

Sydney Medically Supervised Injecting Centre

Local Kings Cross Business Telephone Survey 2005

Business Questionnaire

Hello, is this " phone number"

Good morning/afternoon/evening. My name is _____ and I'm calling on behalf of the University of NSW. We're doing a study on community health and safety in the Kings Cross area. [INTERVIEWER: IF ASKED `The National HIV Centre at the University of NSW']

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Field name: QHCONT
Content: 0 = Continue

Question: Is your business located in the 2011 postcode area? (Interviews had an on-screen list of Kings Cross suburbs: Elizabeth Bay, Rushcutters Bay, Kings Cross, Woolloomooloo, Potts Point)

Field name: Q2011
Content: 1 = Yes

Question: I'd like to speak to the most senior person currently at your workplace? Would that be you?

Field name: QPERS
Content: 1 = Yes
2 = No

Question: What is his/her/your position in your business? - if not volunteered.

Field name: QROLE
Content: Position in the business of the respondent

Good morning/afternoon/evening, are you ... (RESPONDENT DESCRIPTION)? My name is _____ and I'm calling on behalf of the National HIV Centre at the University of NSW. We're doing a study on community health and safety in the Kings Cross area.

Your help with this study is voluntary; it's about your views on solutions to drug use, your concerns, and your own experiences.

The interview should take around 10 minutes. You can stop at any time or simply refuse to answer any question if you prefer. Your answers will remain completely confidential and will not be stored with your phone number.

Question: Can you help us with this interview? [IF YES] Is it OK to talk to you now?

Field name: RRATE3

Question: QKX1 What, if any, are the MOST annoying things for you about the level of drug use in the Kings Cross area? [Do not read coded responses - prompt: 'Anything else?'] Provision was made for four answers.

Field name: QKX1A
QKX1B
QKX1C
QKX1D

Content: Typed response, however, the following codes were used if applicable:

- 1 = Not annoying/don't notice it
- 2 = Risk of encouraging young people to inject
- 3 = Risk of the spread of HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis
- 4 = Suffering/tragedy of drug users, feel sorry for them
- 5 = Negative image of the area due to the presence of drug users
- 6 = Drug related crime - to person and property
- 7 = Drug related crime - corruption and organised crime
- 8 = Inability of authorities to prevent drug use
- 9 = Injecting in public places
- 10 = Overdose situations
- 11 = Inappropriate disposal of injecting equipment
- 12 = Harassment or begging
- 13 = Attracts drug users to the area
- 14 = Attracts dealers to the area
- 888 = Don't know
- 999 = Refused

Question: QMSC13 Here are some proposed solutions to problems with drug use. Please tell me whether you {CATI randomly inserts "Agree or disagree" OR "Disagree or agree"} with each one. [INTERVIEWER: PROMPT FOR 'Strongly' AGREE OR DISAGREE; 'Is that strongly or just (agree/disagree)?']

Field name: QMSC13A More media campaigns to prevent drug use?
QMSC13B More police action against drug traffickers?
QMSC13C Police allowing the use of small quantities of drugs such as heroin or cocaine?
QMSC13D More doctors prescribing methadone or similar treatments?
QMSC13E Making places available where drug users can inject their drugs?
QMSC13F Making heroin use legal?
QMSC13G Doctors prescribing heroin and cocaine to people addicted to these drugs?

QMSC13H More education in schools to prevent drug use?
QKX13I Continuation of needle and syringe programs in NSW (These health programs provide sterile needles and syringes to people who inject drugs to prevent HIV, AIDS and Hepatitis.)

QKX13J Increased needle and syringe programs in Kings Cross
Content: 1 = Strongly Agree
2 = Agree
3 = Neither agree nor disagree
4 = Disagree
5 = Strongly disagree
8 = Don't know [DON'T READ OUT]

Question: QMSC14a. Have you personally ever seen an INAPPROPRIATELY discarded syringe in your local area, for example a syringe dropped in the street or a park etc?

Field name: QMSC14A
Content: 1 = Yes
2 = No
8 = Don't know
9 = Refused

If qmsc14a=1 (Yes), ask qmsc14b

Question: QMSC14b. When was the last time you saw an INAPPROPRIATELY discarded syringe in your local area? [PROMPT IF NECESSARY]

Field name: QMSC14B
Content: 1 = Within the last 24 hours
2 = Within the last week
3 = Within the last month
4 = Within the last year
5 = More than a year ago
6 = Never
8 = Don't know
9 = Refused

If qmsc14a=1 and qmsc14b < 4 (within last month), ask qmsc14c

Question: QMSC14c. How often over the last month have you seen an INAPPROPRIATELY discarded syringe in your local area? [Prompt: if can't say, encourage best guess]

Field name: QMSC14C
Content: Number of times in last month
888 = Don't know
999 = Refused

Question: QMSC15a. Have you ever seen anyone injecting drugs in a public place in your local area?

