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A resource to identify drug related databases and websites

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1. Introduction

1.1 What is grey literature?

Grey literature is material that is not formally published by commercial publishers or peer reviewed journals. It includes reports, fact sheets, conference proceedings and other documents from institutions, organisations, and government agencies.

The advancement of the internet has made grey literature easily accessible electronically (eg. PDF file). Many organisations, institutions and agencies make grey literature available on their websites. There are also several grey literature databases which can be searched for references of data sources. Authors are often willing to provide the document of interest upon request, if the source is unavailable online.

1.2 Why use grey literature?

The searches for grey literature that resulted in this reference document were conducted in late 2007 and early 2008 as part of two larger projects being carried out at the National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre (NDARC) at the University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia. Grey literature searches began as part of the work by the Secretariat for the Reference group to the United Nations on HIV and injecting drug use¹. Grey literature searches are also carried out as part of the work by the Mental Disorders and Illicit Drug Use Expert Group for the Global Burden of Disease project². This report presents a comprehensive list of relevant websites and databases that has been collated from the work of both projects.

The Secretariat for the Reference Group to the United Nations on HIV and Injecting Drug Use are collecting information on the epidemiology of injecting drug use and HIV/AIDS, and HIV/AIDS prevention and care service coverage for injecting drug users. Researchers working on the illicit drug use and disorders component of the Global Burden of Disease project are compiling data for regional estimates of prevalence, incidence, remission, and duration of drug dependence disorders, as well as the associated mortality for cannabis, amphetamine type stimulants, cocaine, heroin and other opiates, and benzodiazepines. Using grey literature in addition to peer reviewed literature is paramount for both projects, since the peer reviewed literature does not include data for all regions.

¹ http://www.idurefgroup.unsw.edu.au

http://www.gbd.unsw.edu.au

2. Methodology

2.1 Searching for grey literature

Electronic search strategies were used to identify grey literature. The first step in the search for grey literature was to consult with a qualified librarian about electronic databases that include grey literature sources for drug use and dependence. Many of these databases were listed as links on the National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre's website³. Additional databases and websites were found by consulting the *related links* pages on websites that were identified via search engines and recommendations from colleagues.

In addition, the names of organisations responsible for collating state and national level statistics were identified from several reports and the corresponding websites were located where possible. The list of databases and websites was complemented with suggestions by experienced librarians and experts in the field of drug dependence research.

2.2 Additional information

In addition to websites and online databases, electronic forums or eForums (also referred to as eGroups, bulletin boards, discussion forums and message boards) can be an important portal for obtaining grey literature. There are two basic types of internet-based forums, one being web-based and the other email-based. They both are however topic-orientated discussion lists run by interest groups that are dependant on user-generated content. While eForums will rarely contain any grey literature *per se* the potential benefit lies in the ability to directly connect with a large audience of topic-orientated subscribers that may have important information that would not be accessible via conventional search engines.

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³ http://www.ndarc.med.unsw.edu.au

3. Using this document

This resource presents the name and link to useful websites (English language only) for identifying drug related grey literature.

The information is divided into four main sections:

- 1. General databases are listed
- 2. Websites of institutions, organisations and government agencies, organised by location.
- 3. Specific HIV/AIDS and harm reduction databases are displayed.
- 4. Specific HIV/AIDS and harm reduction websites are shown, organised by location.

The websites and corresponding addresses that are presented in this document were current at the time of publication. We acknowledge that addresses of sites may change, however, the descriptive information provided in this document will aid in finding websites that have been relocated following publication.

4. Databases

Database	Link	Comments
ADAI Library	http://lib.adai.washington.edu/linksearch.htm	Database with >600 organisations and web resources.
		Content:
		Alcohol, Drugs and Tobacco
		• Web Links
Australian Social Science Data Archive	http://assda.anu.edu.au/	Australian National University - national data.
(ASSDA)		Content:
		Must register to access data
Global Health	Available through:	Database focusing on public health practice and research.
	CAB Direct, Ovid, ISI, EBSCO, DataStar and Dialog, DIMDI Database home page:	
	http://www.cabi.org/datapage.asp?iDocID=169	
Drug and Alcohol Service South Australia	http://triserver03.trimagic.com.au/dasc/dassainternetcat.htm	Database with a focus on drug and alcohol.
(DASSA)		
DrugInfo Clearinghouse	http://www.druginfo.adf.org.au/libsearch.asp	Australian Drug Foundation database. Providing
		information to prevent harmful drug use.
Drug Policy Alliance	http://www.drugpolicy.org/library/	Database with a focus on drugs and alcohol.
		Content:
		Can search by 'popular' category.
Extensible Metadata CATalog (EMCAT)	http://www.emro.who.int/cgi-	WHO Database.
	bin/wxis.exe/iah/?IsisScript=iah/iah.xic&base=emcat⟨=i	Content:
		Very few hits for drug keywords
High Wire Press @ Stanford University	http://highwire.stanford.edu/	Stanford university database of peer reviewed literature.

