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Introduction

The Inter Agency Drug Misuse Database (IAD), which was established by Merseyside Drug (and Alcohol) Action Teams, Merseyside Police and the Public Health Sector (now Centre for Public Health) in 1997, supports the need for local information on drug misuse. In particular the IAD aims to:

- Provide comprehensive reporting of problem drug users (PDUs) characteristics including a range of demographics and the types of drugs used.
- Reflect levels of service and intervention activity.
- Assist in D(A)AT's (and other responsible bodies) performance management.
- Facilitate the planning and development of services and interventions for PDUs.
- Identify gaps in service provision and delivery, as well as under-served groups as specified by the National Treatment Agency and Department of Health and by the Centre for Public Health, through interrogation of available data.
- Highlight changes in levels, demographics and characteristics of drug users and drug use.
- Report back to both individual D(A)ATs and service providers in the form of audits and quarterly reports as well as responding to ad hoc requests.
- Provide summary reporting on an annual basis.

To enable the above the IAD collects data from as many agencies in contact with drug users as possible and is continually seeking to expand the range and scope of data providers. Data are currently collected from criminal justice services, needle exchange schemes (both pharmacy and agency-based), the National Drug Treatment Monitoring System (NDTMS) and Connexions (young people). It is anticipated that data will also soon be available from Big Life (homeless).

Efforts are continually being made to expand the range of service providers that report to the IAD.

Data considerations

Analysis of data depends on the provision of attributable information. Each service provider records first and last initials, date of birth and gender, for each individual they record a contact with. The combination of these details provides an identifier (attributor) for each individual (e.g.: HF07/12/1974M) This is a nationally recognised system and allows individuals to be tracked through different service providers and across time whilst retaining an acceptable degree of anonymity. The attributor is essential to avoid double counting of individuals both within and across datasets, as well as enabling us to match across datasets.

PLEASE NOTE: The IAD will *only* be reporting attributable data for each dataset. In the past, report deadlines have been missed due to data arriving too late to be cleaned and analysed in time, or more often because the data requires a great deal of cleaning and validation before analysis. These reports are useful only if they can arrive within timelines useful to D(A)ATs, (ie: in time for NTA quarterly submissions). For this reason, reports will now be sent out according to a strict timetable, with each quarters report to be sent in the first week of the third month following the close of the reporting period. Any data that is missing or non-attributable will not be included in the report. However, the report will build from quarter to quarter with figures ultimately being provided for the three quarters prior to the reporting period. We will therefore update previous quarters figures with any data that arrived too late for a particular report where possible. The Centre for Public Health will continue to work closely with service providers and DAATs in order to improve both the timeliness and quality of monitoring data provided to the IAD. Many service providers are turning to electronic recording of data and it is hoped this will vastly improve the quality of the data as systems improve.

NB: Year to Date figures are provided for the current financial year. The figures are calculated by aggregating successive quarterly datasets to omit double counting of those who present to services in every quarter.

ARRESTS UNDER THE MISUSE OF DRUGS ACT (1971)

Arrests under Misuse of Drugs Act monitoring

Recently, no arrest data have been available. Discussions are under way for the provision of data by the new organisation tasked by Merseyside Police for this role. As yet, there is no timescale for when this data will be provided.

PROBATION

Probation monitoring

No data has been received in time for this report. The IAD is working to resolve this issue.

ARREST REFERRAL (AR)

Quarter 1 (2005/06) - Quarter 4 (2005/06)

Introduction

Lighthouse Project provides data on assessments made at custody suites and courts. The total number of assessments figure is based on one person per location per date; this is to ensure duplicate data are not included. Duplicate records may appear for the same individual twice on the same day. In these circumstances data are aggregated to a single record. The same individual may however, be counted twice within the reporting period.

Table 1: Individuals, by Gender and Age Group, within Liverpool DAAT

| | Liverpool | | | | | | | |
|---------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | Q1 | | Q2 | | Q3 | | Q4 | |
| Gender | n | % | n | % | n | % | n | % |
| Male | 207 | 69.0 | 164 | 67.2 | 125 | 68.7 | 161 | 74.2 |
| Female | 93 | 31.0 | 80 | 32.8 | 57 | 31.3 | 56 | 25.8 |
| Age | | | | | | | | |
| Under 19 | 2 | 0.7 | 3 | 1.2 | 5 | 2.7 | 5 | 2.3 |
| 19-25 | 19 | 6.3 | 18 | 7.4 | 11 | 6.0 | 17 | 7.8 |
| 25+ | 279 | 93.0 | 223 | 91.4 | 166 | 91.2 | 195 | 89.9 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>300</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>244</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>182</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>217</i> | <i>100</i> |

Of all arrestees, 4 males were aged under 19 (2.5% of males) and 1 female (1.8% of females). Of arrestees aged 19-25, 13 were male (8.1% males) and 4 were female (7.1% of females).

