

## Statistics from the Northern Ireland Drug Addicts Index 2012

This statistical bulletin summarises information on all those persons registered on the Northern Ireland Drug Addicts Index at 31 December 2012 in concurrence with the Misuse of Drugs (Notification of and Supply to Addicts) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 1973. It also contains information on those added to, or removed from, the Addicts Index during 2012. It has been produced from the Addicts Index Database by the Public Health Information & Research Branch (PHIRB) on behalf of the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety.

### Summary

In Northern Ireland during 2012:

- There were 226 persons registered on the Addicts Index at 31 December 2012, a decrease of 46 from 272 persons registered at 31 December 2011.
- There were 203 renotifications in 2012, compared with 240 in 2011. There were 23 new notifications to the Addicts Index in 2012. Fifty-six cases were removed from the Addicts Index during 2012 for various reasons including ‘death’, ‘addiction ceased’, ‘not resident in Northern Ireland’ or ‘whereabouts unknown’.
- In 2012, 76% of addicts were male, in comparison with 79% of addicts in 2011. The age profile was similar in 2011 and 2012, with the only difference being that in 2012 23% of registered addicts were aged 29 years and under compared with 26% in 2011.
- Heroin was the most frequently used notifiable drug, reported by 83% of all addicts registered at 31 December 2012. Methadone (19%) and cocaine (7%) remained the next most commonly reported drugs.
- In 2012, 57% of registered addicts whose injecting behaviour was known reported currently injecting, similar to 2011 where 55% reported currently injecting.
- Of the 226 individuals on the Addicts Index, 10% (23) were registered within the last year, 48% (109) have been registered for between 1 and 5 years, 22% (50) have been registered between 6 and 9 years, and 19% (44) have been registered for 10 years or more.

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## 1. Introduction

### Statutory Requirement: Notification of Addicts

1.1 Until March 1997, information about drug addicts in Northern Ireland was included in the UK Addicts Index maintained by the Home Office. However, the emergence of drug misuse databases in Great Britain led the Home Office to discontinue the UK Index and doctors in Great Britain are no longer required to notify cases of addiction to Chief Medical Officers.

1.2 This change does not affect Northern Ireland. Doctors here remain under a legal obligation to report cases of addiction.

1.3 The Misuse of Drugs (Notification of and Supply to Addicts) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 1973 require any doctor to notify the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) of the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety in writing within 7 days, if they attend a patient who he considers to be, or has reasonable grounds to suspect is, addicted to any of the following controlled drugs:

**Cocaine**

**Methadone (Physeptone)**

**Dextromoramide (Palfium)**

**Morphine**

**Diamorphine (Heroin)**

**Opium**

**Dipipanone (Constituent of Diconal)**

**Oxycodone**

**Hydrocodone**

**Pethidine**

**Hydromorphone**

**Phenazocine**

**Levorphanol**

**Piritramide**

1.4 Failure to notify within 7 days can result in disciplinary action against the doctor. Although notification does not imply that a prescription for a controlled drug has been, or will be, given by the doctor, where this is the case full details should be supplied.

The following Information must be supplied:

**Name**

**Address**

**Gender**

**Date of Birth**

**Health Service Number of patient (if known)**

**Date of attendance**

**Name of the drug or drugs concerned**

1.5 The above regulations require addiction cases to be renotified annually.

1.6 All notifications may be addressed to the following medical contact within the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety:

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**Medical Officer**

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### Other Information

1.7 It must be noted that the Addicts Index does not provide information on the overall size and scope of problem drug use in Northern Ireland – as it reports only on those *addicted* to certain notifiable drugs. It does not include information on those known to be using these same drugs – where they are not considered to be addicted. Information on persons with problem drug use presenting to services for treatment is available from the Northern Ireland Drug Misuse Database (DMD). Publications from the DMD can be obtained from the DHSSPS website at

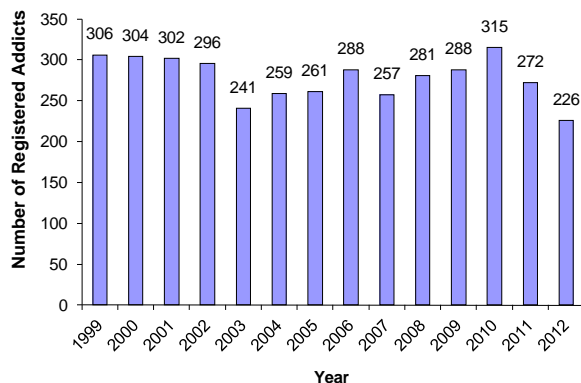
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Further information on the management of drug misuse is contained in 'Drug Misuse and Dependence – Guidelines on Clinical Management' and in the 'Northern Ireland Protocol for Opiate Detoxification' issued by the Department in 1999.

## 2. Persons on Index

**2.1** Figure 1 shows that there were 226 persons registered on the Addicts Index at 31 December 2012, a decrease of 46 from 272 persons registered at 31 December 2011 (Table 1).

