



# Cross-jurisdictional Policing Perspectives

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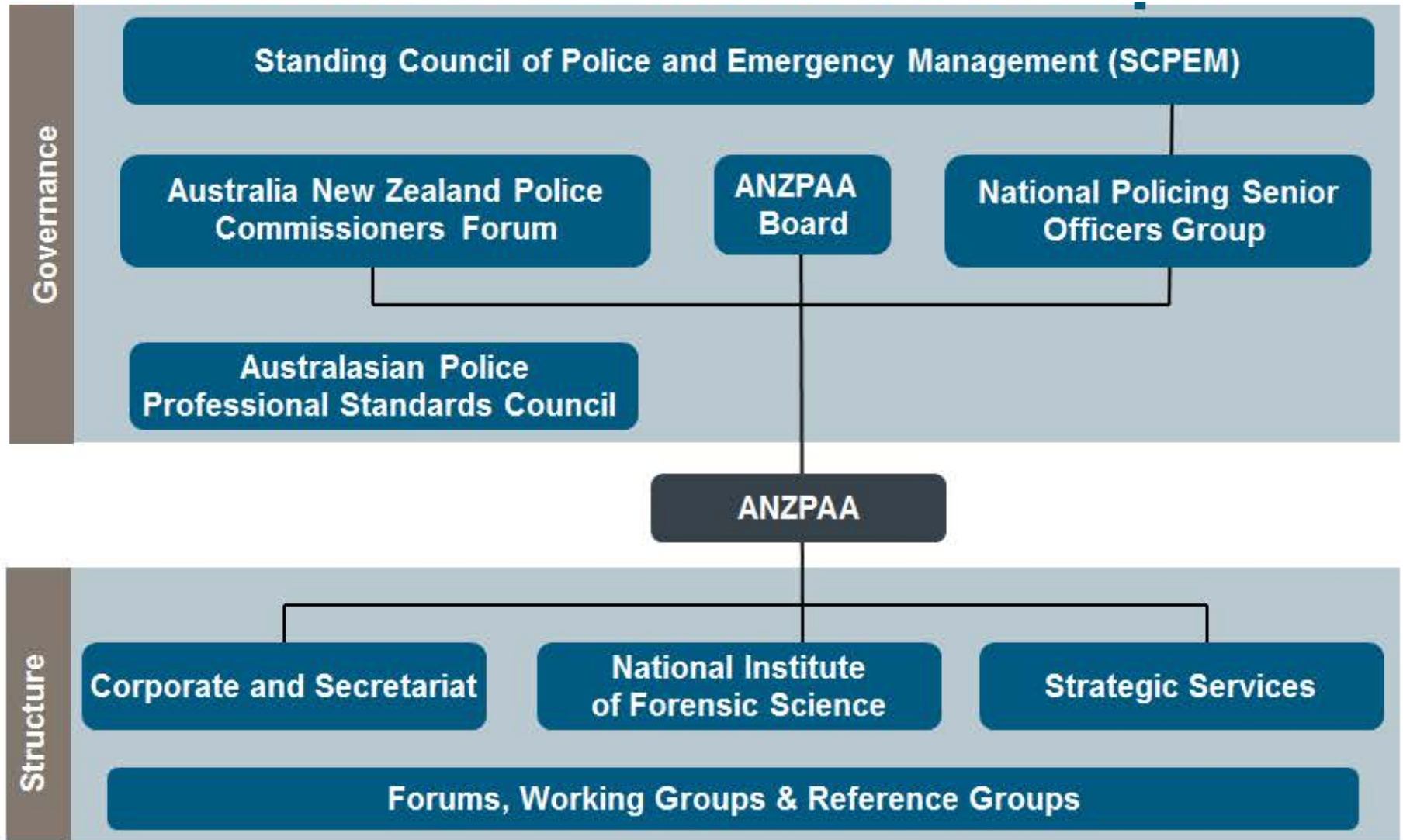
# PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- ANZPAA overview
- Directions in Australia and New Zealand Policing 2012 – 2015
- Public health issues impacting on police
- ANZPAA Drug and Alcohol Strategy 2012-2015
- Operation Unite – a Blitz on Drunken Violence
- Commissioners' collective commitment.

# ANZPAA

- A joint initiative of the Australian and New Zealand Police Ministers and Commissioners
- Provides strategic and policy advice to the ANZPAA Board on cross-jurisdictional policing initiatives that help enhance community safety and security
- ANZPAA is non-operational, but helps to shape operational strategy and policy.

