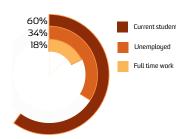
2020 WESTERN AUSTRALIA SAMPLE CHARACTERISTICS



In 2020, 100 people from Perth, Westen Australia, participated in EDRS interviews.



The median age in 2020 was 20, and 65% identified as male.

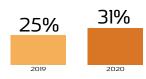


In the 2020 sample, 60% were enrolled students, 34% were unemployed, and 18% were employed full time.

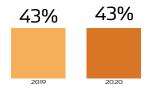


Participants were recruited on the basis that they had consumed ecstasy or other illicit stimulants at least monthly in the past 6 months.

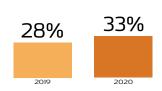
OTHER DRUGS



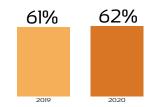
Past 6 month use of any ketamine increased from 25% in 2019 to 31% in the 2020 EDRS sample.



Past 6 month use of LSD was stable at 43% in the 2020 EDRS sample (43% in 2019).

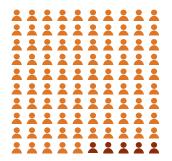


Past 6 month use of any amyl nitrite increased from 28% in 2019 to 33% in the 2020 EDRS sample.



Past 6 month use of any nitrous oxide (nangs) was stable at 62% in the 2020 EDRS sample (61% in 2019).

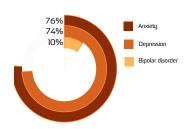
DRUG TREATMENT AND MENTAL HEALTH



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



Just under half of the sample (49%) self-reported that they had experienced a mental health problem in the previous 6 months.

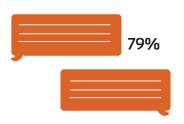


Of those who commented, the most common self-reported mental health concern was anxiety (76%), followed by depression (74%), and bipolar disorder (10%).

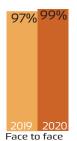


Of those self-reporting a mental health problem, 59% reported seeing a mental health professional in the previous 6 months (29% of the entire sample).

MODES OF PURCHASING

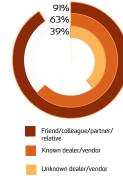


In 2020, 79% of participants organised the purchase of illicit or non-prescribed drugs was via social networking.

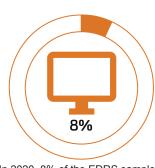


8% 80 20 2019 2020 e Collection point

When asked about how they received drugs, 99% said face to face, and 18% said via a prearranged collection point.

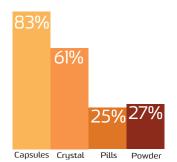


The majority of participants reported obtaining drugs from someone they knew personally (91%)

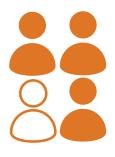


In 2020, 8% of the EDRS sample reported buying drugs off the darknet in the previous 12 months.

ECSTASY



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



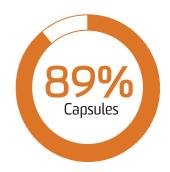
Of those who had recently consumed ecstasy, 1 in 4 used it weekly.



2 Capsules2 Pills0.50 grams of crystal

0.50 grams of powder

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



Of those who could comment 89% perceived ecstasy capsules to be 'easy' or 'very easy' to obtain,

METHAMPHETAMINE

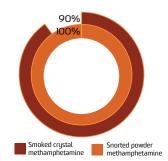


Past 6 month use of any methamphetamine was stable in the 2020 sample (12%) compared to 2019 (11%).



< 5%

Of the entire sample, less than 5% had recently consumed powder, and 10% crystal methamphetamine.



90% of people who had recently used crystal smoked it. Of those who had recently used powder, 100% snorted it.

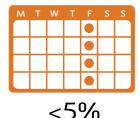


Of those who could comment 40% perceived crystal methamphetamine to be 'easy' or 'very easy' to obtain.

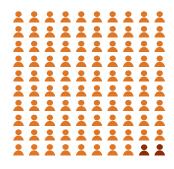
COCAINE



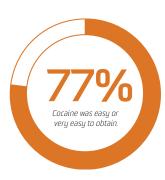
Past 6 month use of any cocaine was stable from 2019 (47%) to 2020 (48%).



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

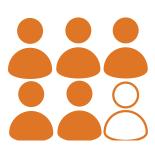


Of people who had consumed cocaine in the last 6 months, 98% had snorted it.

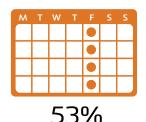


Of those who could comment 77% perceived cocaine to be 'easy' or 'very easy' to obtain.

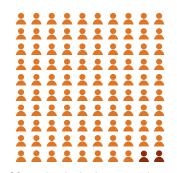
CANNABIS



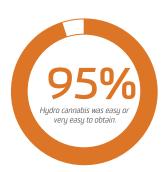
Past 6 month use of any cannabis was stable at 87% in 2020 and 86% in 2019



Of those who had consumed cannabis recently, half reported weekly or more frequent use.



Of people who had consumed cannabis in the last 6 months, 98% had smoked it.



Of those who could comment 95% perceived hydro to be 'easy' or 'very easy' to obtain.