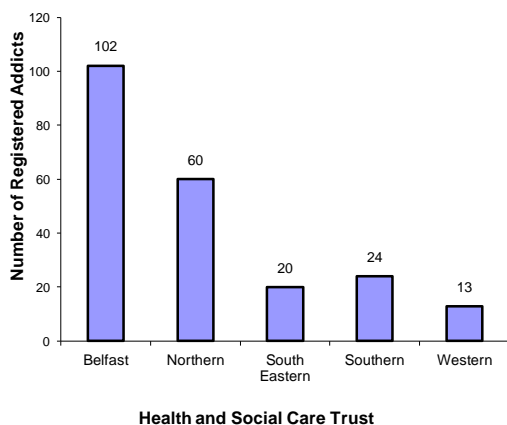
**Figure 1. Number of Registered Addicts in Northern Ireland (1999 - 2012)**



The 2005 figures in this report have been revised since first published on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2006.

**2.2** The Belfast Health and Social Care Trust had 102 registered addicts (47%), compared with 60 in the Northern HSCT (27%), 24 in the Southern HSCT (11%), 20 in the South Eastern HSCT (9%) and 13 in the Western HSCT (6%) (Table 1; Figure 2).

**Figure 2. Registered Addicts by Health and Social Care Trust**

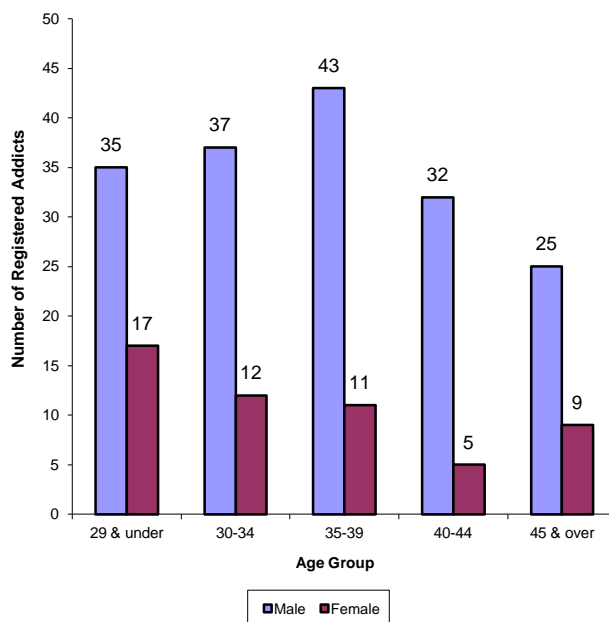


In 2012 there were 7 persons registered for whom Health and Social Care Trust could not be established

## Age and Gender

**2.3** Just under one quarter of registered addicts were aged 29 years and under at 31 December 2012 (52 registered addicts; 23%). 46% of registered addicts were aged between 30 and 39 years – 49 were aged 30-34 years and 54 were aged 35-39 years. 37 were aged 40-44 years and 34 were aged 45 years and over (Table 2 & 3; Figure 3).

**Figure 3. Registered Addicts by Age and Gender**

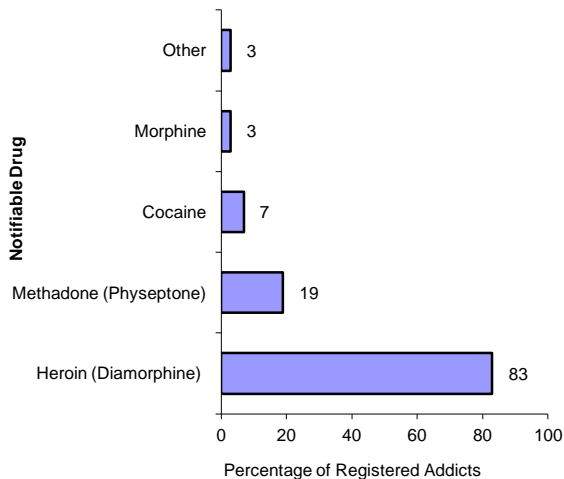


**2.4** Figure 3 shows that overall there were more males (172) than females (54) registered on the Addicts Index in 2012 - this was also true within each of the age groups. The gender breakdown broadly mirrors the findings of previous years; with males comprising the majority of all registered addicts since 1999 (Table 4).

## Notifiable Drug Used

2.5 Figure 4 shows that over four fifths (83%; 187 individuals) of those registered on the Addicts Index are reported as being addicted to heroin. This is followed by almost one fifth (19%; 44 individuals) reported as being addicted to methadone. Seven per cent (15 individuals) were recorded as being addicted to cocaine (Table 5a).

Figure 4. Notifiable Drug Used



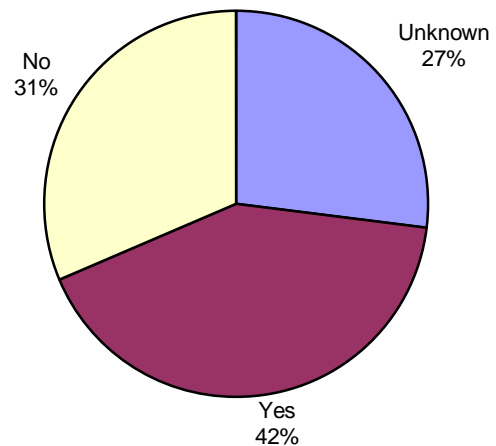
Individuals can be addicted to more than one notifiable drug and thus the percentages will total more than 100.