Database	Link	Comments
Latin American and Caribbean of Health	http://www.bireme.br/php/index.php?lang=en	Literature from the Caribbean and Latin American regions.
Sciences Information System (LILACS)		Content:
		Some abstracts not available.
		Some abstracts not in English.
LEYES	Access via Virtual Health Library	Database of references for health legislation (1978-2005)
	http://www.bireme.br/php/index.php?lang=en	Covers Latin America and English-speaking Caribbean
Lindesmith Library	http://library.soros.org/lindesmith.html	Indexes documents from the Lindesmith Library in New
		York.
		Content:
		Can limit search to documents available online
MEDCARIB	http://bases.bireme.br/cgi-	Health and medicine relating to English speaking Caribbean
	bin/wxislind.exe/iah/online/?IsisScript=iah/iah.xis&base=MedCa	and Suriname.
	rib⟨=i	
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and	http://etoh.niaaa.nih.gov/ncadidatabases.htm	Portal - databases, journals, and websites focused on
Alcoholism		alcohol research.
National Library of Medicine (NLM)	http://www.nlm.nih.gov/	National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland,
		providing biomedical and healthcare information and
		research.
New York Academy of Medicine (Grey	http://www.nyam.org/library/	Extensive collection of medical information.
Literature Report)		Content:
		 Good for treatment admissions and hospital statistics
Interature Report)		

Link	Comments
http://www.csa.com/factsheets/pais-set-c.php	Database of journal articles, books, statistical and
	government documents, research and conference reports,
	grey literature and more.
	Content:
	Mostly peer reviewed articles, some books.
http://www.projectcork.org/	Database providing substance abuse information.
http://www.apa.org/psycextra/	Database of grey literature.
http://science.gov/	Science.gov is a search engine for government science.
http://www.scopus.com/	Database used to identify research output from a specified
	organisation.
http://www.dol.gov/asp/programs/drugs/said/	Focus on drugs and the workplace.
	Content:
	US household survey links.
http://scientific.thomson.com/products/wos/	Database of high impact journals.
	Content:
	Indexed by citations.
	http://www.csa.com/factsheets/pais-set-c.php http://www.projectcork.org/ http://www.apa.org/psycextra/ http://science.gov/ http://www.scopus.com/ http://www.dol.gov/asp/programs/drugs/said/

5. Institutions, Organisations, Government Agencies

Organisation	Link	Comments
5.1 GLOBAL		
The Beckley Foundation – Drug Policy	http://www.internationaldrugpolicy.net/	An independent review of global drug policy aimed at
Programme		informing policy makers, substance misuse professionals,
		academics and the general public about drug policy.
		Content:
		International reports on drug related harms, law
		enforcement, drug policy, drug markets, prisons, mental
		health and international regulation.
		Articles also available French, German and Spanish
International Narcotics Control Board	http://www.incb.org/incb/index.html	Monitors the implementation of United National drug
(INCB)		control conventions. Aims to ensure adequate supply of
		medicinal drugs and works towards reduction of the
		production of illicit drugs.
		Contents:
		Papers on drug related crime, drug diversion, global drug
		requirements, guidelines and training materials.
ISI Proceedings	Available via Web of Science	Content:
	http://apps.isiknowledge.com/ISIP GeneralSearch input.do?highl	References and abstracts from scientific meetings,
	ighted tab=ISIP&product=ISIP&last prod=ISIP&search mode=	conferences, symposia, conventions and workshops.
	GeneralSearch&SID=1Fc4m4KEi@@7Kc1NofM	

Organisation	Link	Comments
SALIS – International Association of	http://www.salis.org/	International association responsible for the exchange and
Substance Abuse Librarians &		dissemination of drug and alcohol information.
Information Specialists		Content:
•		• Extensive lists of relevant databases
		 Information about journals and monographs
United Nations Office on Drugs and	http://www.unodc.org	UNODC assists member states to control crime, terrorism
Crime (UNODC)		and illicit drugs. Conducts research, analysis and field-based
		activities.
		Content:
		Crime surveys, regional trafficking reports, seizure data,
		crop monitoring
		Two online journals: Bulletin on Narcotic, Forum on
		Crime and Society
		Manuals and guidelines for drug analysis
		Treaty documents
		World Drug Report
		Aima to improve drug monitoring quaterns as well as data
	Global Assessment Program on Drug Abuse (UNODC)	Aims to improve drug monitoring systems as well as data
	http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/GAP/index.html	collection methods. Supports the development and
		implementation of treatment and prevention strategies.
		Content:
		Tools for data collection, management, and survey
		implementation

