

Table X: Drug-related deaths in Scotland - different definitions¹, 1979 to 2016

| Year | Number of drug-related deaths, on the basis of: | | | Population | Drug-deaths per million population | | |
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| | this paper (based on UK Drug Strategy 'baseline' definition) | Office for National Statistics 'wide' definition | European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction 'general mortality register' definition ² | | this paper (based on UK Drug Strategy 'baseline' definition) | Office for National Statistics 'wide' definition | European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction 'general mortality register' definition ² |
| 1979 | | 339 | | 5,203,600 | | | 65.1 |
| 1980 | | 306 | | 5,193,900 | | | 58.9 |
| 1981 | | 307 | | 5,180,200 | | | 59.3 |
| 1982 | | 265 | | 5,164,540 | | | 51.3 |
| 1983 | | 212 | | 5,148,120 | | | 41.2 |
| 1984 | | 201 | | 5,138,880 | | | 39.1 |
| 1985 | | 242 | | 5,127,890 | | | 47.2 |
| 1986 | | 223 | | 5,111,760 | | | 43.6 |
| 1987 | | 250 | | 5,099,020 | | | 49.0 |
| 1988 | | 238 | | 5,077,440 | | | 46.9 |
| 1989 | | 264 | | 5,078,190 | | | 52.0 |
| 1990 | | 275 | | 5,081,270 | | | 54.1 |
| 1991 | | 275 | | 5,083,330 | | | 54.1 |
| 1992 | | 311 | | 5,085,620 | | | 61.2 |
| 1993 | | 372 | | 5,092,460 | | | 73.0 |
| 1994 | | 422 | | 5,102,210 | | | 82.7 |
| 1995 | | 426 | | 5,103,690 | | | 83.5 |
| 1996 | 244 | 460 | 208 | 5,092,190 | 47.9 | | 90.3 |
| 1997 | 224 | 447 | 188 | 5,083,340 | 44.1 | | 87.9 |
| 1998 | 249 | 449 | 230 | 5,077,070 | 49.0 | | 88.4 |
| 1999 | 291 | 492 | 272 | 5,071,950 | 57.4 | | 97.0 |
| 2000 | 292 | 495 | 320 | 5,062,940 | 57.7 | | 97.8 |
| 2001 | 332 | 551 | 378 | 5,064,200 | 65.6 | 108.8 | 74.6 |
| 2002 | 382 | 566 | 417 | 5,066,000 | 75.4 | 111.7 | 82.3 |
| 2003 | 317 | 493 | 331 | 5,068,500 | 62.5 | 97.3 | 65.3 |
| 2004 | 356 | 546 | 387 | 5,084,300 | 70.0 | 107.4 | 76.1 |
| 2005 | 336 | 480 | 352 | 5,110,200 | 65.8 | 93.9 | 68.9 |
| 2006 | 421 | 577 | 415 | 5,133,100 | 82.0 | 112.4 | 80.8 |
| 2007 | 455 | 630 | 450 | 5,170,000 | 88.0 | 121.9 | 87.0 |
| 2008 | 574 | 737 | 559 | 5,202,900 | 110.3 | 141.7 | 107.4 |
| 2009 | 545 | 716 | 534 | 5,231,900 | 104.2 | 136.9 | 102.1 |
| 2010 | 485 | 692 | 482 | 5,262,200 | 92.2 | 131.5 | 91.6 |
| 2011 | 584 | 749 | 558 | 5,299,900 | 110.2 | 141.3 | 105.3 |
| 2012 | 581 | 734 | 549 | 5,313,600 | 109.3 | 138.1 | 103.3 |
| 2013 | 527 | 685 | 516 | 5,327,700 | 98.9 | 128.6 | 96.9 |
| 2014 | 614 | 743 | 574 | 5,347,600 | 114.8 | 138.9 | 107.3 |
| 2015 | 706 | 813 | 637 | 5,373,000 | 131.4 | 151.3 | 118.6 |
| 2016 | 867 | 997 | 772 | 5,404,700 | 160.4 | 184.5 | 142.8 |

Footnotes

1) Refer to Annex B for information about the other definitions.

2) The figures for some of the years from 2000 to 2014 have been revised slightly from those that were published in 'Drug-related Deaths in Scotland in 2014'.