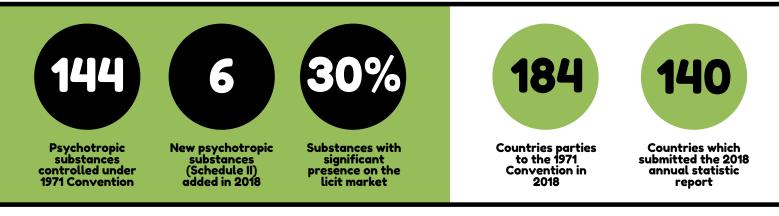
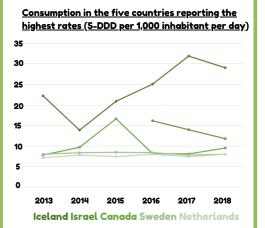


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Manufacture of methylphenidate decreased in 2018, continuing the trend from 2017, although consumption of the substance remained high and imports of it increased.

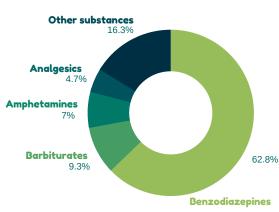


Global manufacture of dexamfetamine and amphetamine increased in 2018, with the United States and France as the main manufacturers.

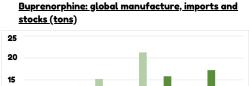


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<u>Substances with significant</u> presence on the licit market



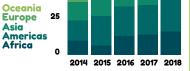
Manufacture of buprenorphine continued to rise in 2018, reaching a new high within the last five years, largely owing to the continued increase in output in the United Kingdom and the United States.





Global manufacture of benzodiazepines increased by 24% in comparison with 2017, driven mainly by Italy, India, China, and Brazil.

Number of countries reporting consumption, by region



Imports of phenobarbital – barbiturate with most significant presence on the licit market – increased by over 95%. Global manufacture led by China and India.

It remains the most used psychotropic substance in the manufacture of preparations exempted from certain measures of control. In 2018, over 20 tons of the substance was used for such preparations.