Organisation	Link	Comments
World Bank	http://www.worldbank.org/	The World Bank provides technical and financial support to
	Dell'est and an art and an art.	developing countries.
	Publications page – documents and reports: http://www-	Content:
	wds.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/EXTWDS/0,,detailP	• 15,000 free documents (analyses, evaluations, research
	agemenuPK:64187510~menuPK:64187513~pagePK:64187848~pi PK:64187934~searchPagemenuPK:64187283~siteName:WDS~the	papers)
	SitePK:523679,00.html	Includes most World Bank publications
World Health Organisation (WHO)	www.who.int	Content:
	WHO library database:	free downloadable WHO publications and documents
	http://dosei.who.int/uhtbin/cgisirsi/Mon+Apr+28+04:08:45+MEST+2	several languages available
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5.2 ASIA		
ASEAN and China Cooperative	http://www.accordplan.net/	Co-ordinates regional efforts to reduce drug supply and
Operations in Response to Dangerous		demand by increasing awareness of the dangers of drugs,
Drugs (ACCORD)		supporting abstainers and those in rehabilitation
		programmes, strengthening law enforcement, developing
		alternative income sources for illicit crop growers.
		Content:
		• Documents on prevention, treatment and rehabilitation.
		Regional statistics (treatment, arrests, production)
Asian Pacific ATS Information Centre	http://www.apaic.org/	The website is a result of a UNODC project: Improving
(APAIC)		ATS Data and Information Systems.
		Content:
		Library can be searched by keyword or subject
		ATS - Books, surveys, articles, pamphlets

Organisation	Link	Comments
Dangerous Drugs Board: Philippines	http://www.ddb.gov.ph/dl.asp	Formulates policy and strategies to address drug use.
		Conduct research and disseminate information via seminars.
		Content:
		• Annual report with treatment data, arrests, poison centre
		admissions.
National Statistical Institutes in Asia	http://www.stat.fi/tup/tilvir/julkaisijat aasia tilastovirastot en.ht	Links to National Statistics Bureaus.
	<u>ml</u>	Content:
		No drug information (except for Philippines and Hong
		Kong)
United Nations Office on Drugs and	http://www.dbroca.uz/	Content:
Crime Regional Office for Central Asia	(Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Russia, Pakistan,	Statistics: drug seizures, drug related crime, registered
online databases	Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Iran, Afghanistan)	drug users, HIV
ZETOC	http://zetoc.mimas.ac.uk/	Access to the British Library's Electronic Table of Contents
		of journal articles and conference proceedings

Organisation	Link	Comments
5.3 AUSTRALASIA		
5.3.1 Australia		
Alcohol and Drug Council of Australia (ADCA)	http://www.adca.org.au/ Drug Database: http://203.48.73.10/liberty3/gateway/gateway.exe?application=Liberty3&displayform=opac/main	ADCA is a not-for-profit group which works with government and non-government sectors to encourage evidence-based strategies to minimising the harms associated with alcohol and other drug abuse. Content: • Fact sheets, guidelines for prevention and harm minimisation, position statements • Contains a link to the Drug Database, which holds a range of references and can be easily searched • Can browse by subject
Australian Department of Health and Ageing	1). http://www.health.gov.au/internet/wcms/publishing.nsf/Content/publicat-drugs.htm (Howard Government)	 Now an <u>archive</u> site including documents posted by the Howard Government on illicit drugs. Content: School survey results, Treatment data Clinical guidelines
	2). http://www.health.gov.au (Rudd Government)	 2.) New site still in development by the Rudd Government Content: most content is unavailable while it is being reviewed Clinical guidelines

Organisation	Link	Comments
Australian National Council on Drugs	http://www.ancd.org.au/	ANCD is the principal advisory body to the Government on
(ANCD)		drug policy.
		Content:
		 annual reports, position papers, presentations
		• link to Of Substance, (current Australian news and
		research on alcohol, tobacco and other drugs)
Drug Policy Modelling Program (DPMP)	http://www.dpmp.unsw.edu.au/DPMPWeb.nsf/page/Bibliograph	Content:
	<u>y</u>	Provides links to grey literature documents, sorted by
		topic
National Statistics Institutes in Oceania	http://www.stat.fi/tup/tilvir/julkaisijat oseania tilastovirastot en.	Content:
	<u>html</u>	• A list of links for National Statistics Offices.
		Australian statistics on drug related deaths and prevalence
		of use
New South Wales Office of Drug Policy	http://www.druginfo.nsw.gov.au/	The official NSW government website containing
		information on drugs, related policies and provides
		guidelines on reducing drug abuse
5.3.2 New Zealand		
Alcohol Advisory Council of New	http://www.alac.org.nz/LibraryCatalogue.aspx	ALAC encourages the use of alcohol in moderation, aiming
Zealand (ALAC)		to reducing the harms associated with misuse.
		Contents:
		Searchable database for references to books, journals,
		videos, conference proceedings and reports