Field name: QMSC15A

Content: 1 = Yes
2 = No
8 = Don't know
9 = Refused

If qmsc15a=1 (Yes), ask qmsc15b

Question: QMSC15b. When was the last time you saw someone injecting in a public place in your local area? [PROMPT IF NECESSARY]

Field name: QMSC15B

Content: 1 = Within the last 24 hours
2 = Within the last week
3 = Within the last month
4 = Within the last year
5 = More than a year ago
6 = Never
8 = Don't know
9 = Refused

If qmsc15a=1 and qmsc15b < 4 (within last month), ask qmsc15c

Question: QMSC15c. How often over the last month have you seen someone injecting drugs in a public place in your local area? [PROMPT: IF CAN'T SAY, ENCOURAGE BEST GUESS]

Field name: QMSC15C

Content: Number of times in last month
888 = Don't know
999 = Refused

Question: QKX2. Have you ever been asked on a street in Kings Cross if you wanted to buy drugs?

Field name: QKX2

Content: 1 = Yes
2 = No
8 = Don't know
9 = Refused

If qkx2=1 (Yes), ask qkx3

Question: QKX3. When was the last time you were asked on a street in Kings Cross if you wanted to buy drugs?

Field name: QKX3

Content:

1	=	Within the last 24 hours
2	=	Within the last week
3	=	Within the last month
4	=	Within the last year
5	=	More than a year ago
88	=	Don't know
99	=	Refused

If qkx2=1 (within last 24 hours), ask qkx4

Question: QKX4. What type of drugs were you asked to buy the LAST TIME you were asked?

Field name: QKX4

Content:

1	=	Marijuana (pot, weed, smoke)
2	=	Heroin (smack, horse)
3	=	Cocaine
4	=	Speed
5	=	Ecstasy
6	=	Anything/everything
7	=	Other - type into field qkx4oth
88	=	Don't know
99	=	Refused

Field name: QKX4OTH

Content: Typed answers to qkx4

Question: QKX5. Do you PERSONALLY know anyone who has been the victim of an assault on a street in Kings Cross in the last six months?

Field name: QKX5

Content:

1	=	Yes
2	=	No
8	=	Don't know
9	=	Refused

Question: QKX6. Do you PERSONALLY know anyone whose house in the Kings Cross area has been broken into in the last six months?

Field name: QKX6

Content:

1	=	Yes
2	=	No
8	=	Don't know
9	=	Refused

Question: "What are the problems from crime or people creating a public nuisance in your neighborhood?"

The following crime problems are listed and multiple responses are allowable:

- Car theft
- Other theft
- Louts/youth gangs
- Prowlers/loiterers
- Drunkenness
- Vandalism/graffiti/damage to property
- Dangerous/noisy driving
- Illegal drugs
- Sexual assault
- Other assault
- Problems with neighbors/domestic problems
- Other
- Have no problems

The NSW State government has set up an experimental Medically Supervised Injecting Centre. This is a centre where people who inject drugs could go to inject themselves under supervision, with access to clean needles and syringes. People attending the centre supply their own drugs, which they have to buy illegally.

Question: QMSC17a. Before today, have you ever heard of medically supervised drug injecting centres, safer drug injecting rooms or legal 'shooting galleries'?

Field name: QMSC17A

Content:

1	=	Yes
2	=	No
8	=	Don't know
9	=	Refused

Question: QMSC19. In your opinion what are the advantages, if any, of a medically supervised drug injecting centre? [DO NOT READ CODED RESPONSES - PROMPT: 'Anything else?'] Provision was made for four responses.

Field name: QMSC19A

QMSC19B

QMSC19C

QMSC19D

Content: Typed answer, however, the following codes were used if applicable.

1	=	Helps control the spread of HIV, AIDS, Hepatitis C or other diseases
2	=	Provides information/help/counselling for drug users
3	=	Prevents needle sharing
4	=	Reduces the problems associated with people injecting drugs on the street
5	=	Reduces the problems associated with the inappropriate disposal of needles and syringes
6	=	Reduces the risk of overdose
7	=	Make it safer for drug users
8	=	Cuts down on crime in the area

- 9 = Takes drug users off the street/away from the community
- 10 = No advantages
- 888 = Don't know
- 999 = Refused

Question: QMSC20. In your opinion what are the disadvantages, if any, of a medically supervised drug injecting centre? [DO NOT READ CODED RESPONSES - PROMPT: `Anything else?']