2.6 Of those registered on the Addicts Index at 31 December 2012, 160 individuals were recorded as being addicted to heroin only; a further 14 were addicted to heroin and methadone and 9 individuals were addicted to heroin and cocaine. Overall, 14% (31 individuals) of all registered addicts were recorded as being addicted to more than one notifiable drug (Table 5b).

## Injecting Behaviour

2.7 Of the 226 addicts registered at 31 December 2012, the injecting behaviour of 165 was known. Of these, 94 (57%) were known to be currently injecting while 71 (43%) did not inject (Table 6; Figure 5).

Figure 5. Injecting Behaviour

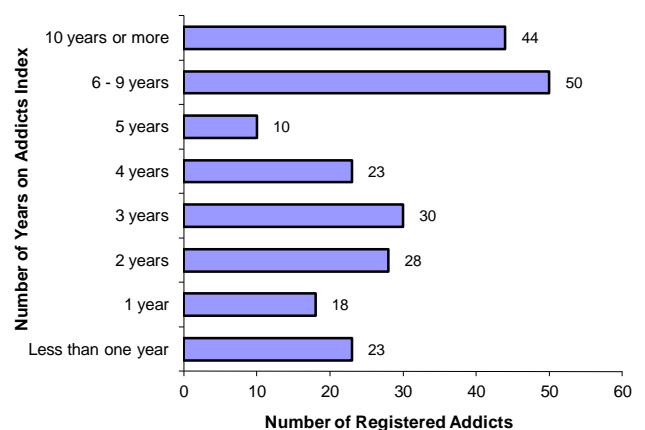


Total: 226

## Duration on Addicts Index

2.8 Figure 6 shows that of the 226 individuals on the Addicts Index at 31 December 2012, 10% (23) were registered within the last year, 48% (109) have been registered for between 1 and 5 years, 22% (50) have been registered between 6 and 9 years, and 19% (44) have been registered for 10 years or more.

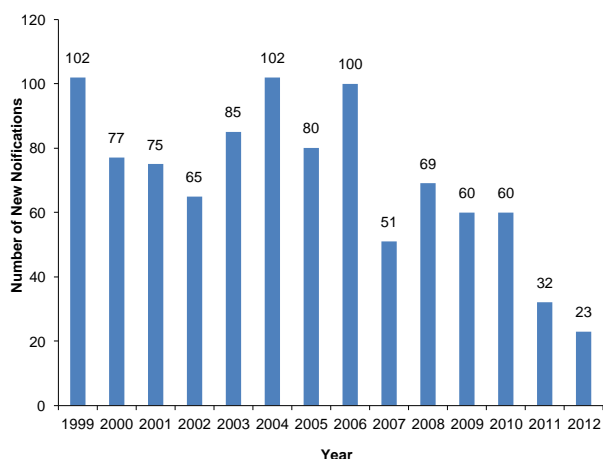
Figure 6. Years Registered on Addicts Index



## 3. New Notifications

3.1 There were 23 new notifications in 2012, compared with 32 in 2011. Of these, one had previously been registered with the Addicts Index but had been removed. The reason for previous removal was no evidence of ongoing addiction (Figure 7).

**Figure 7. New Notifications**



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**Source of New Notifications**

**3.2** Of the 23 new notifications in 2012, 21 (91%) were notified by Drug Addiction Units, while 2 (9%) were notified by a General Practitioner (Table 7).

**3.3** The highest number of new addicts were notified from within the Belfast Health and Social Care Trust (12 individuals, 52%), while 6 (26%) were notified from within the Western Health and Social Care Trust

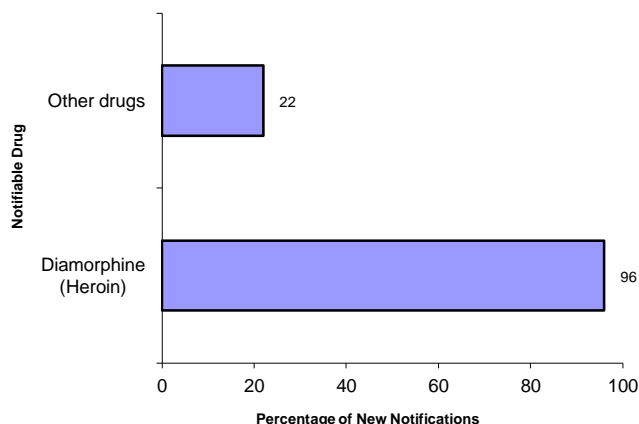
**Age and Gender**

**3.4** Of the 23 new addicts registered in 2012, 11 (48%) were aged 29 years and under while 5 (22%) were aged 30-34 years. Males comprised just under two-thirds (65%) of new notifications in 2012 (Tables 9a and 9b).

