



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

**NATIONAL DRUG TREATMENT REPORTING SYSTEM**

**STATISTICAL BULLETIN**

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Residents of the  
**South-Eastern Health Board**

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**1997 and 1998**

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**National Drug Treatment Reporting System**

***Contacts Resident in the South-Eastern Health Board***

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

**Numbers and Valid Percentages**

**SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION**

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Male	132	86.3	Male	167	85.2
Female	21	13.7	Female	29	14.8
Total	153	100.0	Total	196	100.0
Not Known	2		Not Known	5	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
15 to 19 Years	55	35.7	15 to 19 Years	67	33.3
20 to 24 Years	55	35.7	20 to 24 Years	77	38.3
25 to 29 Years	21	13.6	25 to 29 Years	30	14.9
30 to 34 Years	18	11.7	30 to 34 Years	15	7.5
35 to 39 Years	2	1.3	35 to 39 Years	7	3.5
40 Years & Over	3	1.9	40 Years & Over	5	2.5
Total	154	100.0	Total	201	100.0
Not Known	1				
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>				

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Primary	28	20.1	Primary Level	30	15.6
Secondary	85	61.2	Secondary Level	139	72.4
Third Level	10	7.2	Third Level	13	6.8
Still in Full-Time Education	16	11.5	Still in Education	10	5.2
Total	139	100.0	Total	192	100.0
Not Known	16		Not Known	9	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Under 15 Years	22	18.2	Under 15 Years	32	17.8
15 Years	36	29.8	15 Years	39	21.7
16 Years	26	21.5	16 Years	48	26.7
17 Years	11	9.1	17 Years	26	14.4
18 Years & Over	10	8.3	18 Years & Over	26	14.4
Still at School	16	13.2	Still at School	9	5.0
Total	121	100.0	Total	180	100.0
Not Known	34		Not Known	21	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Regular/Gainful Employment	31	20.1	Regular/Gainful Employment	63	32.1
Unemployed	98	63.6	Unemployed	108	55.1
FAS/Training Course	5	3.2	FAS/ Training Course	8	4.1
Student	17	11.0	Student	10	5.1
Housewife/Househusband	2	1.3	Housewife/Househusband and	1	.5
Other	1	.6	Retired/ Unable to Work	6	3.1
Total	154	100.0	Total	196	100.0
Not Known	1		Not known	5	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Alone	5	3.3	Alone	10	5.0
Parents/Family	96	62.7	Parents/Family	127	63.8
Friends	7	4.6	Friends	19	9.5
Partner	29	19.0	Partner	25	12.6
Institution	9	5.9	Institution	5	2.5
Temporary/Homeless	3	2.0	Temporary/Homeless	10	5.0
Other	4	2.6	Alone with Children	3	1.5
Total	153	100.0	Total	199	100.0
Not Known	2		Not Known	2	
Total	155		Total	201	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	20	13.9	Yes	18	9.6
No	124	86.1	No	170	90.4
Total	144	100.0	Total	188	100.0
Not Known	11		Not Known	13	
Total	155		Total	201	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Ireland	152	98.7	Ireland	197	98.5
Other	2	1.3	Other	3	1.5
Total	154	100.0	Total	200	100.0
Not Known	1		Not Known	1	
Total	155		Total	201	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Carlow	8	5.2	Carlow	20	10.0
Kilkenny	19	12.3	Kilkenny	19	9.5
Wexford	7	4.5	Wexford	22	10.9
Tipp SR	28	18.1	Tipp SR	18	9.0
Waterford	85	54.8	Waterford	106	52.7
SEHB (area not specified)	8	5.2	SEHB (area not specified)	16	8.0
Total	155	100.0	Total	201	100.0