Organisation	Link	Comments
5.4 CARIBBEAN		
Caribbean Drug Information Network	http://www.carec.org/projects/caridin_daess/caridin_daess.htm	Part of the Caribbean Epidemiology Centre. Conducts
(CARIDIN)		research, training, and programme co-ordination.
		Content:
		Caridin newsletter
5.4.1 Barbados		
National Council on Substance Abuse,	http://ncsa.org.bb	Conducts and supports research. Develops and conducts
Barbados		prevention and treatment projects.
		Content:
		General drug information
		 Rapid Assessment for 1998 and 2000.
		• Annual reports 1996 – 2001.
		(reports via Research tab)
5.5 EUROPE		
Alcohol Concern (UK)	http://www.alcoholconcern.org.uk/servlets/home	The national agency for alcohol abuse in the UK. AC is a
		charity which informs policy and promotes public
		awareness.
		Content: (via the Knowledge Base tab)
		 Website links, documents and press releases
		Can be searched by subject area

Organisation	Link	Comments
Archido – now called: Information and	http://www.archido.de/index.php?lang=en	Part of the Institute for Drug Research, this site includes a
Research Centre for Tobacco, Alcohol,		collection of documents and links pertaining to substance
Pharmaceuticals, Drugs and Addictions.		use and abuse.
(University of Bremen, Germany)		Content:
(Claretony of Exemple, Cermany)		EMCDDA annual report
		Serbian School Survey 2005 results
		Limited links page
Centre For Drug Research (CDR)	http://www.cdr-uni-frankfurt.de	Conducts research into drug use prevalence and performs
(Germany)		the drug monitoring for Frankfurt.
		Content:
		Link to Annual report Frankfurt Local Drug Monitoring
		2005
		• Frankfurt Open Drug Scene Survey 2006.
Cranstoun Drug Services	http://www.cranstoun.org/index.htm	Treatment and rehabilitation service provider in the UK.
	Website is currently under construction (April 30, 2008)	
ELISAD Gateway – European gateway	http://www.addictionsinfo.eu/	Catalogue of links to websites on a variety of substance
on alcohol, drugs and addictions		abuse issues. Can be searched by keyword, or by subject.
European Monitoring Centre for Drugs	http://www.emcdda.europa.eu/	The EMCDDA collates data on drug supply, misuse and
and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA)		health consequences
		Content:
		Statistics
		Country profiles
		Evaluation tools
		Information on drug related diseases

Organisation	Link EMCDDA Reitox reports http://www.emcdda.europa.eu/html.cfm/index403EN.html	Content: • National REITOX reports (seizures, morbidity and mortality)
European Collaborating Centres in Addiction Studies (ECCAS)	http://www.sgul.ac.uk/depts/icdp/our-programmes/eccas.cfm see also: http://www.asl.bergamo.it/web/intsert.nsf/c12563070055842d852 55d7c00545af7/132ee1aa9e7363c9c12564f200406917?OpenDocu ment	A group of professionals in the addiction field which conducts research, disseminates information and develops treatment guidelines. Content: Monographs on treatment, mortality, comorbidity
National Statistics Institutes in Europe 5.5.1 England	http://www.stat.fi/tup/tilvir/julkaisijat eurooppa tilastovirastot e n.html	Links to national Statistics Bureaus
Department of Health, England	http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/index.htm	UK Government's Department of Health website. Publications easy to search and navigate Content: Survey results Legislation documents Statistics from Regional Drug Misuse databases Treatment guidelines Strategy papers

Organisation	Link	Comments
5.5.2 France		
French Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction ("Observatoire Français des Drogues et des Toxicomanies": OFDT)	http://www.ofdt.fr/ofdtdev/live/english-tab.html	Public interest group including governmental and non- government groups which collects and analyses data Content: Information available in English Drug use data (including survey results) treatment and policy information National reports to the EMCDDA
5.5.3 Ireland		
National Documentation Centre on Drug Use, Ireland	http://www.ndc.hrb.ie/index.php?msel=1	Content: Policy documents Irish National reports to the EMCDDA Drug use survey results Alcohol and Drug Research Unit publications Database can be searched by keywords. References and some full texts available

