# **INTELLIGENCE BULLETIN**





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#### **Summary**

This report presents a range of information on drug use by both adults (16 +) and children (under 16) for 2015/16. It focuses on England only where possible - although some statistics are only readily available at United Kingdom level or for England and Wales combined. Data is also available at Regional and Local Authority level.

### **Key Facts – England**

- In 2015/16, there were 8,621 hospital admissions with a primary diagnosis of drugrelated mental health and behavioural disorders. This figure was a 6% increase from 2014/15 where there were 8,149 hospital admissions.
- In 2015/16, there were 15,074 hospital admissions with a primary diagnosis of poisoning by illicit drugs. Again, this was a 6% increase from 2014/15 where the figure was 14,279 hospital admissions.
- In 2014, 15% of pupils had ever taken drugs, 10% had taken drugs in the last year and 6% in the last month.
- The prevalence of drug use increased with age, 6% of 11 year olds said they had tried drugs at least once, compared with 24% of 15 year olds.

## **Key Facts – West Midlands**

NHS hospital admissions with a primary diagnosis of drug related mental health and behavioural disorders (2015/16)

Gender	Number	Rate (per 100,000 population)
Male	627	22
Female	189	7
Total	816	14

NHS hospital admissions with a primary diagnosis of poisoning by illicit drugs (2015/16)

Gender	Number	Rate (per 100,000 population)
Male	835	29
Female	689	24
Total	1,524	27

### **Key Facts – Warwickshire**

NHS hospital admissions with a primary diagnosis of drug related mental health and behavioural disorders (2015/16)

Gender	Number	Rate (per 100,000 population)
Male	32	12
Female	18	7
Total	50	10

NHS hospital admissions with a primary diagnosis of poisoning by illicit drugs (2015/16)

Gender	Number	Rate (per 100,000 population)
Male	78	29
Female	80	29
Total	158	29