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**PROBLEM DRUG USE**

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Heroin	11	7.1	Heroin	22	10.9
Cocaine	3	1.9	Morphine Sulphate Tablets	1	.5
Ecstasy	23	14.9	Methadone - Nonmedical	1	.5
Amphetamines	20	13.0	Other Opiates	1	.5
Benzodiazepines	1	.6	Cocaine	9	4.5
LSD	4	2.6	Ecstasy	19	9.5
Volatile Inhalants	1	.6	Amphetamines	22	10.9
Cannabis	90	58.4	Other Stimulants	1	.5
Other Drugs	1	.6	Benzodiazepines	5	2.5
Total	154	100.0	Other Hypnotics & Sedatives	1	.5
Not Known	1		Cannabis	119	59.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Inject	6	3.9	Inject	10	5.0
Smoke	94	61.0	Smoke	132	66.0
Eat/Drink	38	24.7	Eat/Drink	39	19.5
Sniff	16	10.4	Sniff	19	9.5
Total	154	100.0	Total	200	100.0
Not Known	1		Not known	1	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Once a Week	19	13.2	Once a Week or Less	28	15.1
2-6 Days a Week	52	36.1	2-6 Days a Week	62	33.5
Daily	51	35.4	Daily	54	29.2
Not Used Past Month	22	15.3	No Use Past Month	41	22.2
Total	144	100.0	Total	185	100.0
Not Known	11		Not Known	16	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Under 15 years	35	25.0	Under 15 years	40	22.2
15 to 19 Years	81	57.9	15 to 19 Years	110	61.1
20 to 24 Years	14	10.0	20 to 24 Years	23	12.8
25 Years & Over	10	7.1	25 Years & Over	7	3.9
Total	140	100.0	Total	180	100.0
Not Known	15		Not Known	21	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
One Year & Less	27	19.9	One Year & Less	32	18.0
2 to 3 Years	49	36.0	2 to 3 Years	66	37.1
4 to 5 Years	33	24.3	4 to 5 Years	41	23.0
6 to 9 Years	16	11.8	6 to 9 Years	27	15.2
10 Years & Over	11	8.1	10 Years & Over	12	6.7
Total	136	100.0	Total	178	100.0
Not Known	19		Not Known	23	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No Second Drug	27	17.4	No Second Drug	35	17.4
Heroin	2	1.3	Heroin	3	1.5
Other Opiates	1	.6	Morphine Sulphate Tablets	1	.5
Cocaine	5	3.2	Methadone - Nonmedical	1	.5
Ecstasy	37	23.9	Methadone - Medical	1	.5
Amphetamines	33	21.3	Cocaine	5	2.5
Benzodiazepines	2	1.3	Ecstasy	48	23.9
Other Hypnotics & Sedatives	1	.6	Amphetamines	51	25.4
LSD	11	7.1	Benzodiazepines	2	1.0
Other Hallucinogens	1	.6	LSD	4	2.0
Volatile Inhalants	1	.6	Other Hallucinogens	1	.5
Cannabis	24	15.5	Cannabis	30	14.9
Other Drugs	1	.6	Other Drugs	1	.5
Alcohol	9	5.8	Alcohol	18	9.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No Second Drug	27	17.6	No Second Drug	35	17.9
Inject	2	1.3	Inject	2	1.0
Smoke	28	18.3	Smoke	35	17.9
Eat/Drink	74	48.4	Eat/Drink	95	48.5
Sniff	22	14.4	Sniff	29	14.8
Total	153	100.0	Total	196	100.0
Not Known	2		Not Known	5	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No Third Drug	57	36.8	No Third Drug	71	35.3
Heroin	1	.6	Heroin	4	2.0
Cocaine	3	1.9	Cocaine	5	2.5
Ecstasy	20	12.9	Ecstasy	31	15.4
Amphetamines	20	12.9	Amphetamines	40	19.9
Benzodiazepines	2	1.3	Benzodiazepines	4	2.0
LSD	10	6.5	LSD	7	3.5
Other Hallucinogens	2	1.3	Volatile Inhalants	1	.5
Volatile Inhalants	3	1.9	Cannabis	21	10.4
Cannabis	19	12.3	Other Drugs	1	.5
Alcohol	18	11.6	Alcohol	16	8.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No Third Drug	57	37.7	No Third Drug	71	37.2
Smoke	18	11.9	Inject	1	.5
Eat/Drink	65	43.0	Smoke	23	12.0
Sniff	11	7.3	Eat/Drink	73	38.2
Total	151	100.0	Sniff	23	12.0
Not Known	4		Total	191	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		Not Known	10	
			<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Less than 15 Years	52	40.0	Less than 15 Years	56	32.6
15 to 19 Years	65	50.0	15 to 19 Years	108	62.8
20 to 24 Years	7	5.4	20 to 24 Years	6	3.5
25 to 29 Years	4	3.1	25 to 29 Years	1	.6
30 to 34 Years	1	.8	35 Years & Over	1	.6
35 Years & Over	1	.8	Total	172	100.0
Total	130	100.0	Not Known	29	
Not Known	25		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>				