S.5.4 Netherlands Centre for Drug Research, University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands Endependent centre for drug research which closed in January 2004. English and other languages available. Content: Household survey results, Scieure data Law and policy documents 5.5.5 Scotland Centre for Drug Misuse Research, University of Glasgow Line of Glasgow Centre for Drug Misuse Research, University of Glasgow Centre for Drug Misuse Research Content: Guidelines for prevention and treatment Unipublished drug outcome research findings References to peer reviewed articles by the Centre's researchers Content: Extensive links pages, organised by topic Policy documents (via the Information tab)	Organisation	Link	Comments
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For the for Drug Misuse Research, University of Glasgow Drug Misuse Information, Scotland Www.drugmisuse.isdscotland.org **Www.drugmisuse.isdscotland.org** **Www.drugmisuse.isdscotland.org** **Household survey results, Scizure data **Law and policy documents **Centre conducts research into drug use and misuse in Scotland. Content: **Guidelines for prevention and treatment **Unpublished drug outcome research findings **References to peer reviewed articles by the Centre's researchers **Drug Misuse Information, Scotland** **Www.drugmisuse.isdscotland.org** **Collection of drug use statistics and research for the UK (some international reports available) **Content:* **Extensive links pages, organised by topic**	Amsterdam, the Netherlands		January 2004. English and other languages available.
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keyword or subject area			keyword or subject area
Survey results, drug deaths data, project evaluations			Survey results, drug deaths data, project evaluations

Organisation	Link	Comments
5.6 SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA	A	
African Development Bank Group (group entities: African Development Bank, The African Development Fund (ADF) and The Nigeria Trust Fund)	http://www.afdb.org/portal/page? pageid=473,1& dad=portal&schema=PORTAL	The African Development Bank has 53 African countries as shareholders, and aims to reduce poverty through sustainable economic development. The ADF provides soft loans and grants for projects and programmes. NTF provides concessional financing to development projects. Content: • Some very general information on drug use
Mauritius Epidemiology Network in Drug Use (MENDU)	http://www.gov.mu/portal/site/natresa/menuitem.5cb481f33694 3380945e9f6248a521ca/ Use the MENDU tab from the links on the left hand side of the page to access reports and other data	MENDU works in substance abuse treatment and prevention programmes, providing advice, coordination and facilitation Content: Drug seizures and other police data Treatment data Drug use survey results
National Statistical Institutes in Africa	http://www.stat.fi/tup/tilvir/julkaisijat afrikka tilastovirastot en. html	No drug related statistics at English sites
South African Ministries of Health	http://www.doh.gov.za	Some treatment data
South African Community Epidemiology Network on Drug Use (SACENDU)	http://www.sahealthinfo.org/admodule/aboutsacendu.htm	SACENDU monitors trends in alcohol and drug use in South Africa. Content: Focussed on treatment centre data
	http://www.sahealthinfo.org/admodule/sacendu.htm	Updates and reports can be found here

Organisation	Link	Comments
South African Development Community	http://www.sahealthinfo.org/admodule/sendu.htm	SENDU develops and coordinates substance abuse
Epidemiology Network on Drug Abuse		monitoring systems in southern Africa
(SENDU)		Content:
		Data from hospitals, treatment centres and police reports
		Country reports
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National Statistics Institutes in the	http://www.stat.fi/tup/tilvir/julkaisijat amerikka tilastovirastot e	Links to national Statistics Bureaus
Americas	<u>n.html</u>	
5.7.1 Latin America		
Inter-American Drug Abuse Control	http://www.cicad.oas.org/en/default.asp	Established by the General Assembly of the Organization of
Commission (CICAD)		American States.
		A forum for drug policy in the Western Hemisphere. 34
		Member states who work together to reduce drug supply
		and demand; support national data collections systems;
		develop more effective money laundering and firearms laws.
		Content:
		Strategy documents
		Extensive links page (via the Resources tab)

Link	Comments
http://www.cicad.oas.org/OID/	An information network for the Americas with current
Publications:	objective information; provides technical support on data
http://www.cicad.oas.org/oid/Estadisticas/default.htm	collection systems; promotes the establishment of national
	drug observatories.
	Content: (publications tab)
	Yearly statistical summaries: seizures, arrests, by country
	· Consumption statistics: summaries of use, availability, by
	country
	• Links to national drug observatory websites (many not
	working as of April 30 2008)
http://www.casacolumbia.org	CASA is a nationwide organisation which compiles relevant
	research information on the economic impact of substance
	abuse, also has tools for effective prevention and treatment
	strategies
	Content:
	• surveys (attitudes to substance abuse)
	comorbidity reports
	http://www.cicad.oas.org/OID/ Publications: http://www.cicad.oas.org/oid/Estadisticas/default.htm

