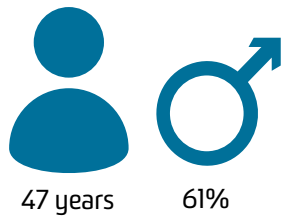


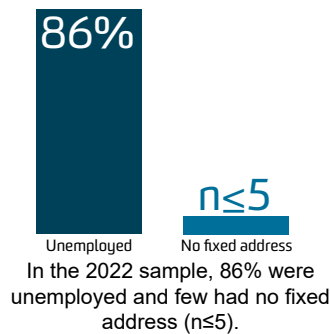
2022 SAMPLE CHARACTERISTICS



In 2022, 70 participants, recruited from Darwin, NT, were interviewed.



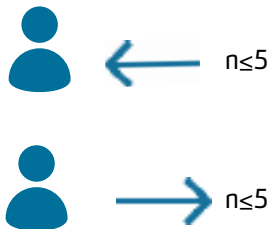
The mean age in 2022 was 47, and 61% identified as male.



- ☒ Injected heroin
- ☒ Injected methamphetamine
- ☒ Injected other illicit or non-prescribed drugs

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

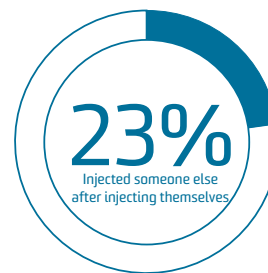
INJECTING RELATED RISKS AND HARMS



In 2022, few (n≤5) participants reported receptive sharing and distributive sharing in the past month.



20% of participants reported re-using their own needles in the past month, stable from 2021 (14%).

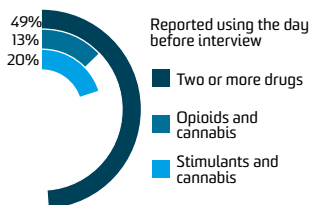


23% of participants reported injecting someone else after injecting themselves in the past month, stable from 2021 (14%).

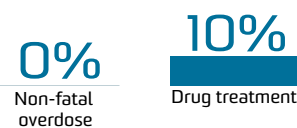


16% of participants reported having an injection-related health issue in the past month, an increase relative to 2021 (n≤5).

OTHER HARMS AND HELP-SEEKING



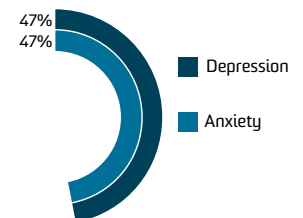
The most common patterns of poly substance use on the day preceding interview were cannabis and opioids, and cannabis and stimulants.



Past year non-fatal overdose (0%) and past 6-month drug treatment (10%) remained stable in 2022 relative to 2021.

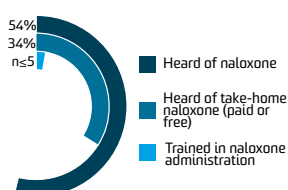


In 2022, 22% of participants reported a mental health problem in the 6 months preceding interview, and few had seen a mental health professional (n≤5).



Among those who reported a mental health problem, the two most common mental health issues were depression and anxiety.

NALOXONE AND HARM REDUCTION



Knowledge of naloxone remained stable in 2022, however fewer participants reported knowledge of take-home naloxone programs and ever being trained in using naloxone.



Few (n≤5) of the sample reported using naloxone to resuscitate someone who had overdosed at least once in their lifetime.

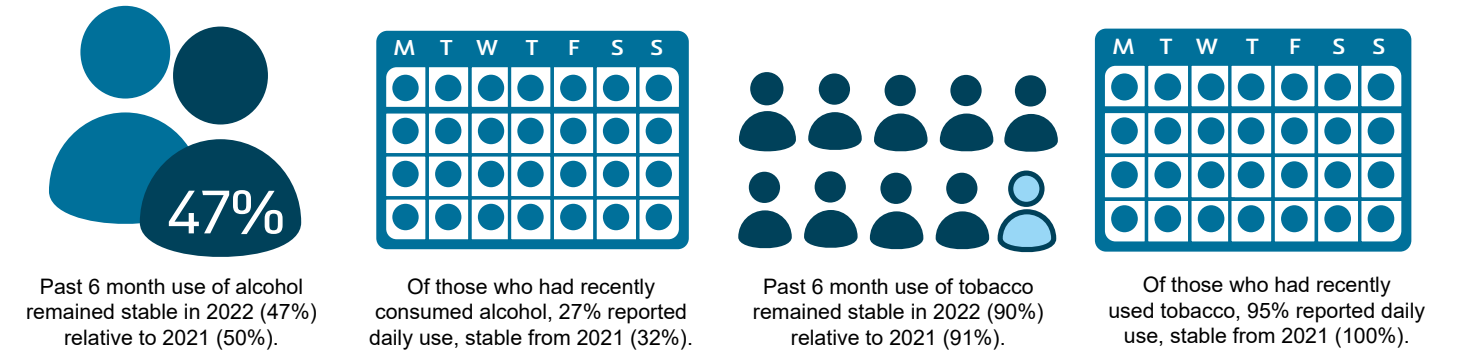


88% of the sample reported to have last injected at home, stable to 2021 (91%).

