

# Drug trade finds new markets

A United Nations report states that drug abuse appears to be soaring in the former Soviet Union, Eastern Europe and Africa, but stabilising in the West

## North America

Drug use stabilised but crack remains a major threat in U.S. Heroin abuse rising. Marijuana most common drug in Canada but cocaine abuse has peaked

## Western Europe

Marijuana and heroin levelling off. Cocaine abuse rising. Crack and ecstasy a growing threat in Britain

## Eastern Europe

Heroin abuse rising

## Asia and Middle East

Opium production rising in Middle East, China, Afghanistan, Pakistan and Burma

## Africa

Political and social upheaval has led to widespread local abuse of heroin and cocaine

## Latin America

Cartels expanding to produce opiates as well as cocaine. Argentina and Panama are transit points

## Australasia

Marijuana still most popular drug. Heroin, cocaine increasing

