Drug Misuse Research Division The Health Research Board

NATIONAL DRUG TREATMENT REPORTING SYSTEM

STATISTICAL BULLETIN

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1997 and 1998

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Residents in the Eastern Health Board

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National Drug Treatment Reporting System

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

Numbers and Valid Percentages

SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

1997	1998
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TABLE 1
Gender. Number and Valid %

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Male	2762	68.2		Male	3421	68.4
	Female	1288	31.8		Female	1577	31.6
	Total	4050	100.0		Total	4998	100.0
	Not Known	106			Not Known	78	
Total		4156		Total		5076	

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Under 15 Years	28	.7		Under 15 Years	25	.5
	15 to 19 Years	993	24.0		15 to 19 Years	1010	19.9
	20 to 24 Years	1432	34.6		20 to 24 Years	1841	36.4
	25 to 29 Years	835	20.2		25 to 29 Years	1130	22.3
	30 to 34 Years	516	12.5		30 to 34 Years	616	12.2
	35 to 39 Years	224	5.4		35 to 39 Years	283	5.6
	40 Years & Over	108	2.6		40 Years & Over	158	3.1
	Total	4136	100.0		Total	5063	100.0
	Not Known	20			Not Known	13	
Total		4156		Total		5076	

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Primary	406	10.8	•	Primary Level	446	10.1
	Secondary	3185	84.7		Secondary Level	3799	86.0
	Third Level	43	1.1		Third Level	70	1.6
	Never Went to School	5	.1		No Education	2	.0
	Still in Full-Time	122	3.2		Still in Education	103	2.3
	Education				Total	4420	100.0
	Total	3761	100.0		Not Known	656	
	Not Known	395		Total	HOURAGOWII	5076	
Γotal		4156		Total		3070	

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Never Went to School	7	.2		Never Went to School	2	.0
	Under 15 Years	1023	28.1		Under 15 Years	1217	28.5
	15 Years	1053	28.9		15 Years	1266	29.7
	16 Years	831	22.8		16 Years	997	23.4
	17 Years	418	11.5		17 Years	458	10.7
	18 Years & Over	196	5.4		18 Years & Over	237	5.6
	Still at School	113	3.1		Still at School	90	2.1
	Total	3641	100.0		Total	4267	100.0
	Not Known	515			Not Known	809	
Total		4156		Total		5076	

TABLE 5
Employment Status. Number and Valid %

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Regular/Gainful Employment	533	13.2		Regular/Gainful Employment	869	18.0
	Unemployed	3269	81.3		Unemployed	3607	74.6
	FAS/Training Course	42	1.0		FAS/ Training Course	135	2.8
	Student	121	3.0		Student	112	2.3
	Housewife/Househusb and	14	.3		Housewife/Househusb and	65	1.3
	Retired/Unable to Worl	2	.0		Retired/ Unable to Work	8	.2
	Other	42	1.0		Other	39	.8
	Total	4023	100.0		Total	4835	100.0
	Not Known	133			Not known	241	
Total		4156		Total		5076	

SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

TABLE 6
Living Status. Number and Valid %

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Alone	201	5.1		Alone	258	5.2
	Parents/Family	2614	66.6		Parents/Family	3308	67.2
	Friends	76	1.9		Friends	110	2.2
	Partner	767	19.6		Partner	844	17.1
	Institution	27	.7		Institution	48	1.0
	Temporary/Homeless	83	2.1		Temporary/Homeless	149	3.0
	Lone Parent	47	1.2		Alone with Children	149	3.0
	Other	108	2.8		Other	57	1.2
	Total	3923	100.0		Total	4923	100.0
	Not Known	233			Not Known	153	
Total		4156		Total		5076	

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
			Valid 70				valid 70
	Yes	1047	28.8		Yes	1332	28.9
	No	2584	71.2		No	3276	71.1
	Total	3631	100.0		Total	4608	100.0
	Not Known	525			Not Known	468	
Total		4156		Total		5076	

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Ireland	4102	99.3		Ireland	4967	98.9
	Great Britain	19	.5		Great Britain	44	.9
	Other EU	5	.1		EU	3	.0
	Non EU	5	.1		Non EU	8	.2
	Total	4131	100.0		Total	5022	100.0
	Not Known	25			Not Known	54	
otal		4156		Total		5076	

SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

TABLE 9 **Area of Residence** (*Electoral Areas*). Number and Valid %

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Artane Borough Electoral Area	142	3.7	Artane Borough Electoral Area	200	4.3
Ballyfermot Borough Electoral Area	389	10.1	Ballyfermot Borough Electoral Area	352	7.5
Cabra Borough Electoral Area	100	2.6	Cabra Borough Electoral Area	106	2.3
Clontarf Borough Electoral Area	52	1.4	Clontarf Borough Electoral Area	74	1.6
Crumlin Borough Electoral Area	142	3.7	Crumlin Borough Electoral Area	192	4.1
Donaghmede Borough Electoral Area	83	2.2	Donaghmede Borough Electoral Area	130	2.8
Drumcondra Borough Electoral Area	251	6.5	Drumcondra Borough Electoral Area	450	9.6
Finglas Borough Electoral Area	137	3.6	Finglas Borough Electoral Area	175	3.7
North Inner City Borough Electoral Area	683	17.8	North Inner City Borough Electoral Area	687	14.6
Pembroke Borough Electoral Area	47	1.2	Pembroke Borough Electoral Area	81	1.7
Rathmines Borough Electoral Area	110	2.9	Rathmines Borough Electoral Area	135	2.9
South Inner City Borough Electoral Area	504	13.1	South Inner City Borough Electoral Area	600	12.8
Clondalkin County Electoral Area	257	6.7	Clondalkin County Electoral Area	326	6.9
Greenhills County Electoral Area	88	2.3	Greenhills County Electoral Area	155	3.3
Lucan County Electoral Area	72	1.9	Lucan County Electoral Area	76	1.6
Rathfarnham County Electoral Area	21	.5	Rathfarnham County Electoral Area	22	.5
Tallaght-Oldbawn County Electoral Area	103	2.7	Tallaght-Oldbawn County Electoral Area	152	3.2
Tallaght-Rathcoole County Electoral Area	103	2.7	Tallaght-Rathcoole County Electoral Area	158	3.4
Terenure County Electoral Area	20	.5	Terenure County Electoral Area	31	.7
Ballybrack County Electoral Area	54	1.4	Ballybrack County Electoral Area	41	.9
Blackrock County Electoral Area	24	.6	Blackrock County Electoral Area	23	.5
Clonskeagh County Electoral Area	16	.4	Clonskeagh County Electoral Area	21	.4
Dundrum County Electoral Area	24	.6	Dundrum County Electoral Area	27	.6
Dun Laoghaire County Electoral Area	83	2.2	Dun Laoghaire County Electoral Area	49	1.0
Glencullen County Electoral Area	21	.5	Glencullen County Electoral Area	21	.4
Stillorgan County Electoral Area	21	.5	Stillorgan County Electoral Area	9	.2
Balbriggan County Electoral Area	20	.5	Balbriggan County Electoral Area	26	.6
Castleknock County Electoral Area	63	1.6	Castleknock County Electoral Area	94	2.0
Howth County Electoral Area	28	.7	Howth County Electoral Area	41	.9
Malahide County Electoral Area	11	.3	Malahide County Electoral Area	15	.3
Mulhuddart County Electoral Area	38	1.0	Mulhuddart County Electoral Area	79	1.7
Swords County Electoral Area	31	.8	Swords County Electoral Area	24	.5
Kildare	35	.9	Kildare	56	1.2
Wicklow	62	1.6	Wicklow	65	1.4
Total	3835	100.0	Total	4693	100.0
Not Known	321		Not Known	383	

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{TABLE 10} \\ \textbf{Main Drug of Misuse. Number and Valid \%} \end{array}$

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Heroin	3318	80.1		Heroin	4121	81.4
	Morphine Sulphate Tablets	121	2.9		Morphine Sulphate Tablets	79	1.6
	Methadone - Nonmedical	253	6.1		Methadone - Nonmedical	318	6.3
	Methadone - Medical	32	.8		Methadone - Medical	61	1.2
	Other Opiates	43	1.0		Other Opiates	58	1.1
	Cocaine	30	.7		Cocaine	58	1.1
	Ecstasy	74	1.8		Ecstasy	45	.9
	Amphetamines	5	.1		Amphetamines	25	.5
	Other Stimulants	1	.0		Benzodiazepines	57	1.1
	Benzodiazepines	35	.8		Other Hypnotics & Sedatives	2	.0
	Other Hypnotics & Sedatives	5	.1		LSD	4	.1
	LSD	10	.2		Other Hallucinogens	1	.0
	Volatile Inhalants	11	.3		Volatile Inhalants	18	.4
	Cannabis	205	4.9		Cannabis	211	4.2
	Other Drugs	1	.0		Other Drugs	5	.1
	Total	4144	100.0		Total	5063	100.0
	Not Known	12	100.0		Not Known	13	
otal	NOT KHOWH	4156		Total		5076	

 ${\bf TABLE~11} \\ {\bf Main~Drug-Route~of~Administration.~Number~and~Valid~\%}$

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Inject	2307	56.4		Inject	2855	58.4
	Smoke	1322	32.3		Smoke	1510	30.9
	Eat/Drink	429	10.5		Eat/Drink	470	9.6
	Sniff	33	.8		Sniff	53	1.1
	Total	4091	100.0		Total	4888	100.0
	Not Known	65			Not known	188	
Total		4156		_Total		5076	