Organisation	Link	Comments
CDC Behavioural Risk Factor	http://www.cdc.gov/brfss/	The BRFSS is a telephone survey which records health
Surveillance System (BRFSS)		conditions and behaviours from 50 states, District of
, , ,		Columbia, Puerto Rico, the US Virgin Islands and Guam. It
		began in 1984 and is currently the world's largest ongoing
		phone survey.
		Content:
		No illicit drug information - Alcohol and Tobacco only
Community Epidemiology Work Group	http://www.drugabuse.gov/about/organization/cewg/	CEWG is a network of researchers who specialise in drug
(CEWG) (part of the National Institute		abuse epidemiology
on Drug Abuse - NIDA)		Content:
,		Facts on drug types
		CEWG meeting reports
		 Links to DAWN, SAMHSA and CDC data
DAWN: Drug Abuse Warning Network	http://dawninfo.samhsa.gov/	DAWN collects US data from hospital emergency rooms
(US)		and forensic pathologists on drug related admissions and
		deaths.
		42 metropolitan areas in 6 states
Monitoring the Future	http://monitoringthefuture.org/	National USA survey of students and young adults
		measuring behaviours and attitudes, including drug use.
National Centre for Health Statistics	http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/fastats/druguse.htm	NCHS collects US national data on births, deaths and
(NCHS)		morbidity.
		Content:
		National survey results
		Illegal drug use prevalence data
		National mortality data

Organisation	Link	Comments
Office of National Drug Control Policy	http://www.whitehousedrugpolicy.gov/	The ONDCP informs the National drug control programme
(ONDCP)		by developing policy and targets
		Content:
		Strategy papers, treatment data.
		Tools and guidelines for program implementation
Substance Abuse & Mental Health	http://www.samhsa.gov/	SAMSHA is an agency of the US Department of Health and
Services Administration (SAMHSA)		Human Services. SAMHSA is a services agency which
		works towards the prevention of mental illness and
		substance abuse in those who are at risk, and seeks to
		rehabilitate those who are already affected.
		Content:
		Reports on National Survey on Drug Use and Health,
		Drug and Alcohol Services Information System
	http://prevention.samhsa.gov/	Centre for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) – supports
		the development of prevention programmes
		Content:
		 tools for programme planning
	http://csat.samhsa.gov/	Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) – supports
		community based treatment services for individuals and
		their families
		Content:
		 guidelines and tools for treatment facilities

Organisation	Link	Comments
SAMHSA's National Clearinghouse for	http://ncadi.samhsa.gov/	Can search publications by drug type.
Alcohol and Drug information		Content:
(Substance Abuse and Mental Health	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Data Archive:	• Fact sheets, national reports. Posters, videos can be
Administration - US)	http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/SAMHDA/	ordered
		Some Spanish language information
		Monitoring the Future study
		National Household Surveys
		Data Archive
		Can access data sets, household surveys, treatment
		outcome studies
		Good "Other Data Sources" page with useful links

6. HIV/AIDS and Harm Reduction Databases

Database	Link	Comment
AIDSearch	http://www.nisc.com/Frame/freeaccess-f.htm	A combination of three database files providing information
		about Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) and
		related topics
		Content:
		Medline HIV/AIDS subset which includes both peer
		reviewed and grey literature.
		HIV/AIDS database on current individual clinical trials
		 Dictionary of chemical and biological agents currently
		being evaluated in the AIDS clinical trials covered in
		companion above clinical trial database
The Consortium for Social and Policy	http://nchsr.arts.unsw.edu.au/Clearinghouse/search.htm	A clearinghouse covering social and legislative research on
Research on HIV, Hepatitis C and related		HIV/AIDS, HCV and related issues.
diseases		Content:
		 Peer reviewed and grey literature on HIV/AIDS and
		HCV. Includes subsets of illicit drug use, treatment care &
		support, prevention discrimination, indigenous and MSM.
hivpolicy.org	http://www.hivpolicy.org/	hivpolicy.org is a database of HIV/AIDS policies and
		analyses relating to the Asia Pacific, for use by policy-
		makers, practitioners, fieldworkers and researchers alike.
		Content:
		Peer reviewed and grey HIV/AIDS literature divided into
		regional, country-specific, NGO, IGO, and Government
		subsets.

Database	Link	Comment
National Centre in HIV Epidemiology	http://www.nchecr.unsw.edu.au/NCHECRweb.nsf/	Australian surveillance data on HIV and other blood borne
and Clinical Research – surveillance and	page/Surveillance	viruses and sexually transmissible infections.
observational database		Content:
		Australian HIV/AIDS, viral hepatitis & STI annual
		surveillance reports
		Australian national Needle and Syringe Program data
		reports
	http://www.nchecr.unsw.edu.au/NCHECRweb.nsf/page/AustHI	The Australian HIV Observational Database (AHOD)
	<u>VObservationalDb</u>	collects observational data on patient demographics,
		antiretroviral and prophylactic treatments, CD4 counts, HIV
		viral load and AIDS defining illnesses from patients with
		HIV attending general practitioner sites, sexual health clinics
		and hospital sites throughout Australia.
		Content:
		• Bi-annual reports of 2329 enrolled patients across 27
		Australian sites.
		Peer reviewed publications from the AHOD

