicle □
- Somewhere else □

R10. Where do/did you usually use Ecstasy? (Mark all that apply)

- In my own home □
- At a friend’s house □
- At a party at someone’s house □
- At raves/dance parties □
- At restaurants/cafés □
- At licensed premises (e.g. pubs, clubs) □
- At school, TAFE, university, etc. □
- At my work place □
- In public places (e.g. parks) □
- In a car or other vehicle □
- Somewhere else □

R11. On a day you use Ecstasy, on average how many tablets/pills do you normally have?

- Number of tablets/pills: □

If less than 1, please indicate to the nearest fraction:

- ¼ □
- ½ □
- ¾ □
R12. Which of the following did you use at the same time, on at least one occasion that you used Ecstasy?  (Mark all that apply)  

- Alcohol
- Marijuana/Cannabis
- Heroin
- Cocaine/Crack
- Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills
- Anti-depressants
- Pain killers/Analgesics
- Barbiturates
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed)
- Viagra
- GHB
- Ketamine
- Other

Not used any of the above at the same time as Ecstasy

R13. What drug would you mostly use when Ecstasy is not available?  (Mark one response only)  

- Alcohol
- Marijuana/Cannabis
- Heroin
- Cocaine/Crack
- Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills
- Anti-depressants
- Pain killers/Analgesics
- Barbiturates
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed)
- GHB
- Ketamine
- Other
- No other drug

Section S

S1. About what proportion of your friends and acquaintances use Ketamine?  (e.g. K, Special K, Vitamin K, KitKat, Ket)  

- All
- Most
- About half
- A few
- None

S2. Have you ever used Ketamine?  

- Yes  (Continue)  
- No  (Skip to T1)

S3. About what age were you when you first used Ketamine?  

Age in years:

S4. Have you used Ketamine in the last 12 months?  

- Yes  (Continue)  
- No  (Skip to T1)

S5. Have you used Ketamine in the last month?  

- Yes  (Continue)  
- No  (Skip to S7)

S6. Have you used Ketamine in the last week?  

- Yes
- No

S7. In the last 12 months how often did you use Ketamine?  (Mark one response only)  

- Every day
- Once a week or more
- About once a month
- Every few months
- Once or twice a year
S8. Which of the following did you use at the same time, on at least one occasion that you used Ketamine?
(Mark all that apply)

- Alcohol
- Marijuana/Cannabis
- Heroin
- Cocaine/Crack
- Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills
- Anti-depressants
- Pain killers/Analgesics
- Barbiturates
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed)
- Ecstasy
- GHB
- Other
- Not used any of the above at the same time as Ketamine

Reminder:
Please cross inside the box, like this: 

If you see a (Skip to) after the box you have just marked, go straight to the question indicated.

Section T

T1. About what proportion of your friends and acquaintances use GHB?
(e.g. Fantasy, Grievous bodily harm, GBH, Liquid E, Liquid X)

- All
- Most
- About half
- A few
- None

T2. Have you ever used GHB?

Yes □ (Continue)  No □ (Skip to U1)

T3. About what age were you when you first used GHB?

Age in years: 

T4. Have you used GHB in the last 12 months?

Yes □ (Continue)  No □ (Skip to U1)

T5. Have you used GHB in the last month?

Yes □ (Continue)  No □ (Skip to T7)

T6. Have you used GHB in the last week?

Yes □  No □
Every day □
Once a week or more □
About once a month □
Every few months □
Once or twice a year □

T8. Which of the following did you use at the same time on at least one occasion that you used GHB? (Mark all that apply)

Alcohol □
Marijuana/Cannabis □
Heroin □
Cocaine/Crack □
Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills □
Anti-depressants □
Pain killers/Analgesics □
Barbiturates □
Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) □
Ecstasy □
Ketamine □
Other □

Not used any of the above at the same time as GHB □
U8. In the last 12 months, how often did you use inhalants? (Mark one response only)
   - Every day
   - Once or twice a week
   - About once a month
   - Every few months
   - Once or twice a year