Field name: QMSC20A
 QMSC20B
 QMSC20C
 QMSC20D

Content: Typed answer, however, the following codes were used if applicable.

- 1 = Doesn't address the drug problem
- 2 = Encourages or condones injecting drug use
- 3 = Adds to the problem of inappropriately discarded needles and syringes
- 4 = Attracts drug dealers to the local area
- 5 = Costly
- 6 = Brings more crime to the area
- 7 = Attracts drug users to the local area
- 8 = Encourages or condones injecting drug use among young people
- 9 = No disadvantages
- 888 = Don't know
- 999 = Refused

Question: QMSC21a. What do you think are the most important considerations in deciding where to put a medically supervised injecting centre [Do not read coded responses - prompt: `Anything else?']

Field name: QMSC21P1
 QMSC21P2
 QMSC21P3
 QMSC21P4

Content: Typed answer, however, the following codes were used if applicable.

- 1 = Not close to places where children/young people are (schools, playgrounds, parks, sports areas etc.)
- 2 = Not in residential streets or areas
- 3 = In areas of high drug use
- 4 = Areas that are well lit
- 5 = In shopping areas
- 6 = Not in shopping areas
- 7 = In a well policed area
- 8 = In or near a hospital or medical centre
- 9 = In the Main street
- 10 = NOT in the Main street

- 11 = No important considerations
- 12 = Opposed to centres - do not put them anywhere
- 888 = Don't know
- 999 = Refused

Question 2000: *Do you know the planned location of the experimental Medically Supervised Injecting Centre (MSIC) the NSW government is going to set up?*

Question: QMSC21b. Do you know the location of the experimental Medically Supervised Injecting Centre (MSIC) the NSW government has set up?

Field name: QMSC21B

Content: Typed answer, however, the following codes were used if applicable.

- 1 = Kings Cross
- 2 = Sydney
- 11 = Darlinghurst
- 111 = 66 Darlinghurst Rd
- 888 = Don't know
- 999 = Refused

If qmsc21b is not = 111 (exact address), read the following text:

The government has established the medically supervised injecting centre in Kings Cross at 66 Darlinghurst Rd [opposite the railway station]

Question 2000: *Do you "agree" or "disagree" [see note on scale presentation] that the centre should be established in Kings Cross?*

Question: QMSC22A Do you "agree" or "disagree" [see note on scale presentation] with the establishment of the centre in Kings Cross? [Interviewer: prompt for 'strongly' agree or disagree; 'Is that strongly ... or just (agree/disagree)?']

Field name: QMSC22A

- Content:**
- 1 = Strongly Agree
 - 2 = Agree
 - 3 = Neither agree nor disagree
 - 4 = Disagree
 - 5 = Strongly Disagree
 - 8 = Don't know [DO NOT READ]
 - 9 = Refused [DO NOT READ]

Question: QMSC22B Do you "agree" or "disagree" [see note on scale presentation] that similar medically supervised injecting centres should be established in other areas of high drug use? [Interviewer: prompt for 'strongly' agree or disagree; 'Is that strongly or just (agree / disagree)?']

Field name: QMSC22B

Content:

1	=	Strongly Agree
2	=	Agree
3	=	Neither agree nor disagree
4	=	Disagree
5	=	Strongly Disagree
8	=	Don't know [DO NOT READ]
9	=	Refused [DO NOT READ]

Question: INTERVIEWER: Did the respondent express views on WHERE or WHERE NOT in Kings Cross the MS Injecting Centre should be put?

Field name: QMSC22C

Content: Comment as provided to the interviewer

2	=	No view expressed
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Question: Now we have statements on medically supervised injecting centres. Would you tell me if you "agree" or "disagree" [the order of reading agree and disagree was randomised in the sample] with each one. [Interviewer: prompt for 'strongly' agree or disagree; 'Is that strongly ... or just (agree/disagree)?']

