



**Drug Misuse Research Division**  
The Health Research Board

**NATIONAL DRUG TREATMENT REPORTING SYSTEM**

**STATISTICAL BULLETIN**

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Residents of the  
**Mid-Western Health Board**

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**1997 and 1998**

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**National Drug Treatment Reporting System**

**Contacts Resident in the Mid-Western Health Board**

**All Contacts who Presented for  
Treatment for Problem Drug Use  
during 1997-1998**

**Numbers and Valid Percentages**

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**TABLE 1**  
**Gender. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Male	69	71.9	Male	76	80.9
Female	27	28.1	Female	18	19.1
Total	96	100.0	Total	94	100.0
Not Known	6		Not Known	2	
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	

**TABLE 2**  
**Age Category. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
15 to 19 Years	35	34.3	15 to 19 Years	23	24.0
20 to 24 Years	30	29.4	20 to 24 Years	39	40.6
25 to 29 Years	24	23.5	25 to 29 Years	17	17.7
30 to 34 Years	8	7.8	30 to 34 Years	11	11.5
35 to 39 Years	2	2.0	35 to 39 Years	4	4.2
40 Years & Over	3	2.9	40 Years & Over	2	2.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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TABLE 3  
**Education – Highest Level Reached. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Primary	13	13.7	Primary Level	7	8.1
Secondary	64	67.4	Secondary Level	64	74.4
Third Level	10	10.5	Third Level	11	12.8
Never Went to School	1	1.1	Still in Education	4	4.7
Still in Full-Time Education	7	7.4	Total	86	100.0
Total	95	100.0	Not Known	10	
Not Known	7		<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>				

TABLE 4  
**Age Left School. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Under 15 Years	15	19.2	Under 15 Years	8	12.1
15 Years	10	12.8	15 Years	15	22.7
16 Years	14	17.9	16 Years	11	16.7
17 Years	13	16.7	17 Years	14	21.2
18 Years & Over	19	24.4	18 Years & Over	16	24.2
Still at School	7	9.0	Still at School	2	3.0
Total	78	100.0	Total	66	100.0
Not Known	24		Not Known	30	
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	

TABLE 5  
**Employment Status. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Regular/Gainful Employment	24	24.2	Regular/Gainful Employment	21	22.8
Unemployed	58	58.6	Unemployed	60	65.2
FAS/Training Course	3	3.0	FAS/ Training Course	4	4.3
Student	11	11.1	Student	5	5.4
Housewife/Househusband	1	1.0	Housewife/Househusband	2	2.2
Other	2	2.0	Total	92	100.0
Total	99	100.0	Not known	4	
Not Known	3		<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>				

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**TABLE 6**  
**Living Status. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Alone	5	5.1	Alone	8	8.4
Parents/Family	69	69.7	Parents/Family	55	57.9
Friends	4	4.0	Friends	6	6.3
Partner	14	14.1	Partner	11	11.6
Institution	1	1.0	Institution	5	5.3
Temporary/Homeless	4	4.0	Temporary/Homeless	5	5.3
Lone Parent	1	1.0	Alone with Children	5	5.3
Other	1	1.0	Total	95	100.0
Total	99	100.0	Not Known	1	
Not Known	3		Total	96	
Total	102				

**TABLE 7**  
**Living with Drug Misuser(s). Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	9	10.1	Yes	9	10.3
No	80	89.9	No	78	89.7
Total	89	100.0	Total	87	100.0
Not Known	13		Not Known	9	
Total	102		Total	96	

**TABLE 8**  
**Nationality. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Ireland	100	99.0	Ireland	90	93.8
EU	1	1.0	EU	5	5.2
Total	101	100.0	Non EU	1	1.0
Not Known	1		Total	96	100.0
Total	102				

**TABLE 9**  
**Area of Residence. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Clare	31	30.4	Clare	36	37.5
Limerick	50	49.0	Limerick	26	27.1
Tipp NR	19	18.6	Tipp NR	11	11.5
MWHB,(area not specified)	2	2.0	MWHB,(area not specified)	23	24.0
Total	102	100.0	Total	96	100.0