U9a. Where did you first obtain inhalants? (Mark one response only)
   - Friend or acquaintance
   - Brother or sister
   - Parent
   - Spouse or partner
   - Dealer on the street

U9b. Where do you usually obtain inhalants? (Mark one response only)
   - dealer delivery to my home
   - Visit to the dealer’s house
   - Dealer at another location
   - Bought/buy at a shop/retail outlet (e.g. petrol station, hardware store, supermarket etc.)
   - Doctor shopping/forged script
   - Stole/steal it
   - Other

U10. Where do/did you usually use inhalants? (Mark all that apply)
   - In my own home
   - At a friend’s house
   - At a party at someone’s house
   - At raves/dance parties
   - At restaurants/cafés
   - At licensed premises (e.g. pubs, clubs)
   - At school, TAFE, university, etc.
   - At my work place
   - In public places (e.g. parks)
   - In a car or other vehicle
   - Somewhere else

U11. On a day you use inhalants, on average how many hits do you normally have?
   Number of hits: 

U12. What form of inhalants do you use? (Mark all that apply)
   - Petrol
   - Volatile Solvents (glue, butane, aerosol sprays, cleaning fluid, felt pens, liquid paper, paint thinner)
   - Anaesthetics (nitrous oxide, ether, chloroform)
   - Nitrites (amyl nitrate (poppers, snappers), butyl (rush, bolt, climax, video head cleaner))
   - Other

U13. Which of the following did you use at the same time, on at least one occasion that you used inhalants? (Mark all that apply)
   - Alcohol
   - Marijuana/Cannabis
   - Heroin
   - Cocaine/Crack
   - Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills
   - Anti-depressants
   - Pain killers/Analgesics
   - Barbiturates
   - Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed)
   - Ecstasy/Designer Drugs
   - Other
   - Not used any of the above at the same time as inhalants

U14. What drug would you mostly use when inhalants are not available? (Mark one response only)
   - Alcohol
   - Marijuana/Cannabis
   - Heroin
   - Cocaine/Crack
   - Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills
   - Anti-depressants
   - Pain killers/Analgesics
   - Barbiturates
   - Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed)
   - Ecstasy/Designer Drugs
   - Other
   - No other drug
Section V

V1. Not including Heroin, have you ever used other Opiates/Opioids such as morphine or pethidine which were not supplied to you medically?

Yes ☐ (Continue) No ☐ (Skip to W1)

V2. Have you used other Opiates/Opioids which were not supplied to you medically, in the last 12 months?

Yes ☐ (Continue) No ☐ (Skip to W1)

V3. What type of other Opiates/Opioids (not supplied to you medically) have you used in the last 12 months?

(Mark all that apply)

- Morphine ☐
- Pethidine ☐
- Other ☐

V4. How have you used other Opiates/Opioids (not supplied to you medically) in the last 12 months?

(Mark all that apply)

- Swallowed ☐
- Injected ☐
- Other ☐

V5. In the last 12 months, which of the following did you use at the same time, on at least one occasion that you used these other Opiates/Opioids (not supplied to you medically)?

(Mark all that apply)

- Alcohol ☐
- Marijuana/Cannabis ☐
- Heroin ☐
- Cocaine/Crack ☐
- Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills ☐
- Anti-depressants ☐
- Pain killers/Analgesics ☐
- Barbiturates ☐
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) ☐
- Ecstasy/Designer Drugs ☐
- Never used any of the above at the same time as these other Opiates/Opioids ☐

Section W

This section deals with the use of injectable drugs that are not medically prescribed to inject. Some examples of injectable drugs are Steroids, Speed, Heroin, Pethidine, Cocaine and Ecstasy.

