

Table 6: Drug-related deaths by sex, age and selected drugs reported¹, Scotland, 2012

	All drug-related deaths	Heroin / morphine ²	Methadone	Benzodiazepines			Cocaine	Ecstasy	Amphetamines	Alcohol
				Any benzo-diazepine	of which: Diazepam	Temazepam				
(a) drugs which were implicated in, or which potentially contributed to, the cause of death										
All deaths	581	221	237	196	160	6	31	9	18	111
Males	416	178	179	143	120	4	28	6	13	93
Females	165	43	58	53	40	2	3	3	5	18
Under 25	46	14	16	19	17	0	7	4	0	10
25-34	171	83	67	70	62	1	13	3	5	36
35-44	199	77	98	68	61	0	7	2	11	38
45-54	115	37	48	26	16	2	2	0	2	20
55 and over	50	10	8	13	4	3	2	0	0	7
Males										
Under 25	33	10	10	12	10	0	5	3	0	7
25-34	136	67	56	55	47	1	13	2	3	33
35-44	148	65	71	52	50	0	6	1	9	34
45-54	72	29	35	17	10	1	2	0	1	13
55 and over	27	7	7	7	3	2	2	0	0	6
Females										
Under 25	13	4	6	7	7	0	2	1	0	3
25-34	35	16	11	15	15	0	0	1	2	3
35-44	51	12	27	16	11	0	1	1	2	4
45-54	43	8	13	9	6	1	0	0	1	7
55 and over	23	3	1	6	1	1	0	0	0	1
(b) all drugs which were found to be present in the body										
All deaths	581	243	253	419	386	15	48	9	25	241
Males	416	191	187	313	292	12	37	6	18	190
Females	165	52	66	106	94	3	11	3	7	51
Under 25	46	15	16	31	29	0	9	4	0	18
25-34	171	89	73	140	134	3	19	3	10	76
35-44	199	85	108	156	150	6	14	2	12	87
45-54	115	44	48	75	65	2	4	0	3	51
55 and over	50	10	8	17	8	4	2	0	0	9
Males										
Under 25	33	10	10	19	17	0	6	3	0	13
25-34	136	71	58	116	110	3	17	2	6	65
35-44	148	71	77	118	115	5	9	1	10	71
45-54	72	32	35	50	44	1	3	0	2	35
55 and over	27	7	7	10	6	3	2	0	0	6
Females										
Under 25	13	5	6	12	12	0	3	1	0	5
25-34	35	18	15	24	24	0	2	1	4	11
35-44	51	14	31	38	35	1	5	1	2	16
45-54	43	12	13	25	21	1	1	0	1	16
55 and over	23	3	1	7	2	1	0	0	0	3

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.

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