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**TABLE 10**  
**Main Drug of Misuse. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Heroin	11	10.9	Heroin	7	7.3
Other Opiates	2	2.0	Cocaine	3	3.1
Cocaine	4	4.0	Ecstasy	11	11.5
Ecstasy	21	20.8	Amphetamines	10	10.4
Amphetamines	6	5.9	Benzodiazepines	5	5.2
Benzodiazepines	3	3.0	LSD	1	1.0
LSD	3	3.0	Volatile Inhalants	1	1.0
Cannabis	51	50.5	Cannabis	57	59.4
Total	101	100.0	Other Drugs	1	1.0
Not Known	1		Total	96	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>				

**TABLE 11**  
**Main Drug – Route of Administration. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Inject	4	4.3	Inject	4	4.3
Smoke	50	53.8	Smoke	61	66.3
Eat/Drink	34	36.6	Eat/Drink	23	25.0
Sniff	5	5.4	Sniff	4	4.3
Total	93	100.0	Total	92	100.0
Not Known	9		Not known	4	
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	



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**TABLE 12**  
**Main Drug – Frequency of Use Past Month. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Once a Week	6	7.5	Once a Week or Less	5	7.0
2-6 Days a Week	41	51.3	2-6 Days a Week	21	29.6
Daily	26	32.5	Daily	39	54.9
Not Used Past Month	7	8.8	No Use Past Month	6	8.5
Total	80	100.0	Total	71	100.0
Not Known	22		Not Known	25	
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	

**TABLE 13**  
**Age First Used Main Drug Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Under 15 years	14	16.5	Under 15 years	16	22.2
15 to 19 Years	53	62.4	15 to 19 Years	47	65.3
20 to 24 Years	11	12.9	20 to 24 Years	5	6.9
25 Years & Over	7	8.2	25 Years & Over	4	5.6
Total	85	100.0	Total	72	100.0
Not Known	17		Not Known	24	
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	

**TABLE 14**  
**Main Drug – Duration of Regular Use. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
One Year & Less	15	19.0	One Year & Less	6	8.1
2 to 3 Years	20	25.3	2 to 3 Years	19	25.7
4 to 5 Years	21	26.6	4 to 5 Years	21	28.4
6 to 9 Years	19	24.1	6 to 9 Years	18	24.3
10 Years & Over	4	5.1	10 Years & Over	10	13.5
Total	79	100.0	Total	74	100.0
Not Known	23		Not Known	22	
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	

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**TABLE 15**  
**Second Drug of Misuse. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No Second Drug	26	26.0	No Second Drug	14	14.6
Methadone - Nonmedic	1	1.0	Cocaine	2	2.1
Cocaine	2	2.0	Ecstasy	23	24.0
Ecstasy	18	18.0	Amphetamines	17	17.7
Amphetamines	12	12.0	LSD	10	10.4
Benzodiazepines	4	4.0	Cannabis	10	10.4
LSD	7	7.0	Other Drugs	3	3.1
Volatile Inhalants	2	2.0	Alcohol	17	17.7
Cannabis	18	18.0	<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Alcohol	10	10.0			
Total	100	100.0			
Not Known	2				
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>				

**TABLE 16**  
**Second Drug – Route of Administration. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No Second Drug	26	26.5	No Second Drug	14	14.9
Smoke	17	17.3	Inject	1	1.1
Eat/Drink	49	50.0	Smoke	10	10.6
Sniff	6	6.1	Eat/Drink	63	67.0
Total	98	100.0	Sniff	6	6.4
Not Known	4		Total	94	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>		Not Known	2	
			<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	

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**TABLE 17**  
**Third Drug of Misuse. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No Third Drug	58	57.4	No Third Drug	43	44.8
Heroin	1	1.0	Heroin	1	1.0
Other Opiates	1	1.0	Methadone - Nonmedic	1	1.0
Ecstasy	10	9.9	Cocaine	2	2.1
Amphetamines	11	10.9	Ecstasy	12	12.5
Benzodiazepines	1	1.0	Amphetamines	11	11.5
LSD	4	4.0	Other Hypnotics & Sedatives	1	1.0
Volatile Inhalants	1	1.0	LSD	5	5.2
Cannabis	9	8.9	Volatile Inhalants	1	1.0
Alcohol	5	5.0	Cannabis	12	12.5
Total	101	100.0	Alcohol	7	7.3
Not Known	1		Total	96	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>				