W1. Have you ever injected any drugs, apart from any that were prescribed for you to inject? (This includes being injected by someone else)

Yes ☐ (Continue) No ☐ (Skip to X1)

W2. About what age were you when you first injected yourself with illicit drugs? (This includes being injected by someone else)

Age in years:

W3. What illicit drug did you first inject? (This includes being injected by someone else) (Mark one response only)

- Heroin ☐
- Methadone ☐
- Other Opiates/Opioids (Morphine, Pethidine) ☐
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) ☐
- Cocaine or Crack Cocaine ☐
- LSD or other Hallucinogens ☐
- Ecstasy ☐
- Benzodiazepines ☐
- Steroids ☐
- Other drugs ☐

W4. In the last 12 months, have you injected any of these drugs? (This includes being injected by someone else) (Mark all that apply)

- Heroin ☐
- Methadone ☐
- Other Opiates/Opioids (Morphine, Pethidine) ☐
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) ☐
- Cocaine or Crack Cocaine ☐
- LSD or other Hallucinogens ☐
- Ecstasy ☐
- Benzodiazepines ☐
- Steroids ☐
- Other drugs ☐

Never used any of the above at the same time as these other Opiates/Opioids ☐

Have not injected any of these drugs in the last 12 months ☐ (Skip to X1)
W5. On average, how often have you injected yourself with illicit drugs in the last 12 months? (This includes being injected by someone else) (Mark one response only)
- More than 3 times a day
- 2 - 3 times a day
- Once a day
- More than once a week (but less than once a day)
- Once a week or less

W6. Where do you usually get needles and syringes? (Mark all that apply)
- Chemist
- Needle and syringe program (e.g. needle exchange program)
- Friends
- Hospital or doctor
- Diabetes Australia
- Other

W7. Have you used a needle and syringe program in the last 12 months? (e.g. Needle exchange program)
- Yes
- No

W8. After you have used a needle/syringe, about how often do you throw it on the ground or leave it in a place that might cause injury to someone else? (Mark one response only)
- Never
- Rarely
- About half the time
- Almost all the time
- All the time

W9. Have you ever used a needle or other injecting equipment after someone else had already used it? (Mark one response only)
- Yes, and I bleached and/or rinsed it first
- Yes, but did not bleach or rinse it first
- No

W10. How long ago did you last use a needle or other injecting equipment which had been already used by someone else?
- Less than a month ago
- Between 1 and 12 months ago
- Between 1 and 5 years ago
- More than 5 years ago
- Never (Skip to W12)

W11. How many times in the last 12 months have you used a needle or other injecting equipment after someone else had already used it?
- Once or twice
- 3 - 5 times
- 6 - 10 times
- More than 10 times

W12. How long ago did someone else use a needle or other injecting equipment after you had used it?
- Less than a month ago
- Between 1 and 12 months ago
- Between 1 and 5 years ago
- More than 5 years ago
- Never

W13. Have you heard or seen any health promotion message relating to safer injecting practices?
- Yes
- No

Reminder:
Are you filling in the boxes correctly?
Are you shading the boxes fully for any mistakes?
Section X

X1. During the last 12 months, in general, how did you obtain your tobacco, alcohol or other drugs? (Mark all that apply for each drug type)

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X2. During the last 12 months, did you have a period of a month or more when you spent a great deal of time getting, using, or getting over the effects of illicit drugs?

- Yes ☐
- No ☐

Not applicable - did not use any illicit drugs in the last 12 months ☐

X3. For each of the drugs listed below, do you personally approve or disapprove of their regular use by an adult? (Mark one response for each drug type below)

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X4. What is your main drug of choice (that is, your favourite or preferred drug), and what is your next drug of choice? (Mark only one response in each column)

- Yes ☐
- No ☐

Not applicable - did not use any illicit drugs in the last 12 months ☐

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X5. What factors influenced your decision to first use an illicit drug (including marijuana/cannabis)? (Mark all that apply, then skip to Y1)

Friends used/was offered by a friend (peer pressure) □
Wanted to see what it was like (curiosity) □
To feel better/to stop feeling unhappy □
To take a risk □
To do something exciting □
Family problems (e.g. parents separated, didn’t get on with parents) □
Work/school/relationship problems □
Traumatic experience (e.g. sexual or physical assault, death of someone close) □
To lose weight □
Enhance experience of some event (e.g. dance party) □
Can’t recall □
Don’t know □
Other (Please write in): □

