

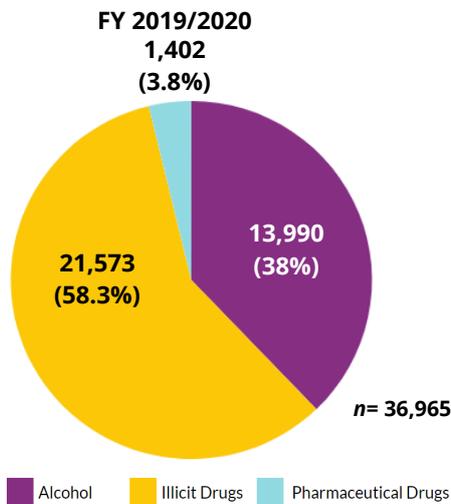
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Bulletin #3

What's new?

This bulletin gives an overview of the Victorian Alcohol and Drug Collection (VADC) recorded episodes of care related to Alcohol and Drugs in Victorian Treatment services during the 2019/2020 financial year. This new data set is available to view on the AOD Stats page along with recently added Needle Syringe Program and Liquor Licensing Registration data.

Treatment Services



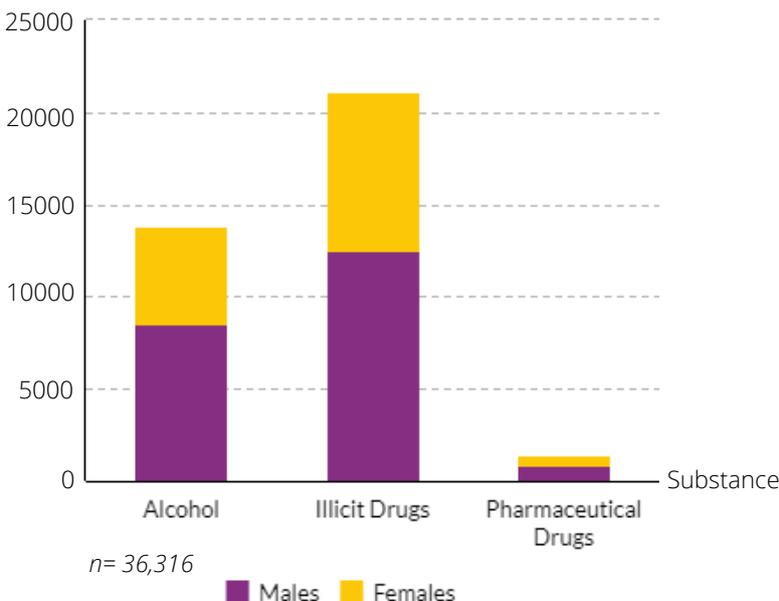
In 2019/2020 there were 36,965 episodes of care in Victorian AOD treatment services.

Over half (58.3%) of these related to Illicit Drug use, followed by Alcohol (38%) and Pharmaceutical Drug use (3.8%).

***Episode of Care= A period of received health care.**

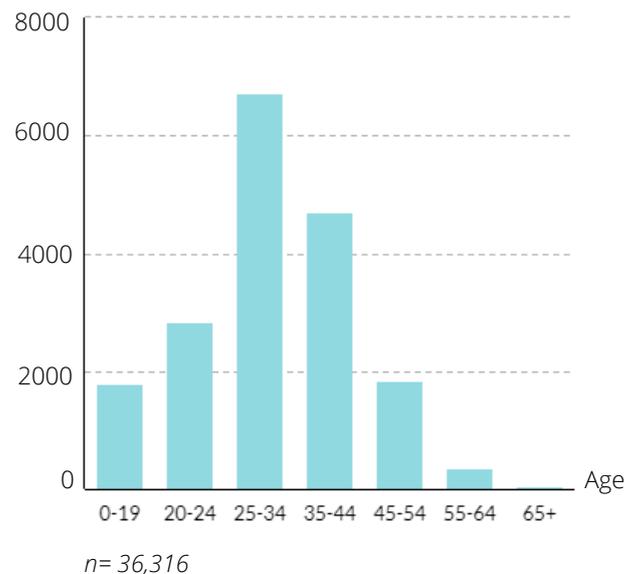
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Age

