

The multiple needs of AOD clients

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Overview

- Statewide demographics and drug trends
- The multiple needs of clients in the AOD system
- Insights into the data
- Key opportunities
- Overview of current initiatives

Statewide demographics

Over 30,800 clients in 2016-17



Most clients are between 20-39 years of age



Split between living in metro Melbourne (51%) and regional Victoria (47%)



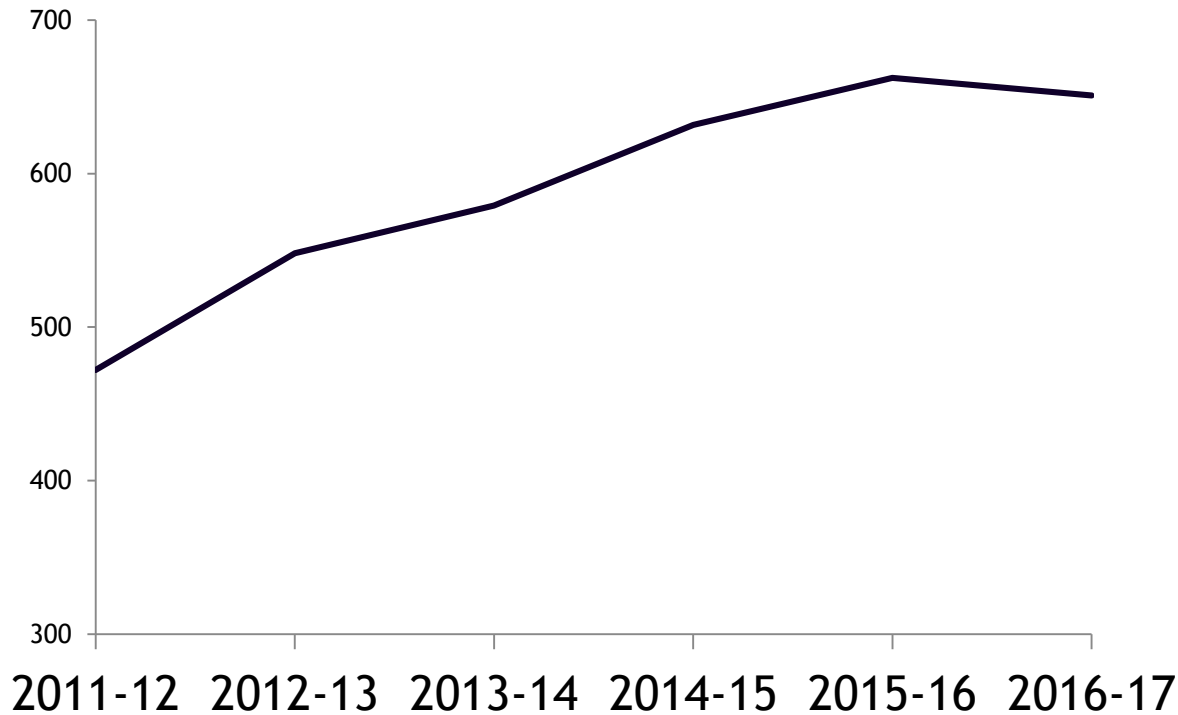
Mostly male (68%)



