

Key messages – Hampshire Substance Misuse Needs Assessment, 2022

Alcohol

Alcohol use is widespread, nationally and locally

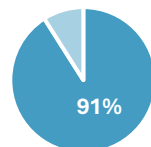
257,500 people aged 16 and over drinking more than 14 units per week in Hampshire

30.3% nationally



15.5% nationally

11,250 people are estimated to be dependent on alcohol in Hampshire

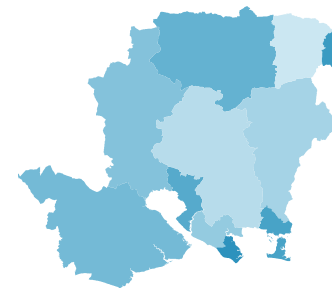


Of those the majority are not receiving treatment



Admissions for alcohol related conditions are higher in Hampshire than England

Rates of alcohol specific deaths are higher in Gosport, Havant and Rushmoor than Hampshire



Drugs

Prevalence of drug use in the national adult population varies:

7.8% used **cannabis** in last year

2.6% used **powder cocaine** in last year

0.07% used **crack** in last year

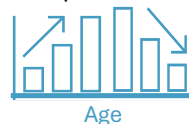
0.03% used **heroin** in last year

11.9% any drug in last year



6.9% any drug in last year

3,434 people are estimated to use opiates or crack in Hampshire



and the majority were aged 35 to 64

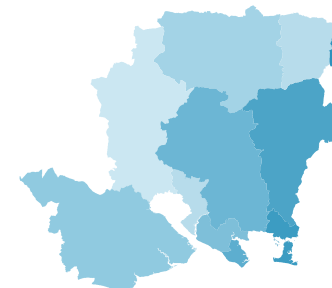


An estimated **55%** are in treatment



Admissions for substance misuse for young people is higher than national

Rates of drug related deaths are higher in Havant and Rushmoor than Hampshire



Vulnerable populations

There are specific groups which are more vulnerable to experiencing substance misuse including:



Alcohol dependency and drug use is higher in areas of greater deprivation



61% of people being treated for alcohol, and 59% for drugs, were identified as having a mental health need



Veterans are more likely to experience depression, anxiety and PTSD



Between 58-69% of those in prison nationally had used drugs in the last year



Those experiencing homelessness have higher rates of drug and alcohol related deaths nationally