Global drug market Expansion

- 30 % more users between 2009-2018
- 2008-2017: deaths increased by a quarter
- Highest cocaine production in 2018
- Seizures of ATS quadrupled between 2009-2018
- Abundant opium production
Expansion in developing countries

Between 2000-2018

- Total population grew by 28% in developing countries and by 7% in developed countries
- Population 18-25 grew by 18% in developing countries and decreased by 10% in developed countries
Global drug market: increased complexity
The threat of synthetic opioids

Fentanyl profits

Retail
$1-1.5 ml

Production
$1,400-3,500

Heroin profits

Retail
$400,000

Production
$5,000-7,000
With controls on precursor chemicals drug manufacturers innovate
Methamphetamine market grows in Afghanistan and Iraq

Rapid market changes

Synthetics replace opiates in Central Asia and the Russian Federation
12% of the global population has access to 90% of pharmaceutical opioids
Higher socioeconomic groups have a greater propensity to initiate drug use than lower socioeconomic groups, but it is the people in the lower socioeconomic groups that are more likely to progress from drug use to drug user disorder and therefore pay the highest price.

Zoom on: women, sexually diverse populations, indigenous and aboriginal peoples, ethnic groups and immigrants, displaced persons, people in rural settings.
Criminal Justice system

- Estimated number of people in the criminal justice system for drug offences:
  - 3.1 million arrested
  - 1.6 million convicted
  - 2.5 million in prison: sentenced

International cooperation

- Commitments and disbursement of funds by donor countries reporting to the Development Assistance Committee on development assistance in general and development assistance dedicated to drug control, 2000–2017

Cannabis legalization

- Retail sales of non-medical cannabis, by provinces, in Canada, October 2018–September 2019

Darknet


Alternative Development

- Influence of psychoactive substances among perpetrators of homicides, latest available data, 2012–2015

Drugs and violence

- No influence: 66%
- Under the influence: 32%
- Alcohol: 36%