

Table 3: Drug-related deaths by selected drugs reported¹, Scotland, 1996-2016

Year	All drug-related deaths	Heroin / morphine ²	Methadone	Heroin / morphine, Methadone or Buprenorphine	Codeine or a codeine-containing compound	Dihydro-codeine or a d.h.c.-containing compound	Any opiate or opioid	Benzodiazepines		Cocaine	Ecstasy-type	Amphetamines	Alcohol
								Any benzodiazepine	of which: Diazepam				
annual averages:													
1996-2000	260	128	74	..	..	..	..	..	116	6	7	..	91
2002-2006	362	220	87	279	18	48	320	155	130	35	15	11	129
1996	244	84	100	..	..	..	..	..	84	3	9	..	87
1997	224	74	86	..	..	..	..	..	93	5	2	..	70
1998	249	121	64	..	..	..	..	..	113	4	3	..	86
1999	291	167	63	..	..	..	..	..	142	12	8	..	89
2000	292	196	55	232	17	32	263	164	146	4	11	3	123
2001	332	216	69	253	9	51	301	182	156	19	20	5	140
2002	382	248	98	309	11	55	339	245	214	31	20	13	156
2003	317	175	87	239	18	51	285	186	153	29	14	10	128
2004	356	225	80	275	25	41	324	140	113	38	17	10	116
2005	336	194	72	246	12	49	288	110	90	44	10	11	114
2006	421	260	97	328	25	42	366	94	78	33	13	11	131
2007	455	289	114	370	15	50	409	109	79	47	11	11	157
2008	574	324	169	445	24	67	507	149	115	36	5	11	167
2009	545	322	173	432	33	64	498	154	116	32	2	6	165
2010	485	254	174	395	11	58	442	122	93	33	0	3	127
2011	584	206	275	430	32	85	524	185	123	36	8	24	129
2012	581	221	237	399	33	84	499	196	160	31	9	18	111
2013	527	221	216	383	33	81	461	149	106	45	17	27	103
2014	614	309	214	449	38	69	536	121	84	45	14	22	106
2015	706	345	251	493	31	94	606	191	121	93	15	17	107
2016	867	473	362	650	43	114	765	426	154	123	28	25	112
annual averages:													
2003-2007	377	229	90	292	19	47	334	128	103	38	13	11	129
2008-2012	554	265	206	420	27	72	494	161	121	34	5	12	140
2012-2016	659	314	256	475	36	88	573	217	125	67	17	22	108

Footnotes

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.

figures for 2008 onwards are on the first basis - That is basis (a) - which became the standard basis for figures for individual drugs with effect from "Drug-related Deaths in Scotland in 2009". There may be other differences between years

2) More information can be found in paragraph 3.3.1 of the commentary.

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