

Table 3: Drug-related deaths by selected drugs reported¹, Scotland, 1996 - 2010

Year	Heroin / morphine ²	Meth- adone	Benzodiazepines			Cocaine	Ecstasy	Amphet- amines	Alcohol
			Any benzo- diazepine	<i>of which:</i> Diaz- epam	Temaz- epam				
1996-2000 average	128	74	..	116	47	6	7	..	91
1996	84	100	..	84	48	3	9	..	87
1997	74	86	..	93	33	5	2	..	70
1998	121	64	..	113	58	4	3	..	86
1999	167	63	..	142	56	12	8	..	89
2000	196	55	164	146	39	4	11	3	123
2001	216	69	182	156	20	19	20	5	140
2002	248	98	245	214	16	31	20	13	156
2003	175	87	186	153	35	29	14	10	128
2004	225	80	140	113	5	38	17	10	116
2005	194	72	110	90	7	44	10	11	114
2006	260	97	94	78	10	33	13	11	131
2007	289	114	109	79	4	47	11	11	157
2008	324	169	149	115	7	36	5	11	167
2009	322	173	154	116	9	32	2	6	165
2010	254	174	122	93	3	33	0	3	127
annual averages:									
2003-2007	229	90	128	103	12	38	13	11	129
2006-2010	290	145	126	96	7	36	6	8	149

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; from 2008, they 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 for 2008 onwards are on the first basis - i.e. basis (a) - which is now the standard basis for figures for individual drugs. The figures for 2008 have been revised from those published in the '... in 2008' edition.

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

2. Please go to paragraph 3.3.1 of commentary.