

Drug Charges by Type of Drug, Australia: 1995/1996 - 2007/2008

	1995/1996	1996/1997	1997/1998	1998/1999	1999/2000	2000/2001	2001/2002	2002/2003	2003/2004	2004/2005	2005/2006	2006/2007	2007/2008
All charges													
Consumers	73,800	47,530	60,774	65,836	66,723	63,766	58,768	59,657	62,829	62,209	63,520	66,541	63,799
Providers	24,994	24,313	23,348	17,688	14,601	12,697	14,457	14,753	15,451	14,613	14,756	15,715	14,407
Unknown				1,725	1,543	582	582	563	746	511	257	133	469
All charges	98,794	71,843	84,122	83,524	83,049	78,006	73,807	74,973	79,026	77,333	78,533	82,389	78,675
% providers	25.3%	33.8%	27.8%	21.2%	17.6%	16.3%	19.6%	19.7%	19.6%	18.9%	18.8%	19.1%	18.3%
Heroin & other opioid charges													
Consumers	5,135	4,986	7,242	10,607	8,259	5,151	2,018	2,503	2,390	2,051	1,462	1,414	1,599
Providers	1,970	2,154	3,124	3,734	2,951	2,230	1,219	1,311	1,299	1,207	781	744	676
Unknown									2	46	6	6	4
Total heroin	7,105	7,140	10,366	14,341	11,210	7,381	3,237	3,814	3,691	3,304	2,249	2,164	2,279
% providers	27.7%	30.2%	30.1%	26.0%	26.3%	30.2%	37.7%	34.4%	35.2%	36.5%	34.7%	34.4%	29.7%
Cannabis charges													
Infringements	16,696	9,781	8,320	7,674	9,591	9,298	7,854	6,081	6,475	9,057	9,252	7,699	8,091
Arrests	58,359	39,524	38,618	39,251	37,663	37,569	37,939	40,084	40,416	37,196	38,138	40,685	36,769
Providers	20,589	19,831	17,721	11,206	8,370	7,098	9,316	9,217	9,235	8,503	8,223	8,392	7,460
Unknown													
Total cannabis	95,644	69,136	64,659	58,131	55,624	53,965	55,109	55,382	56,126	54,756	55,613	56,776	52,320
% providers	30.5%	29.7%	27.4%	19.3%	15.0%	13.2%	16.9%	16.6%	16.5%	15.5%	14.8%	14.8%	14.3%
Amphetamine type stimulants (ATS) charges													
Consumers	3,118	2,702	3,349	4,976	6,252	6,768	5,815	5,914	6,734	7,297	8,183	10,895	11,608
Providers	1,096	1,205	1,417	1,608	1,829	2,071	2,212	2,340	2,805	2,696	3,623	4,292	4,399
Unknown											42	29	40
Total ATS	4,214	3,907	4,766	6,584	8,081	8,839	8,027	8,254	9,539	9,993	11,848	15,216	16,047
% providers	26.0%	30.8%	29.7%	24.4%	22.6%	23.4%	27.6%	28.3%	29.4%	27.0%	30.6%	28.2%	27.4%
% all charges													
% cannabis	96.8%	96.2%	76.9%	69.6%	67.0%	69.2%	74.7%	73.9%	71.0%	70.8%	70.8%	68.9%	66.5%
% heroin	7.2%	9.9%	12.3%	17.2%	13.5%	9.5%	4.4%	5.1%	4.7%	4.3%	2.9%	2.6%	2.9%
% ATS	4.3%	5.4%	5.7%	7.9%	9.7%	11.3%	10.9%	11.0%	12.1%	12.9%	15.1%	18.5%	20.4%

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