

**ENGLAND  
DRUG STATISTICS**

Source: NHS England

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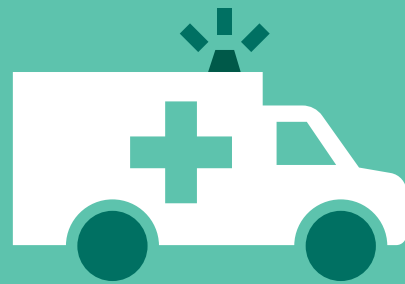
In 2016/17 there were 7,545 hospital admissions with a primary diagnosis of drug-related mental health and behavioural disorders.

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Of those 7,545 hospital admissions around 3 in 4 were male (74%).

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In 2016/17 there were 14,053 hospital admissions with a primary diagnosis of poisoning by illicit drugs.

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In 2016, 24% of 11 to 15 year olds reported they had ever taken drugs. This compares to 15% in 2014.

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The likelihood of having ever taken drugs increased with age, from 11% of 11 year olds to 37% of 15 year olds.

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Cannabis is the drug that 11 to 15 year olds are most likely to have taken in the last year, with 8% saying that they had done so in 2016.

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The number of 11 to 15 year olds in 2016/17 attending specialist substance misuse services was 16,436 down 4% from 2015/16.