**Notifiable Drug Used**

**3.5** Of the 23 new notifications in 2012, 22 (96%) were addicted to heroin. Five (22%) were addicted to other drugs (Table 10a; Figure 8).

**Figure 8. Notifiable Drug Used (% New Notifications)**



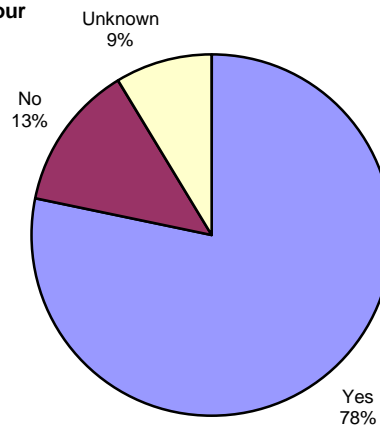
Individuals can be addicted to more than one notifiable drug and thus the percentages will total more than 100.

**3.6** Twenty individuals were addicted to heroin only and three were addicted to more than one notifiable drug (Table 10b).

**Injecting Behaviour**

**3.7** Of the 23 new addicts registered during 2012, the injecting behaviour of 21 was known. Of these, 18 (86%) were known to inject, whilst 3 (14%) did not inject (Table 11; Figure 9).

**Figure 9. New Notifications - Injecting Behaviour**

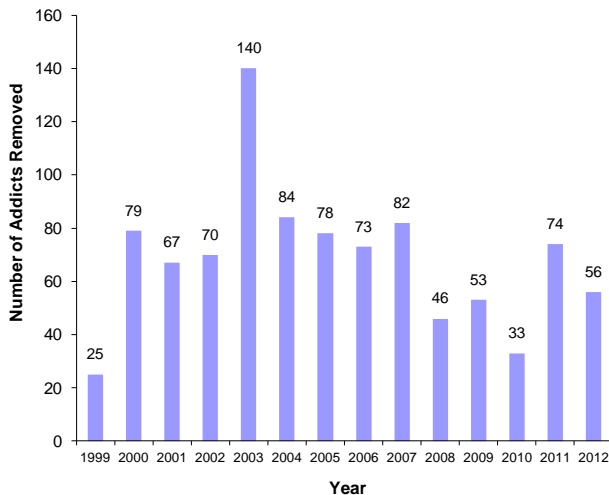


**Total: 23**

## 4. Removals from Addicts Index

**4.1** A total of 56 addicts were removed from the Addicts Index in 2012, compared with 74 addicts removed in 2011 (Table 12; Figure 10).

Figure 10. Addicts Removed



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**4.2** Table 12 shows that addiction had ceased for approximately two-fifths (41%) of those removed from the Addicts Index in 2012. However, it should be noted that this category also includes those for whom there is no evidence of ongoing addiction. Just over one half (52%) of those removed from the Addicts Index in 2012 were categorised as 'Whereabouts Unknown'. 7% of those removed from the Addicts Index in 2012 had either died or were no longer resident in Northern Ireland.

**4.3** Just over one third of those removed from the Addicts Index in 2012 were registered with the Belfast Health and Social Care Trust (18 individuals, 34%); followed by the Southern HSCT (16 individuals; 30%) and the Northern HSCT (13 individuals; 25%). Six (11%) of those removed were registered with either the South Eastern HSCT or the Western HSCT (Table 13).

## 5. Comparisons: 2011 to 2012

**5.1** At 31 December 2012, there were 226 registered addicts. This was a 17% decrease from 272 in 2011 (Table 1). There were 203 renotifications in 2012 compared with 240 in

2011, while there were 23 new notifications to the Addicts Index in 2012, compared with 32 in 2011 (Table 7). There were 56 cases removed from the Addicts Index in 2012, compared with 74 in 2011 (Table 12).

**5.2** In 2012, 76% of addicts were male, in comparison with 79% of addicts in 2011 (Table 4). The age profile was similar in 2011 and 2012, with the only notable difference being that in 2012 23% of registered addicts were aged 29 years and under compared with 26% in 2011 (Table 3).

**5.3** Heroin remains the most frequently reported notifiable drug: reported for 83% of all addicts registered in both 2012 and 2011. Methadone (19% of addicts reporting use in 2012, compared with 18% in 2011) and cocaine (7% of addicts reporting use in both 2011 and 2012) remain the next most commonly reported drugs (Table 5a).

**5.4** In 2012, over half (57%) of those registered addicts whose injecting behaviour was known reported currently injecting. The corresponding figure for 2012 was 55%. It should also be noted that the injecting behaviour was not known for 27% of registered addicts in 2012, and 28% in 2011 (Table 6).

## 6. Acknowledgments

**6.1** PHIRB would like to thank all those individuals involved in supplying the data presented in this bulletin.

## 7. Editorial Notes

**7.1** This report is based on information received for 2012 up to and including 28 February 2012.

**7.2** The 2005 figures included in this report have been revised since first published on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2006.

