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Drug Related Deaths by Type of Drug - Total Drug Related Deaths

Drug Related to Cause of Death	2004	2005
T391 4-Aminophenol derivatives	31	52
T400 Opium	0	3
T401 Heroin	145	131
T402 Other opioids	204	232
T403 Methadone	88	106
T404 Other synthetic narcotics	11	23
T405 Cocaine	15	17
T406 Other and unspecified narcotics	68	54
T407 Cannabis (derivatives)	12	20
T409 Other and unspecified psychodysleptics [hallucinogens]	0	0
T424 Benzodiazepines	209	249
T430-T432 Antidepressants	190	200
T436 Psychostimulants with abuse potential	61	79
T51 Toxic effect of alcohol	175	178
No poisoning ^a		
DRUG RELATED DEATHS^b	1231	1388

- a) At time of death no toxic levels of drugs were present but organ failure was due to long term drug use.
- b) Deaths may have mention of more than one drug, therefore components do not add to total.
- c) Mental and behavioral disorders due to psychoactive substance use (excluding tobacco & volatile solvents).
- d) Accidental poisoning by and exposure to noxious substances (drugs, medicaments & biological substances).
- e) Intentional self-poisoning by and exposure to drugs.
- f) Assault by drugs, medicaments and biologicals.
- g) Drug related deaths with undetermined intent (whether accidental or with intent to harm).
- n.p. Not available for publication but included in totals where applicable, unless otherwise indicated.

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Underlying Cause of Death - Numbers and Years of Potential Life Lost (age standardised)^a - Persons Aged 1 - 78 years

Underlying Cause of Death	2004		2005	
	Deaths	YPPL	Deaths	YPPL
Malignant neoplasms (C00-C97)	24967	334021	24854	
Malignant neoplasm of colon, rectum (C18-21)	2687	33437	2688	
Malignant neoplasm of breast (C50)	1937	34304	1994	
Malignant neoplasm of trachea, bronchus and lung (C33,C34)	5234	60185	5253	
Acute myocardial infarction (I21)	4631	47283	4026	
Cerebrovascular diseases (I60-I69)	3284	31351	3048	
Transport accidents (V01-V99)	1576	64976	1510	
Intentional self harm ^b	1771	65609	1765	
Human immunodeficiency virus [HIV] disease (B20-B24) ^c	117	3506	103	
Drug related (F11-F16, F19, F55, X40-X44, X60-X64, X85, Y10-Y14)	921	35514	970	
Alcohol related deaths (F10, X45, X65, Y15)	239	5196	243	
Methadone (T403) ^d	15	615	19	
All Causes	62708	952598	60752	

- a) Years of Potential Life Lost data standardised to the 2001 population
- b) Excludes suicide deaths due to drug use
- c) HIV deaths are based upon multiple causes of death rather than underlying causes of death
- d) For deaths where methadone was the only drug mentioned on the death certificate

Note: YPPL figures may vary from ABS previously published data, as population data used in YPPL calculations may be revised

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Drug Related Deaths by Type of Drug - *Total Drug Related Deaths*

Type of Drug	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	1997-2005	% of Total
All Opiates	973	1016	1386	1111	503	481	454	459	518	6901	55.77%
Sub-total Opiates	916	971	1318	1068	476	462	432	448	495	6586	53.22%
Paracetamol	87	88	110	108	71	73	52	31	52	672	5.43%
Opium	3	4	441	417	2	0	0	0	3	870	7.03%
Heroin	281	351			113	97	151	145	131	1269	10.25%
Other Opioids	455	457	678	490	227	243	189	204	232	3175	25.66%
Methadone	120	114	131	118	107	103	70	88	106	957	7.73%
Other Narcotics	57	45	68	43	27	19	22	11	23	315	2.55%
Cocaine	16	32	25	27	30	13	10	15	17	185	1.49%
Other Narcotics	130	212	156	102	82	70	75	68	54	949	7.67%
Cannabis	43	25	39	49	28	23	11	12	20	250	2.02%
Hallucinogens	2	2	1		1	0	0	0	0	6	0.05%
Benzodiazepines	352	347	503	403	252	264	225	209	249	2804	22.66%
Antidepressants	233	215	300	104	194	249	154	190	200	1839	14.86%
Amphetamines	29	47	76	268	59	62	34	61	79	715	5.78%
Alcohol Toxicity	212	244	260	252	167	215	164	175	178	1867	15.09%
No poisoning	54	61	71	70	23	1231	1211	1231		3952	31.94%
DRUG RELATED DEATHS	1323	1645	1739	1569	1038	1231	1211	1231	1388	12375	

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Underlying Cause of Death - Numbers and Years of Potential Life Lost (age standardised)^a - *Persons Aged 1 - 78 years*

Underlying Cause of Death	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	1997-2005	% of Total
AMI	7860	7474	6831	6233	5954	5648	5040	4631	4026	53697	9.11%
Lung Ca	5192	5288	5308	5223	5340	5489	5115	5234	5253	47442	8.05%
CVA	4181	4111	3986	3840	3624	3548	3447	3284	3048	33069	5.61%
Ca Colon	3313	3275	3149	3196	3153	3072	2907	2687	2688	27440	4.66%
Suicide	2326	2299	2135	2017	2092	1952	1867	1771	1765	18224	3.09%
Breast Ca	2060	1972	1948	1906	1934	2019	2001	1937	1994	17771	3.01%
MVA	1928	1873	1887	1905	1881	1790	1694	1576	1510	16044	2.72%
Drugs+Methadone	1427	1712	1845	1662	1109	1014	985	1009	1076	11839	2.01%
Drugs	1307	1598	1714	1544	1002	911	915	921	970	10882	1.85%
Alcohol	251	206	234	255	248	270	236	239	243	2182	0.37%
HIV	263	176	165	172	146	129	125	117	103	1396	0.24%
Methadone (All)	120	114	131	118	107	103	70	88	106	957	0.16%
Methadone (Only)	3	9	6	7	15	14	9	15	19	97	0.02%
All Causes	69879	68603	67750	66025	64881	65129	63746	62708	60752	589473	