X6. What factors influenced your decision never to try illicit drugs (including marijuana/cannabis)? (Mark all that apply)

Worry about health problems (e.g. can cause cancer, affect mental health) □
Didn’t want to become addicted □
Fear of being caught by police □
Fear of being convicted by a court □
Fear of going to prison □
Pressure from family or friends □
Didn’t want family/friends to find out □
Didn’t want employer or teachers to find out □
Didn’t like to feel out of control □
Friends didn’t use or stopped using □
Didn’t think it would be enjoyable □
Financial reasons (e.g. too expensive to buy) □
Lack of availability (drug was too hard to buy) □
Religious/moral reasons □
Just not interested □
Never had the opportunity to try illicit drugs □
Didn’t want to break the law □
Don’t know □
Other (Please write in): □
Y4. Where did the incident(s) referred to occur?  
(Select each of the incidents that occurred to you from the top row, and moving down the list of locations, mark all that apply)

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Y5. What was the most serious physical injury you sustained as a result of the incident(s)?  
(Mark one response only)

- Bruising/abrasions
- Burns, not requiring admission to hospital
- Minor lacerations (e.g. cuts/scratches)
- Lacerations requiring suturing (stitches), not requiring admission to hospital
- Fractures (broken bones) not requiring admission to hospital
- Sufficiently serious to require admission to hospital at least overnight
- Not relevant – no physical injury sustained

Y6. Were the incidents reported to the police?  

- No – none
- Yes – some
- Yes – all (Skip to Y8)

Y7. Are there any reasons why you didn’t report all of the incidents to the police?  
(Mark all that apply)

- Too trivial/unimportant
- Private matter
- Police could not do anything
- Police would not do anything
- Did not want offender punished
- Too confused/upset
- Afraid of reprisal/revenge
- Incident is not uncommon for me  
  (e.g. it is to be expected at parties, working in pubs)
- Other

Y8. In general, at the time(s) the alcohol or other drug-related incident(s) took place, had you also been drinking alcohol or consuming drugs other than alcohol?  
(Mark one response only)

- Yes, alcohol only
- Yes, other drugs only
- Yes, both alcohol and other drugs
- No, neither alcohol nor other drugs

Y9. Did any of the incidents of physical abuse involve sexual abuse?  

- Yes
- No

- Not relevant (not physically abused)

ALL PLEASE ANSWER

Y10. In the last 12 months, did you undertake the following activities while under the influence of alcohol?  
(Mark yes or no for each activity)

- Went to work
- Went swimming
- Operated a boat
- Drove a motor vehicle
- Operated hazardous machinery
- Created a public disturbance or nuisance
- Caused damage to property
- Stole money, goods or property
- Verbally abused someone
- Physically abused someone

Y11. In the last 12 months, did you undertake the following activities while under the influence of illicit drugs?  
(Mark yes or no for each activity)

- Went to work
- Went swimming
- Operated a boat
- Drove a motor vehicle
- Operated hazardous machinery
- Created a public disturbance or nuisance
- Caused damage to property
- Stole money, goods or property
- Verbally abused someone
- Physically abused someone
Section Z

Z1. In the last 3 months, how many days of work, school, TAFE or university did you miss because of your personal use of alcohol? (Please write your best estimate in whole days (e.g. 0, 1, 2, 10, etc.) in the boxes provided)

Number of days: __________

Not applicable (don’t work or study) ☐ (Skip to Z4)

Z2. In the last 3 months, how many days of work, school, TAFE or university did you miss because of your personal use of drugs other than alcohol? (Please write your best estimate in whole days (e.g. 0, 1, 2, 10, etc.) in the boxes provided)

Number of days: __________

Z3. In the last 3 months, how many days of work, school, TAFE or university did you miss because of any illness or injury? (Please write your best estimate in whole days (e.g. 0, 1, 2, 10, etc.) in the boxes provided)