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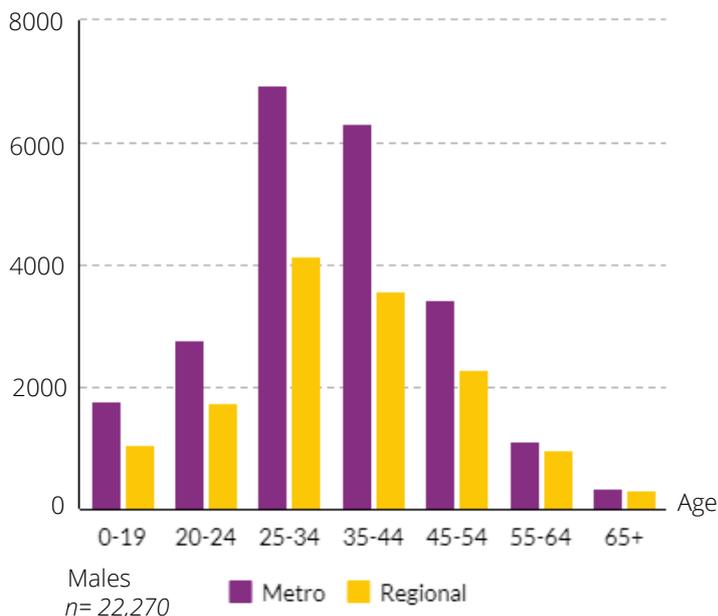
In 2019/2020, there were more episodes of care for males (over half) compared with females, related to the three overarching categories, Alcohol, Illicit Drugs and Pharmaceutical Drugs

In 2019/2020, there were more episodes of care in those aged 25-34 than any other age group. Those aged between 20-44 years accounted for over two-thirds of the total episodes of care.

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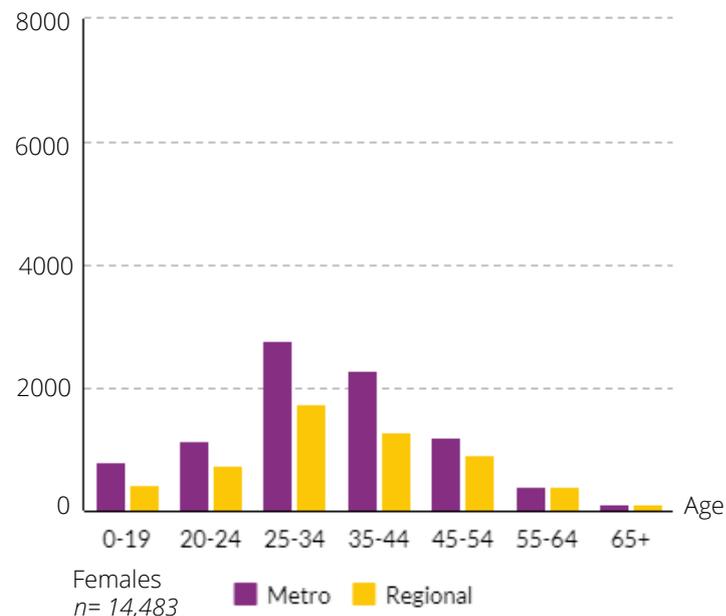
Substance Use in Metropolitan and Regional Victoria

Episodes of Care



In 2019/2020 there were more episodes of care for males across all age groups in metropolitan Victoria compared with regional Victoria.

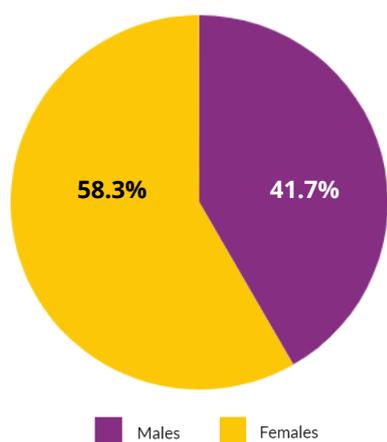
Episodes of Care



In 2019/2020 there were more episodes of care for females among all age groups, except for those aged 55-64, in metropolitan Victoria compared with regional Victoria.

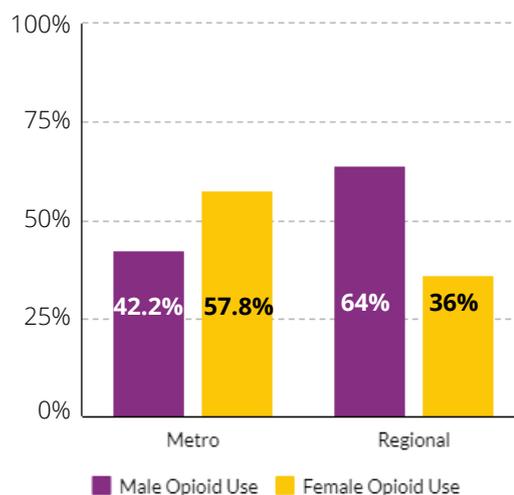
What's Interesting?

GHB and Gender



In 2019/2020 there were more episodes of care in Victoria relating to females for GHB use as opposed to males. Females accounted for 58% of episodes of care in 2019/2020.

Opioid Use



In 2019/2020 there were more episodes of care in metropolitan Victoria for females than males relating to Opioid use (57.8% vs 42.2%). In regional Victoria there were more episodes of care relating to male than female Opioid use (64% vs 36%).

What's next?

Future updates will occur in the following months and include:

- **May 2022 onwards** - annual data updated for datasets (check AODstats for further information).