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	4	2.7	Yes	4	2.0
No	145	97.3	No	193	98.0
Total	149	100.0	Total	197	100.0
Not Known	6		Not Known	4	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	2	1.4	Yes	1	.5
No	1	.7	No	3	1.5
Not Injecting/Sharing	145	98.0	Not Injecting	193	98.0
Total	148	100.0	Total	197	100.0
Not Known	7		Not Known	4	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	9	6.3	Yes	23	12.0
No	135	93.8	No	168	88.0
Total	144	100.0	Total	191	100.0
Not Known	11		Not Known	10	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
15 to 19 Years	2	1.4	15 to 19 Years	6	3.2
20 to 24 Years	4	2.8	20 to 24 Years	12	6.4
25 to 29 Years	1	.7	25 to 29 Years	2	1.1
30 to 34 Years	1	.7	Never Injected	168	89.4
Never Injected	135	94.4	Total	188	100.0
Total	143	100.0	Not Known	13	
Not Known	12		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>				

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	4	2.9	Yes	10	5.3
No	1	.7	No	9	4.8
Never Injected/Shared	135	96.4	Never Injected	168	89.8
Total	140	100.0	Total	187	100.0
Not Known	15		Not Known	14	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	

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**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	10	6.5	Treated in EHB	15	7.5
Treated in SHB	7	4.5	Treated in SHB	3	1.5
Treated in MWHB	10	6.5	Treated in MWHB	1	.5
Treated in SEHB	128	82.6	Treated in SEHB	182	90.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Resident in SEHB	155	100.0	Resident in SEHB	201	100.0

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Specialised Residential	27	17.4	Specialised Residential	38	18.9
Specialised Non-residential	119	76.8	Specialised Non-residential	152	75.6
General Services	9	5.8	General Services	11	5.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
New Client	127	83.0	New Client	152	76.0
Old Client	26	17.0	Old Client	48	24.0
Total	153	100.0	Total	200	100.0
Not Known	2		Not Known	1	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Never Treated	100	68.5	Never Treated	121	62.4
Previously Treated	46	31.5	Previously Treated	73	37.6
Total	146	100.0	Total	194	100.0
Not Known	9		Not Known	7	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	3	2.0	Yes	7	3.6
No	145	98.0	No	188	96.4
Total	148	100.0	Total	195	100.0
Not Known	7		Not Known	6	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Self	47	30.5	Self	66	33.0
Family/Friends	15	9.7	Family/Friends	25	12.5
Other Drug Treatment Centre	4	2.6	Other Drug Treatment Centre	4	2.0
General Practitioner	18	11.7	General Practitioner	28	14.0
Hospital/Other Medical Agency	9	5.8	Hospital/Other Medical Agency	28	14.0
Social Services	9	5.8	Social Services	4	2.0
Court/Probation/Police	44	28.6	Court/ Probation/Police	39	19.5
Other	8	5.2	Other	6	3.0
Total	154	100.0	Total	200	100.0
Not Known	1		Not Known	1	
<b>Total</b>	<b>155</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>201</b>	



**National Drug Treatment Reporting System**

**Contacts Resident in the South-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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TABLE 32  
**Gender. Number and Valid %**

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Male	91	91.0	Male	102	85.7
Female	9	9.0	Female	17	14.3
Total	100	100.0	Total	119	100.0
			Not Known	2	
			Total	121	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
15 to 19 Years	42	42.0	15 to 19 Years	43	35.5
20 to 24 Years	34	34.0	20 to 24 Years	50	41.3
25 to 29 Years	13	13.0	25 to 29 Years	15	12.4
30 to 34 Years	10	10.0	30 to 34 Years	6	5.0
40 Years & Over	1	1.0	35 to 39 Years	5	4.1
Total	100	100.0	40 Years & Over	2	1.7
			Total	121	100.0

