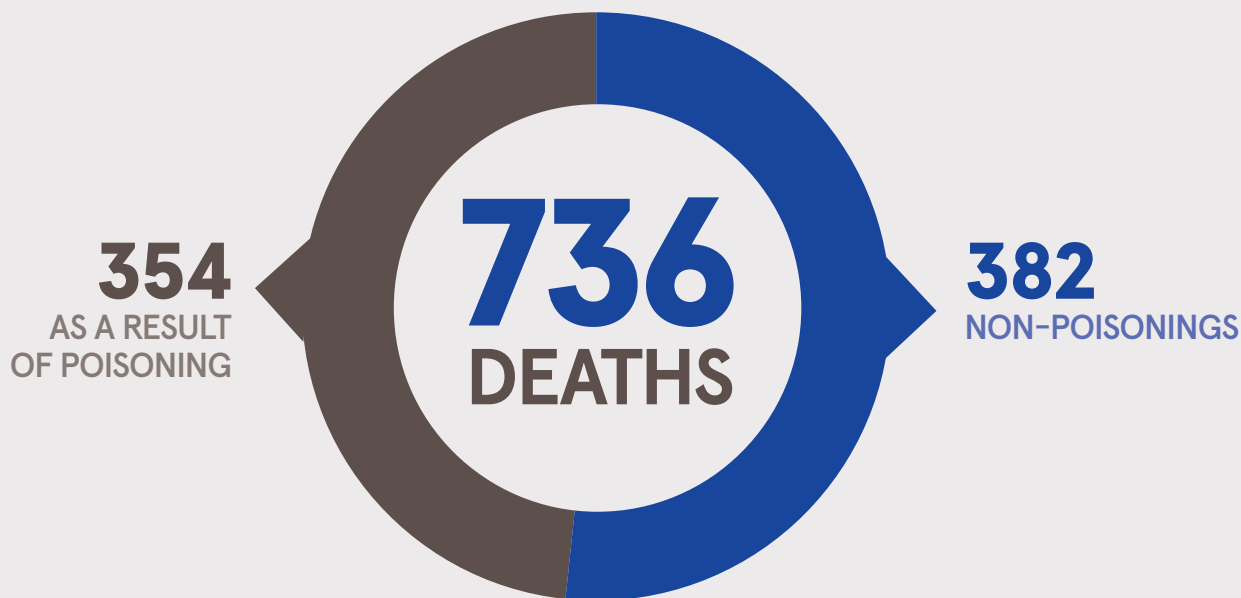


# 2016 : DRUG-RELATED DEATHS IN IRELAND

## ALL DRUG-RELATED DEATHS IN 2016



**21,300**  
POTENTIAL LIFE YEARS LOST



**42 yrs**  
MEDIAN AGE

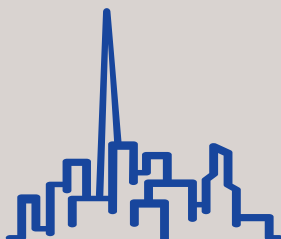


**3 in 4**  
WERE MALE

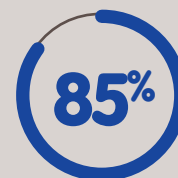
## INJECTING AT TIME OF DEATH



**34**  
DEATHS



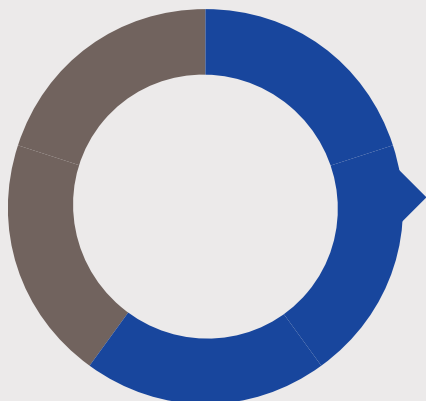
**2 in 3**  
OCCURRED IN DUBLIN CITY



**85%**  
INVOLVED OPIATES

POISONING DEATHS IN 2016

**354**  
POISONING  
DEATHS



**3 in 5**  
INVOLVED POLYDRUGS  
WITH AN AVERAGE OF  
4 DIFFERENT DRUGS  
IMPLICATED

DRUGS IMPLICATED IN POISONING DEATHS

**ALCOHOL**  
1 in 3



**ILLICIT  
DRUGS** : 72  
HEROIN  
DEATHS



**73%** OF POISONING DEATHS INVOLVED  
**LICIT DRUGS**  
(PRESCRIPTION OR OVER-THE-COUNTER)



3 IN 10  
**METHADONE**

1 IN 4  
**DIAZEPAM**

14 TO 65  
**PREGABALIN**

NON-POISONING DEATHS IN 2016

**382**  
NON-POISONING  
DEATHS

(Medical or trauma deaths among  
people who use drugs)



**7 in 10**  
DEATHS DUE TO  
HANGING HAD A  
HISTORY OF MENTAL  
HEALTH PROBLEMS

**NEED ADVICE**

If you have any concerns regarding  
drugs you should contact:  
[www.drugs.ie](http://www.drugs.ie) or call 1800 459 459

Family members affected by drugs can  
contact the National Family Support Network:  
[www.fsn.ie](http://www.fsn.ie) or call 01 898 0148