7. HIV/AIDS and Harm Reduction Organisations

7.1 GLOBAL AVERT http://www.avert.org/statindx.htm Avert is an international NGO based in the UK, working to avert HIV and AIDS worldwide. AIDS and HIV statistics by country. Content: Global and regional HIV/AIDS statistics—much of which cite UNAIDS, CDC, HPA publications. The AIDS Education Global information System (AEGiS) HIV/AIDS Global information database. Content: HIV/AIDS news feed, activist group publications, HIV/AIDS encyclopaedia, eForum, fact sheets, French, Germany, Portuguese, Spanish news content. Cochrane HIV/AIDS Group http://www.igh.org/Cochrane/AboutUs.htm Systematic reviews on HIV/AIDS treatment, prevention and care Content: Systematic, peer reviewed and grey literature on sexual	Organisation	Link	Comments
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			and care
 Systematic, peer reviewed and grey literature on sexual 			Content:
			Systematic, peer reviewed and grey literature on sexual
and drug-related risk behaviours, health service delivery,			and drug-related risk behaviours, health service delivery,
HIV treatment and more.			HIV treatment and more.

Organisation	Link	Comments
Human Rights Watch	www.HRW.org	Independent NGO investigating Human Rights abuses
		worldwide and disseminating results in multi-lingual
		publications.
		Content:
		• Publication subsets include drugs and Human Rights,
		HIV/AIDS and Prisons.
		• French, German, Portuguese, Spanish, Arabic, Persian,
		Hebrew, Russian, Korean, Chinese, Indonesian, Albanian,
		Bosnian, Japanese, Dari and Turkish language publications.
IAS-AIDS conference proceedings	http://www.iasociety.org/	International AIDS society
		Content:
		 Proceedings and abstracts from the International AIDS
		and IAS conferences
IHRA-Conference Proceedings	http://www.ihra.net/Barcelona/PreviousConferences	International Harm Reduction Association
		Content:
		Proceedings and abstracts from the International Harm
		Reduction Association's annual conferences

Organisation	Link	Comments
International Centre for Prison Studies –	http://www.prisonstudies.org/	The International Centre for Prison Studies seeks to assist
Kings College		governments and other relevant agencies to develop
		appropriate policies on prisons and the use of
		imprisonment.
		Content:
		 Global, regional and national prison statistics,
		publications and briefs.
		• Website and publications also available in French,
		German, Portuguese, Spanish and Russian.
International Harm Reduction	http://www.soros.org/initiatives/health/focus/ihrd	This initiative works to reduce harms associated with
Development Program		injecting drug use, such as HIV/AIDS. Various articles and
		publications available.
		Contents:
		• Publications, articles briefs and multimedia on harm
		reduction and HIV/AIDS, HCV, law, mental health, gender,
		social change, treatment prevention, care and human rights.
		A particular focus is given to harm reduction in low and
		middle income countries
		Many articles also available in Russian

Organisation	Link	Comments
UNAIDS	http://www.unaids.org/en/	Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS.
		Content:
		Annual global HIV/AIDS report and epidemiological
		updates, policy briefs, fact sheets, multimedia, technical
		support, position papers, country responses and practical
		guidelines.
		• Also available in French, Spanish, Russian.
United Nations Development Programme	http://www.undp.org/	United Nations Development Programme assists developing
(UNDP)		countries attract and use aid effectively. They encourage the
		protection of human rights, the empowerment of women
		and have a particular focus on HIV/AIDS.
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Asian Development Bank	http://www.adb.org/	The Asian Development Bank is an international
		development finance institution whose mission is to help its
		developing member countries reduce poverty and improve
		the quality of life of their people
		Content:
		• Publications on key inequality indicators in Asia, illicit
		drug markets, urbanisation and development.
		Many publications also available in Azeri, Bahasa
		Indonesian, Bangla, Chinese, Japanese, Khmer, Lao,
		Indonesian, Bangla, Chinese, Japanese, Khmer, Lao, Mongolian, Nepali, Russian, Thai, Vietnamese, Urdu and
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Organisation	Link	Comments
Asia Foundation	http://asiafoundation.org/	The Asia Foundation supports programs that address the
		causes and consequences of violent conflict in Asia.
		Content:
		Country and regional specific publications on a ranges of
		issues dealing with violence, conflict, human trafficking and
		corruption
Asian Harm Reduction Network	http://www.ahrn.net	AHRN is regional information and support network created
		to link and support the programmes providing assistance
		to injecting drug users in Asia to prevent HIV transmission.
		Content:
		A comprehensive resource collection on drug use and
		HIV/AIDS both within and outside Asia. Over 2,229 titles -
		919 accessible online and 1,310 off-line hardcopies (available
		on request)
Eurasian Harm Reduction Network	http://www.harm-reduction.org	The Eurasian Harm Reduction Network is a flexible NGO,
		which shares a unified ideology of harm reduction and
		employs a diversity of policies and approaches.
		Content:
		Large English and Russian language library covering the
		topics of harm reduction, OST, advocacy, policy and law,
		HIV/AIDS, HCV, prisons, sex work.