## First Treatment Contacts

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Primary	20	21.3	Primary Level	19	16.1
Secondary	56	59.6	Secondary Level	82	69.5
Third Level	5	5.3	Third Level	11	9.3
Still in Full-Time Education	13	13.8	Still in Education	6	5.1
Total	94	100.0	Total	118	100.0
Not Known	6		Not Known	3	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Under 15 Years	15	17.9	Under 15 Years	18	16.2
15 Years	24	28.6	15 Years	18	16.2
16 Years	20	23.8	16 Years	34	30.6
17 Years	8	9.5	17 Years	18	16.2
18 Years & Over	4	4.8	18 Years & Over	17	15.3
Still at School	13	15.5	Still at School	6	5.4
Total	84	100.0	Total	111	100.0
Not Known	16		Not Known	10	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Regular/Gainful Employment	22	22.0	Regular/Gainful Employment	42	35.9
Unemployed	58	58.0	Unemployed	61	52.1
FAS/Training Course	4	4.0	FAS/ Training Course	5	4.3
Student	14	14.0	Student	6	5.1
Housewife/Househusband	2	2.0	Housewife/Househusband and	1	.9
Total	100	100.0	Retired/ Unable to Work	2	1.7
			Total	117	100.0
			Not known	4	
			<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Alone	2	2.0	Alone	5	4.2
Parents/Family	64	64.6	Parents/Family	81	67.5
Friends	6	6.1	Friends	13	10.8
Partner	22	22.2	Partner	13	10.8
Institution	4	4.0	Institution	2	1.7
Other	1	1.0	Temporary/Homeless	5	4.2
Total	99	100.0	Alone with Children	1	.8
Not Known	1		Total	120	100.0
Total	100		Not Known	1	
			Total	121	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	11	11.5	Yes	9	7.8
No	85	88.5	No	107	92.2
Total	96	100.0	Total	116	100.0
Not Known	4		Not Known	5	
Total	100		Total	121	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Ireland	100	100.0	Ireland	120	99.2
			Other	1	.8
			Total	121	100.0

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Carlow	3	3.0	Carlow	11	9.1
Kilkenny	6	6.0	Kilkenny	15	12.4
Wexford	2	2.0	Wexford	14	11.6
Tipp SR	19	19.0	Tipp SR	11	9.1
Waterford	66	66.0	Waterford	63	52.1
SEHB (area not specified)	4	4.0	SEHB (area not specified)	7	5.8
Total	100	100.0	Total	121	100.0

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Heroin	4	4.0	Heroin	10	8.3
Cocaine	1	1.0	Other Opiates	1	.8
Ecstasy	13	13.1	Cocaine	3	2.5
Amphetamines	15	15.2	Ecstasy	11	9.1
LSD	2	2.0	Amphetamines	11	9.1
Cannabis	64	64.6	Other Stimulants	1	.8
Total	99	100.0	Benzodiazepines	2	1.7
Not Known	1		Other Hypnotics & Sedatives	1	.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>		Cannabis	81	66.9
			<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Inject	2	2.0	Inject	3	2.5
Smoke	65	65.0	Smoke	88	72.7
Eat/Drink	24	24.0	Eat/Drink	23	19.0
Sniff	9	9.0	Sniff	7	5.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Once a Week	15	15.3	Once a Week or Less	22	19.5
2-6 Days a Week	35	35.7	2-6 Days a Week	35	31.0
Daily	34	34.7	Daily	36	31.9
Not Used Past Month	14	14.3	No Use Past Month	20	17.7
Total	98	100.0	Total	113	100.0
Not Known	2		Not Known	8	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Under 15 years	26	27.1	Under 15 years	22	20.2
15 to 19 Years	54	56.3	15 to 19 Years	71	65.1
20 to 24 Years	9	9.4	20 to 24 Years	14	12.8
25 Years & Over	7	7.3	25 Years & Over	2	1.8
Total	96	100.0	Total	109	100.0
Not Known	4		Not Known	12	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
One Year & Less	21	22.3	One Year & Less	19	17.9
2 to 3 Years	38	40.4	2 to 3 Years	40	37.7
4 to 5 Years	21	22.3	4 to 5 Years	27	25.5
6 to 9 Years	10	10.6	6 to 9 Years	13	12.3
10 Years & Over	4	4.3	10 Years & Over	7	6.6
Total	94	100.0	Total	106	100.0
Not Known	6		Not Known	15	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No Second Drug	21	21.0	No Second Drug	27	22.3
Other Opiates	1	1.0	Heroin	1	.8
Ecstasy	26	26.0	Cocaine	3	2.5
Amphetamines	25	25.0	Ecstasy	30	24.8
Benzodiazepines	1	1.0	Amphetamines	36	29.8
Other Hypnotics & Sedatives	1	1.0	Benzodiazepines	1	.8
LSD	6	6.0	LSD	1	.8
Volatile Inhalants	1	1.0	Other Hallucinogens	1	.8
Cannabis	14	14.0	Cannabis	14	11.6
Alcohol	4	4.0	Alcohol	7	5.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No Second Drug	21	21.2	No Second Drug	27	22.7
Smoke	14	14.1	Smoke	18	15.1
Eat/Drink	51	51.5	Eat/Drink	54	45.4
Sniff	13	13.1	Sniff	20	16.8
Total	99	100.0	Total	119	100.0
Not Known	1		Not Known	2	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No Third Drug	41	41.0	No Third Drug	50	41.3
Cocaine	2	2.0	Heroin	2	1.7
Ecstasy	13	13.0	Cocaine	3	2.5
Amphetamines	15	15.0	Ecstasy	18	14.9
LSD	5	5.0	Amphetamines	24	19.8
Other Hallucinogens	2	2.0	LSD	6	5.0
Volatile Inhalants	2	2.0	Volatile Inhalants	1	.8
Cannabis	10	10.0	Cannabis	8	6.6
Alcohol	10	10.0	Alcohol	9	7.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No Third Drug	41	41.8	No Third Drug	50	43.5
Smoke	9	9.2	Inject	1	.9
Eat/Drink	42	42.9	Smoke	10	8.7
Sniff	6	6.1	Eat/Drink	41	35.7
Total	98	100.0	Sniff	13	11.3
Not Known	2		Total	115	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>		Not Known	6	
			<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Less than 15 Years	35	38.5	Less than 15 Years	30	29.4
15 to 19 Years	47	51.6	15 to 19 Years	67	65.7
20 to 24 Years	4	4.4	20 to 24 Years	5	4.9
25 to 29 Years	3	3.3	Total	102	100.0
30 to 34 Years	1	1.1	Not Known	19	
35 Years & Over	1	1.1	<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	
Total	91	100.0			
Not Known	9				
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>				