**7.3** The revised 2005 figures and the 2006-2011 figures in this report represent the total number of addicts registered at the 31<sup>st</sup> December. This is new notifications plus re-notifications less any of those who have been

removed in the same calendar year. In previous years the total number of addicts registered at the 31<sup>st</sup> December has been the total of all new notifications plus re-notifications in that calendar year.

**7.4** Percentages in tables do not always add to 100 due to rounding .

**7.5** From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2007, the five new Health and Social Care Trusts were formed by the merging of the existing healthcare trusts. The information in this publication has been presented by the new Trust structure.

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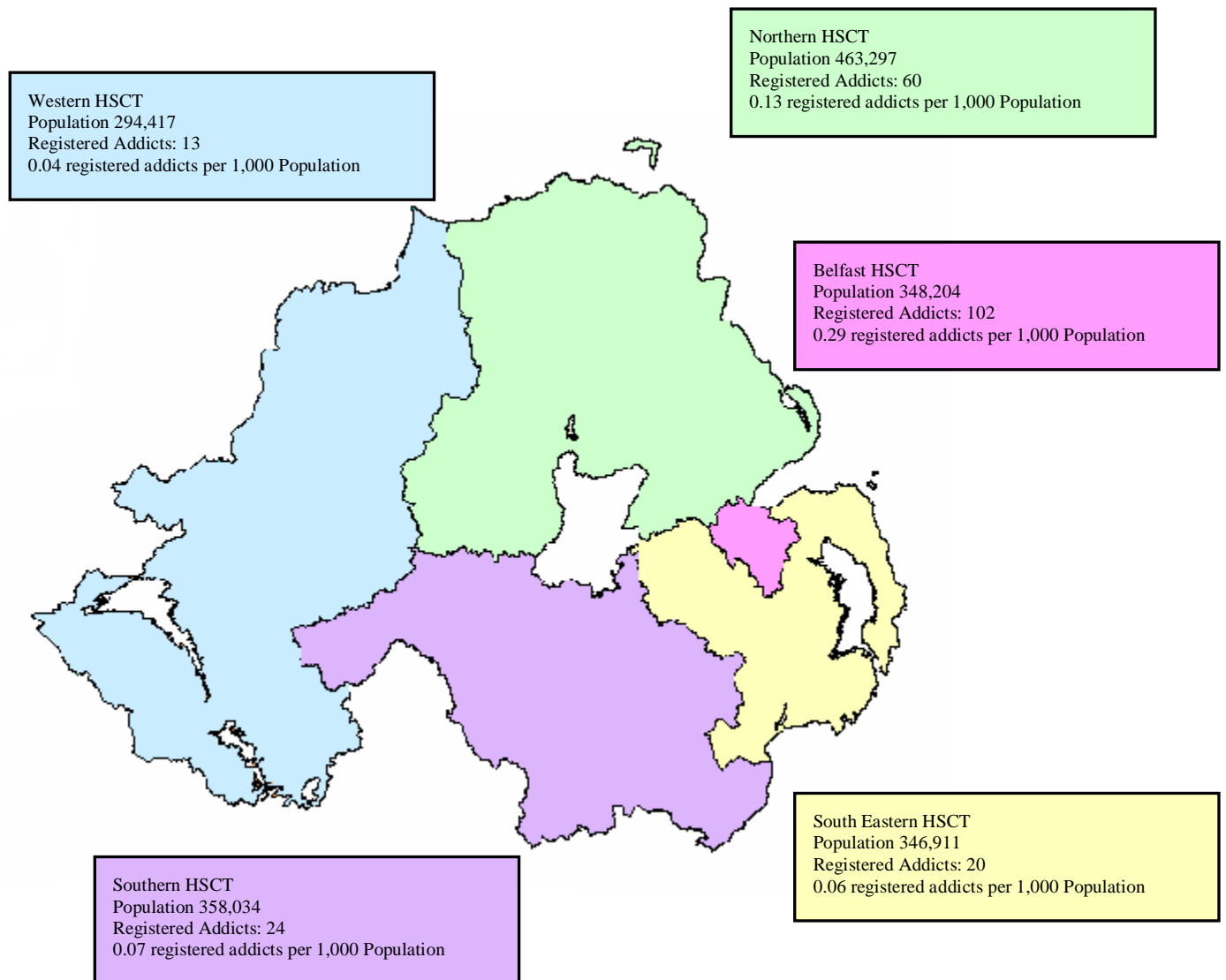
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**7.8** The Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency (NISRA) is the principal source of official statistical information about Northern Ireland. Further information is available from the NISRA website at [www.nisra.gov.uk](http://www.nisra.gov.uk) or via e-mail at [info.nisra@dfpni.gov.uk](mailto:info.nisra@dfpni.gov.uk)

## **Future Publications**

**7.9** This Addicts Index publication will be updated on an annual basis. The next Addicts Index Statistical Bulletin will be published in March 2014.

