Global State of Harm Reduction 2016

At a glance

Guide to Reading the Table

This table lists the countries and territories around the world that support harm reduction in policy or practice. Please note that inclusion in this table does not indicate the scope, quality or coverage of services.

It is also important to recognise that the explicit supportive reference to harm reduction in national policy may not necessarily equate to the existence of quality and high coverage services. Furthermore, in many countries harm reduction services, NSP in particular, are NGO-driven and may be operating without government support.

- Explicit supportive reference to harm reduction in national policy documents:

 Countries and territories which have an explicit reference to harm reduction in national health or drug related policy
- Needle and syringe programme (NSP) operational:

 Countries or territories which have one or more operational NSP sites
- Opioid substitution therapy (OST) programmes operational:

 Countries or territories which have one or more operational sites which provide opioid substitution therapy as maintenance (not for detoxification only)
- Drug consumption rooms:

 Countries or territories which have one or more operational drug consumption rooms (or safer injecting facilities)
- Needle and syringe programmes in prison:

 Countries or territories which have one or more prisons with operational NSP
- Opioid substitution therapy in prison:

 Countries or territories which have one or more prisons with operational OST as maintenance (not for detoxification only)

Country or territory	Explicit supportive reference to harm reduction in national policy documents	At least one needle and syringe programme in operation	At least one opioid substitution programme operational		Opioid substitution therapy in at least one prison	Needle and syringe programme in at least one prison
Asia						
Afghanistan	✓	✓	✓	Х	X	Х
Bangladesh	√	1	1	Х	Х	X
Cambodia	/	✓	✓	Х	X	Х
China	1	√	/	Х	Х	Х
Hong Kong	✓ ✓	Х	√	X	× ✓	×
India Indonesia	✓	✓ ✓	✓ ✓	×	✓	X
Laos PDR	1	✓	X	×	X	×
Macau	✓	✓	<i>\</i>	×	<i>'</i>	×
Malaysia	1	1	1	×	1	×
Maldives	✓ /	X	/	X	X	X
Mongolia	✓	1	×	Х	Х	×
Myanmar	/	✓	/	X	×	X
Nepal	✓	✓	✓	Х	Х	×
Pakistan	✓	√	Х	X	X	X
Philippines	✓	✓	×	×	×	Х
Taiwan	✓	✓	1	X	X	X
Thailand	✓	✓	✓	X	×	×
Vietnam	✓	✓	✓	Х	✓	X
Eurasia						
Albania	✓	✓	✓	Х	✓	×
Armenia	✓	1	✓	Х	✓	✓
Azerbaijan	Х	1	1	Х	×	×
Belarus Bosnia &	✓	✓	✓	Х	Х	×
Herzegovina	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	×
Bulgaria	✓	✓	1	Х	✓	X
Croatia	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	X
Czech Republic	✓	✓	✓	Х	✓	X
Estonia	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	X
Georgia	✓	✓	✓	Х	✓	X
Hungary	✓	✓	✓	X	X	X
Kazakhstan	✓	✓	✓	Х	X	X
Kosovo	✓	✓	✓	Х	X	X
Kyrgyzstan	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
Latvia	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	X
Lithuania	✓	✓	✓	Х	✓	X
Macedonia	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	X
Moldova	✓	✓	✓	Х	✓	✓
Montenegro	✓	✓	✓	Х	✓	X
Poland	✓	✓	✓	Х	✓	X
Romania	✓	✓	✓	Х	✓	X
Russia	Х	✓	X	Х	X	Х
Serbia	✓	✓	1	Х	✓	Х
Slovakia	✓	1	✓	Х	X	Х
Slovenia	✓	✓	✓	Х	✓	Х
Tajikistan	✓	✓	✓	Х	Х	✓
Turkmenistan	X	✓	X	Х	X	Х
Ukraine	✓	✓	1	X	X	X
Uzbekistan	✓	✓	X	Х	X	X
Western Europe						
Austria	✓	1	✓	X	✓	X
Belgium	✓	✓	✓	Х	✓	Х
Cyprus	✓	✓	✓	Х	Х	Х
Denmark	✓	✓	1	✓	✓	X
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France							
Germany		supportive reference to harm reduction in national policy	one needle and syringe programme in	one opioid substitution programme	consumption	substitution therapy in at	
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Iceland	Germany	✓	✓	1	✓	✓	✓
Ireland	Greece	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	×
Italy	Iceland	nk	Х	✓	X	Х	×
Luxembourg	Ireland	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	×
Malta	Italy	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	Х
Monaco	Luxembourg	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
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Egypt	New Zealand	✓	✓	✓	Х	✓	Х
Iran	Middle East and N	North Africa					
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