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 $\begin{tabular}{ll} TABLE~12\\ Main~Drug-Frequency~of~Use~Past~Month.~Number~and~Valid~\%\\ \end{tabular}$

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Once a Week	199	5.3		Once a Week or Less	288	6.4
	2-6 Days a Week	342	9.0		2-6 Days a Week	392	8.7
	Daily	2725	72.0		Daily	2997	66.9
	Not Used Past Month	518	13.7		No Use Past Month	805	18.0
	Total	3784	100.0		Total	4482	100.0
	Not Known	372			Not Known	594	
Total		4156		Total		5076	

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

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		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Under 15 years	409	10.7		Under 15 years	521	11.5
	15 to 19 Years	2237	58.5		15 to 19 Years	2698	59.5
	20 to 24 Years	835	21.8		20 to 24 Years	923	20.3
	25 Years & Over	345	9.0		25 Years & Over	395	8.7
	Total	3826	100.0		Total	4537	100.0
	Not Known	330			Not Known	539	
Total		4156		Total		5076	

TABLE 14

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	One Year & Less	651	17.5		One Year & Less	621	14.8
	2 to 3 Years	1267	34.1		2 to 3 Years	1283	30.7
	4 to 5 Years	765	20.6		4 to 5 Years	988	23.6
	6 to 9 Years	578	15.5		6 to 9 Years	717	17.1
	10 Years & Over	459	12.3		10 Years & Over	574	13.7
	Total	3720	100.0		Total	4183	100.0
	Not Known	436			Not Known	893	
otal		4156		Total		5076	

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{TABLE 15} \\ \textbf{Second Drug of Misuse. Number and Valid \%} \end{array}$

		n	Valid %		n	Valid %
	No Second Drug	1003	24.6	No Second Drug	1593	31.4
	Heroin	231	5.7	Heroin	241	4.7
	Morphine Sulphate Tablets	144	3.5	Morphine Sulphate Tablets	109	2.1
	Methadone - Nonmedical	583	14.3	Methadone - Nonmedical	630	12.4
	Methadone - Medical	59	1.4	Methadone - Medical	22	.4
	Other Opiates	34	.8	Other Opiates	38	.7
	Cocaine	173	4.2	Cocaine	263	5.2
	Ecstasy	197	4.8	Ecstasy	189	3.7
	Amphetamines	44	1.1	Amphetamines	52	1.0
	Other Stimulants	3	.1	Other Stimulants	2	.0
	Benzodiazepines	910	22.3	Benzodiazepines	1006	19.8
	Other Hypnotics & Sedatives	42	1.0	Other Hypnotics & Sedatives	30	.6
	LSD	38	.9	LSD	34	.7
	Other Hallucinogens	3	.1	Volatile Inhalants	4	.1
	Volatile Inhalants	9	.2	Cannabis	747	14.7
	Cannabis	512	12.6	Other Drugs	26	.5
	Other Drugs	18	.4	Alcohol	90	1.8
	Alcohol	76	1.9	Total	5076	100.0
	Total	4079	100.0	าบเสา	3076	100.0
	Not Known	77				
tal		4156				

 $\frac{\text{TABLE 16}}{\text{Second Drug - Route of Administration. Number and Valid \%}}$

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	No Second Drug	1003	25.8		No Second Drug	1593	33.8
	Inject	420	10.8		Inject	383	8.1
	Smoke	569	14.6		Smoke	831	17.6
	Eat/Drink	1817	46.7		Eat/Drink	1830	38.8
	Sniff	80	2.1		Sniff	82	1.7
	Total	3889	100.0		Total	4719	100.0
	Not Known	267			Not Known	357	
Total		4156		<u>Total</u>		5076	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No Third Drug	2479	61.7	No Third Drug	3352	66.0
Heroin	31	.8	Heroin	44	.9
Morphine Sulphate Tablets	36	.9	Morphine Sulphate Tablets	25	.5
Methadone - Nonmedical	169	4.2	Methadone - Nonmedical	202	4.0
Methadone - Medical	12	.3			
Other Opiates	22	.5	Methadone - Medical	7	.1
Cocaine	87	2.2	Other Opiates	28	.6
Ecstasy	112	2.8	Cocaine	130	2.6
Amphetamines	46	1.1	Ecstasy	149	2.9
Other Stimulants	2	.0	Amphetamines	51	1.0
Benzodiazepines	510	12.7	Other Stimulants	2	.0
Other Hypnotics & Sedatives	26	.6	Benzodiazepines	520	10.2
LSD	38	.9	Other Hypnotics & Sedatives	18	.4
Other Hallucinogens	1	.0	LSD	32	.6
Volatile Inhalants	1	.0	Volatile Inhalants	5	.1
Cannabis	358	8.9	Cannabis	403	7.9
Other Drugs	24	.6	Other Drugs	24	.5
Alcohol	65	1.6	· ·	= -	
Total	4019	100.0	Alcohol	84	1.7
Not Known	137		Total	5076	100.0