**ANNEX A – Total Notified Addicts in Northern Ireland at the 31 December 2012:  
Health & Social Care Trust Area**



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*Health and Social Care Trust population figures taken from NISRA Census 2011.*

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**Table 1. Registered Addicts by Health and Social Services Trust (1999 – 2006)/  
Health and Social Care Trust (2007 - 2012)**

numbers and percentages

HSS Trust / HSC Trust	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005 <sup>1</sup>	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
North & West Belfast	26	20	45	42	21	21	18	18						
South & East Belfast	33	35	29	32	43	63	64	61						
<b>Belfast</b>									<b>84</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>102</b>
Causeway	7	9	9	9	12	10	8	6						
Homefirst Community	145	158	138	124	92	105	105	97						
<b>Northern</b>									<b>102</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>60</b>
Down Lisburn	20	16	12	13	10	10	10	8						
Ulster Community	21	17	22	19	12	11	9	25						
<b>South Eastern</b>									<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>
Armagh & Dungannon	1	3	11	15	12	9	12	18						
Craigavon & Banbridge	10	7	3	2	4	2	3	1						
Newry & Mourne	5	3	3	2	7	3	2	3						
<b>Southern</b>									<b>12</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>24</b>
Foyle Community	25	21	15	21	19	16	12	12						
Sperrin Lakeland	13	15	15	17	7	5	10	10						
<b>Western</b>									<b>16</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>241<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>259<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>261<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>288<sup>5</sup></b>	<b>257<sup>6</sup></b>	<b>281<sup>7</sup></b>	<b>288<sup>8</sup></b>	<b>315<sup>9</sup></b>	<b>272<sup>10</sup></b>	<b>226<sup>11</sup></b>

**Percentages**

HSS Trust / HSC Trust	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005 <sup>1</sup>	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
North & West Belfast	8	7	15	14	9	8	7	7						
South & East Belfast	11	12	10	11	18	25	25	24						
<b>Belfast</b>									<b>34</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>47</b>
Causeway	2	3	3	3	5	4	3	2						
Homefirst Community	47	52	46	42	38	41	42	37						
<b>Northern</b>									<b>42</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>27</b>
Down Lisburn	7	5	4	4	4	4	4	3						
Ulster Community	7	6	7	6	5	4	4	10						
<b>South Eastern</b>									<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>
Armagh & Dungannon	0	1	4	5	5	4	5	7						
Craigavon & Banbridge	3	2	1	1	2	1	1	0						
Newry & Mourne	2	1	1	1	3	1	1	1						
<b>Southern</b>									<b>5</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>11</b>
Foyle Community	8	7	5	7	8	6	5	5						
Sperrin Lakeland	4	5	5	6	3	2	4	4						
<b>Western</b>									<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

<sup>1</sup> The 2005 figures in this publication have been revised since they were first published on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2006 (see para 7.3).

<sup>2</sup> This figure includes 2 individuals for whom Health and Social Services Trust could not be established.

<sup>3</sup> This figure includes 4 individuals for whom Health and Social Services Trust could not be established.

<sup>4</sup> This figure includes 8 individuals for whom Health and Social Services Trust could not be established.

<sup>5</sup> This figure includes 29 individuals for whom Health and Social Services Trust could not be established.

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<sup>6</sup> This figure includes 13 individuals for whom Health and Social Care Trust could not be established.

<sup>7</sup> This figure includes 18 individuals for whom Health and Social Care Trust could not be established.

<sup>8</sup> This figure includes 15 individuals for whom Health and Social Care Trust could not be established.

<sup>9</sup> This figure includes 14 individuals for whom Health and Social Care Trust could not be established.

<sup>10</sup> This figure includes 10 individuals for whom Health and Social Care Trust could not be established.

<sup>11</sup> This figure includes 7 individuals for whom Health and Social Care Trust could not be established.

**Table 2. Registered Addicts by Age Group and Gender (2012)**

numbers and percentages

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<b>Age Group</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Persons</b>
29 years & under	35	17	52
30-34 years	37	12	49
35-39 years	43	11	54
40-44 years	32	5	37
45 years & over	25	9	34
<b>All Ages</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>226</b>

**Percentages**

29 years & under	67	33	100
30-34 years	76	24	100
35-39 years	80	20	100
40-44 years	86	14	100
45 years & over	74	26	100
<b>All Ages</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 3. Registered Addicts by Age Group (1999 – 2012)**

numbers and percentages

Age Group	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005 <sup>1</sup>	2006	2007	2008 <sup>3</sup>	2009	2010	2011	2012	
20 years & under	23	26	8	10	3	3	2	1	2						
21-24 years	59	64	59	47	29	28	22	17	12						
25-29 years	86	94	89	65	60	70	74	82	59	<b>29 years &amp; under</b>	71	70	77	70	52
30-34 years	61	51	62	77	67	71	69	70	67	<b>30-34 years</b>	65	74	78	59	49
35 years & over	77	67	84	87	82	87	94	118	117	<b>35-39 years</b>	79	74	71	62	54
										<b>40-44 years</b>	27	30	41	44	37
										<b>45 years &amp; over</b>	39	40	48	37	34
<b>All Ages</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>302<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>302</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>226</b>	

Percentages

20 years & under	8	9	3	3	1	1	1	0	1						
21-24 years	19	21	20	16	12	11	8	6	5						
25-29 years	28	31	29	23	25	27	28	28	23	<b>29 years &amp; under</b>	25	24	24	26	23
30-34 years	20	17	21	27	28	27	26	24	26	<b>30-34 years</b>	23	26	25	22	22
35 years & over	25	22	28	30	34	34	36	41	46	<b>35-39 years</b>	28	26	23	23	24
										<b>40-44 years</b>	10	10	13	16	16
										<b>45 years &amp; over</b>	14	14	15	14	15
<b>All Ages</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	

<sup>1</sup>The 2005 figures in this publication have been revised since they were first published on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2006, (see paragraph 7.3).

