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2. Suicide: England & Wales, 1956-2002 (ICD: as Fig. 2)


4. Fatal poisoning: England & Wales, 1979-2002 [ICD-9: 960-989 all poisonings, 965 analgesics, 986 carbon monoxide (CO), 969.0 antidepressants, 980 alcohol, 967 sedatives and hypnotics; ICD-10: T36-T65 all poisonings, T39-T40 analgesics (nearest equivalent codes), T58 CO, T43.0-T43.2 antidepressants, T51 alcohol, T42 sedatives (nearest equivalent code)]

5. ‘Analgesic’ deaths: England & Wales, 1979-2002 [ICD-9: 965 analgesics, 965.0 opiates, 965.1 salicylates; manual search and ONS drugs database (dextro)propoxyphene and paracetamol; ICD-10: T39-T40 analgesics (nearest equivalent codes), T40.0-T40.6 opiates (nearest equivalent codes), T39.0 salicylate, paracetamol and dextropropoxyphene drugs database] (* No data for 1981 for paracetamol and for propoxyphene because of industrial action by Registrars of Births and Deaths)


10. Heroin-related deaths (drug abuse, dependence or poisoning deaths where heroin and/or morphine recorded on the death certificate): England & Wales, 1993-2002 (ONS drugs database)

11. Methadone-related deaths (drug abuse, dependence or poisoning deaths where methadone recorded on the death certificate): England & Wales, 1993-2002 (ONS drugs database)

12. Fatal poisoning: controlled drugs other than heroin and methadone, England & Wales, 1993-2002 (ONS drugs database)


14. VSA-Related sudden deaths: UK, 1971-2002 by age (see above)

15. VSA-Related sudden deaths: UK, 1982-2002 by product abused (see above)

Notes

1) In routine statistics, ONS defines suicides as deaths from suicide and deaths from 'injury undetermined whether accidentally or purposely inflicted'. It is likely that most of these latter deaths are cases where the harm is self-inflicted but there was insufficient evidence to prove that the deceased deliberately intended to kill themselves.

2) For suicide data for England and Wales, all deaths assigned to the code Y33.9/E988.8 are excluded if the record had a 'verdict pending' classification. This code is used to speed up death registration in cases where a coroner adjourned an inquest awaiting prosecution in a higher court. The death could then be registered before legal proceedings had been completed. This process is known as 'accelerated registration'. Nearly all of these cases are subsequently found to be homicide and their inclusion would present an inaccurate picture of suicide mortality.