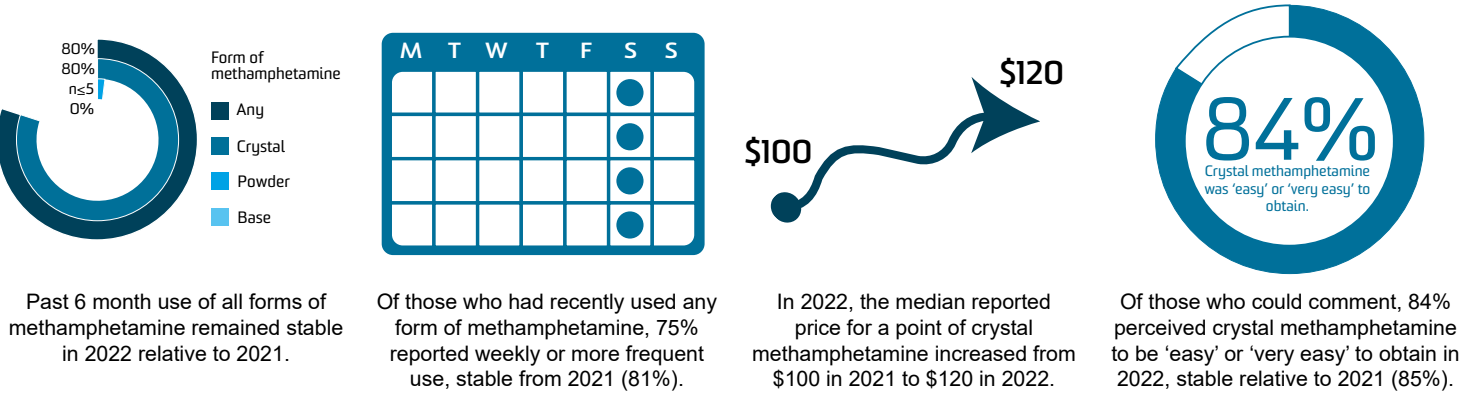


In 2022, few (n≤5) reported that they or someone else had tested the content and/or purity of their illicit drugs in Australia in the past year.

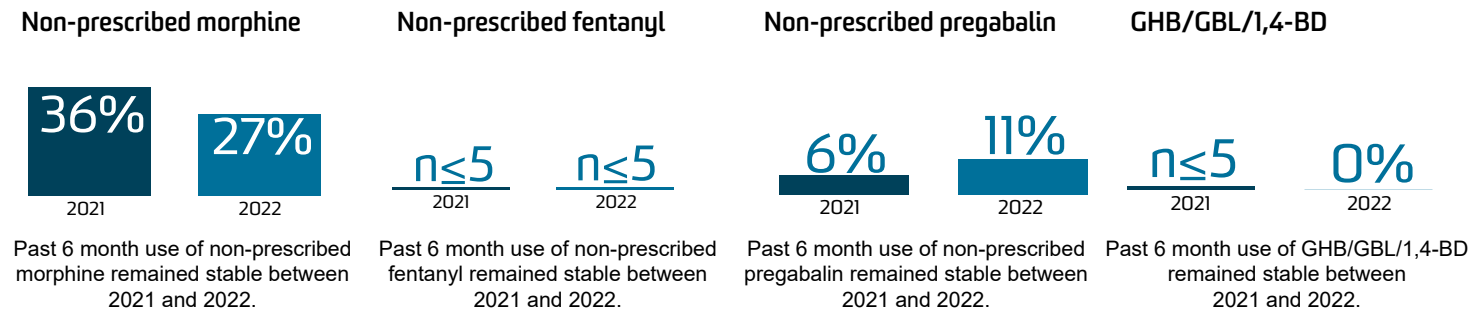
LICIT AND OTHER DRUGS



METHAMPHETAMINE



OTHER DRUGS



CANNABIS AND/OR CANNABINOID RELATED PRODUCTS

