

NATIONAL WASTEWATER DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM



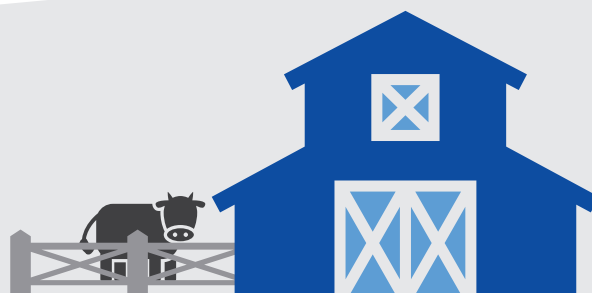
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The August 2018 collection covers around **56 per cent** of Australia's population—about **13 million Australians**.



Capital city **cocaine** and **heroin** average consumption exceeded regional consumption.



Regional **nicotine, alcohol, methylamphetamine, MDMA, MDA, oxycodone, fentanyl and cannabis** average consumption exceeded capital city consumption.



Alcohol and **nicotine** are the **most consumed substances** of those measured with available dose data.

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As the program concludes its second year, it is able to provide longer term insights into drug consumption.

When comparing data from August 2016 to August 2018, the **population-weighted average** consumption of **methylamphetamine, cocaine, fentanyl, nicotine and alcohol** in both capital city and regional sites **increased**, while consumption of **MDMA** and **oxycodone** in both capital city and regional sites **decreased**.

