

Table 6: Drug-related deaths by sex, age and selected drugs reported¹, Scotland, 2010

	Heroin / morphine ²	Meth- adone	Benzodiazepines			Cocaine	Ecstasy	Amphet- amines	Alcohol
			Any benzo- diazepine	<i>of which:</i> Diaz- epam	Temaz- epam				
(a) drugs which were implicated in, or which potentially contributed to, the cause of death									
All deaths	254	174	122	93	3	33	0	3	127
Males	206	122	91	69	2	26	0	2	98
Females	48	52	31	24	1	7	0	1	29
Under 25	33	19	19	14	1	5	0	0	11
25-34	96	54	41	31	0	21	0	2	46
35-44	84	64	43	32	1	6	0	1	41
45-54	31	32	16	13	0	1	0	0	25
55 and over	10	5	3	3	1	0	0	0	4
Males									
Under 25	27	14	15	11	1	3	0	0	10
25-34	81	35	33	26	0	16	0	1	36
35-44	71	49	34	25	1	6	0	1	33
45-54	21	21	8	6	0	1	0	0	17
55 and over	6	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Females									
Under 25	6	5	4	3	0	2	0	0	1
25-34	15	19	8	5	0	5	0	1	10
35-44	13	15	9	7	0	0	0	0	8
45-54	10	11	8	7	0	0	0	0	8
55 and over	4	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	2
(b) all drugs which were found to be present in the body									
All deaths	269	182	324	288	14	50	1	9	219
Males	215	129	253	226	9	39	1	7	177
Females	54	53	71	62	5	11	0	2	42
Under 25	37	19	46	40	2	8	0	1	24
25-34	100	59	114	104	3	31	1	3	79
35-44	86	66	106	93	5	8	0	2	75
45-54	36	32	51	45	3	3	0	3	36
55 and over	10	6	7	6	1	0	0	0	5
Males									
Under 25	29	14	36	31	2	4	0	1	21
25-34	83	39	94	87	3	25	1	2	64
35-44	72	51	85	74	4	7	0	2	63
45-54	25	21	34	31	0	3	0	2	26
55 and over	6	4	4	3	0	0	0	0	3
Females									
Under 25	8	5	10	9	0	4	0	0	3
25-34	17	20	20	17	0	6	0	1	15
35-44	14	15	21	19	1	1	0	0	12
45-54	11	11	17	14	3	0	0	1	10
55 and over	4	2	3	3	1	0	0	0	2

1. More than one drug may be reported per death. These are mentions of each drug, and should not be added to give total deaths.

Part (a) counts only drugs which, the pathologist believed, were implicated in, or potentially contributed to, the cause of death

Part (b) counts all the drugs which the pathologist found to be present in the body, including those which the pathologist did not consider to have had any direct contribution to the death

2. Please go to paragraph 3.3.1 of commentary.