Pills 68% 18% 40%
Capsules
Crystal
Powder

ECSTASY
Past 6 month use of ecstasy pills, capsules, crystal, and powder in 2019.

2 Pills
2 Capsules
0.30 Grams of Crystal
0.30 Grams of Powder

12%

Of those who had recently consumed ecstasy, 12% used it weekly.

2018 95%
2019 94%

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

Of those who could comment, 94% perceived ecstasy capsules to be ‘easy’ or ‘very easy’ to obtain.

METHAMPHETAMINE
In NSW, 26% of the sample had consumed methamphetamine in the previous 6 months.

13% 17%
Crystal
Powder

Of the entire sample, 17% had recently consumed powder, and 13% crystal methamphetamine.

88% 88%

92% Smoked

Amongst those who had recently used crystal, 92% smoked it. Of those who had recently used powder, 88% snorted it.

Of those who could comment 88% perceived crystal methamphetamine to be ‘easy’ or ‘very easy’ to obtain.

COCAINE
In NSW, 83% of the sample had consumed cocaine in the previous 6 months.

MTWTFSS

5%

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

72% 87%

2018 2019

100% Snorted

Of people who had consumed cocaine in the last 6 months, 100% had snorted it.

Of those who could comment 87% perceived cocaine to be ‘easy’ or ‘very easy’ to obtain.

CANNABIS
In NSW, 81% of the sample had consumed cannabis in the previous 6 months.

MTWTFSS

46%

Of those who had consumed cannabis recently, 46% reported weekly or more frequent use.

87% 93%

Hydro 2019 2018

98% Smoked

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

Of those who could comment 93% perceived hydro to be ‘easy’ or ‘very easy’ to obtain.
In 2019, 100 people from New South Wales participated in EDRS interviews.

The median age in 2019 was 25 (IQR = 21-29), and 57% identified as male.

In the 2019 sample, 41% were studying, 19% were unemployed, and 37% 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.

In NSW, 68% of the sample had consumed ketamine in the previous 6 months.

In NSW, 48% of the sample had consumed LSD in the previous 6 months.

In NSW, 57% of the sample had consumed amyl nitrate in the previous 6 months.

In NSW, 72% of the sample had consumed nitrous oxide in the previous 6 months.

Over half of the New South Wales sample (59%) 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 (66%), followed by depression (66%), and panic (13%).

Of those self-reporting a mental health problem, 45% reported seeing a mental health professional in the previous 6 months.

In 2019, 85% of the NSW sample reported buying drugs face-to-face in the previous 12 months.

In 2019, 79% of the EDRS sample reported buying drugs off social networking applications in the previous 12 months.

In 2019, 13% of the EDRS sample reported buying drugs off the darknet in the previous 12 months.