Field name:

QMSC23A	Medically supervised injecting centres will reduce the danger of overdose for people who use the centres
QMSC23B	Medically supervised injecting centres will make some people think it is legal to inject heroin anywhere
QMSC23C	These centres will improve the general health and well-being of people who use the centres
QMSC23D	These centres will encourage people to try injecting drugs
QMSC23E	These centres will help reduce the risk of people getting HIV/AIDS or Hepatitis C from shared needles and syringes
QMSC23F	These centres will make it harder for police to enforce drug laws.
QMSC23G	These centres will attract drug users from outside the local area
QMSC23H	These centres will reduce the number of inappropriately discarded syringes
QMSC23I	These centres will reduce the number of people injecting drugs in public
QMSC23J	These centres will show people that injecting heroin or other drugs is dangerous and requires medical supervision

Content:

1	=	Strongly Agree
2	=	Agree
3	=	Neither agree nor disagree
4	=	Disagree
5	=	Strongly Disagree
8	=	Don't know [DO NOT READ]

Now that you have heard some statements about the medically supervised injecting centre in Kings Cross, {I'd like to repeat two questions I asked you earlier}...

Question 2000: Do you “agree” or “disagree” [see note on scale presentation] that the centre should be established in Kings Cross?

Question: Do you {CATI randomly inserts “Agree or disagree” OR “Disagree or agree”} with the establishment of the centre in Kings Cross? [INTERVIEWER PROMPT: ‘Strongly’ Agree/Disagree].

Field name: QMSC24A

Content:

1	=	Strongly Agree
2	=	Agree
3	=	Neither agree nor disagree
4	=	Disagree
5	=	Strongly Disagree
8	=	Don’t know [DO NOT READ]
9	=	Refused [DO NOT READ]

Question: Do you {CATI randomly inserts “Agree or disagree” OR “Disagree or agree”} that similar medically supervised injecting centres should be established in other areas of high drug use? [INTERVIEWER PROMPT: ‘Strongly’ Agree/Disagree].

Field name: QSMC24B

Content:

1	=	Strongly Agree
2	=	Agree
3	=	Neither agree nor disagree
4	=	Disagree
5	=	Strongly Disagree
8	=	Don’t know [DO NOT READ]
9	=	Refused [DO NOT READ]

Finally, a few questions about your business, to make sure we've interviewed a cross-section of businesses.

Question: In the Electronic Yellow pages your business name is listed as {CATI inserted business name} is this correct?

Field name: QKX8N

Content:

1	=	Yes
99	=	Refused

If listed name was not correct, other name was typed in this field

Question: ... and your business activity is described as: {CATI inserted business activity} is this right?

Field name: QKX8T

Content:

1	=	Yes
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99 = Refused

If listed activity was not correct, other activity was typed in this field

Question: In which suburb is your business? {CATI inserted the suburb as listed in the yellow pages for interviewer reference}

Field name: QKX8A

Content: Typed answer, however, the following codes were used if applicable:

1 = Elizabeth Bay
2 = Kings Cross
3 = Potts Point
4 = Rushcutters Bay
5 = Woolloomooloo
6 = East Sydney
7 = Darlinghurst
99 = REFUSED

Question: How far would you say your business is from Kings Cross Station, as the crow flies? [in a straight line] [as a guide - the El Alamein fountain is about 250 metres from the station - accept measures in yards or other descriptions]

Field name: QKX8B

Content: Typed answer, however, the following codes were used if applicable:

1 = 100 metres or less
2 = 100 to 250 metres
3 = 250 - 500 metres
4 = 500 - 750 metres
5 = 750 metres to one kilometre
6 = 1 to 1.5 kilometres
7 = 1.5 to 2 kilometre
8888 = Don't know
9999 = Refused

Question: How long has your business been located in the Kings Cross/Darlinghurst area?

Field name: QKX8C

Content: 1 = Less than 2 months
2 = 2 to 6 months
3 = 7 to 12 months (1 year)
4 = 13 months to 24 months
5 = 25 months to 5 years
6 = More than 5 years
7 = More than 10 years
8 = More than 20 years
99 = Refused

Question: How many people does your business (company / organisation) employ FULL-TIME in the Kings Cross area? [Approximate counts are OK]

Field name: QKX8DF

Content: Number of full time employees
8888 = Don't know
9999 = Refused

Question: ... and PART-TIME or CASUAL employees in the Kings Cross area?

Field name: QKX8DP

Content: Number of part time / casual employees
8888 = Don't know
9999 = Refused

Question: QKX8e. And how long have YOU (personally) worked in the Kings Cross/Darlinghurst area? [Does not have to be just at the current business]

Field name: QKX8E

Content: 1 = Less than 2 months
2 = 2 to 6 months
3 = 7 to 12 months (1 year)
4 = 13 months to 24 months
5 = 25 months to 5 years
6 = More than 5 years
7 = More than 10 years
8 = More than 20 years
99 = Refused