

**Table HB3: Drug-related deaths by selected drugs reported<sup>1</sup> and NHS Board area, 2008**

NHS Board area	Heroin / morphine <sup>2</sup>	Methadone	Benzodiazepines			Cocaine	Ecstasy	Amphetamines	Alcohol
			Any benzodiazepine	<i>of which:</i> Diazepam	Temazepam				
<b>Scotland</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>273</b>
Ayrshire & Arran	25	15	29	25	3	5	0	3	21
Borders	3	0	2	2	0	1	0	0	2
Dumfries & Galloway	5	4	4	4	0	1	0	0	5
Fife	24	9	13	12	1	3	2	2	16
Forth Valley	18	5	11	10	0	1	0	0	8
Grampian	29	12	28	2	0	15	2	1	22
Greater Glasgow & Clyde	118	77	156	151	4	34	2	4	109
Highland	13	6	13	8	1	2	0	0	7
Lanarkshire	32	10	31	31	0	5	1	0	24
Lothian	31	34	62	58	3	6	0	1	40
Orkney	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Shetland	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Tayside	36	8	12	12	0	5	0	1	16
Western Isles	1	0	3	2	0	1	0	0	1

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 were asked to report all the drugs which were found to be present in the body.

There may be other differences between years and/or areas in the way in which the information was produced - see Section 2.

2. See paragraph 3.3.1 of commentary.