<sup>2</sup> This figure excludes 2 individuals for whom age group could not be established.

<sup>3</sup> The age groups from 2008 have been recoded; this is to ensure that individuals cannot be identified.

**Table 4. Registered Addicts by Gender (1999 – 2012)**

numbers and percentages

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Gender	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005 <sup>1</sup>	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Male	236	218	220	226	177	188	187	224	209	232	232	249	215	172
Female	70	84	82	70	64	71	74	64	48	49	56	66	57	54
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>302<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>302</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>226</b>

**Percentages**

Male	77	72	73	76	73	73	72	78	81	83	81	79	79	76
Female	23	28	27	24	27	27	28	22	19	17	19	21	21	24
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

<sup>1</sup> The 2005 figures in this publication have been revised since they were first published on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2006, (see paragraph 7.3).

<sup>2</sup> This figure excludes 2 individuals for whom gender could not be established.

**Table 5a. Registered Addicts by Notifiable Drug Used (1999 - 2012)**

Notifiable Drug	numbers and percentages													
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005 <sup>2</sup>	2006	2007	2008	2009 <sup>3</sup>	2010	2011	2012
<b>Heroin (Diamorphine)</b>	226	223	244	213	174	170	186	218	193	216	231	260	225	187
<b>Methadone (Physeptone)</b>	30	30	30	29	41	50	70	75	71	70	64	60	50	44
<b>Cocaine</b>	28	25	29	29	25	31	29	24	15	18	14	17	18	15
<b>Morphine</b>	8	7	7	5	18	17	11	7	4	6	7	7	7	7
<b>Pethidine</b>	12	13	12	12	11	11	8	6	6	5	6	7	6	7
<b>Other</b>	7	6	11	8	6	6	7	4	2	2	6	7	6	7
<b>Total Registered Addicts<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>302</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>226</b>
<b><u>Percentage of total registered addicts</u></b>														
<b>Heroin (Diamorphine)</b>	75	73	81	72	72	66	71	76	75	77	80	83	83	83
<b>Methadone (Physeptone)</b>	10	10	10	10	17	19	27	26	28	25	22	19	18	19
<b>Cocaine</b>	9	8	10	10	10	12	11	8	6	6	5	5	7	7
<b>Morphine</b>	3	2	2	2	7	7	4	2	2	2	2	2	3	3
<b>Pethidine</b>	4	4	4	4	5	4	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	3
<b>Other</b>	2	2	4	3	2	2	3	1	1	1	2	2	2	3

<sup>1</sup> Some Addicts are addicted to more than one drug. For this reason, intermediate figures may not add to the total shown.

<sup>2</sup> The 2005 figures in this publication have been revised since they were first published on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2006, (see paragraph 7.3).

<sup>3</sup> The 2009, 2010 and 2011 figures for 'pethidine' and 'other' have been combined to mask cell counts of less than five; this is to ensure that individuals cannot be identified.

**Table 5b. Registered Addicts by Notifiable Drug Used (2012)**

numbers and percentages

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<b>Notifiable Drug Used</b>	<b>Number of registered Addicts Using</b>	<b>Percentage of total registered Addicts</b>
<b><u>Single notifiable drug use</u></b>		
Heroin only	160	71
Methadone only	26	12
Other Single Drug	9	4
<b><u>Multiple notifiable drug use</u></b>		
Heroin & Methadone	14	6
Heroin & Cocaine	9	4
Other multiple drugs	8	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 6. Registered Addicts by Injecting Behaviour (1999 – 2012)**

	numbers and percentages													
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005 <sup>1</sup>	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
<b>Self Injecting</b>														
<b>Yes</b>	120	106	105	114	98	79	57	77	79	100	112	121	108	94
<b>No</b>	62	53	195	100	73	81	100	105	99	98	90	102	87	71
<b>Unknown</b>	124	145	2	82	70	99	104	106	79	83	86	92	77	61
<b>Total</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>226</b>

**Percentages - where injecting status is known**

<b>Yes</b>	66	67	35	53	57	49	36	42	44	51	55	54	55	57
<b>No</b>	34	33	65	47	43	51	64	58	56	49	45	46	45	43
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

<sup>1</sup> The 2005 figures in this publication have been revised since they were first published on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2006, (see paragraph 7.3).