Number of days: __________

Z4. Have you ever participated in an alcohol or other drug treatment program to help you reduce or to quit your consumption? (Mark one response for each type of program)

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Z5. Which of the following procedures have you undergone and when? (Mark one response for each type of program)

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If no procedure has been done, then Skip to Z7a

Z6. Had you been drinking alcohol or using other drugs when any of these procedures were undertaken?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Z7a. ALL PLEASE ANSWER
### FEMALEs Only
(MALES SKIP TO SECTION YY)

#### Z7a. At any stage in the last 12 months were you...?
(Mark all that apply)
- Pregnant and breastfeeding at the same time [ ]
- Pregnant only [ ]
- Breastfeeding only [ ]
- Neither pregnant nor breastfeeding at any time in past 12 months [ ]

#### Z7b. For how much of the last 12 months were you...?
(Please indicate in either weeks or months)

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#### Z8. Are you currently...?
- Pregnant and breastfeeding [ ]
- Pregnant only [ ]
- Breastfeeding only [ ]
- Neither pregnant nor breastfeeding [ ]

#### Z9. At any time in the last 12 months when you were pregnant or breastfeeding, did you use any of the following...?
(Select each that applies to you during the last 12 months from the top row, and moving down the list of substances, mark all that apply)

- Tobacco [ ]
- Alcohol [ ]
- Marijuana/Cannabis [ ]
- Pain killers/Analgesics for non-medical purposes [ ]
- Tranquillisers/Sleeping pills for non-medical purposes [ ]
- Steroids for non-medical purposes [ ]
- Barbiturates for non-medical purposes [ ]
- Inhalants [ ]
- Heroin [ ]
- Methadone [ ]
- Methamphetamines/Amphetamines (Speed) [ ]
- Cocaine [ ]
- Hallucinogens [ ]
- Ecstasy/Designer Drugs [ ]
- Injected illegal drugs [ ]
- None [ ]

#### Z10. In the last 12 months when you were pregnant, in general, did you drink more, less or the same amount of alcohol compared to when you were neither pregnant nor breastfeeding?
(Mark one response only)
- More [ ]
- Less [ ]
- Same amount [ ]
- Don’t drink alcohol [ ]
- Not applicable, was not pregnant in the last 12 months [ ]

#### Z11. In the last 12 months when you were breastfeeding, in general, did you drink more, less or the same amount of alcohol compared to when you were neither pregnant nor breastfeeding?
(Mark one response only)
- More [ ]
- Less [ ]
- Same amount [ ]
- Don’t drink alcohol [ ]
- Not applicable, was not breastfeeding in the last 12 months [ ]

#### Z12. In the last 12 months when you were pregnant or breastfeeding did anyone advise you not to smoke?
- Yes [ ]
- No [ ]
- Not applicable, don’t smoke [ ]

(Skip to Section YY)

#### Z13. Who advised you not to smoke?
(Mark all that apply)
- Spouse or partner [ ]
- Parents [ ]
- Brother or sister [ ]
- Doctor or Specialist [ ]
- Nurse or Midwife [ ]
- Pharmacist [ ]
- Other [ ]
### Section YY – Policy Support

The next few questions are about how strongly you would support or oppose some policies. Please use the scale below.

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#### YY1. Starting with the first set, to reduce the problems associated with excessive alcohol use, to what extent would you support or oppose . . .?

(Mark one response in each row)

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YY2. Thinking now about the problems associated with tobacco use, to what extent would you support or oppose measures such as . . .?
(Mark one response in each row)

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YY3. Thinking now about the problems associated with marijuana/cannabis use, to what extent would you support or oppose measures such as . . .?
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YY4. Thinking now about the problems associated with heroin use, to what extent would you support or oppose measures such as . . .?
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YY5. Still using the same scale, and considering the following drugs, to what extent would you support or oppose the personal use of the following drugs being made legal . . .?

