

Number of "acute drug-related deaths" recorded in EU countries (national definitions used to report to EMCDDA), 1985-1999

Remark: see also table which presents the number of drug-related deaths according to the European DRD-Standard guidelines.

Country ⁽¹⁾	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Austria					20	36	70	121	130	140	166	179	132	108	126
Belgium	12	20	17	37	49	96	90	75	80	46	48				
Denmark	150	109	140	135	123	115	188	208	210	271	274	268	275	251	237
Finland				11	23	41	34	27	26	35	51	43	43	52	
France	172	185	228	236	318	350	411	499	454	564	465	393	228	143	118
Germany	324	348	442	670	991	1491	2125	2099	1738	1624	1565	1712	1501	1674	1812
Greece	10	28	56	62	72	66	79	79	78	146	176	222	232	245	255
Ireland	19	6	4	7	5	7	8	14	18	19	43	53	55	99	80
Italy	242	292	543	809	974	1161	1383	1217	888	867	1195	1566	1160	1080	1002
Luxembourg	1	3	5	4	8	11	17	17	15	29	22	17	9	16	17
Netherlands	40	42	23	33	30	43	49	43	38	50	33	63	70	61	76
Portugal		18	22	33	52	82	121	156	115	143	198	232	235	337	369
Spain	143	163	234	337	455	455	579	556	442	388	394	429	360	310	317
Sweden						64	62	67	82	85	71	124	99	85	
UK ⁽²⁾	1283	1389	1350	1376	1346	1358	1437	1550	1628	2236	2406	2639	2610	2727	2857
UK(E&W)	1254	1362	1332	1348	1321	1339	1411	1533	1615	1796	1956	2150	2144	2250	2326
UK(NI)	29	27	18	28	25	19	26	17	13	18	24	29	19	28	39
UK(Scot)										422	426	460	447	449	492
	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Corr. Index (3)	100	107	126	151	178	213	248	252	222	233	249	281	247	253	261

(1) Data from different countries are not directly comparable, as there are differences in the ways cases are defined. See **Box 1** included in the online version of the 2001 EMCDDA Annual report (Definitions of 'acute drug-related death in EU Member States, as used in the EMCDDA Annual report, and reported in national reports). As noted there, in some countries traditional definitions of 'drug-related deaths' used at national level are different from those presented here and may include also some deaths indirectly related to drug use (e.g. Aids, accidents).

(2) It was intended to present UK figures, but this year it was not possible because of differences in definitions and reporting periods in E&W, Scotland and N.Ireland.

(3) Corrected Index: 1985=100%. For technical details in computation method see report: European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (2001). *Co-ordination of the implementation of the EMCDDA standard guidelines on the drug-related deaths in the EU Member States, and the collection and analysis of information on drug-related deaths*. Project CT.99.RTX.04, Co-ordinated by the Trimbos Institute. Lisbon: EMCDDA.