

REPORT ON THE GUYANA DRUG INFORMATION NETWORK

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Status of the Guyana DIN

- .. The Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism (2006) recommended the setting up of a DIN in Guyana.
- .. DIN set last year June (Regular contacting of Personnel)
- .. DIN Issues discussed at the Technical Committee of the Guyana Crime and Social Observatory
- .. DIN Reports are provided weekly & Monthly to the Minister of Home Affairs

DIN Membership



Treatment Facilities

- (i) Drug Demand Reduction Programme, Ministry of Health
- (ii) Phoenix Recovery Project
- (iii) Salvation Army Men's Social Service

Psychiatric Facilities

Georgetown Public Hospital Corporation



Youth and Education

(i) Ministry of Education

(ii) Ministry of Youth, Sports and Culture,

Law Enforcement Agencies

Ministry of Home Affairs

(i) Customs Anti-Narcotic Unit (CANU)

(ii) Guyana Prison Service

(iii) Guyana Defence Force

(iv) Food and Drug Department, Ministry of Health

Activities of the Guyana DIN

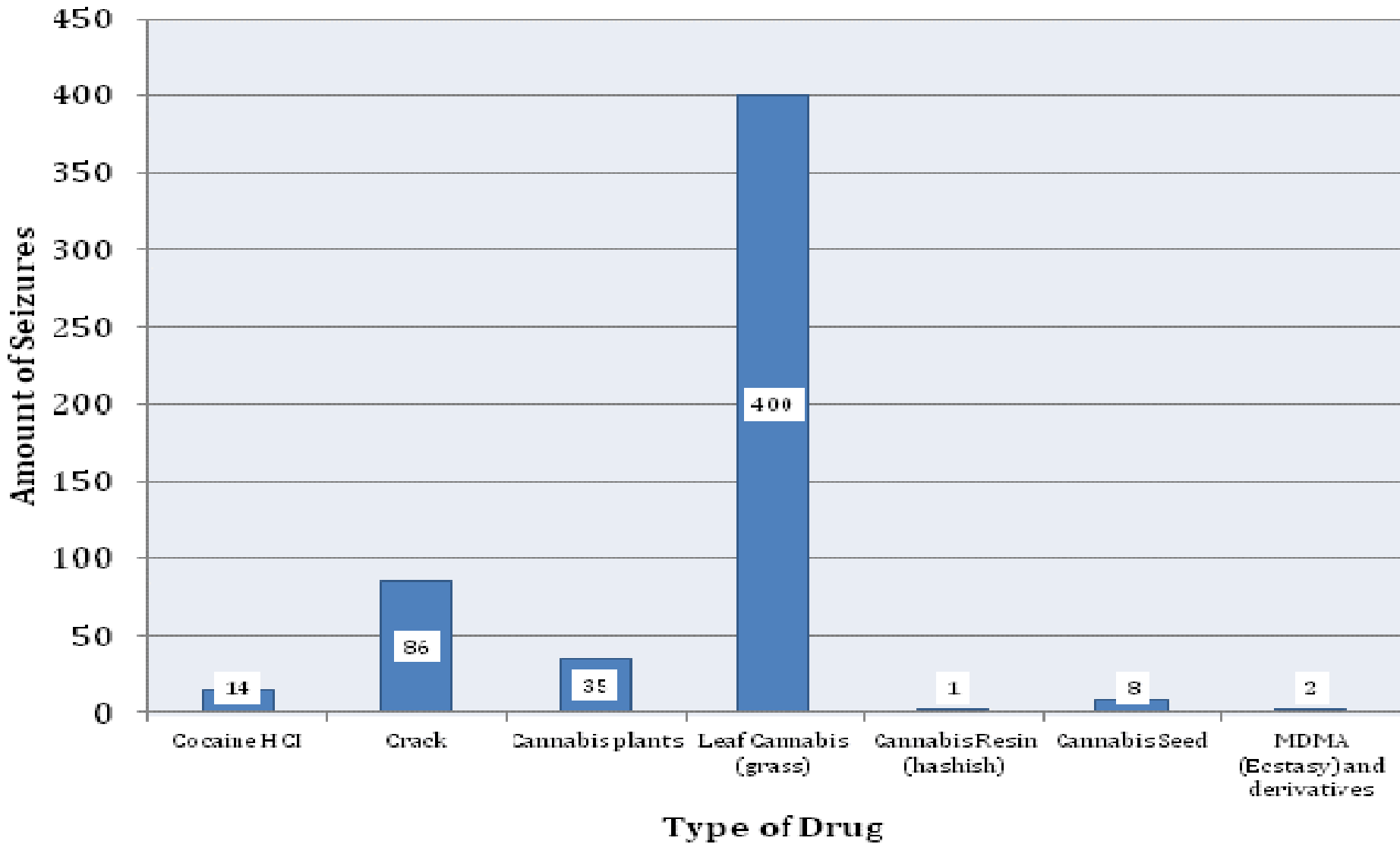


- .. Two Meetings are scheduled annually
- .. Validation of Information and analysis by Network members
- .. Review of the Report Information Needs and Resources Analysis for Guyana
- .. Preparation of Annual Report



Some Trends

Number of Seizures by Type of Drug, Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 2011