**Table 7. New Notifications by Source of Notification (1999 – 2012)**

	numbers and percentages														
Notified By	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005 <sup>1</sup>	2006	2007	2008	1999	2009 <sup>2</sup>	2010	2011	2012 <sup>2</sup>
Drug Addiction Unit	49	39	33	28	52	82	68	65	41	53	49	58	47	23	21
GP	31	36	22	12	20	14	5	11	9	7	31		13	9	
Prison Medical Service	22	2	19	25	13	6	7	24	1	9	22	} 2	0	0	} 2
Hospital (A & E)	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>23</b>

**Percentages**

Drug Addiction Unit	48	51	44	43	61	80	85	65	80	77	48	97	78	72	91
GP	30	47	29	18	24	14	6	11	18	10	30		22	28	
Prison Medical Service	22	3	25	38	15	6	9	24	2	13	22	} 3	0	0	} 9
Hospital (A & E)	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

<sup>1</sup> The 2005 figures in this publication have been revised since they were first published on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2006, (see paragraph 7.3).

<sup>2</sup> The 2009 and 2012 figures for 'GP', 'Prison Medical Service' and 'Hospital (A & E)' have been combined as they contained cell counts of less than five; this is to ensure that individuals cannot be identified.

**Table 8. New Notifications by Health and Social Care Trust (2012)**

numbers and percentages

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<b>HSC Trust</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Belfast</b>	12	52
<b>Northern</b>	-	-
<b>South Eastern</b>	-	-
<b>Southern</b>	-	-
<b>Western</b>	6	26
<b>Total</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>100</b>

*The values have not been presented for all Trusts as some cells were masked to hide counts of less than five; this is to ensure individuals cannot be identified*

**Table 9a. New Notifications by Age Group (2012)**

numbers and percentages

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>Persons</b>	<b>Percentages</b>
29 years & under	11	48
30-34 years	5	22
35-39 years	-	-
40 years and over	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>100</b>

*The values have not been presented for all age groups as some cells were masked to hide counts of less than five; this is to ensure individuals cannot be identified*

**Table 9b. New Notifications by Gender (2012)**

numbers and percentages

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Male	15	65
Female	8	35
<b>Total</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 10a. New Notifications by Notifiable Drugs Used (2012)**

numbers and percentages

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<b>Notifiable Drug Used</b>	<b>Number of registered Addicts using</b>	<b>Percentage of total New Notifications</b>
Diamorphine (Heroin)	22	96
Other drugs	5	22
<b>Total<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>23</b>	<b>100</b>

<sup>1</sup> Some addicts are addicted to more than one drug. For this reason, intermediate figures may not add to the total shown.

**Table 10b. New Notifications by Notifiable Drugs Used (2012)**

numbers and percentages

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<b>Notifiable Drug/s Used</b>	<b>Number of Addicts Using</b>	<b>Percentage of total New Notifications</b>
Heroin only	20	87
Other single drug	0	0
Multiple drugs	3	13
<b>Total</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 11. New Notifications and Re-notifications by Injecting Behaviour (2012)**

numbers and percentages

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<b>Self Injecting</b>	<b>New Addicts</b>	<b>Re-Notified Addicts</b>	<b>Total</b>
Yes	18	76	94
No	3	68	71
Unknown	2	59	61
<b>Total</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>226</b>

**Percentages where injecting behaviour is known**

Yes	86	53	57
No	14	47	43
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

**Table 12. Removals from Addicts Index (1999 – 2012)**

numbers and percentages

Reason Removed from Index	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005 <sup>2</sup>	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Drug Addiction Ceased <sup>1</sup>	10	29	22	22	80	44	50	39	45	27	21	18	23	23
No Longer Resident in Northern Ireland	10	17	0	15	16	6	8	10	7	-	-	-	8	-
Whereabouts Unknown	2	26	41	26	40	32	16	21	27	15	23	10	35	29
Died	3	7	4	7	4	2	4	3	3	-	-	-	8	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>56</b>

**Percentages**

Drug Addiction Ceased <sup>1</sup>	40	37	33	31	57	52	64	53	55	59	40	55	31	41
No Longer Resident in Northern Ireland	40	22	0	21	11	7	10	14	9	-	-	-	11	-
Whereabouts Unknown	8	33	61	37	29	38	21	29	33	33	43	30	47	52
Died	12	9	6	10	3	2	5	4	4	-	-	-	11	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

<sup>1</sup> This category includes those for whom there was no evidence of ongoing addiction as well as those known to have ceased addiction to notifiable drug(s).

<sup>2</sup> The 2005 figures in this publication have been revised since they were first published on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2006, (see paragraph 7.3).

The values have been not presented for all reasons for removal as some cells were masked to hide counts of less than five and some (with counts of more than five) to prevent the value in another cell from being calculated; this is to ensure individuals cannot be identified.

**Table 13. Removals from Addicts Index by Health and Social Care Trust (2012)**

numbers and percentages

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HSC Trust	Number	Percentage
Belfast	18	34
Northern	13	25
South Eastern	-	-
Southern	16	30
Western	-	-
Total	56 <sup>1</sup>	100

<sup>1</sup> This figure includes 3 individuals for whom Trust area could not be established

The values have not been presented for all age groups as some cells were masked to hide counts of less than five; this is to ensure individuals cannot be identified