National Drug Related Deaths Index - 2014 data

2014 Drug-related deaths

697 Deaths
Poisonings 354
Non-poisonings 343

50% Premature deaths aged 39 years or younger
3 in 4 male

Poisoning deaths 2014

354 Deaths
decrease 11% from 397 in 2013

2 in 3 took a mixture of drugs. On average 4 different types

Alcohol implicated in 1 in 3
Drugs implicated in deaths

**Prescription**

3 in every 4 deaths involved prescription drugs

1 in 3

**Diazepam** most common prescription drug implicated

3 in 10

**Methadone**

**Illicit**

Heroin

1 in 4

**Half** of heroin-related deaths were injectors

Cocaine

↑ 25% since 2013

**Non-Poisoning deaths 2014**

343 Deaths

increase 14% from 301 in 2013

1 in 4 deaths as a result of hanging

↑ 21% increase in hanging since 2013

2 in 3 of those who died by hanging had a history of mental health illness

NEED ADVICE

If you have any concerns regarding drugs you should contact: www.drugs.ie or call 1800 459 459

Family members affected by drugs can contact the National Family Support Network: www.fsn.ie or call 01 8980148

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