

Table HB3: Drug-related deaths by selected drugs reported¹ and NHS Board area, 2011

NHS Board area	All drug-related deaths	Heroin / morphine ²	Methadone	Benzodiazepines			Cocaine	Ecstasy	Amphetamines	Alcohol
				Any benzo-diazepine	of which:					
					Diazepam	Temazepam				
Scotland	584	206	275	185	123	8	36	8	24	129
Ayrshire & Arran	47	16	26	17	15	0	1	2	3	4
Borders	8	2	4	3	3	0	2	0	0	3
Dumfries & Galloway	12	4	7	7	5	1	0	0	0	1
Fife	34	14	15	8	8	0	0	0	2	6
Forth Valley	26	10	10	6	6	1	1	0	4	4
Grampian	58	13	29	48	9	1	11	0	4	20
Greater Glasgow & Clyde	192	81	88	36	27	2	16	1	3	48
Highland	33	11	13	10	7	2	0	3	5	12
Lanarkshire	52	18	20	9	6	0	0	0	2	14
Lothian	73	14	42	24	22	1	3	2	1	9
Orkney	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shetland	3	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	0
Tayside	45	23	20	15	15	0	1	0	0	8
Western Isles	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Footnotes

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. Up to 2007, some pathologists reported only those drugs which they thought caused, or contributed to, the death. With effect from 2008, pathologists report separately (a) drugs which were implicated in, or which potentially contributed to, the cause of death and (b) other drugs which were present but which were not considered to have had any direct contribution to the death.

The figures in this table are on the first basis - i.e. basis (a) - which is now the standard basis for figures for individual drugs. They are on a different basis from those published in Table HB3 of 'Drug-related Deaths in Scotland in 2008' and earlier editions.

There may be other differences between years and/or areas in the way in which the information was produced - more information can be found in Section 2 of Drug-related Deaths in Scotland in 2011, on the National Records of Scotland website.

2) More information can be found in paragraph 3.3.1 of the commentary.