**TABLE 18**  
**Third Drug - Route of Administration. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No Third Drug	58	59.8	No Third Drug	43	47.8
Smoke	8	8.2	Smoke	13	14.4
Eat/Drink	28	28.9	Eat/Drink	29	32.2
Sniff	3	3.1	Sniff	5	5.6
Total	97	100.0	Total	90	100.0
Not Known	5		Not Known	6	
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	

**TABLE 19**  
**Age First Used Any Drug (excl Alcohol). Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Less than 15 Years	26	30.2	Less than 15 Years	30	38.5
15 to 19 Years	51	59.3	15 to 19 Years	42	53.8
20 to 24 Years	4	4.7	20 to 24 Years	4	5.1
25 to 29 Years	5	5.8	25 to 29 Years	1	1.3
Total	86	100.0	30 to 34 Years	1	1.3
Not Known	16		Total	78	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>		Not Known	18	
			<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	

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TABLE 20  
**Currently Injecting (in Past Month). Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	4	4.3	Yes	2	2.2
No	89	95.7	No	88	97.8
Total	93	100.0	Total	90	100.0
Not Known	9		Not Known	6	
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	

TABLE 21  
**Currently Sharing Injecting Equipment (in Past Month). Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	2	2.2	No	2	2.2
No	1	1.1	Not Injecting	88	97.8
Not Injecting/Sharing	89	96.7	Total	90	100.0
Total	92	100.0	Not Known	6	
Not Known	10		<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>				

TABLE 22  
**Ever Injected. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	6	7.1	Yes	6	7.1
No	78	92.9	No	78	92.9
Total	84	100.0	Total	84	100.0
Not Known	18		Not Known	12	
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	

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**TABLE 23**  
**Age First Injected. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
15 to 19 Years	1	1.2	15 to 19 Years	4	4.8
20 to 24 Years	3	3.6	25 to 29 Years	1	1.2
25 to 29 Years	1	1.2	Never Injected	78	94.0
Never Injected	78	94.0	Total	83	100.0
Total	83	100.0	Not Known	13	
Not Known	19		<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>				

**TABLE 24**  
**Ever Shared Injecting Equipment. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	2	2.4	Yes	3	3.7
No	3	3.6	No	1	1.2
Never Injected/Shared	78	94.0	Never Injected	78	95.1
Total	83	100.0	Total	82	100.0
Not Known	19		Not Known	14	
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	

**TREATMENT CONTACT DETAILS**

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TABLE 25  
**Health Board Area – Number of Contacts Treated and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Treated in EHB	4	3.9	Treated in EHB	5	5.2
Treated in SHB	1	1.0	Treated in SHB	2	2.1
Treated in MWHB	94	92.2	Treated in MWHB	79	82.3
Treated in SEHB	3	2.9	Treated in SEHB	10	10.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>100.0</b>

TABLE 26  
**Health Board Area – Number of Contacts Resident and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Resident in MWHB	102	100.0	Resident in MWHB	96	100.0

TABLE 27  
**Number of Contacts in Different Types of Centre and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Specialised Residential	36	35.3	Specialised Residential	53	55.2
Specialised Non-residential	4	3.9	Specialised Non-residential	2	2.1
General Services	62	60.8	General Services	41	42.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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TABLE 28  
**Type of Contact with Centre – New/Old Contacts. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
New Client	76	78.4	New Client	78	81.3
Old Client	21	21.6	Old Client	18	18.8
Total	97	100.0	Total	96	100.0
Not Known	5				
Total	102				

TABLE 29  
**Ever Previously Treated for Drug Misuse – Contacts Never/Previously Treated. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Never Treated	57	66.3	Never Treated	57	62.6
Previously Treated	29	33.7	Previously Treated	34	37.4
Total	86	100.0	Total	91	100.0
Not Known	16		Not Known	5	
Total	102		Total	96	

TABLE 30  
**Currently in Treatment Elsewhere. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	3	3.0	Yes	4	4.3
No	97	97.0	No	88	95.7
Total	100	100.0	Total	92	100.0
Not Known	2		Not Known	4	
Total	102		Total	96	

