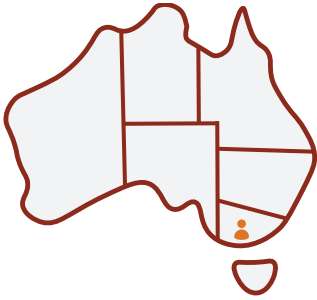
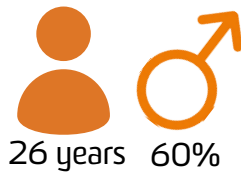


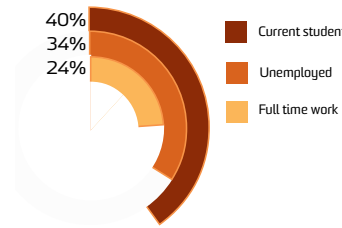
2020 VICTORIAN SAMPLE CHARACTERISTICS



In 2020, 100 people from Melbourne, VIC, participated in EDRS interviews.



The median age in 2020 was 26, and 60% identified as male.

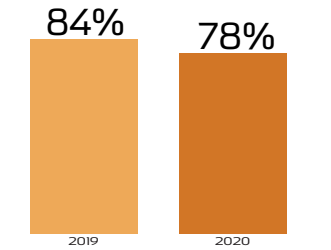


In the 2020 sample, 40% were enrolled students, 34% were unemployed, and 24% were employed full time.

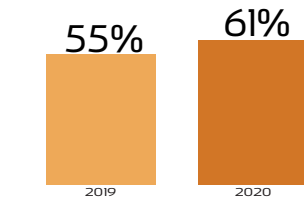
- ✓ Ecstasy
- ✓ Cocaine
- ✓ Other stimulants

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

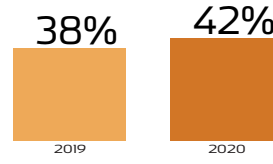
OTHER DRUGS



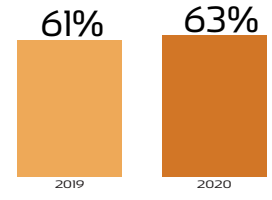
Past 6 month use of ketamine decreased from 84% in 2019 to 78% in the 2020 EDRS sample.



Past 6 month use of LSD increased from 55% in 2019 to 61% in 2020.



Past 6 month use of any amyl nitrite increased from 38% in 2019 to 42% in 2020.

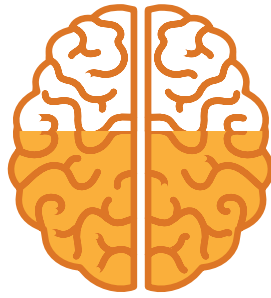


Past 6 month use of any nitrous oxide (nangs) was stable from 2019 (61%) to in 2020 (63%).

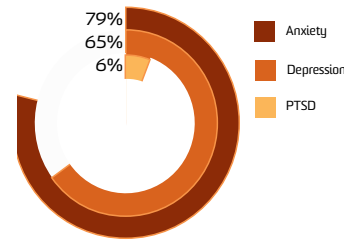
DRUG TREATMENT AND MENTAL HEALTH



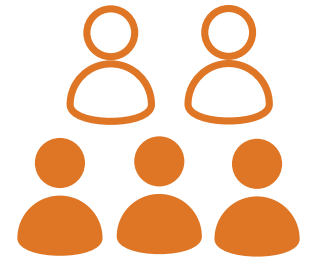
Of the 2020 EDRS sample <5% reported that they were currently receiving drug treatment.



Over two thirds of the sample (70%) self-reported that they had experienced a mental health problem in the previous 6 months.



Of those who commented, the most common self-reported mental health concern was anxiety (79%), followed by depression (65%), and PTSD (6%).

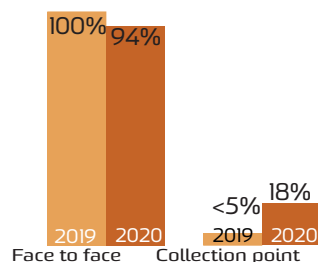


Of those self-reporting a mental health problem, 58% reported seeing a mental health professional in the previous 6 months (40% of the entire sample).

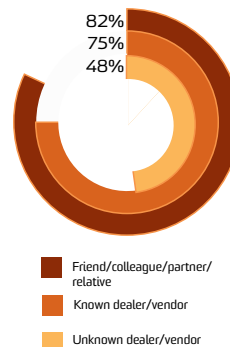
MODES OF PURCHASING



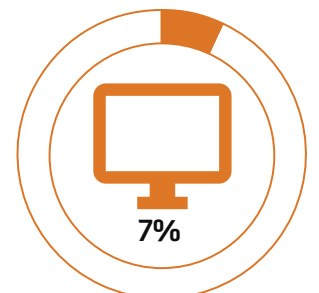
In 2020, 81% of participants organised the purchase of illicit or non-prescribed drugs via social networking.