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	2	2.0	Yes	1	.8
No	97	98.0	No	120	99.2
Total	99	100.0	Total	121	100.0
Not Known	1				
Total	100				

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	1	1.0	Yes	1	.8
No	1	1.0	Not Injecting	120	99.2
Not Injecting/Sharing	97	98.0	Total	121	100.0
Total	99	100.0			
Not Known	1				
Total	100				

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	3	3.1	Yes	5	4.3
No	95	96.9	No	110	95.7
Total	98	100.0	Total	115	100.0
Not Known	2		Not Known	6	
Total	100		Total	121	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
15 to 19 Years	1	1.0	15 to 19 Years	2	1.7
20 to 24 Years	2	2.0	20 to 24 Years	2	1.7
Never Injected	95	96.9	25 to 29 Years	1	.9
Total	98	100.0	Never Injected	110	95.7
Not Known	2		Total	115	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>		Not Known	6	
			<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Yes	2	2.0	Yes	3	2.6
No	1	1.0	No	2	1.7
Never Injected/Shared	95	96.9	Never Injected	110	95.7
Total	98	100.0	Total	115	100.0
Not Known	2		Not Known	6	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Treated in EHB	6	6.0	Treated in EHB	9	7.4
Treated in SHB	4	4.0	Treated in SHB	1	.8
Treated in MWHB	4	4.0	Treated in SEHB	111	91.7
Treated in SEHB	86	86.0	<b>Total</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100.0</b>			

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Resident in SEHB	100	100.0	Resident in SEHB	121	100.0

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Specialised Residential	11	11.0	Specialised Residential	21	17.4
Specialised Non-residential	89	89.0	Specialised Non-residential	95	78.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100.0</b>	General Services	5	4.1
			<b>Total</b>	<b>121</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	100	100.0	New Client	121	100.0

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Never Treated	100	100.0	Never Treated	121	100.0

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
No	100	100.0	No	121	100.0

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

	n	Valid %		n	Valid %
Self	35	35.4	Self	41	33.9
Family/Friends	11	11.1	Family/Friends	16	13.2
Other Drug Treatment Centre	3	3.0	Other Drug Treatment Centre	1	.8
General Practitioner	7	7.1	General Practitioner	22	18.2
Hospital/Other Medical Agency	3	3.0	Hospital/Other Medical Agency	14	11.6
Social Services	4	4.0	Social Services	3	2.5
Court/Probation/Police	33	33.3	Court/ Probation/Police	21	17.4
Other	3	3.0	Other	3	2.5
Total	99	100.0	Total	121	100.0
Not Known	1				
Total	100				



**READER'S NOTES**