TABLE 18

Third Drug - Route of Administration. Number and Valid %

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	No Third Drug	2479	63.9		No Third Drug	3352	69.0
	Inject	89	2.3		Inject	96	2.0
	Smoke	364	9.4		Smoke	393	8.1
	Eat/Drink	904	23.3		Eat/Drink	944	19.4
	Sniff	42	1.1		Sniff	73	1.5
	Total	3878	100.0		Total	4858	100.0
	Not Known	278			Not Known	218	
otal		4156		Total		5076	

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Less than 15 Years	1406	39.5		Less than 15 Years	1868	43.1
	15 to 19 Years	1765	49.6		15 to 19 Years	2053	47.4
	20 to 24 Years	287	8.1		20 to 24 Years	298	6.9
	25 to 29 Years	71	2.0		25 to 29 Years	84	1.9
	30 to 34 Years	17	.5		30 to 34 Years	27	.6
	35 Years & Over	10	.3		35 Years & Over	3	.1
	Total	3556	100.0		Total	4333	100.0
	Not Known	600			Not Known	743	
Total		4156		Total		5076	

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		n	Valid %
	Yes	1642	43.0
	No	2180	57.0
	Total	3822	100.0
	Not Known	334	
Total		4156	

		n	Valid %
	Yes	1888	41.4
	No	2677	58.6
	Total	4565	100.0
	Not Known	511	
Total		5076	

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

		n	Valid %
	Yes	457	13.2
	No	830	23.9
	Not Injecting/Sharing	2180	62.9
	Total	3467	100.0
	Not Known	689	
Total		4156	

		n	Valid %
	Yes	505	12.1
	No	984	23.6
	Not Injecting	2677	64.3
	Total	4166	100.0
	Not Known	910	
Total		5076	

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

		n	Valid %
	Yes	2869	70.9
	No	1179	29.1
	Total	4048	100.0
	Not Known	108	
Total		4156	

		n	Valid %
	Yes	3570	73.7
	No	1273	26.3
	Total	4843	100.0
	Not Known	233	
Total		5076	

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Less than 15 Years	100	2.7		Less than 15 Years	131	3.0
	15 to 19 Years	1382	37.6		15 to 19 Years	1716	39.3
	20 to 24 Years	723	19.6		20 to 24 Years	891	20.4
	25 to 29 Years	227	6.2		25 to 29 Years	271	6.2
	30 to 34 Years	52	1.4		30 to 34 Years	57	1.3
	35 Years & Over	17	.5		35 Years & Over	28	.6
	Never Injected	1179	32.0		Never Injected	1273	29.2
	Total	3680	100.0		Total	4367	100.0
	Not Known	476			Not Known	709	
otal		4156		Total		5076	

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
			valid 70			""	Valid 70
	Yes	1751	48.2		Yes	2122	49.4
	No	702	19.3		No	900	21.0
	Never Injected/Shared	1179	32.5		Never Injected	1273	29.6
	Total	3632	100.0		Total	4295	100.0
	Not Known	524			Not Known	781	
Total		4156		Total		5076	

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	4087	98.3	Treated in EHB	4984	98.2
Treated in SHB	4	.1	Treated in SHB	4	.1
Treated in MHB	1	.0	Treated in MWHB	68	1.3
Treated in MWHB	53	1.3	Treated in NEHB	1	.0
Treated in SEHB	11	.3	Treated in SEHB	19	.4
Total	4156	100.0	Total	5076	100.0

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Resident in EHB	4156	100.0	Resident in EHB	5076	100.0

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Specialised Residential	855	20.6	Specialised Residential	974	19.2
Specialised Non-residential	3293	79.3	Specialised Non-residential	4072	80.2
General Services	8	.2	General Services	1	.0
Total	4156	100.0	General Practice	25	.5
		_	Prison	4	.1
			Total	5076	100.0

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		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	New Client	2372	57.5		New Client	2907	57.6
	Old Client	1752	42.5		Old Client	2142	42.4
	Total	4124	100.0		Total	5049	100.0
	Not Known	32			Not Known	27	
Total		4156		Total		5076	

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Never Treated	1119	27.9	-	Never Treated	1137	23.1
	Previously Treated	2889	72.1		Previously Treated	3793	76.9
	Total	4008	100.0		Total	4930	100.0
	Not Known	148			Not Known	146	
Total		4156		_Total		5076	

TABLE 30
Currently in Treatment Elsewhere. Number and Valid %

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Yes	579	14.6		Yes	799	16.4
	No	3375	85.4		No	4061	83.6
	Total	3954	100.0		Total	4860	100.0
	Not Known	202			Not Known	216	
Total		4156		_Total		5076	

