HEROIN

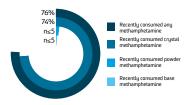


Past 6 month use of heroin was at n≤5 in the 2021 IDRS sample, stable from n≤5 2020.

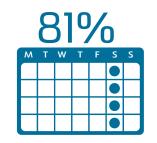
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Of those who had recently consumed heroin, 0% used it weekly or more often, stable from 0% in 2020.

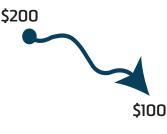
METHAMPHETAMINE



Past 6 month use of any (76%), crystal (74%), powder (n≤5) and base (n≤5) methamphetamine remained stable.



Of those who had recently used any form of methamphetamine, 81% used of crystal methamphetamine was it at least weekly, stable from 74% in 2020.



The median reported price for a point \$100 in 2021, a decrease from \$200 in 2020.



Of those who could comment, 85% perceived crystal methamphetamine to be 'easy' or 'very easy' to obtain in 2021, an increase from n≤5 in 2020.

OTHER DRUGS

Non-prescribed morphine



Past 6 month use of non-prescribed morphine was stable at 32% in the 2020 sample and 36% in 2021.





Past 6 month use of non-prescribed fentanyl was stable at n≤5 in the 2020 pregabalin was stable at 8% in the sample to n≤5 in 2021.

Non-prescribed pregabalin



Past 6 month use of non-prescribed 2020 sample and 6% in 2021.

6%

2021

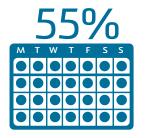
GHB/GBL/1,4-BD



Past 6 month use of GHB/GBL/1,4-BD was low (0% in 2020 and n≤5 in 2021).

CANNABIS





Past 6 month use of any cannabis was Of those who had consumed stable at 60% in the 2020 sample and cannabis recently, over half reported 59% in 2021. daily use (55%).

Of people who had consumed cannabis in the last 6 months, all of the participants had smoked it.

Smoked cannat



Of those who could comment 94% perceived hydro to be 'easy' or 'very easy' to obtain.



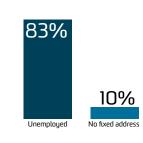
2021 SAMPLE CHARACTERISTICS



In 2021, 94 people from Darwin, NT participated in IDRS interviews.



The mean age in 2021 was 45, and 65% identified as male.



In the 2021 sample, 83% were unemployed and 10% had no fixed address.



Participants were recruited on the basis that they had injected drugs at least monthly in the previous 6 months.

INJECTING RELATED RISKS AND HARMS

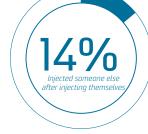


∩≤5

In 2021, n≤5 of the IDRS sample reported receptive needle sharing and n≤5 reported distributive needle sharing.

The number of people who re-used their own needles remained stable from 22% in 2020 to 14% 2021.

4%

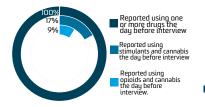


In the NT sample, 14% of participants reported injecting someone else after injecting themselves.



In 2021, n≤5 of the NT sample reported having an injection-related health issue in the month preceding interview.

OTHER HARMS AND HELP-SEEKING



IDRS participants' use of drugs the day before interview participation, 2021.



In the 2021 sample, n≤5 had

currently in drug treatment.

experienced a non-fatal overdose in

the previous 12 months and 11% were

11% Currently in drug treatment



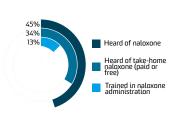
mental health problem health professional

In the sample, 21% self reported a mental health problem in the six months prior to interview, and 16% had seen a mental health professional.

70% 45% 35% Depression Anxiety PTSD

Of those who commented, the three most common mental health issues reported were depression (70%), anxiety (45%) and PTSD (35%).

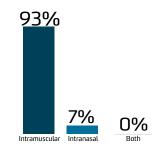
NALOXONE AND HARM REDUCTION



IDRS participants' knowledge of, and participation in, the take-home naloxone program remained stable in 2021.

Used naloxone

Of those who reported having heard of naloxone, 7% had used naloxone to resuscitate someone who had overdosed.



Of those who reported ever accessing naloxone, 93% received intramuscular naloxone, 7% intranasal naloxone and 0% both.



In 2021, no participants reported that they or someone else had tested the content and/or purity of their illicit drugs in Australia in the past year.