TABLE 31  
**Source of Referral . Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Self	16	16.3	Self	9	9.5
Family/Friends	10	10.2	Family/Friends	21	22.1
Other Drug Treatment Centre	1	1.0	Other Drug Treatment Centre	3	3.2
General Practitioner	49	50.0	General Practitioner	32	33.7
Hospital/Other Medical Agency	9	9.2	Hospital/Other Medical Agency	14	14.7
Social Services	4	4.1	Social Services	3	3.2
Court/Probation/Police	9	9.2	Court/ Probation/Police	10	10.5
Total	98	100.0	Other	3	3.2
Not Known	4		Total	95	100.0
Total	102		Not Known	1	
			Total	96	





**National Drug Treatment Reporting System**

***Contacts Residents in the Mid-Western Health Board***

**Contacts who Presented for the First Time for Treatment for Problem Drug Use during 1997-1998**

**Numbers and Valid Percentages**

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**TABLE 32**  
**Gender. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Male	37	69.8	Male	49	87.5
Female	16	30.2	Female	7	12.5
Total	53	100.0	Total	56	100.0
Not Known	4		Not Known	1	
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	

**TABLE 33**  
**Age Category. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
15 to 19 Years	21	36.8	15 to 19 Years	16	28.1
20 to 24 Years	15	26.3	20 to 24 Years	21	36.8
25 to 29 Years	13	22.8	25 to 29 Years	10	17.5
30 to 34 Years	5	8.8	30 to 34 Years	8	14.0
35 to 39 Years	1	1.8	35 to 39 Years	2	3.5
40 Years & Over	2	3.5	<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>100.0</b>			

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TABLE 34  
**Education – Highest Level Reached. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Primary	7	12.5	Primary Level	5	9.8
Secondary	37	66.1	Secondary Level	37	72.5
Third Level	7	12.5	Third Level	6	11.8
Never Went to School	1	1.8	Still in Education	3	5.9
Still in Full-Time Education	4	7.1	Total	51	100.0
Total	56	100.0	Not Known	6	
Not Known	1		Total	57	
Total	57				

TABLE 35  
**Age Left School. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Under 15 Years	5	10.2	Under 15 Years	5	11.4
15 Years	7	14.3	15 Years	10	22.7
16 Years	9	18.4	16 Years	6	13.6
17 Years	10	20.4	17 Years	11	25.0
18 Years & Over	14	28.6	18 Years & Over	11	25.0
Still at School	4	8.2	Still at School	1	2.3
Total	49	100.0	Total	44	100.0
Not Known	8		Not Known	13	
Total	57		Total	57	

TABLE 36  
**Employment Status. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Regular/Gainful Employment	15	26.3	Regular/Gainful Employment	12	21.8
Unemployed	33	57.9	Unemployed	34	61.8
FAS/Training Course	2	3.5	FAS/ Training Course	4	7.3
Student	7	12.3	Student	4	7.3
Total	57	100.0	Housewife/Househusband	1	1.8
			Total	55	100.0
			Not known	2	
			Total	57	

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**TABLE 37**  
**Living Status. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Alone	4	7.1	Alone	2	3.6
Parents/Family	35	62.5	Parents/Family	37	66.1
Friends	4	7.1	Friends	4	7.1
Partner	10	17.9	Partner	7	12.5
Temporary/Homeless	2	3.6	Institution	2	3.6
Lone Parent	1	1.8	Temporary/Homeless	1	1.8
Total	56	100.0	Alone with Children	3	5.4
Not Known	1		Total	56	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>		Not Known	1	
			<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	

**TABLE 38**  
**Living with Drug Misuser(s). Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	7	13.7	Yes	5	9.4
No	44	86.3	No	48	90.6
Total	51	100.0	Total	53	100.0
Not Known	6		Not Known	4	
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	

**TABLE 39**  
**Nationality. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Ireland	57	100.0	Ireland	55	96.5
			EU	2	3.5
			Total	57	100.0

