

Annual prevalence of the use of cannabis, cocaine, opioids, opiates, amphetamine-type stimulants and "ecstasy" in the population aged 15-64, by region and globally, 2023

Region or subregion	Cannabis						Opioids (opiates and prescription opioids)						Opiates					
	Number (thousands)			Prevalence (percentage)			Number (thousands)			Prevalence (percentage)			Number (thousands)			Prevalence (percentage)		
	Best estimate	Lower	Upper	Best estimate	Lower	Upper	Best estimate	Lower	Upper	Best estimate	Lower	Upper	Best estimate	Lower	Upper	Best estimate	Lower	Upper
Africa	63,310	38,810	82,050	7.50	4.60	9.72	12,080	8,600	15,420	1.43	1.02	1.83	2,960	1,390	5,830	0.35	0.16	0.69
East Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Africa	8,030	6,650	12,050	4.80	3.98	7.21	2,590	2,040	2,840	1.55	1.22	1.70	640	580	760	0.38	0.35	0.46
Southern Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
West and Central Africa	32,470	17,540	36,170	9.67	5.23	10.77	7,880	5,840	10,200	2.35	1.74	3.04	630	170	1,210	0.19	0.05	0.36
Americas	82,770	80,710	86,560	11.92	11.63	12.47	9,610	9,280	10,140	1.38	1.34	1.46	2,830	2,230	3,450	0.41	0.32	0.50
Caribbean	1,670	1,020	3,660	5.70	3.48	12.49	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Central America	1,070	370	1,870	3.16	1.08	5.54	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North America	67,920	67,510	68,330	20.21	20.09	20.34	8,430	8,260	8,580	2.51	2.46	2.56	2,270	1,790	2,750	0.68	0.53	0.82
South America	12,110	11,810	12,700	4.10	4.00	4.30	990	940	1,120	0.33	0.32	0.38	510	410	530	0.17	0.14	0.18
Asia	64,060	23,230	98,290	2.03	0.74	3.12	35,860	15,440	45,960	1.15	0.49	1.47	21,390	8,600	29,740	0.68	0.27	0.95
Central Asia and Transcaucasia	1,710	490	2,920	2.75	0.78	4.70	540	470	610	0.86	0.75	0.98	530	460	610	0.86	0.75	0.98
East and South-East Asia	19,480	5,770	24,040	1.21	0.36	1.50	2,770	1,770	3,630	0.17	0.11	0.23	2,680	1,740	3,670	0.17	0.11	0.23
South-West Asia/Near and Middle East	11,250	8,440	13,280	3.13	2.35	3.70	11,790	9,340	12,520	3.51	2.78	3.72	5,590	4,060	7,820	1.66	1.21	2.32
South Asia	31,620	8,530	58,040	2.81	0.76	5.16	20,760	3,870	29,200	1.84	0.34	2.59	12,580	2,340	17,650	1.12	0.21	1.57
Europe	30,240	27,850	33,120	5.59	5.15	6.12	3,470	3,220	3,870	0.64	0.59	0.71	2,480	2,070	2,970	0.46	0.38	0.55
Eastern and South-Eastern Europe	4,450	3,260	6,070	2.04	1.49	2.77	1,420	1,380	1,450	0.65	0.63	0.66	1,310	1,120	1,450	0.60	0.51	0.66
Western and Central Europe	25,790	24,580	27,050	8.01	7.63	8.40	2,050	1,840	2,410	0.64	0.57	0.75	1,180	950	1,520	0.36	0.29	0.47
Oceania	3,510	3,240	3,880	12.04	11.09	13.29	450	380	530	1.55	1.29	1.80	30	10	60	0.10	0.03	0.21
Australia and New Zealand	2,490	2,330	2,640	12.17	11.42	12.92	430	370	490	2.12	1.82	2.42	-	-	-	-	-	-
Melanesia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Micronesia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Polynesia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
GLOBAL ESTIMATE	243,900	173,830	303,890	4.64	3.31	5.78	61,470	36,920	75,910	1.17	0.71	1.45	29,690	14,300	42,060	0.57	0.27	0.80