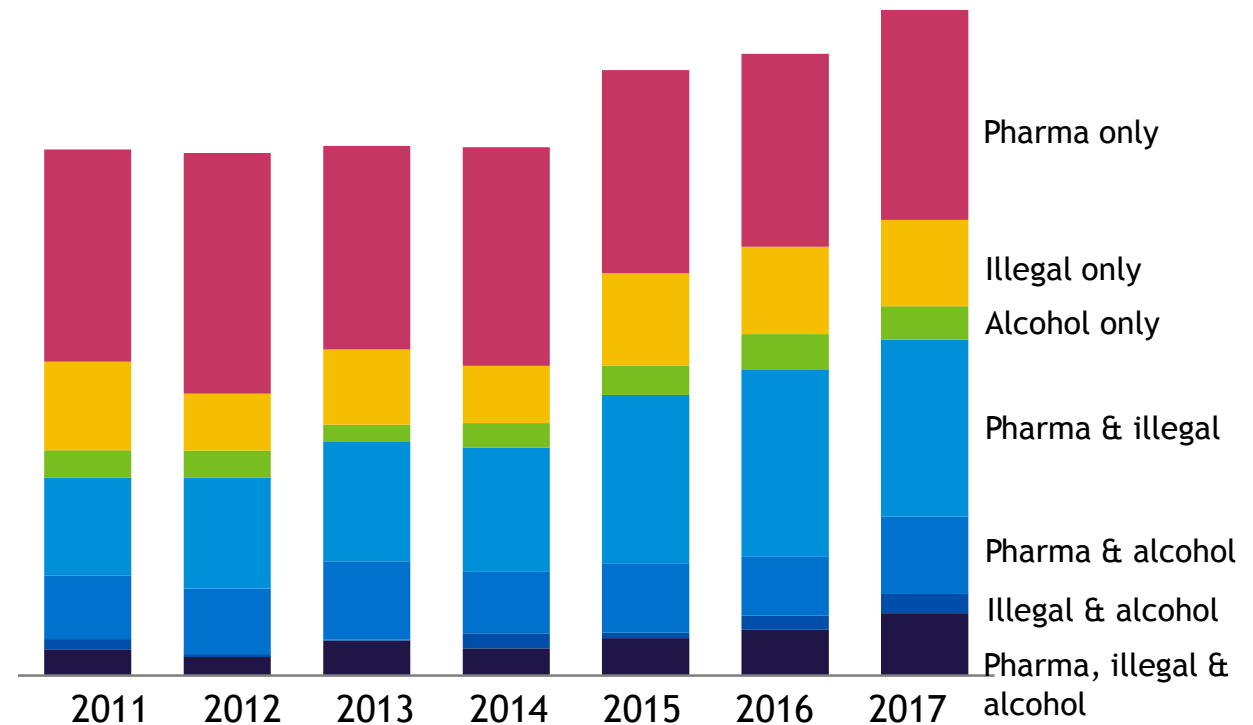
7% Indigenous

Harms from AOD have been increasing in Victoria

AOD related ambulance attendances



Deaths from drug overdose are increasing

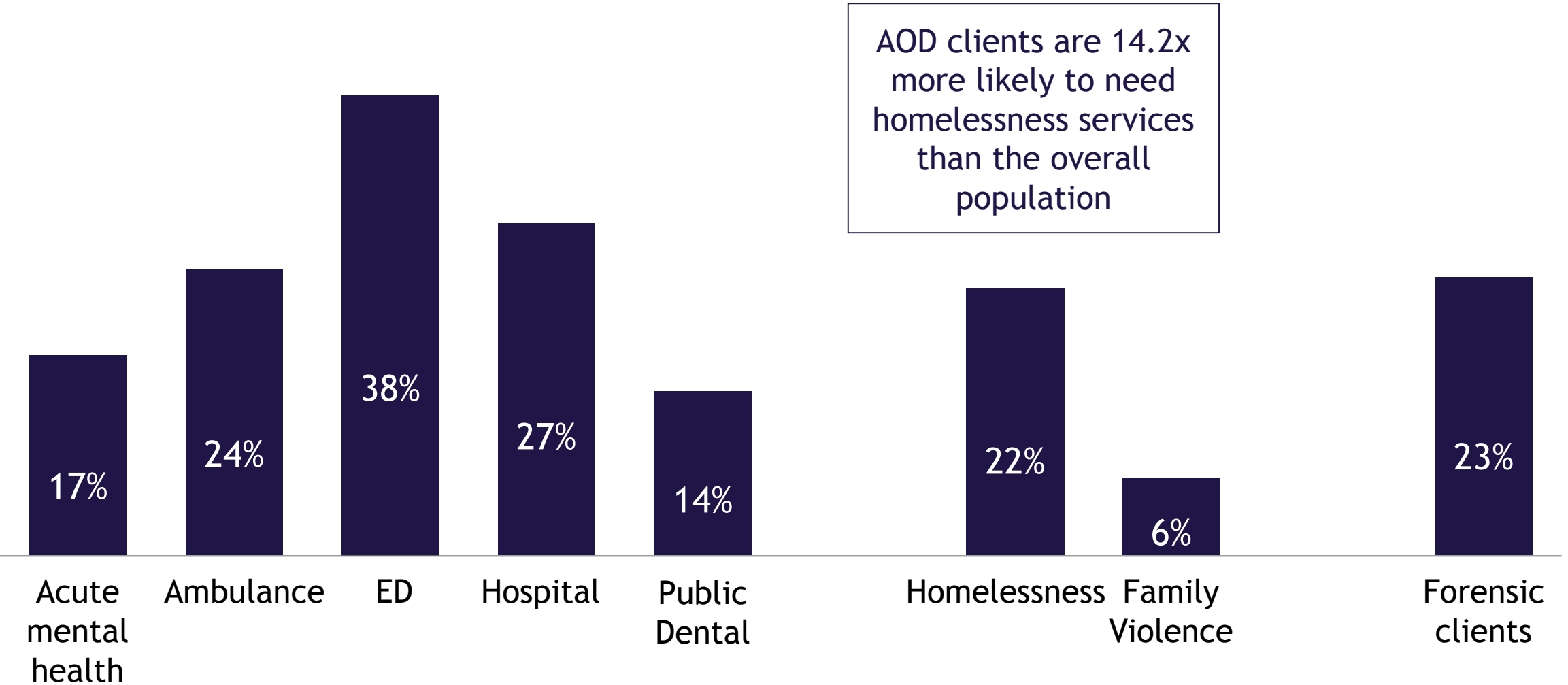


This represents over 40k ambulance attendances and over 500 deaths per year

Evidence shows client needs are more than just AOD

- High co-morbidities
- Challenging proportion of clients in unstable housing
- Very few AOD clients in hospitals are referred to specialist AOD services
- Clients misusing pharmaceuticals are underrepresented, indicating potential lack of support across a range of health settings

AOD clients in other systems



Key opportunities



AOD sector better equipped to support people with other needs



Build AOD capability in other health and human services sectors



Develop integrated models to support clients with multiple needs

An overview of current initiatives



Better responses to
AOD presentations
in EDs



ED crisis
hubs



Dual diagnosis
facilities



SafeScript



PHN strategic
focus on AOD



Family
Reunification
Orders



Forensic Service
Delivery Model



Specialist Family
Violence Advisors



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