# Governance & Relationships



# DIRECTIONS IN POLICING

## Four Principles:

- Collaboration
- Professionalism
- Accountability
- Value

## Four Directions:

- Communities
- Crime
- Safety
- Resources



DIRECTIONS IN  
AUSTRALIA  
NEW ZEALAND POLICING  
2012 > 2015

The Standing Council on Police  
and Emergency Management

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# POLICING AND PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUES

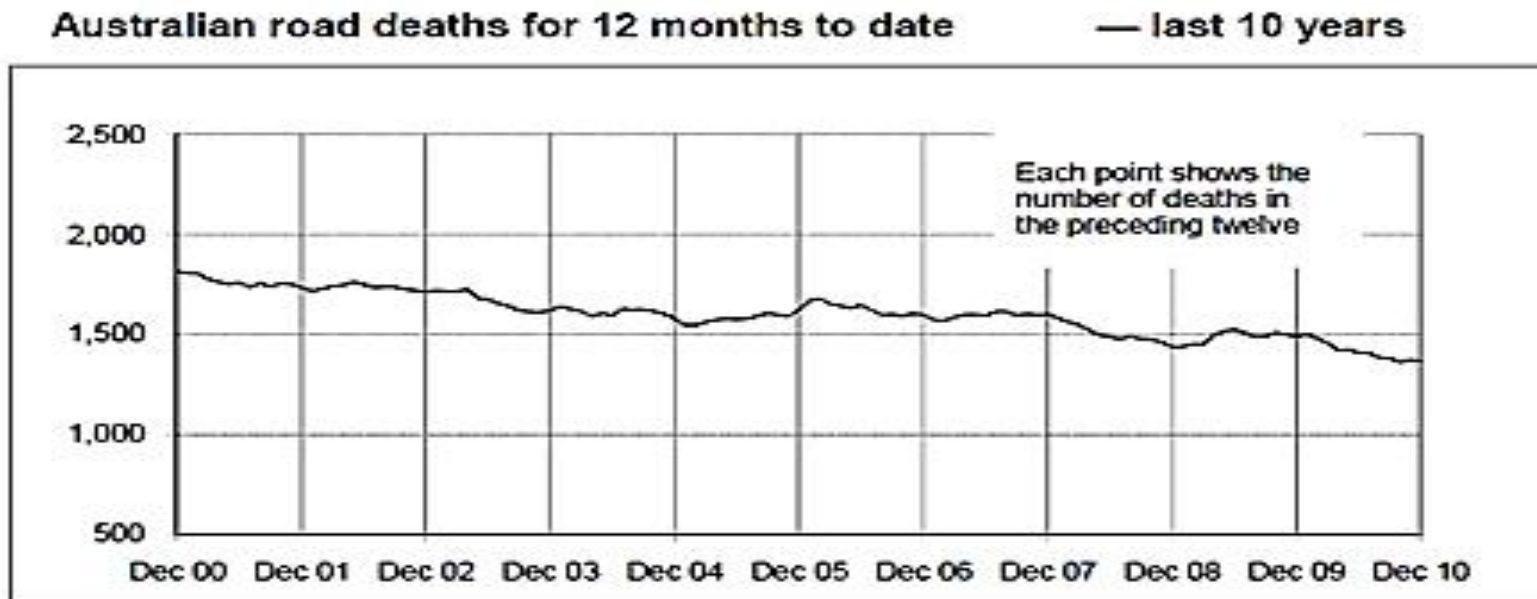
- Road trauma
- Alcohol and other drugs
- Mental illness
- Public disorder
- Violence





# ROAD TRAUMA

- Road crashes result in about 1,500 deaths and 30,000 hospital admissions each year
- The annual cost to the Australian economy is estimated to be \$27billion.



# ALCOHOL

- Second only to tobacco as a preventable cause of death and hospitalisation in Australia
- Significant factor in public disorder, violence and crime
- Drinking at high and risky levels generates most alcohol-related problems
- In 2004–05 the health costs of alcohol, tobacco and other drug misuse in Australia was estimated at \$56.1 billion
- Alcohol accounted for \$15.3 billion (27.3%) and illegal drugs \$8.2 billion (14.6%).



# OTHER DRUGS

- The Australian Drug Trends Report (2010):
  - 7.3 million in Australia reported having used an illicit drug
  - almost 3 million having used illicit drugs in the last 12 months.
- Illicit drug use is closely linked to criminality with known impacts:
  - violence, behavioural problems, road accidents, drug trafficking, social and family dysfunction.
- One in three police detainees self-reported (mis)using pharmaceutical drugs in the past 12 months.

# MENTAL ILLNESS

- The annual cost of mental illness in Australia: \$20 billion  
(Australian Bureau of Statistics, January 2012)
- Almost half of the total population (45.5%) experience a mental disorder at some point in their lifetime (National Survey of Mental Health and Wellbeing, 2007)
- One in five Australians aged 16-85 years experienced mental illness in the previous 12 months (equivalent to almost 3.2 million people)
- Significant impact on policing services and resources in dealing with person affected by mental illness.

# PUBLIC DISORDER, VIOLENCE AND CRIME

- Assault is the most common type of violent crime in Australia
- Around one-third of people who experience an assault report the incident to police (ABS 2006)
- Alcohol-related crime and violence is estimated to cost Australia AU\$7.1b
- Domestic and family violence a persistent and destructive problem.

# ANZPAA's ROLE – DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

- ANZPAA continuously reviews, improves, influences and informs existing and future drug and alcohol-related policing strategies
- We know that addressing alcohol misuse, violence and anti-social behaviour is one of the most pressing social challenges for police across Australia and New Zealand
- Similar problems are experienced in every State, Territory and region of Australia and New Zealand
- Our role is to provide advice to Police Commissioners on strategies and initiatives to collectively address these concerns.

