

Table NPS1: Drug-related deaths on the basis of the Office for National Statistics (ONS) 'wide' definition which involved New Psychoactive Substances (NPSs) ¹, 2016

(i) Deaths for which one or more NPSs was implicated in, or potentially contributed to, the death

	Type(s) of NPS that were present			All type(s) of NPS
	Benzodiazepine-type NPS present; no other types of NPS	Other types of NPS present; no Benzodiazepine-type NPS	Both benzodiazepine-type and other types of NPS	
Included in this report's statistics ²				
NPS the only substance(s)* implicated in the death	1	1	0	2
Other substance(s)** implicated in the death	272	6	1	279
All	273	7	1	281
NOT included in this report's statistics				
NPS the only substance(s)* implicated in the death	1	1	0	2
Other substance(s)** implicated in the death	3	0	0	3
All	4	1	0	5
All deaths for which one or more NPSs was implicated in, or potentially contributed to, the death				
NPS the only substance(s)* implicated in the death	2	2	0	4
Other substance(s)** implicated in the death	275	6	1	282
All	277	8	1	286

	Age at Death					All	Sex	
	under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 & over		Male	Female
Included in this report's statistics ²								
Benzodiazepine-type NPS present; no other types of NPS	12	78	115	58	10	273	181	92
Other types of NPS present; no Benzodiazepine-type NPS	2	1	2	2	0	7	5	2
Both Benzodiazepine-type NPS and other types of NPS present	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
All	14	80	117	60	10	281	187	94
NOT included in this report's statistics								
Benzodiazepine-type NPS present; no other types of NPS	0	3	1	0	0	4	3	1
Other types of NPS present; no Benzodiazepine-type NPS	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
Both Benzodiazepine-type NPS and other types of NPS present	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All	0	4	1	0	0	5	4	1
All deaths for which one or more NPSs was implicated in, or potentially contributed to, the death								
Benzodiazepine-type NPS present; no other types of NPS	12	81	116	58	10	277	184	93
Other types of NPS present; no Benzodiazepine-type NPS	2	2	2	2	0	8	6	2
Both Benzodiazepine-type NPS and other types of NPS present	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
All	14	84	118	60	10	286	191	95

(ii) Deaths for which NPSs were present but were NOT considered to have contributed to the death

	Age at Death					All	Sex	
	under 25	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 & over		Male	Female
Included in this report's statistics ²								
Benzodiazepine-type NPS present; no other types of NPS	1	18	18	15	7	59	45	14
Other types of NPS present; no Benzodiazepine-type NPS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Both Benzodiazepine-type NPS and other types of NPS present	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All	1	18	18	15	7	59	45	14
NOT included in this report's statistics								
Benzodiazepine-type NPS present; no other types of NPS	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
Other types of NPS present; no Benzodiazepine-type NPS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Both Benzodiazepine-type NPS and other types of NPS present	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
All deaths for which NPSs were present but were not considered to have contributed to the death								
Benzodiazepine-type NPS present; no other types of NPS	1	18	18	16	7	60	46	14
Other types of NPS present; no Benzodiazepine-type NPS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Both Benzodiazepine-type NPS and other types of NPS present	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All	1	18	18	16	7	60	46	14

Footnotes

1) The substances which are counted (for the purpose of these figures) as New Psychoactive Substances are described in Annex E.

2) This is within the Drug Strategy 'baseline' definition, as implemented by National Records of Scotland

* apart, perhaps, from alcohol. For example, a death for which mephedrone and alcohol were the only substances that were implicated in the death would be counted under 'NPS the only substance(s) implicated in the death'.

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