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National Wastewater Drug Monitoring Program – Report 17

The ACIC's National Wastewater Drug Monitoring Program found that of the substances tested in April 2022:

- New South Wales (NSW) ranked first and second highest nationally in capital city consumption of cocaine and MDA respectively.
- Regional NSW ranked first nationally in consumption of cocaine and heroin, and second highest for methylamphetamine, MDMA and fentanyl.
- Victoria ranked first nationally in capital city consumption of methylamphetamine, heroin and ketamine, and second highest for cocaine consumption.
- Regional Victoria ranked first nationally for ketamine consumption and second highest for heroin and oxycodone consumption.
- Queensland ranked first nationally in capital city consumption of MDMA and MDA and second highest for heroin consumption.
- Regional Queensland ranked first nationally for oxycodone consumption and second highest for MDA and cocaine.
- South Australia ranked second highest nationally in capital city consumption of methylamphetamine and fentanyl.
- Regional South Australia ranked first nationally for methylamphetamine, fentanyl and cannabis consumption.
- Tasmania ranked first nationally in capital city consumption of oxycodone, fentanyl and cannabis and second highest for alcohol, nicotine and ketamine consumption.
- Regional Tasmania ranked second highest nationally for alcohol, nicotine and ketamine consumption.
- The Australian Capital Territory ranked second highest nationally in capital city consumption of oxycodone and cannabis.
- The Northern Territory¹ site ranked first nationally in capital city consumption of alcohol and nicotine and second for MDMA consumption.
- The regional Northern Territory site ranked first nationally for alcohol, nicotine, MDMA, MDA consumption and second highest for cannabis consumption.

¹ With only 2 participating testing sites for the whole Northern Territory, results may not be representative of the territory as a whole, although they cover around 25% of the population.