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YY6. To what extent would you support or oppose increased penalties for the sale or supply of the following drugs . . .?

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Reminder:

Please cross inside the box, like this: 

If you see a (Skip to) after the box you have just marked, go straight to the question indicated.
YY7. For each of the following 5 drug categories, how would you allocate $100 over the three areas of education, treatment and law enforcement.

Starting with alcohol, if you were given $100 to spend on reducing misuse of alcohol, how much would you allocate to each of these areas?
(Enter whole dollars only)

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YY8. And if you were given $100 to spend on reducing the harm associated with tobacco use, how much would you allocate to each of these areas?
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YY9. And if you were given $100 to spend on reducing marijuana/cannabis use, how much would you allocate to each of these areas?
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YY10. And if you were given $100 to spend on reducing methamphetamine/amphetamine (speed) use, how much would you allocate to each of these areas?
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YY11. And if you were given $100 to spend on reducing heroin or cocaine use, how much would you allocate to each of these areas?
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Section ZZ

ZZ1. Are you male or female?  

Male □  
Female □

ZZ2. What is your current age?  
(i.e. the age you turned at your last birthday)  

Age in years: □

ZZ3. Which one of the following best describes your present marital status?  
(Mark one response only)  

Never Married □  
Widowed □  
Divorced □  
Separated but not divorced □  
Married (including de facto, or living with life partner) □

ZZ4. Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?  
(Mark one response only)  

No □  
Yes, Aboriginal □  
Yes, Torres Strait Islander □  
Yes, both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander □

ZZ5a. In which country were you born?  
(Mark one response only)  

Australia □ (Skip to ZZ6)  
China □  
Germany □  
Greece □  
Hong Kong □  
India □  
Ireland (Republic of) □  
Italy □  
Lebanon □  
Malaysia □  
Malta □  
Netherlands □  
New Zealand □  
Philippines □  
Poland □  
South Africa □  
Turkey □  
United Kingdom (England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland) □  
USA □  
Vietnam □  
Yugoslavia (The former) □  
Other (Please write in) □

ZZ5b. In what year did you first arrive in Australia to live here for one year or more?  

Year: □

Not applicable - will be in Australia for less than one year □
ZZ6. What is the main language spoken at home? (Mark one response only)

- English
- Arabic (including Lebanese)
- Cantonese
- German
- Greek
- Italian
- Mandarin
- Serbian/Croatian
- Spanish
- Vietnamese
- Other Asian language
- Other European language
- Other (Please write in)

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ZZ7. What other languages are spoken at home? (Mark all that apply)

- English
- Arabic (including Lebanese)
- Cantonese
- German
- Greek
- Italian
- Mandarin
- Serbian/Croatian
- Spanish
- Vietnamese
- Other Asian language
- Other European language
- Other (Please write in)

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None

ZZ8. Which of the following best describes your current employment status? Are you . . .? (Mark one response only)

- Self employed
- Employed for wages, salary or payment in kind
- Unemployed and looking for work
- Engaged in home duties
- A student
- Retired or on a pension
- Unable to work
- Other

ZZ9. Have you ever been in paid work? Yes

No (Skip to ZZ12)

ZZ10. What kind of industry, business or service is/was carried out by your main or last employer?

Describe as fully as possible.
(eg. plumbing, footwear manufacturing, real estate agency, road freight transport, book retailing, dairy farming)

ZZ11. What kind of work do you do (or did you do when you last worked)? (Describe job in which you work(ed) most hours only.)