Region or subregion	Cocaine						Amphetamines and prescription stimulants						"Ecstasy"					
	Number (thousands)			Prevalence (percentage)			Number (thousands)			Prevalence (percentage)			Number (thousands)			Prevalence (percentage)		
	Best estimate	Lower	Upper	Best estimate	Lower	Upper	Best estimate	Lower	Upper	Best estimate	Lower	Upper	Best estimate	Lower	Upper	Best estimate	Lower	Upper
Africa	3,220	1,510	7,430	0.38	0.18	0.88	4,020	1,330	8,320	0.48	0.16	0.99	2,550	160	9,970	0.30	0.02	1.18
East Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Africa	585	519	681	0.35	0.31	0.41	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Southern Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
West and Central Africa	516	86	1,177	0.15	0.03	0.35	960	60	2,230	0.28	0.02	0.66	-	-	-	-	-	-
Americas	11,410	10,570	12,280	1.64	1.52	1.77	9,700	8,620	10,660	1.40	1.24	1.54	3,830	3,570	4,110	0.55	0.51	0.59
Caribbean	60	60	60	0.19	0.19	0.20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Central America	320	140	550	0.94	0.43	1.62	330	200	480	0.99	0.60	1.42	60	20	110	0.17	0.07	0.33
North America	6,470	6,270	6,670	1.92	1.87	1.99	6,510	6,400	6,630	1.94	1.90	1.97	2,900	2,850	2,950	0.86	0.85	0.88
South America	4,570	4,100	5,000	1.55	1.39	1.70	2,590	2,000	2,820	0.88	0.68	0.96	800	670	950	0.27	0.23	0.32
Asia	3,370	1,990	18,650	0.11	0.06	0.59	13,710	12,150	15,880	0.44	0.39	0.50	10,080	2,590	18,240	0.32	0.08	0.58
Central Asia and Transcaucasia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
East and South-East Asia	2,020	850	16,860	0.13	0.05	1.05	9,630	9,210	10,210	0.60	0.57	0.64	4,170	1,550	6,290	0.26	0.10	0.39
South-West Asia/Near and Middle East	160	10	530	0.04	0.00	0.15	680	430	1,140	0.19	0.12	0.32	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Asia	1,130	1,130	1,130	0.10	0.10	0.10	3,160	2,410	4,180	0.28	0.21	0.37	-	-	-	-	-	-
Europe	5,970	5,160	6,890	1.10	0.95	1.27	2,790	2,400	3,100	0.52	0.44	0.57	4,470	3,730	5,880	0.83	0.69	1.09
Eastern and South-Eastern Europe	610	260	1,060	0.28	0.12	0.48	260	160	240	0.12	0.07	0.11	650	240	1,680	0.30	0.11	0.77
Western and Central Europe	5,360	4,900	5,830	1.66	1.52	1.81	2,530	2,240	2,860	0.79	0.69	0.89	3,820	3,490	4,200	1.19	1.08	1.30
Oceania	880	770	990	3.02	2.64	3.38	300	230	390	1.02	0.80	1.33	550	450	640	1.89	1.55	2.20
Australia and New Zealand	850	770	930	-	-	-	210	160	260	1.02	0.80	1.27	520	450	600	2.54	2.19	2.93
Melanesia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Micronesia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Polynesia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
GLOBAL ESTIMATE	24,850	20,010	46,230	0.47	0.38	0.88	30,520	24,720	38,350	0.58	0.47	0.73	21,480	10,500	38,850	0.41	0.20	0.74

a Cocaine includes cocaine salt, "crack" cocaine and other types such as coca paste, cocaine base, basuco, paco and merla.

b Amphetamines include both amphetamine and methamphetamine

Sources: United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime estimates based on annual report questionnaire data and other official sources.

Africa	12,080,000	8,600,000	15,420,000	Asia	35860000
North Africa	2,590,000	2,040,000	10,140,000	South Asia	20,760,000
West and Central Africa	7,880,000	5,840,000	10,200,000	South-West	11,790,000
Americas	9,610,000	9,280,000	10,140,000	East & South	2,770,000
North America	8,430,000	8,260,000	8,580,000	Central Asia	540,000
South America	990,000	940,000	1,120,000	Africa	12080000
Asia	35,860,000	15,440,000	45,960,000	West & Cen	7,880,000
Central Asia and Transcaucasia	540,000	470,000	610,000	North Africa	2,590,000
East and South-East Asia	2,770,000	1,770,000	3,630,000	Americas (c	9,610,000
South-West Asia/Near and Middle East	11,790,000	9,340,000	12,520,000	North Amer	8,430,000
South Asia	20,760,000	3,870,000	29,200,000	South Amer	990,000
Europe	3,470,000	3,220,000	3,870,000	Europe	3,470,000
Eastern and South-Eastern Europe	1,420,000	1,380,000	1,450,000	Western & C	2,050,000
Western and Central Europe	2,050,000	1,840,000	2,410,000	Eastern & S	1,420,000
Oceania	450,000	380,000	530,000	Oceania	450,000
Australia and New Zealand	430,000	370,000	490,000	Australia &	430,000