

Table C2: Drug-related deaths by underlying cause of death¹ and Council area, 2012

Council area	All causes of death	Underlying cause of death (ICD10 codes)				
		Drug abuse (F11-F16, F19)	Accidental poisoning (X40-X44)	Intentional self-poisoning (X60-X64)	Assault by drugs, etc. (X85)	Undetermined intent (Y10-Y14)
(a) New coding rules						
Scotland	581	26	365	65	0	125
Aberdeen City	16	0	13	2	0	1
Aberdeenshire	9	0	6	1	0	2
Angus	8	1	7	0	0	0
Argyll & Bute	7	0	4	1	0	2
Clackmannanshire	11	0	2	3	0	6
Dumfries & Galloway	6	0	3	1	0	2
Dundee City	39	4	33	2	0	0
East Ayrshire	15	0	13	2	0	0
East Dunbartonshire	4	0	1	1	0	2
East Lothian	6	0	3	2	0	1
East Renfrewshire	4	0	3	0	0	1
Edinburgh, City of	57	2	26	8	0	21
Eilean Siar	1	0	0	1	0	0
Falkirk	14	1	5	3	0	5
Fife	38	5	9	3	0	21
Glasgow City	121	8	85	16	0	12
Highland	15	0	10	2	0	3
Inverclyde	13	0	8	2	0	3
Midlothian	8	1	3	0	0	4
Moray	6	0	6	0	0	0
North Ayrshire	19	0	15	2	0	2
North Lanarkshire	38	3	25	3	0	7
Orkney Islands	1	0	1	0	0	0
Perth & Kinross	8	0	8	0	0	0
Renfrewshire	26	0	19	2	0	5
Scottish Borders	7	0	1	4	0	2
Shetland Islands	2	0	1	0	0	1
South Ayrshire	9	1	8	0	0	0
South Lanarkshire	29	0	20	1	0	8
Stirling	6	0	3	0	0	3
West Dunbartonshire	19	0	18	0	0	1
West Lothian	19	0	6	3	0	10
(b) Old coding rules						
Scotland	581	381	72	65	0	63
Aberdeen City	16	11	2	2	0	1
Aberdeenshire	9	6	0	1	0	2
Angus	8	7	1	0	0	0
Argyll & Bute	7	5	1	1	0	0
Clackmannanshire	11	5	1	3	0	2
Dumfries & Galloway	6	4	0	1	0	1
Dundee City	39	34	3	2	0	0
East Ayrshire	15	9	4	2	0	0
East Dunbartonshire	4	3	0	1	0	0
East Lothian	6	3	0	2	0	1
East Renfrewshire	4	2	1	0	0	1
Edinburgh, City of	57	30	7	8	0	12
Eilean Siar	1	0	0	1	0	0
Falkirk	14	9	1	3	0	1
Fife	38	27	2	3	0	6
Glasgow City	121	78	18	16	0	9
Highland	15	7	3	2	0	3
Inverclyde	13	8	1	2	0	2
Midlothian	8	7	0	0	0	1
Moray	6	6	0	0	0	0
North Ayrshire	19	12	4	2	0	1
North Lanarkshire	38	20	9	3	0	6
Orkney Islands	1	0	1	0	0	0
Perth & Kinross	8	7	1	0	0	0
Renfrewshire	26	19	3	2	0	2
Scottish Borders	7	1	0	4	0	2
Shetland Islands	2	1	0	0	0	1
South Ayrshire	9	7	2	0	0	0
South Lanarkshire	29	20	4	1	0	4
Stirling	6	5	1	0	0	0
West Dunbartonshire	19	16	2	0	0	1
West Lothian	19	12	0	3	0	4

Footnote

1) The coding rules were changed with effect from the start of 2011, as explained in paragraph 2.6 of the commentary.

Briefly, 'drug abuse' deaths from 'acute intoxication' were previously counted under 'mental and behavioural disorders due to psychoactive substance use' (unless they were known to be due to intentional self-harm or assault). They are now counted under the appropriate 'poisoning' category.

For example, if the cause of death of a known drug abuser was given as 'adverse effects of heroin' (and it was not intentional self-harm or assault), the underlying cause of death would be coded as follows:

(a) up to 2010 - as 'F11 - mental and behavioural disorders due to use of opioids'

(b) from 2011 - the appropriate 'poisoning' category, such as 'X42 - accidental poisoning by and exposure to narcotics and psychodysleptics (hallucinogens) not elsewhere classified'

National Records of Scotland has estimated what the figures for 2012 would have been, had the data been coded using the old rules.