When asked about how they received drugs, 94% said face to face, and 18% said via a pre-arranged collection point.

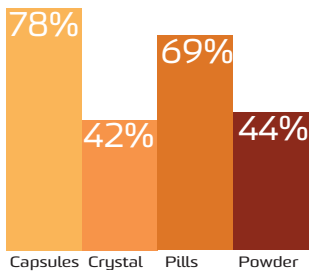


The majority of participants reported obtaining drugs from someone they knew personally (82%).



In 2020, 7% of the EDRS sample reported buying drugs off the darknet in the previous 12 months.

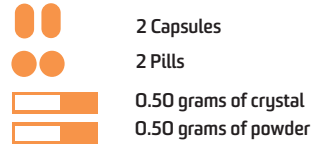
ECSTASY



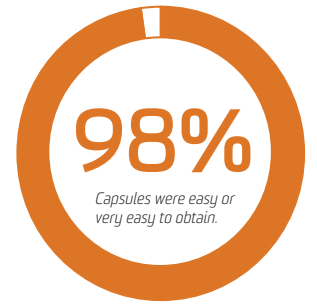
Past 6 month use of ecstasy capsules, crystal, pills, and powder in 2020.



Of those who had recently consumed ecstasy, 1 in 3 (29%) used it weekly.

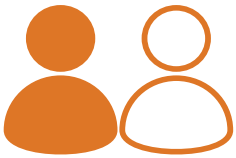


Median amounts of ecstasy consumed in a 'typical' session using each form.

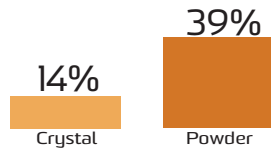


Of those who could comment 98% perceived ecstasy capsules to be 'easy' or 'very easy' to obtain,

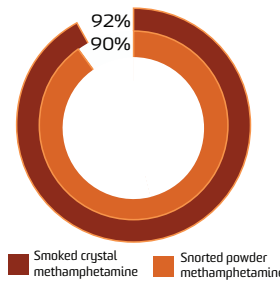
METHAMPHETAMINE



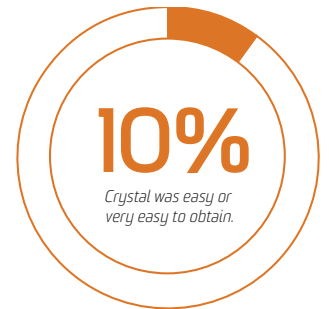
Past 6 month use of any methamphetamine was stable at 46% in 2019 and 49% in 2020.



Of the entire sample, 39% had recently consumed powder, and 14% crystal methamphetamine.



92% of people who had recently used crystal smoked it, and 90% of those who had used powder snorted it.

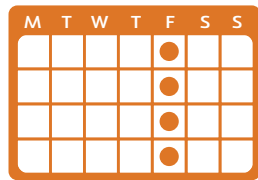


Of those who could comment 10% perceived crystal methamphetamine to be 'easy' or 'very easy' to obtain.

COCAINE



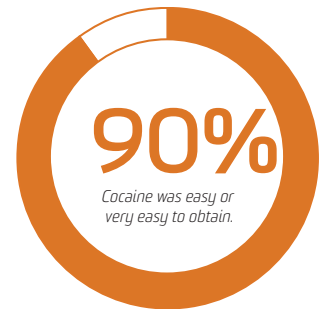
Past 6 month use of any cocaine was stable at 80% in 2019 and 76% in 2020.



Of people who had consumed cocaine recently, <5% reported weekly or more frequent use.



Of people who had consumed cocaine in the last 6 months, 100% had snorted it.

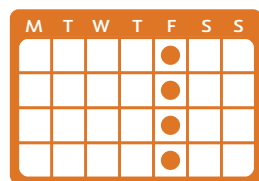


Of those who could comment 90% perceived cocaine to be 'easy' or 'very easy' to obtain.

CANNABIS



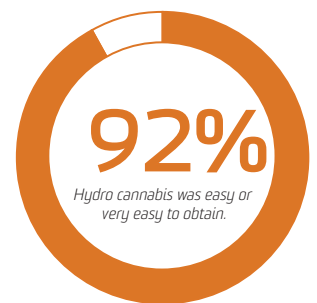
Past 6 month use of any cannabis was stable at 86% in 2019 and 89% in 2020.



Of those who had consumed cannabis recently, under half (47%) reported weekly or more frequent



Of people who had consumed cannabis in the last 6 months, 91% had smoked it.



Of those who could comment 92% perceived hydro to be 'easy' or 'very easy' to obtain.