# ANZPAA DRUG AND ALCOHOL STRATEGY

ANZPAA's Drug and Alcohol Strategy aims to:

- increase awareness of the impacts of drug and alcohol-related harm in the community
- strengthen partnerships with stakeholders and the community
- promote knowledge and information sharing to inform policing responses to drug use and alcohol misuse.

# ANZPAA DRUG AND ALCOHOL STRATEGY 2012-2015

**Our Vision:** To reduce the harms and manage the risks associated with drug use and alcohol misuse.

**Our Aims:**

- Promote knowledge and information sharing to inform policing responses to drug use and alcohol misuse.
- Increase police awareness of the impacts of drug and alcohol-related harm on the community.
- Strengthen partnerships with police, stakeholders and the community.



## DESIRED OUTCOME

Consistent messages promoted to influence and increase awareness of the impacts of drug and alcohol-related harm in the community.

## ACTIONS

- Conduct cross-jurisdictional activities
- Prepare submissions or collective commentary
- Participate in conferences or forums
- Comment on new research, reports or parliamentary inquiries
- Publish opinion editorials, news stories and media releases.
- Use social networking sites
- Raise police awareness of current drug and alcohol-related issues and emerging trends
- Explore opportunities for education campaigns



## DESIRED OUTCOME

Stronger relationships with our partners built through collaboration on drug and alcohol related issues.

## ACTIONS

- Strengthen alliances with police jurisdictions, industry bodies, research and community organisations and other government agencies
- Support co-ordination and collaboration between police jurisdictions
- Identify evidenced-based approaches and initiatives
- Host workshops and use the ANZPAA Extranet
- Contribute to drug and alcohol conferences and forums
- Support the Australasian Drug and Alcohol Strategy Conference 2013



## DESIRED OUTCOME

Knowledge and understanding enhanced on issues relating to drug use and alcohol misuse to inform policing responses.

## MEASURES

- Monitor emerging issues and trends
- Promote information sharing on good practice initiatives
- Support innovative and evidence-based approaches
- Map activities related to addressing alcohol and public safety
- Explore ways to enhance drug and alcohol data collection, recording and sharing
- Inform and influence future research priority areas
- Explore funding opportunities to undertake research in identified areas



# OPERATION UNITE



# OPERATION UNITE: PARTNERS



# OPERATION UNITE

- **The Aim:** the operation aims to heighten community awareness of the issues associated with excessive alcohol consumption and related harm in order to change behaviour.
- **The Message:** communities need to work together to reduce the impacts of alcohol-related harm – everyone has a role to play.

# OPERATION UNITE: MESSAGES

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hzCyEVa6ylo>

# OPERATION UNITE

- Operation Unite has encouraged public discussion on the impacts of excessive alcohol consumption and risky drinking behaviours that lead to violence and disorder.
- It has also encouraged the alcohol and hospitality industry, parents, sporting bodies, community groups and others to think about the impact alcohol misuse has in communities.



# OPERATION UNITE: MEDIA



## RECLAIM STREETS



## Serious violent offender

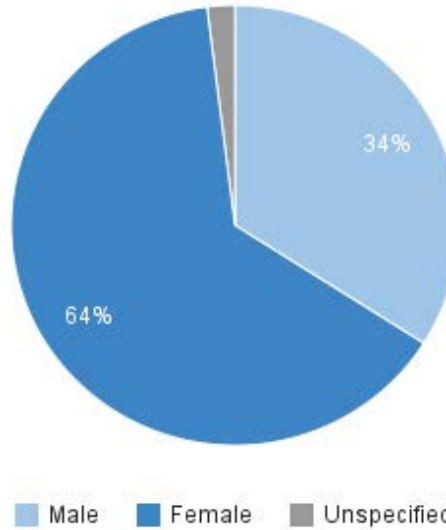




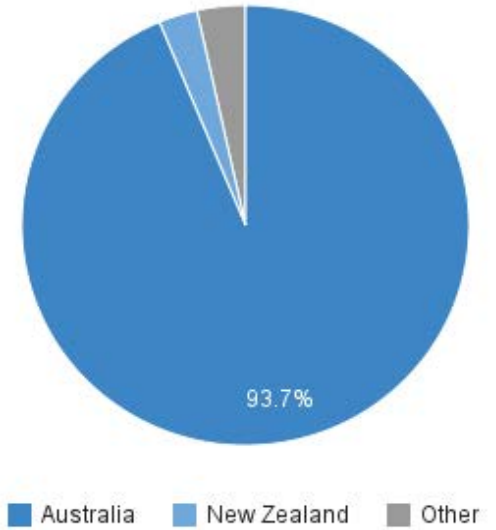
# OPERATION UNITE: FACEBOOK



Demographics



Fans by Country



# COMMISSIONERS' COLLECTIVE COMMITMENT

- Police Commissioners remain committed to:
  - reducing road trauma
  - reducing the use of illicit drugs and the misuse of pharmaceutical drugs
  - enhancing the police approach to people with a mental illness
  - promoting greater public awareness of alcohol-related issues and associated harms to bring about behavioural change.



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