

Table C2: Drug-related deaths by underlying cause of death¹ and council area, 2014

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)
(i) New coding rules						
Scotland	613	32	470	45	0	66
Aberdeen City	26	1	23	2	0	0
Aberdeenshire	8	1	5	1	0	1
Angus	8	0	8	0	0	0
Argyll & Bute	8	0	6	2	0	0
Clackmannanshire	6	0	3	1	0	2
Dumfries & Galloway	13	0	12	1	0	0
Dundee City	31	3	26	0	0	2
East Ayrshire	17	0	16	1	0	0
East Dunbartonshire	4	0	3	0	0	1
East Lothian	11	1	6	1	0	3
East Renfrewshire	5	0	4	1	0	0
Edinburgh, City of	71	2	46	4	0	19
Eilean Siar	1	0	1	0	0	0
Falkirk	9	0	6	2	0	1
Fife	46	0	26	8	0	12
Glasgow City	114	11	93	5	0	5
Highland	17	0	13	2	0	2
Inverclyde	17	3	13	1	0	0
Midlothian	7	0	2	1	0	4
Moray	2	0	1	0	0	1
North Ayrshire	15	1	12	1	0	1
North Lanarkshire	33	0	29	1	0	3
Orkney Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Perth & Kinross	9	2	5	1	0	1
Renfrewshire	30	4	22	2	0	2
Scottish Borders	11	0	9	1	0	1
Shetland Islands	4	1	3	0	0	0
South Ayrshire	11	0	11	0	0	0
South Lanarkshire	34	1	28	3	0	2
Stirling	10	0	10	0	0	0
West Dunbartonshire	19	1	16	2	0	0
West Lothian	16	0	12	1	0	3
(ii) Old coding rules						
Scotland	613	429	108	45	0	31
Aberdeen City	26	21	3	2	0	0
Aberdeenshire	8	4	2	1	0	1
Angus	8	5	3	0	0	0
Argyll & Bute	8	5	1	2	0	0
Clackmannanshire	6	3	1	1	0	1
Dumfries & Galloway	13	8	4	1	0	0
Dundee City	31	22	7	0	0	2
East Ayrshire	17	14	2	1	0	0
East Dunbartonshire	4	1	2	0	0	1
East Lothian	11	8	1	1	0	1
East Renfrewshire	5	4	0	1	0	0
Edinburgh, City of	71	57	6	4	0	4
Eilean Siar	1	0	1	0	0	0
Falkirk	9	4	2	2	0	1
Fife	46	28	6	8	0	4
Glasgow City	114	73	31	5	0	5
Highland	17	12	1	2	0	2
Inverclyde	17	15	1	1	0	0
Midlothian	7	5	0	1	0	1
Moray	2	0	1	0	0	1
North Ayrshire	15	13	1	1	0	0
North Lanarkshire	33	19	10	1	0	3
Orkney Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
Perth & Kinross	9	5	3	1	0	0
Renfrewshire	30	21	5	2	0	2
Scottish Borders	11	10	0	1	0	0
Shetland Islands	4	4	0	0	0	0
South Ayrshire	11	8	3	0	0	0
South Lanarkshire	34	28	3	3	0	0
Stirling	10	8	2	0	0	0
West Dunbartonshire	19	11	6	2	0	0
West Lothian	16	13	0	1	0	2

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 2014 would have been, had the data been coded using the old rules.