



## Membership Survey

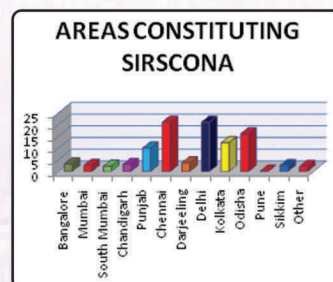
# SIRSCONA, INDIA



Society of Indian Regional Service Committee of  
Narcotics Anonymous

### Narcotics Anonymous India Membership Survey.

For a while now we in India have felt the need to undertake a survey of the fellowship as this would help us go with the data to institutes, government bodies and health professionals and encourage them to further pass the message to the still suffering addict. We also felt that it would highlight areas that we would need to focus our service and show us over time how we could effectively use our resources to carry the message of recovery effectively. With these thoughts in mind we embarked on a national survey effort that started at Indian Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous 6 in Darjeeling and ended just after Indian Regional Convention of Narcotics Anonymous 7 in Goa.

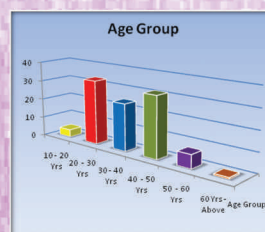


### Narcotics Anonymous membership

NA is composed of people who come from many races, cultures, age groups, professions, and backgrounds. The only requirement to become an NA member is the desire to stop using drugs. The decision to become a member in the NA Fellowship rests with the individual. There are no annual dues or fees for membership: We are self-supporting through member contributions and the sales of recovery literature. NA is a community-based organization that holds more than 240 weekly meetings in 62 cities in India.

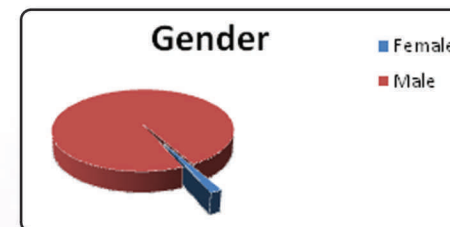
### Age

Based on the results of our survey, the average age of our fellowship is



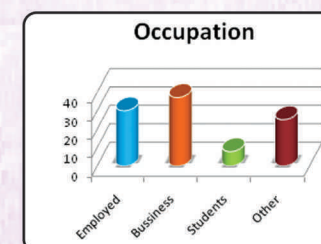
### Gender distribution

Our fellowship is a young and evolving one. The results of the survey show



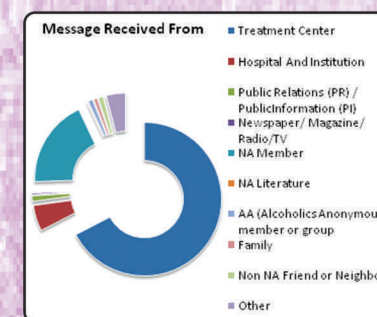
### Occupation

In NA one of our stated goals has been that addicts in recovery should move towards becoming "acceptable, responsible & productive members of the society we live in". In this survey we see that over 67% of our members are either working or self employed and also that we have a growing population of students who are getting back in to academics



### The message

We see that institutions have played a vital role in helping spread the message of NA with over 72% members surveyed having received the message through this channel. Members, and PR efforts of the fellowship have been small but significant ways to reach the suffering addict and we hope to have this effort grow in the times to come.



### About NA

Narcotics Anonymous is a worldwide fellowship of recovering addicts whose primary purpose is to help addicts stop using drugs by utilizing a twelve-step approach. NA is not a religious organization and does not require any particular belief system. It teaches basic spiritual principles such as honesty, open-mindedness and willingness, to name a few.

The specific practical application of these principles is determined by the individual member.

NA members learn from one another how to live drug-free and recover from the effects of addiction. Although not associated with any religion, political group, organization, or institution, NA cooperates with professionals and the public by providing information about the fellowship.

Narcotics Anonymous India has its web site at [www.naindia.in](http://www.naindia.in) and has an all India meeting list as well as links to member area web sites.

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