**TABLE 40**  
**Area of Residence. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Clare	19	33.3	Clare	23	40.4
Limerick	24	42.1	Limerick	15	26.3
Tipp NR	14	24.6	Tipp NR	5	8.8
Total	57	100.0	MWHB,(area not specified)	14	24.6
			Total	57	100.0

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TABLE 41  
**Main Drug of Misuse. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Heroin	4	7.1	Heroin	4	7.0
Cocaine	2	3.6	Ecstasy	5	8.8
Ecstasy	13	23.2	Amphetamines	7	12.3
Amphetamines	4	7.1	Benzodiazepines	1	1.8
LSD	1	1.8	Cannabis	39	68.4
Cannabis	32	57.1	Other Drugs	1	1.8
Total	56	100.0	Total	57	100.0
Not Known	1				
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>				

TABLE 42  
**Main Drug – Route of Administration. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Inject	1	1.9	Inject	2	3.6
Smoke	30	57.7	Smoke	41	74.5
Eat/Drink	19	36.5	Eat/Drink	12	21.8
Sniff	2	3.8	Total	55	100.0
Total	52	100.0	Not known	2	
Not Known	5		<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>				

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TABLE 43  
**Main Drug – Frequency of Use Past Month. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Once a Week	6	14.3	Once a Week or Less	4	9.1
2-6 Days a Week	20	47.6	2-6 Days a Week	10	22.7
Daily	15	35.7	Daily	26	59.1
Not Used Past Month	1	2.4	No Use Past Month	4	9.1
Total	42	100.0	Total	44	100.0
Not Known	15		Not Known	13	
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	

TABLE 44  
**Age First Used Main Drug Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Under 15 years	9	18.4	Under 15 years	10	21.7
15 to 19 Years	30	61.2	15 to 19 Years	30	65.2
20 to 24 Years	5	10.2	20 to 24 Years	2	4.3
25 Years & Over	5	10.2	25 Years & Over	4	8.7
Total	49	100.0	Total	46	100.0
Not Known	8		Not Known	11	
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	

TABLE 45  
**Main Drug – Duration of Regular Use. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
One Year & Less	10	21.7	One Year & Less	4	9.1
2 to 3 Years	14	30.4	2 to 3 Years	12	27.3
4 to 5 Years	12	26.1	4 to 5 Years	12	27.3
6 to 9 Years	8	17.4	6 to 9 Years	10	22.7
10 Years & Over	2	4.3	10 Years & Over	6	13.6
Total	46	100.0	Total	44	100.0
Not Known	11		Not Known	13	
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	

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**TABLE 46**  
**Second Drug of Misuse. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No Second Drug	18	32.1	No Second Drug	4	7.0
Methadone - Nonmedical	1	1.8	Cocaine	1	1.8
Ecstasy	12	21.4	Ecstasy	17	29.8
Amphetamines	7	12.5	Amphetamines	11	19.3
LSD	4	7.1	LSD	5	8.8
Volatile Inhalants	1	1.8	Cannabis	5	8.8
Cannabis	8	14.3	Other Drugs	2	3.5
Alcohol	5	8.9	Alcohol	12	21.1
Total	56	100.0	Total	57	100.0
Not Known	1				
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>				

**TABLE 47**  
**Second Drug – Route of Administration. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No Second Drug	18	32.7	No Second Drug	4	7.1
Smoke	9	16.4	Smoke	4	7.1
Eat/Drink	25	45.5	Eat/Drink	43	76.8
Sniff	3	5.5	Sniff	5	8.9
Total	55	100.0	Total	56	100.0
Not Known	2		Not Known	1	
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	

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TABLE 48  
**Third Drug of Misuse. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No Third Drug	31	55.4	No Third Drug	24	42.1
Heroin	1	1.8	Methadone - Nonmedical	1	1.8
Ecstasy	3	5.4	Cocaine	1	1.8
Amphetamines	9	16.1	Ecstasy	8	14.0
Benzodiazepines	1	1.8	Amphetamines	6	10.5
LSD	3	5.4	Other Hypnotics & Sedatives	1	1.8
Cannabis	4	7.1	LSD	3	5.3
Alcohol	4	7.1	Volatile Inhalants	1	1.8
Total	56	100.0	Cannabis	6	10.5
Not Known	1		Alcohol	6	10.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>100.0</b>