Organisation	Link	Comments
You and AIDS	www.youandaids.org	HIV/AIDS Asia Pacific portal. Cosponsored by UNAIDS,
		UNDP, UNHCR, WHO and others
		Content:
		• Policy documents, press releases, research publications
		and peer reviewed article all relating to HIV/AIDS in the
		Asia Pacific region.
7.3 AUSTRALASIA		
National Centre in HIV Epidemiology	http://www.nchecr.unsw.edu.au/NCHECRweb.nsf/page/home	NCHECR conducts research into HIV/AIDS, hepatitis B
and Clinical Research (NCHECR)		and C, and sexually transmissible infections. Research is
		conducted in Australia, but also Thailand and Cambodia.
		Training and input into health policy and programs are also
		carried out by NCHECR
		Content:
		Information on research projects, and links to
		publications arising from projects
		Resources such as information sheets and screening tools

Organisation	Link	Comments
7.4 CARIBBEAN		
Caribbean Harm Reduction Coalition	www.caribbeanharmreductioncoalition.htmlplanet.com	The CHRC is the regional harm reduction network for the
(CHRC)		Caribbean, founded in 2000 by a loose grouping of
		individuals and NGOs that share a common view that
		interventions that reduce drug related harm are valuable
		activities irrespective if they lead to abstinence.
		Content:
		Web links and email contact details
7.5 EUROPE		
Eurasian Harm Reduction Network	http://www.harm-reduction.org	The Eurasian Harm Reduction Network is a flexible body,
		which shares a unified ideology of harm reduction and
		employs a diversity of policies and approaches.
		Content:
		Large English and Russian language library covering the
		topics of harm reduction, OST, advocacy, policy and law,
		HIV/AIDS, HCV, prisons, sex work.

Organisation	Link	Comments
European Network of Social Inclusion	http://www.correlation-net.org	Correlation is the European Network for Social Inclusion &
and Health		Health. Correlation has a specific focus on health for
		marginalised peoples in the EU including IDUs, sex
		workers, the homeless and other stigmatised peoples.
		Content:
		Guidelines on providing integrated Outreach, health care
		to sex workers
		Reports on Harm Reduction in Eastern Europe
		Harm Reduction data collection protocols
		Library still under construction
The UK Harm Reduction Alliance	www.ukhra.org	The United Kingdom Harm Reduction Alliance UKHRA is
(UKHRA)		a campaigning coalition of drug users, health and social care
		workers, criminal justice workers and educationalists that
		aims to put public health and human rights at the centre of
		drug treatment and service provision for drug users.
		Content:
		Policy statements, protocol and responses to drug use in
		the UK
		Several large eForums on NSP, young people and drugs,
		harm reduction and women, and general discussion and
		announcements.

Organisation	Link	Comments
7.6 NORTH AMERICA		
Canadian Harm Reduction Network	http://www.canadianharmreduction.com/	Website for the Canadian Harm Reduction Network
		(CHRN).
		Content:
		Book reviews, community newsletters, Canadian-specific
		resources
		• 115 articles, both grey and peer reviewed on drug use and
		harm reduction
		Specific articles on safer crack use and medical marijuana
		• eForum
The Harm Reduction Coalition (HRC)	www.harmreduction.org	National harm reduction coalition for the USA.
		Content:
		• Policy briefs, fact sheets, press releases, and state-specific
		resources



NATIONAL DRUG AND ALCOHOL RESEARCH CENTRE

The National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre (NDARC) is a premier research institution in Australia and is recognised internationally as a Research Centre of Excellence. The Centre is multidisciplinary and collaborates with medicine, psychology, social science and other schools of the University of NSW, as well as with a range of other institutions and individuals in Australia and overseas.

The overall mission of NDARC is to conduct high quality research and related activities that increases the effectiveness of Australian and International treatment and other intervention responses to alcohol and other drug related harm.

In addition to the research conducted at the Centre, other NDARC activities include an Annual Symposium and a range of special conferences and educational workshops. As well as contributing to scientific journals and other publications, NDARC produces its own Research Monographs and Technical Report Series. In conjunction with the National Drug Research Institute in Perth, NDARC also produces a free quarterly newsletter, CentreLines, to increase communication between the national research centres, other researchers and workers in the alcohol and other drug field.



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