TABLE 31
Source of Referral. Number and Valid %

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Self	1553	38.3		Self	1791	36.5
	Family/Friends	650	16.0		Family/Friends	739	15.1
	Other Drug Treatment Centre	600	14.8		Other Drug Treatment Centre	696	14.2
	General Practitioner	358	8.8		General Practioner	646	13.2
	Hospital/Other Medical Agency	151	3.7		Hospital/Other Medical Agency	160	3.3
	Social Services	167	4.1		Social Services	116	2.4
	Court/Probation/Police	403	10.0		Court/ Probation/Police	347	7.1
	Other	168	4.1		Other	410	8.4
	Total	4050	100.0		Total	4905	100.0
	Not Known	106			Not Known	171	
otal		4156		Total		5076	

National Drug Treatment Reporting System

Contacts Resident in the Eastern 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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Valid %

71.6 28.4

100.0

806

319

1997	1998
1997	1990

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

		n	Valid %		
	Male	765	69.5		Male
	Female	336	30.5		Female
	Total	1101	100.0		Total
	Not Known	18			Not Known
Total		1119		Total	

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Under 15 Years	17	1.5		Under 15 Years	18	1.6
	15 to 19 Years	411	36.8		15 to 19 Years	411	36.2
	20 to 24 Years	438	39.2		20 to 24 Years	430	37.9
	25 to 29 Years	164	14.7		25 to 29 Years	188	16.6
	30 to 34 Years	55	4.9		30 to 34 Years	54	4.8
	35 to 39 Years	24	2.2		35 to 39 Years	22	1.9
	40 Years & Over	7	.6		40 Years & Over	12	1.1
	Total	1116	100.0		Total	1135	100.0
	Not Known	3			Not Known	2	
Total		1119		Total		1137	

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

		n	Valid %
	Primary	69	6.7
	Secondary	880	85.2
	Third Level	13	1.3
	Never Went to School	2	.2
	Still in Full-Time Education	69	6.7
	Total	1033	100.0
	Not Known	86	
Total		1119	

		n	Valid %
	Primary Level	82	8.4
	Secondary Level	795	81.5
	Third Level	24	2.5
	Still in Education	75	7.7
	Total	976	100.0
	Not Known	161	
Total		1137	

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

		n	Valid %
	Never Went to School	2	.2
	Under 15 Years	209	21.1
	15 Years	294	29.7
	16 Years	228	23.0
	17 Years	135	13.6
	18 Years & Over	57	5.8
	Still at School	65	6.6
	Total	990	100.0
	Not Known	129	
Total		1119	

		n	Valid %
	Under 15 Years	228	24.8
	15 Years	236	25.6
	16 Years	225	24.4
	17 Years	111	12.1
	18 Years & Over	54	5.9
	Still at School	67	7.3
	Total	921	100.0
	Not Known	216	
otal		1137	

TABLE 36
Employment Status. Number and Valid %

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		n	Valid %
	Regular/Gainful Employment	192	17.5
	Unemployed	805	73.5
	FAS/Training Course	11	1.0
	Student	67	6.1
	Housewife/Househu sband	2	.2
	Other	18	1.6
	Total	1095	100.0
	Not Known	24	
Total		1119	

		n	Valid %
	Regular/Gainful Employment	239	21.9
	Unemployed	704	64.6
	FAS/ Training Course	48	4.4
	Student	77	7.1
	Housewife/Househusb and	15	1.4
	Retired/ Unable to Work	1	.1
	Other	5	.5
	Total	1089	100.0
	Not known	48	
Total		1137	

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TABLE 37
Living Status. Number and Valid %

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Alone	50	4.7		Alone	53	4.7
	Parents/Family	799	74.5		Parents/Family	832	74.0
	Friends	27	2.5		Friends	27	2.4
	Partner	143	13.3		Partner	140	12.5
	Institution	5	.5		Institution	12	1.1
	Temporary/Homeless	20	1.9		Temporary/Homeless	30	2.7
	Lone Parent	6	.6		Alone with Children	19	1.7
	Other	22	2.1		Other	11	1.0
	Total	1072	100.0		Total	1124	100.0
	Not Known	47			Not Known	13	
Total		1119		Total		1137	

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Yes	231	22.9		Yes	212	19.8
	No	778	77.1		No	860	80.2
	Total	1009	100.0		Total	1072	100.0
	Not Known	110			Not Known	65	
Total		1119		Total		1137	

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Ireland	1109	99.5	•	Ireland	1106	98.3
	Great Britain	4	.3		Great Britain	16	1.4
	Non EU	2	.1		Non EU	3	.3
	Total	1115	100.0		Total	1125	100.0
	Not Known	4			Not Known	12	
Total		1119		Total		1137	