Title (including award/Government classification if possible)

Main Duties/tasks

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ZZ12a. What is the highest year of primary or secondary school you have completed? (Mark one response only)

- Did not go to school
- Year 6 or below
- Year 7 or equivalent
- Year 8 or equivalent
- Year 9 or equivalent
- Year 10 or equivalent
- Year 11 or equivalent
- Year 12 or equivalent

ZZ15. Which of the following groups would represent your personal annual income, before tax, from all sources? (Mark one response only)

- $100,000 or more ($1,918 or more / week)
- $60,000 - $99,999 ($1,150 - $1,917 / week)
- $40,000 - $59,999 ($767 - $1,149 / week)
- $20,000 - $39,999 ($384 - $766 / week)
- $12,000 - $19,999 ($230 - $383 / week)
- $6,000 - $11,999 ($115 - $229 / week)
- $1 - $5,999 ($1 - $114 / week)
- Nil Income
- Negative Income
- Prefer not to say
- Don’t know

ZZ16. Which of the following groups would represent the combined household annual income, before tax, from all sources? (Mark one response only)

- $140,000 or more ($2,666 or more / week)
- $100,000 - $139,999 ($1,918 - $2,665 / week)
- $60,000 - $99,999 ($1,150 - $1,917 / week)
- $40,000 - $59,999 ($767 - $1,149 / week)
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- $1 - $5,999 ($1 - $114 / week)
- Nil Income
- Negative Income
- Prefer not to say
- Don’t know

Reminder:

- Are you filling in the boxes correctly?
- Are you shading the boxes fully for any mistakes?
ZZ17a. How many people aged 12 and over live in this household, including yourself?

ZZ17b. And how many people aged 12-29 live in this household? (including yourself if you are aged 12-29)

ZZ17c. Are there any dependent children in this household? (Dependent children are defined as children aged 0-14, or older children who are still financially dependent, such as full-time students.)

Yes  □  No  □  (Go to ZZ19)

ZZ18. Of all the dependent children, how many are in each of these age categories?

0 - 2 years old  □  9 - 11 years old  □

3 - 5 years old  □  12 - 14 years old  □

6 - 8 years old  □  15 years and over  □

ALL PLEASE ANSWER

ZZ19. Which category best describes this household? (Mark one response only)

Person living alone  □

Couple:

Couple living alone  □
Couple with non-dependent child(ren)  □
Couple with dependent child(ren)  □
Couple with dependant and non-dependent child(ren)  □

Single Parent:

Single parent with non-dependent child(ren)  □
Single parent with dependent child(ren)  □
Single parent with dependent and non-dependent child(ren)  □

Non-related adults sharing house/apartment/flat  □

Other household type  □

ZZ20. Was anyone else present when you were completing the questionnaire? (Mark all responses that apply)

No  □  (Skip to ZZ21)

- Spouse or partner  □
- Parent(s)  □
- Older relative (e.g. aunt, grandparent)  □
- Child(ren) aged 0 - 5  □
- Child(ren) aged 6 - 17  □
- Child(ren) aged 18 or more  □
- Friend/peer/close-age sibling (brother or sister)  □
- Neighbour  □
- Other  □

ZZ21. Did this affect the honesty with which you completed the questionnaire? (Mark one response only)

Yes – a great deal  □
Yes – somewhat  □
Yes – a little  □
Not at all  □
Don’t know  □
ZZ22. Did anyone else help you complete this questionnaire? (Mark one response only)

- Yes – a great deal
- Yes – somewhat
- Yes – a little
- No

ZZ23. What is the postcode for this dwelling?

(If you are unsure of your postcode, please write in the name of the suburb or town where you live)

ZZ24. Please write the date that you completed this questionnaire below:

Day / Month / Year

ZZ25. How long did it take you to complete this questionnaire?

Hours Minutes

NOW PLEASE GO TO ZZ26
ZZ26. The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare has asked us to verify that only persons who were selected to complete this questionnaire did so. We will be telephoning about 10% of respondents in the next few weeks. That is, you have about a one in ten chance, of receiving a telephone call to confirm that you completed this questionnaire.

Please indicate below if you give permission for a telephone call to be made. We only require your first name and telephone number.

This page will be removed from the rest of the questionnaire and will be destroyed after the telephone call. Your name and phone number will never be linked to your answers.

☐ I give permission for a telephone call.

First Name: __________________________

Phone number: __________________________

Or

☐ I do not give permission

Thank you for completing this questionnaire. Your help is very much appreciated.