



# Portfolio response table

Home Affairs Portfolio agencies are addressing the illicit drug supply chain across the three pillars of the National Drug Strategy (reducing demand, supply and harm).

## CURRENT HOME AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO AGENCY EFFORTS

The Australian Border Force predominantly targets supply. Its efforts span across precursors, importation and domestic trafficking.

Some of the Australian Border Force's activities include:

- Intelligence-informed disruption of precursors at the border
- Advisory committees to oversee customs broker licencing practices and investigation of potential breaches
- Intelligence-informed disruption of illicit drugs at the border
- Enforcement of drug prohibition policy and legislation
- Regulation of staff and service providers operating within the supply chain (for example, 'Fit and Proper' assessments)

AUSTRAC's efforts address illicit drug supply and harm reduction. Its efforts address pre-existing conditions (for example, weak governance and drug regulation), manufacture, importation, domestic trafficking, criminal profit and consumption/harm.

Some of AUSTRAC's activities include:

- Multi-agency taskforces with intelligence and law enforcement partners
- Engagement with international partners to increase sharing of financial intelligence increase sharing of financial intelligence information and inform disruption of transnational, serious and organised crime groups involved in bringing illicit drugs into Australia
- International capacity-building to increase capability to identify criminal transactions and money laundering activity
- Advanced analytic detection capabilities to help partner agencies target:
  - importation, trafficking and drug commodities (for example, precursor chemicals, other drugs)
  - money laundering activities
  - organised crime group members and associates
  - locations of potential activity
- Provision of intelligence to support investigations by operational agencies

The **Department of Home Affairs'** efforts are focused on addressing supply reduction. Its efforts address pre-existing conditions, precursors, manufacture and importation.

Some of the Department of Home Affairs' activities include:

- Bilateral and multilateral engagement with international counterparts to strengthen border management
- Cross-agency counter-drug working groups and committees
- Policy and legislative reform to divert precursor chemicals
- International capacity-building to address pre-existing conditions conducive to illegal drug activity

The **Australian Institute of Criminology** addresses both demand and supply reduction. Its efforts cover demand, pre-existing conditions, precursors, manufacture, importation, domestic trafficking and criminal profit.

Some of the Australian Institute of Criminology's activities include:

- Evaluation activities to enhance future responses
- Research and analysis of trend data to inform evidence-based policy and operational responses across the Portfolio

The **Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission** addresses both demand and supply reduction. Its efforts cover demand, pre-existing conditions, precursors, manufacture, importation, domestic trafficking and criminal profit.

Some of the Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission's activities include:

- Intelligence and research to inform policy and operational responses across the Portfolio
- National Wastewater Drug Monitoring Program
- Assessment and designation of Australian Priority Organisation Targets and the coordination and de-confliction of operational activity International engagement

The **Australian Federal Police** covers both supply and harm reduction. Its efforts address pre-existing conditions, precursors, manufacture, importation, domestic trafficking and criminal profit.

Some of the Australian Federal Police's activities include:

- Bilateral and multilateral engagement with international law enforcement partners through sharing of operational intelligence to disrupt transnational, serious and organised crime groups involved in bringing in illicit drugs into Australia
- Cooperation with law enforcement partners through information sharing and capacity surges
- International capacity-building efforts to increase capability to disrupt illicit drug crime
- Investigation of Commonwealth drug offences
- Leading offshore investigation and disruption of criminal activity and seizures of illicit drugs

## COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS

The **Commonwealth Illicit Drugs Joint Agency Task Force (CID JATF)** addresses all three pillars of demand, supply and harm reduction. Its actions address all elements of the supply chain across demand, pre-existing conditions, precursors, manufacture, importation, domestic trafficking, criminal profit and consumption/harm.

The CID JATF brings together all Commonwealth agencies with a role in combating illicit drug demand, supply and harm (Health, Education, Foreign Affairs, Social Services and Home Affairs Portfolio agencies).

Its role is to ensure that our law enforcement activities complement activities to reduce demand and harm, and that we are using Commonwealth capabilities effectively to address the illicit drug threat.

The **South Australian Joint Agency Ice Strike Team (SA JAIST)** covers all three pillars of demand, supply and harm reduction. Its efforts address all elements of the supply chain across demand, pre-existing conditions, precursors, manufacture, importation, domestic trafficking, criminal profit and consumption/harm.

The SA JAIST targets importation and trafficking of methylamphetamine and its precursors into South Australia. South Australia Police leads the JAIST, with assistance from the Australian Federal Police, Australian Border Force, Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission, Department of Home Affairs, Australian Taxation Office and AUSTRAC. Participating Commonwealth agencies support South Australia Police by providing intelligence and operational support to identify international origins and supply chains for significant domestic seizures of ice and precursors.