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TABLE 40 **Area of Residence** (*Electoral Areas*). Number and Valid %

	n	Valid %	 	n	Valid %
Artane Borough Electoral Area	40	3.9	Artane Borough Electoral Area	48	4.8
Ballyfermot Borough Electoral Area	97	9.4	Ballyfermot Borough Electoral Area	88	8.7
Cabra Borough Electoral Area	24	2.3	Cabra Borough Electoral Area	18	1.8
Clontarf Borough Electoral Area	18	1.8	Clontarf Borough Electoral Area	28	2.8
Crumlin Borough Electoral Area	32	3.1	Crumlin Borough Electoral Area	40	4.0
Donaghmede Borough Electoral Area	27	2.6	Donaghmede Borough Electoral Area	27	2.7
Drumcondra Borough Electoral Area	74	7.2	Drumcondra Borough Electoral Area	100	9.9
Finglas Borough Electoral Area	35	3.4	Finglas Borough Electoral Area	33	3.3
North Inner City Borough Electoral Area	147	14.3	North Inner City Borough Electoral Area	111	11.0
Pembroke Borough Electoral Area	17	1.7	Pembroke Borough Electoral Area	14	1.4
Rathmines Borough Electoral Area	27	2.6	Rathmines Borough Electoral Area	18	1.8
South Inner City Borough Electoral Area	112	10.9	South Inner City Borough Electoral Area	82	8.1
Clondalkin County Electoral Area	82	8.0	Clondalkin County Electoral Area	96	9.5
Greenhills County Electoral Area	24	2.3	Greenhills County Electoral Area	40	4.0
Lucan County Electoral Area	26	2.5	Lucan County Electoral Area	19	1.9
Rathfarnham County Electoral Area	5	.5	Rathfarnham County Electoral Area	6	.6
Tallaght-Oldbawn County Electoral Area	12	1.2	Tallaght-Oldbawn County Electoral Area	25	2.5
Tallaght-Rathcoole County Electoral Area	25	2.4	Tallaght-Rathcoole County Electoral Area	34	3.4
Terenure County Electoral Area	12	1.2	Terenure County Electoral Area	8	.8
Ballybrack County Electoral Area	10	1.0	Ballybrack County Electoral Area	5	.5
Blackrock County Electoral Area	7	.7	Blackrock County Electoral Area	2	.2
Clonskeagh County Electoral Area	3	.3	Clonskeagh County Electoral Area	8	.8
Dundrum County Electoral Area	15	1.5	Dundrum County Electoral Area	7	.7
Dun Laoghaire County Electoral Area	23	2.2	Dun Laoghaire County Electoral Area	4	.4
Glencullen County Electoral Area	12	1.2	Glencullen County Electoral Area	8	.8
Stillorgan County Electoral Area	5	.5	Stillorgan County Electoral Area	1	.1
Balbriggan County Electoral Area	5	.5	Balbriggan County Electoral Area	10	1.0
Castleknock County Electoral Area	20	1.9	Castleknock County Electoral Area	32	3.2
Howth County Electoral Area	9	.9	Howth County Electoral Area	12	1.2
Malahide County Electoral Area	5	.5	Malahide County Electoral Area	7	.7
Mulhuddart County Electoral Area	15	1.5	Mulhuddart County Electoral Area	16	1.6
Swords County Electoral Area	6	.6	Swords County Electoral Area	7	.7
Kildare	28	2.7	Kildare	29	2.9
Wicklow	28	2.7	Wicklow	24	2.4
Total	1027	100.0	Total	1007	100.0
Not Known	92		Not Known	130	
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 $\begin{array}{c} TABLE\,41 \\ \hline \textbf{Main Drug of Misuse. Number and Valid \%} \end{array}$

		n	Valid %			n	Valid
	Heroin	868	77.8		Heroin	855	75.4
	Morphine Sulphate Tablets	2	.2		Morphine Sulphate Tablets	2	.2
	Methadone - Nonmedical	23	2.1		Methadone - Nonmedical	39	3.4
	Methadone - Medical	2	.2		Methadone - Medical	4	.4
	Other Opiates	8	.7		Other Opiates	6	.5
	Cocaine	16	1.4		Cocaine	23	2.0
	Ecstasy	53	4.7		Ecstasy	33	2.9
	Amphetamines	3	.3		Amphetamines	15	1.3
	Benzodiazepines	11	1.0		Benzodiazepines	10	.9
	Other Hypnotics &	3	.3		LSD	3	.3
	Sedatives				Volatile Inhalants	13	1.1
	LSD	5	.4		Cannabis	129	11.4
	Volatile Inhalants	5	.4		Other Drugs	2	.2
	Cannabis	117	10.5		Total	1134	100.
	Total	1116	100.0		Not Known	3	
	Not Known	3		Total		1137	
Total		1119					

TABLE 42

Main Drug – Route of Administration. Number and Valid %

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Inject	418	38.0		Inject	432	38.7
	Smoke	559	50.8		Smoke	563	50.5
	Eat/Drink	105	9.5		Eat/Drink	93	8.3
	Sniff	19	1.7		Sniff	27	2.4
	Total	1101	100.0		Total	1115	100.0
	Not Known	18			Not known	22	
Total		1119		Total		1137	