TABLE 49  
**Third Drug - Route of Administration. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No Third Drug	31	56.4	No Third Drug	24	43.6
Smoke	4	7.3	Smoke	6	10.9
Eat/Drink	18	32.7	Eat/Drink	22	40.0
Sniff	2	3.6	Sniff	3	5.5
Total	55	100.0	Total	55	100.0
Not Known	2		Not Known	2	
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	

TABLE 50  
**Age First Used Any Drug (excl Alcohol). Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Less than 15 Years	14	28.6	Less than 15 Years	17	34.7
15 to 19 Years	28	57.1	15 to 19 Years	29	59.2
20 to 24 Years	4	8.2	20 to 24 Years	1	2.0
25 to 29 Years	3	6.1	25 to 29 Years	1	2.0
Total	49	100.0	30 to 34 Years	1	2.0
Not Known	8		Total	49	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>		Not Known	8	
			<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	

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TABLE 51  
**Currently Injecting (in Past Month). Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	2	3.7	No	55	100.0
No	52	96.3	Not Known	2	
Total	54	100.0	<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	
Not Known	3				
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>				

TABLE 52  
**Currently Sharing Injecting Equipment (in Past Month). Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	1	1.9	Not Injecting	55	100.0
No	1	1.9	Not Known	2	
Not Injecting/Sharing	52	96.3	<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	
Total	54	100.0			
Not Known	3				
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>				

TABLE 53  
**Ever Injected. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	3	6.1	Yes	3	5.7
No	46	93.9	No	50	94.3
Total	49	100.0	Total	53	100.0
Not Known	8		Not Known	4	
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	



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TABLE 54  
**Age First Injected. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
15 to 19 Years	1	2.1	15 to 19 Years	2	3.8
20 to 24 Years	1	2.1	25 to 29 Years	1	1.9
Never Injected	46	95.8	Never Injected	50	94.3
Total	48	100.0	Total	53	100.0
Not Known	9		Not Known	4	
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	

TABLE 55  
**Ever Shared Injecting Equipment. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	1	2.1	Yes	3	5.7
No	1	2.1	Never Injected	50	94.3
Never Injected/Shared	46	95.8	Total	53	100.0
Total	48	100.0	Not Known	4	
Not Known	9		<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>				

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TABLE 56  
**Health Board Area – Number of Contacts Treated and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Treated in EHB	1	1.8	Treated in EHB	1	1.8
Treated in SHB	1	1.8	Treated in SHB	1	1.8
Treated in MWHB	54	94.7	Treated in MWHB	50	87.7
Treated in SEHB	1	1.8	Treated in SEHB	5	8.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>100.0</b>

TABLE 57  
**Health Board Area – Number of Contacts Resident and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Resident in MWHB	57	100.0	Resident in MWHB	57	100.0

TABLE 58  
**Number of Contacts in Different Types of Centre and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Specialised Residential	17	29.8	Specialised Residential	36	63.2
Specialised Non-residential	3	5.3	Specialised Non-residential	1	1.8
General Services	37	64.9	General Services	20	35.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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TABLE 59  
**Type of Contact with Centre – New/Old Contacts. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
New Client	57	100.0	New Client	57	100.0

TABLE 60  
**Ever Previously Treated for Drug Misuse – Contacts Never/Previously Treated. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Never Treated	57	100.0	Never Treated	57	100.0

TABLE 61  
**Currently in Treatment Elsewhere. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No	57	100.0	No	57	100.0

TABLE 62  
**Source of Referral. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Self	7	12.5	Self	7	12.3
Family/Friends	4	7.1	Family/Friends	14	24.6
Other Drug Treatment Centre	1	1.8	Other Drug Treatment Centre	1	1.8
General Practitioner	33	58.9	General Practitioner	15	26.3
Hospital/Other Medical Agency	4	7.1	Hospital/Other Medical Agency	6	10.5
Social Services	1	1.8	Social Services	2	3.5
Court/Probation/Police	6	10.7	Court/ Probation/Police	9	15.8
Total	56	100.0	Other	3	5.3
Not Known	1		Total	57	100.0
Total	57				



**READER'S NOTES**

