

Reduce methamphetamine demand by enhancing treatment services and increasing our responsiveness.

Te Whatu Ora (in Te Tai Tokerau), NZ Police together with community agencies lead Te Ara Oranga, the Methamphetamine Harm Reduction initiative in Northland that launched in October 2017. Te Ara Oranga is about working in a tangible and engaging style with the community and agencies, focusing on delivering a holistic approach to health and policing to produce better outcomes for all. The initiative links evidence-based health services with police prevention and enforcement activity.

Police Action (September 2017 - March 2023)

	5.2 Years	Jan-March 2023	Total
Prevention			
Referrals for Treatment	1287	11	1298
Te Whatu Ora	1141	0	1141
Whānau group support	70	0	70
Reports of Concern	64	0	64
Reports of Concern for children	148	0	148
Enforcement			
Firearms seized	108	0	108
Arrested	377	2	379
Charges	2225	45	2270
Search Warrants	245	2	247
Drug tests of person on bail	444	8	452

Health Action (September 2017 - March 2023)

	5.2 Years	Jan-March 2023	Total
Treatment			
Treatment cases	3948	185	4133
Screening and Brief Intervention			
ED screening	14280	89	14369
Self reported (in the last 3/12)	468	11	479
Users consented to a referral for support/treatment	156	2	158
Referral for meth use support/treatment	95	1	96
Agreed to a referral to address other substance use	53	1	54
Choice (One-day Brief Intervention Programmes) & Pou Whānau Connectors			
Referral to Choice programme	1249	48	1297
Whaiaora and their whānau	1306	61	1367
Employment			
Referrals	343	13	356
Employment	168	1	169
Education / Mahi	76	0	76
Job Retention	17	1	18

Wastewater Drug Testing in New Zealand: National Overview Quarter Three: July – September 2022

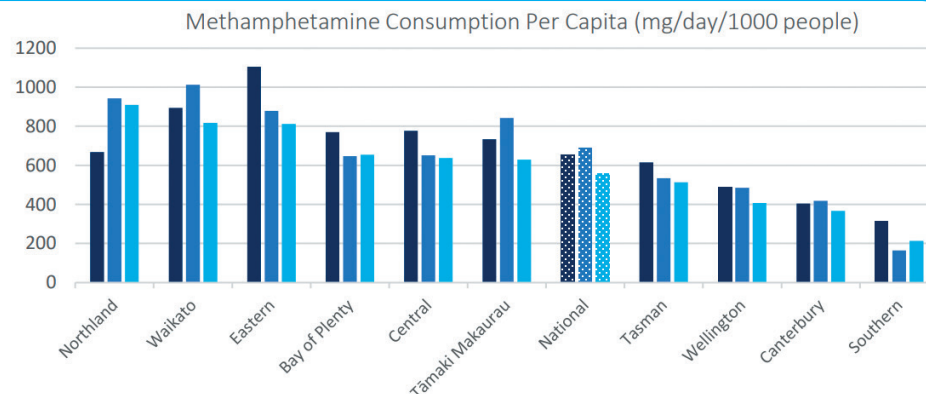
Methamphetamine

Methamphetamine consumption decreased in Q3 2022 to an average of 13.5 kilograms per week. This was below the average quantity detected over the previous four quarters (19 percent or 3.1 kilograms below). It is likely a reduction in methamphetamine availability in New Zealand has impacted on consumption rates in August and September 2022.

Quarterly Per Capita Drug Consumption

By District: Q3 2022

Q1 2022
Q2 2022
Q3 2022



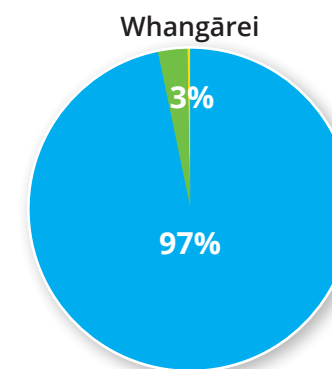
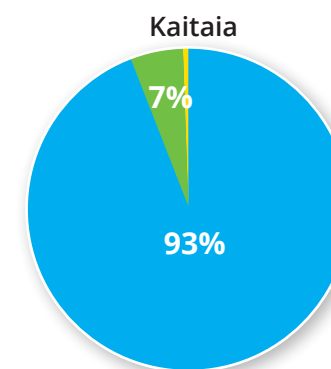
Per capita drug consumption is shown as milligrams consumed per day, per 1,000 people. As a number of locations are tested every second month, the presence or absence of data from some sites within a district will affect the total load and per capita consumption rates reported each quarter.

Northland Proceedings

All Offences / Meth Offences

Methamphetamine
MDMA
Cocaine

Source: NZ Police Wastewater Drug Testing in New Zealand: National Overview Quarter Four: October - December 2022



The average weekly drug use pie charts show the average estimated drug use (in grams) for each commodity per district during Q3 2022. As this data is not adjusted for population, larger metropolitan areas record higher quantities of drug use per week due to the larger number of people in the catchment zone.