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{TABLE 43} \\ \textbf{Main Drug - Frequency of Use Past Month. Number and Valid \%} \end{array}$

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		n	Valid %				n	Valid %
	Once a Week	60	5.7	_		Once a Week or Less	68	6.5
	2-6 Days a Week	123	11.6			2-6 Days a Week	106	10.2
	Daily	779	73.6			Daily	685	65.7
	Not Used Past Month	97	9.2			No Use Past Month	183	17.6
	Total	1059	100.0			Total	1042	100.0
	Not Known	60				Not Known	95	
Total		1119		_	Total		1137	

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Under 15 years	123	11.8		Under 15 years	167	16.0
	15 to 19 Years	608	58.3		15 to 19 Years	630	60.5
	20 to 24 Years	216	20.7		20 to 24 Years	173	16.6
	25 Years & Over	95	9.1		25 Years & Over	72	6.9
	Total	1042	100.0		Total	1042	100.0
	Not Known	77			Not Known	95	
otal		1119		Total		1137	

 $\frac{\text{TABLE 45}}{\text{Main Drug - Duration of Regular Use. Number and Valid \%}}$

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	One Year & Less	309	30.1		One Year & Less	278	28.4
	2 to 3 Years	447	43.5		2 to 3 Years	355	36.3
	4 to 5 Years	168	16.3		4 to 5 Years	215	22.0
	6 to 9 Years	74	7.2		6 to 9 Years	99	10.1
	10 Years & Over	30	2.9		10 Years & Over	31	3.2
	Total	1028	100.0		Total	978	100.0
	Not Known	91			Not Known	159	
otal		1119		Total		1137	

TABLE 46
Second Drug of Misuse. Number and Valid %

		n	Valid %		n	Valid %
	No Second Drug	350	31.8	No Second Drug	432	38.0
	Heroin	20	1.8	Heroin	24	2.1
	Morphine Sulphate Tablets	8	.7	Morphine Sulphate Tablets	7	.6
	Methadone - Nonmedical	127	11.5	Methadone - Nonmedical	96	8.4
	Methadone - Medical	8	.7	Methadone - Medical	2	.2
	Other Opiates	2	.2	Other Opiates	3	.3
	Cocaine	43	3.9	Cocaine	48	4.2
	Ecstasy	78	7.1	Ecstasy	71	6.2
	Amphetamines	26	2.4	Amphetamines	30	2.6
	Other Stimulants	3	.3	Other Stimulants	2	.2
	Benzodiazepines	185	16.8	Benzodiazepines	138	12.1
	Other Hypnotics & Sedatives	12	1.1	Other Hypnotics & Sedatives	8	.7
	LSD	20	1.8	LSD	12	1.1
	Other Hallucinogens	1	.1	Volatile Inhalants	2	.2
	Volatile Inhalants	2	.2	Cannabis	241	21.2
	Cannabis	191	17.3	Other Drugs	2	.2
	Other Drugs	3	.3	Alcohol	19	1.7
	Alcohol	22	2.0	Total	1137	100.0
	Total	1101	100.0			
	Not Known	18				
otal		1119				

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	No Second Drug	350	33.0		No Second Drug	432	40.1
	Inject	40	3.8		Inject	26	2.4
	Smoke	203	19.1		Smoke	257	23.9
	Eat/Drink	447	42.1		Eat/Drink	331	30.8
	Sniff	21	2.0		Sniff	30	2.8
	Total	1061	100.0		Total	1076	100.0
	Not Known	58			Not Known	61	
Total		1119		Total		1137	

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

		n	Valid %		n	Valid 9
	No Third Drug	735	67.3	No Third Drug	832	73.2
	Heroin	3	.3	Heroin	12	1.1
	Morphine Sulphate Tablets	5	.5	Morphine Sulphate Tablets	3	.3
	Methadone - Nonmedical	40	3.7	Methadone - Nonmedical	24	2.1
	Methadone - Medical	1	.1	Cocaine	20	1.8
	Other Opiates	4	.4	Ecstasy	43	3.8
	Cocaine	19	1.7	Amphetamines	18	1.6
	Ecstasy	39	3.6	Benzodiazepines	62	5.5
	Amphetamines	28	2.6	Other Hypnotics &	6	.5
	Benzodiazepines	78	7.1	Sedatives		
	Other Hypnotics &	8	.7	LSD	10	.9
	Sedatives			Volatile Inhalants	1	.1
	LSD	11	1.0	Cannabis	80	7.0
	Cannabis	95	8.7	Other Drugs	5	.4
	Other Drugs	5	.5	Alcohol	21	1.8
	Alcohol	21	1.9	Total	1137	100.
	Total	1092	100.0			
	Not Known	27				
tal		1119				

