

## 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 - June 2023)

	5 Years, 5 Months	April-June 2023	Total
<b>Prevention</b>			
Referrals for Treatment	1,298	70	<b>1,368</b>
Te Whatu Ora	1,141	68	<b>1,209</b>
Whānau group support	70	2	<b>72</b>
Reports of Concern	64	3	<b>67</b>
Reports of Concern for children	148	0	<b>148</b>
<b>Enforcement</b>			
Firearms seized	108	0	<b>108</b>
Arrested	379	1	<b>380</b>
Charges	2,270	49	<b>2,319</b>
Search Warrants	247	0	<b>247</b>
Drug tests of person on bail	452	58	<b>510</b>

### Health Action (September 2017 - June 2023)

	5 Years, 5 Months	April-June 2023	Total
<b>Treatment</b>			
Treatment cases	4,133	235	<b>4,368</b>
<b>Screening and Brief Intervention</b>			
ED screening	14,369	0	<b>14,369</b>
Self reported (in the last 3/12)	479	0	<b>479</b>
Users consented to a referral for support/treatment	158	0	<b>158</b>
Referral for meth use support/treatment	96	0	<b>96</b>
Agreed to a referral to address other substance use	54	0	<b>54</b>
<b>Choice (One-day Brief Intervention Programmes) &amp; Pou Whānau Connectors</b>			
Referral to Choice programme	1,297	65	<b>1,362</b>
Whāiaora and their whānau	1,367	79	<b>1,446</b>
<b>Employment</b>			
Referrals	356	9	<b>365</b>
Employment	175	6	<b>181</b>
Education / Mahi	78	2	<b>80</b>
Job Retention	18	0	<b>18</b>

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### Methamphetamine

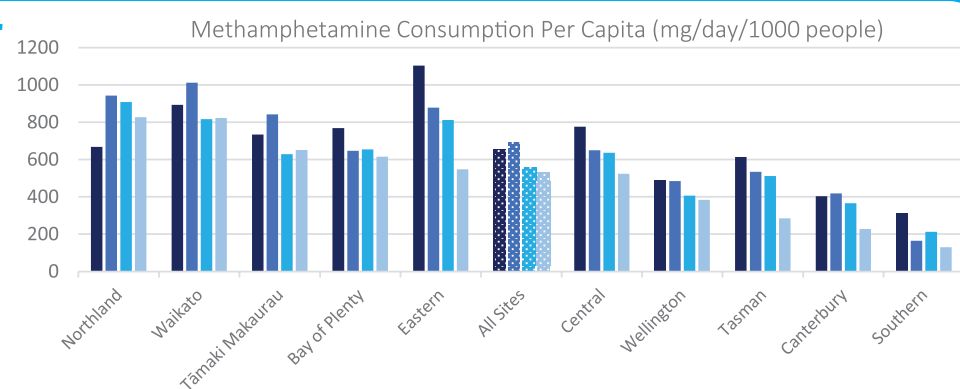
Methamphetamine consumption decreased in Q3 2022 to an average of 13.5 kilograms per week. This was below the average quantity detected over the previous four quarters (19 percent or 3.1 kilograms below). It is likely a reduction in methamphetamine availability in New Zealand has impacted on consumption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

#### Quarterly Per Capita Drug Consumption

By District: Q4 2022

■ Q1 2022  
■ Q2 2022  
■ Q3 2022  
■ Q4 2022

Source: NZ Police Report Dec 2022

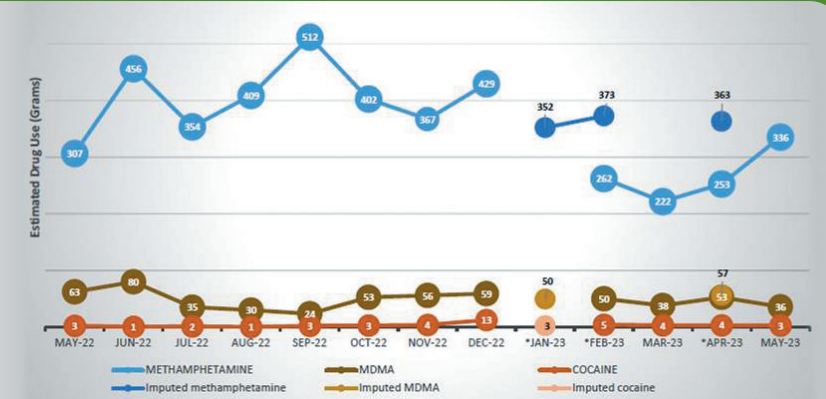


Per capita drug consumption is shown as milligrams consumed per day, per 1,000 people. As a number of locations are tested every second month, the presence or absence of data from some sites within a district will affect the total load and per capita consumption rates reported each quarter.

### Northland: Weekly Drug Use

**Note:** Results for Kaitiāia were not available in February and April 2023.

Imputed estimates (calculated from the average quantities detected over the previous 12 months) have been included as single points on the graph.



Results for Whangarei were not available in January 2023. Imputed estimates (calculated from the average quantities detected over the previous 12 months) have been included as single points on the graph.