Trends

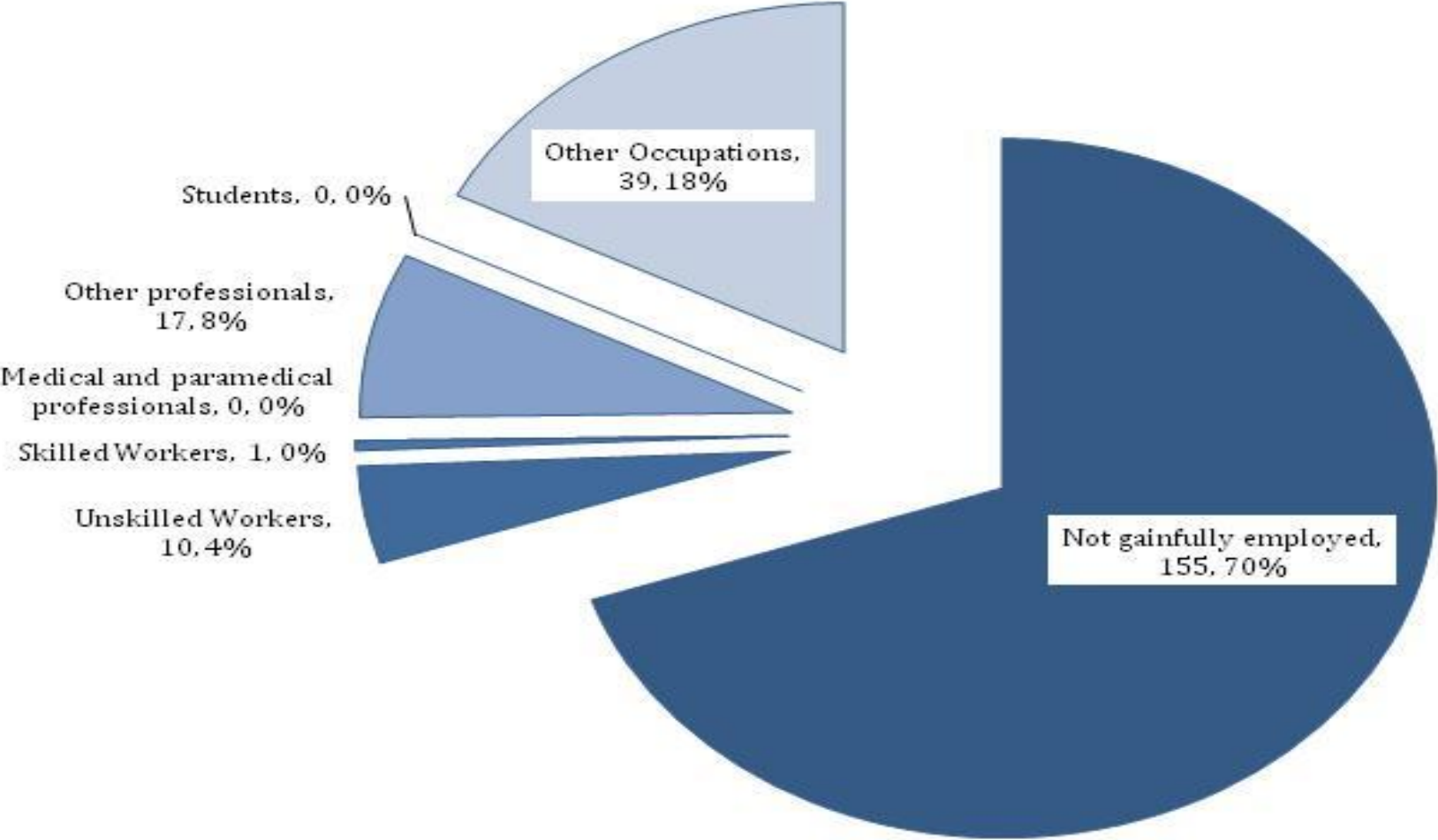
Quantity of Drugs Seized, Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 2011

Type of Drugs Seized	Quantity of Drugs Seized	
	Kgs	Grams
Cocaine HCl	269	328
Crack	1	789.6
Cannabis plants	880,393	750
Leaf Cannabis (grass)	3,639	1489.05
Cannabis Resin (hashish)	0	89
Cannabis Seed	47	954
MDMA (Ecstasy) and derivatives	0	4

Persons Charged for Drug Possession by Type of Drug, Sex and Age Group, Jan 1 to Dec. 31, 2011

Type of Drugs	Male			Female			Total
	>18yrs old	19 to 25yrs old	>25yrs	>18yrs old	19 to 25yrs old	>25yrs old	
Marijuana (Cannabis)	0	65	135	0	2	10	212
Crack	1	1	8	0	0	0	10
Total	1	66	143	0	2	10	222

Persons Charged for Drug Possession by Occupation, Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 2011



Type of Drugs	Male			Female			Total
	≤18yrs old	19 to 25yrs old	>25yrs	≤18yrs old	19 to 25yrs old	>25yrs old	
Marijuana (Cannabis)	1	68	136	1	6	24	236
Cocaine (HCl)	1	6	13	0	1	3	24
Crack	1	15	35	0	5	5	61
Heroin	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Ecstasy	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
Other	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Total	3	90	186	1	12	34	326

Future Plans



- .. Recruit a Desk Officer/Research Officer for the DIN
- .. Addressing issues highlighted in the Information Needs and Resources Analysis (Crime information system facilitates electronic real time data transfer)
- .. Investigate the relationship between drug use and crimes
- .. Drug Use Survey with Ministry of Health

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