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	No Third Drug	735	69.7		No Third Drug	832	75.5
	Inject	3	.3		Inject	15	1.4
	Smoke	96	9.1		Smoke	87	7.9
	Eat/Drink	207	19.6		Eat/Drink	152	13.8
	Sniff	13	1.2		Sniff	16	1.5
	Total	1054	100.0		Total	1102	100.0
	Not Known	65			Not Known	35	
otal		1119		Total		1137	

TABLE 50

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Less than 15 Years	348	37.5		Less than 15 Years	470	46.4
	15 to 19 Years	472	50.9		15 to 19 Years	454	44.9
	20 to 24 Years	79	8.5		20 to 24 Years	63	6.2
	25 to 29 Years	19	2.0		25 to 29 Years	17	1.7
	30 to 34 Years	5	.5		30 to 34 Years	7	.7
	35 Years & Over	5	.5		35 Years & Over	1	.1
	Total	928	100.0		Total	1012	100.0
	Not Known	191			Not Known	125	
tal		1119		Total		1137	

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1997	1998

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

		n	Valid %
	Yes	351	32.9
	No	717	67.1
	Total	1068	100.0
	Not Known	51	
Total		1119	

		n	Valid %
	Yes	338	31.5
	No	734	68.5
	Total	1072	100.0
	Not Known	65	
Total		1137	

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

		n	Valid %
	Yes	113	11.2
	No	182	18.0
	Not Injecting/Sharing	717	70.8
	Total	1012	100.0
	Not Known	107	
Total		1119	

		n	Valid %
-	Yes	93	9.2
	No	184	18.2
	Not Injecting	734	72.6
	Total	1011	100.0
	Not Known	126	
Total		1137	

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

		n	Valid %
	Yes	514	47.5
	No	567	52.5
	Total	1081	100.0
	Not Known	38	
Total		1119	

		n	Valid %
	Yes	538	49.4
	No	550	50.6
	Total	1088	100.0
	Not Known	49	
Total		1137	

RISK BEHAVIOURS

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Less than 15 Years	8	.8		Less than 15 Years	16	1.6
	15 to 19 Years	232	23.0		15 to 19 Years	262	25.9
	20 to 24 Years	137	13.6		20 to 24 Years	139	13.7
	25 to 29 Years	46	4.6		25 to 29 Years	27	2.7
	30 to 34 Years	12	1.2		30 to 34 Years	13	1.3
	35 Years & Over	7	.7		35 Years & Over	5	.5
	Never Injected	567	56.2		Never Injected	550	54.3
	Total	1009	100.0		Total	1012	100.0
	Not Known	110			Not Known	125	
Total		1119		Total		1137	

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Yes	237	23.9		Yes	243	24.4
	No	187	18.9		No	202	20.3
	Never Injected/Shared	567	57.2		Never Injected	550	55.3
	Total	991	100.0		Total	995	100.0
	Not Known	128			Not Known	142	
Total		1119		Total		1137	

TREATMENT CONTACT DETAILS

1007	1998
1447	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
1997	1550

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Treated in EHB	1100	98.3	Treated in EHB	1091	96.0
Treated in SHB	2	.2	Treated in SHB	1	.1
Treated in MWHB	12	1.1	Treated in MWHB	39	3.4
Treated in SEHB	5	.4	Treated in SEHB	6	.5
Total	1119	100.0	Total	1137	100.0

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Resident in EHB	1119	100.0	Resident in EHB	1137	100.0

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Specialised Residential	171	15.3	Specialised Residential	311	27.4
Specialised Non-residential	944	84.4	Specialised Non-residential	825	72.6
General Services	4	.4	General Practice	1	.1
otal	1119	100.0	Total	1137	100.0

TREATMENT CONTACT DETAILS

1997 1998

TABLE 59

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

			•		
	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
New Client	1119	100.0	New Client	1137	100.0

TABLE 60

<u>Ever Previously Treated for Drug Misuse – Contacts Never/Previously Treated.</u> <u>Number and Valid %</u>

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Never Treated	1119	100.0	Never Treated	1137	100.0

TABLE 61
Currently in Treatment Elsewhere. Number and Valid %

			=			
	n	Valid %			n	Valid %
No	1119	100.0		No	1137	100.0

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

		n	Valid %			n	Valid %
	Self	368	33.5		Self	342	30.6
	Family/Friends	218	19.8		Family/Friends	272	24.4
	Other Drug Treatment Centre	96	8.7		Other Drug Treatment Centre	88	7.9
	General Practitioner	83	7.5		General Practioner	135	12.1
	Hospital/Other Medical Agency	53	4.8		Hospital/Other Medical Agency	43	3.9
	Social Services	56	5.1		Social Services	47	4.2
	Court/Probation/Police	157	14.3		Court/ Probation/Police	115	10.3
	Other	69	6.3		Other	74	6.6
	Total	1100	100.0		Total	1116	100.0
	Not Known	19			Not Known	21	
Total		1119		Total		1137	

READER'S NOTES