

Table 1: Drug-related deaths in Scotland, 1996-2016

Year	Drug-related deaths registered in year	Annual moving averages		Likely range of values around 5-year average ¹		Drug-related deaths: consistent series ²	Extra' deaths counted in consistent series ³	
		3-year average	5-year average	likely lower	likely upper		number	percent ⁴
1996	244							
1997	224	239						
1998	249	255	260	228	292			
1999	291	277	278	245	310			
2000	292	305	309	275	344	293	1	0.3%
2001	332	335	323	288	358	339	7	2.1%
2002	382	344	336	300	372	388	6	1.6%
2003	317	352	345	308	381	330	13	4.1%
2004	356	336	362	325	400	365	9	2.5%
2005	336	371	377	339	415	346	10	3.0%
2006	421	404	428	388	469	430	9	2.1%
2007	455	483	466	424	509	474	19	4.2%
2008	574	525	496	452	540	590	16	2.8%
2009	545	535	529	484	574	570	25	4.6%
2010	485	538	554	508	600	512	27	5.6%
2011	584	550	544	499	590	606	22	3.8%
2012	581	564	558	512	605	604	23	4.0%
2013	527	574	602	554	651	557	30	5.7%
2014	614	616	659	609	709	620	6	1.0%
2015	706	729				707	1	0.1%
2016	867					868	1	0.1%

Footnotes

1) More information can be found in paragraph 3.1.2 of the commentary.

2) Broadly speaking, counting deaths on the basis of the classification of the drugs at the end of the latest year which is covered by the publication (rather than on the standard definition basis of the classification at the time of the death). Refer to Annex F for the full definition. The year 2000 is the first for which a 'consistent series' figure is available, because that is the first year in National Records of Scotland's (NRS) current drug-related deaths database.

3) This includes deaths which are counted in the consistent series but are not counted in the standard definition.

4) Percentage of the total number of drug-related deaths on the basis of the standard definition.