

Attachment 2 - Summary of findings from the 2022-23 National Drug Strategy Household Survey¹

Substance	2019		2022-23		Comments
	SA	Aust.	SA	Aust.	
Tobacco: Daily smoking	11.9%	11%	9.0%	8.3%	Decrease for Australia and SA. Decrease for Australian men and women, decrease for SA women. 50–59-year-olds comprised the age group most likely to smoke daily.
e-cigarettes					Increase for all Australians, as well as current smokers, ex-smokers and never smoked. Increase for all South Australians, current smokers and never smoked.
Recent use	2.9%	2.5%	4.9%	7.0%	
Current smokers	10.2%	9.7%	18.1%	21.6%	
Ex-smokers	4.0%	3.2%	5.4%	9.6%	
Never smoked	0.8%*	0.7%	2.4%	3.7%	
Alcohol					No change in Australian or South Australian daily drinkers. No change in lifetime or single occasion risky drinking More men drinking daily and at risky levels. More 18-24- and 50–59-year-olds drinking at risky levels.
Daily consumption	5.8%	5.4%	4.7%	5.2%	
Lifetime risk	27.0%	24.9%	25.0%	24.6%	
Single occasion risk (at least monthly)	26.0%	24.8%	24.9%	23.8%	
Recent[^] illicit drug use (any)	15.4%	16.4%	17.0%	17.9%	Increase for Australia but no change in SA.
Meth/amphetamine	n.a	n.a.	1.1%	1%	Comparisons over time not possible due to a change in the question. Crystal/ice main form used.
Cannabis	10.6%	11.6%	11.1%	11.5%	No change for Australia and SA.
Any pharmaceutical	n.a	n.a.	4.8%	5.3%	Comparisons over time not possible due to a change in the question.
Any opioid	3.0%	2.8%	2.0%	2.3%	Decrease for Australia and SA.
Pain-killers/pain-relievers and opioids	2.9%	2.7	2.0%	2.2%	Decrease for Australia. No change for SA.
Cocaine	2.5%	4.2%	4.1%	4.5%	No change for Australia. Increase for SA.
Ecstasy	1.2%	3.0%	1.7%	2.1%	Decrease for Australia. No change for SA.
Hallucinogens	0.7%*	1.6%	2.1%	2.4%	Increase for Australia and SA.
Inhalants	1.3%*	1.4%	1.0%	1.4%	No change for Australia and SA.
Heroin	n.p.	<0.1%*	n.p.	0.1%*	Unreliable estimates.
Pharmaceutical stimulants	n.a	n.a	1.7%	2.1%	Not collected in previous years.

[^]Used drug at least once in the past 12 months.

*Estimate to be used with caution.

np: not published because of small numbers, confidentiality, or other concerns about the quality of the data.

¹ All increases or decreases reported here are statistically significant.