Table 2: Year to Date by Gender and Age Group (April 2005 – March 2006)

| | Liverpool | |
|---------------|------------|------------|
| | n | % |
| Male | 518 | 70.9 |
| Female | 213 | 29.1 |
| Age | | |
| Under 19 | 14 | 1.9 |
| 19-25 | 61 | 8.3 |
| 25+ | 656 | 89.7 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>731</i> | <i>100</i> |

Table 3: Total Assessments by Main Drug of Use, within Liverpool DAAT

| Drug of Use* | Liverpool | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | Q1 | | Q2 | | Q3 | | Q4 | |
| | n | % | n | % | n | % | n | % |
| Amphetamines | 1 | 0.3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Amphetamines & Cannabis | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 |
| Benzodiazepines | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 |
| Cannabis | 1 | 0.3 | 5 | 2.0 | 2 | 1.1 | 10 | 4.6 |
| Cannabis & Crack | - | - | 1 | 0.4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cannabis & MDMA | - | - | 2 | 0.8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cocaine | 7 | 2.3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1.1 | 15 | 6.9 |
| Cocaine & Cannabis | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 |
| Crack | 20 | 6.7 | 4 | 1.6 | 7 | 3.8 | 0 | 0 |
| Crack & Cocaine | - | - | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 | 2 | 0.9 |
| Crack & Amphetamines | - | - | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 | 0 | 0 |
| Heroin | 128 | 42.7 | 34 | 13.9 | 24 | 13.2 | 30 | 13.9 |
| Heroin & Benzodiazepines | - | - | 2 | 0.8 | 1 | 0.5 | 2 | 0.9 |
| Heroin & Cannabis | - | - | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 | 2 | 0.9 |
| Heroin & Cocaine | 5 | 1.7 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1.1 | 2 | 0.9 |
| Heroin & Crack | 92 | 30.7 | 155 | 63.5 | 102 | 56.0 | 121 | 56.0 |
| Methadone | 8 | 2.7 | 15 | 6.1 | 7 | 3.8 | 9 | 4.2 |
| Methadone & Crack | 1 | 0.3 | 1 | 0.4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Methadone & Heroin | - | - | 2 | 0.8 | 7 | 3.8 | 10 | 4.6 |
| Alcohol | 1 | 0.3 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 6.0 | 5 | 2.3 |
| Unknown | 36 | 12.0 | 23 | 9.4 | 13 | 7.1 | 5 | 2.3 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>300</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>244</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>182</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>216</i> | <i>100</i> |

*Changes in the monitoring system mean we can now reflect polydrug use where reported. For this reason there are now categories included that were not reported at the end of 2004/05 such as heroin & crack combined.

| Key | |
|-----|-----------------------|
| 0 | Not reported |
| - | Category not included |

Main Problem Drug by Gender

Amongst male arrestees the most common reported drugs of use were heroin & crack combined (55% of male arrestees), followed by heroin alone (15%). For female arrestees the pattern was the same, with heroin & crack combined being most common reported drugs of use (58.9% of females), followed by heroin alone(10.7%).

Main Problem Drug by Age Group

Amongst arrestees under 19 years old, cannabis was the most common drug of use (60% of arrestees under 19). For those aged 19 to 25 cocaine (35.3%) was the most common reported drug of use followed by cannabis (29.4%). For those over 25 heroin and crack combined (61.9%) were the main drugs of use followed by heroin alone (14.4%).

Table 4: Year to Date by Drug (April 2005– December 2006)

| Main Drug of Use | Liverpool | |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|
| | n | % |
| Amphetamines | 1 | 0.1 |
| Amphetamines & Cannabis | 1 | 0.1 |
| Benzodiazepines | 1 | 0.1 |
| Cannabis | 18 | 2.5 |
| Cannabis & Crack | 1 | 0.1 |
| Cannabis & MDMA | 2 | 0.3 |
| Cocaine | 23 | 3.2 |
| Cocaine & Cannabis | 2 | 0.3 |
| Crack | 15 | 2.1 |
| Crack & Amphetamines | 1 | 0.1 |
| Crack & Cocaine | 3 | 0.4 |
| Heroin | 151 | 20.7 |
| Heroin & Cannabis | 3 | 0.4 |
| Heroin & Cocaine | 6 | 0.8 |
| Heroin & Crack | 371 | 50.8 |
| Heroin & Benzodiazepines | 5 | 0.7 |
| Methadone | 34 | 4.7 |
| Methadone & Crack | 1 | 0.1 |
| Methadone & Heroin | 16 | 2.2 |
| Alcohol | 17 | 2.3 |
| Unknown | 59 | 8.1 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>731</i> | <i>100</i> |

SYRINGE EXCHANGE SERVICES

Quarter 1 (2005/06) - Quarter 4 (2005/06)

Introduction

Data are collected directly from syringe exchange providers. Analysis of syringe exchange data allows performance monitoring of harm reduction services at both D(A)AT and service provider level. This also facilitates geographical analysis of both distribution and movement of injecting drug users.

The D(A)AT referred to is the D(A)AT of the syringe exchange where the client was seen. Ages are calculated based on the last day of the month in which they were last seen.

AGENCY SYRINGE EXCHANGE

Table 5: Individuals within Liverpool DAAT, by Gender

| | Liverpool | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | Q1 | | Q2 | | Q3 | | Q4 | |
| New Clients | n | % | n | % | n | % | n | % |
| Male | 171 | 90.0 | 196 | 91.6 | 117 | 86.7 | 180 | 84.5 |
| Female | 19 | 10.0 | 18 | 8.4 | 18 | 13.3 | 33 | 15.5 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>190</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>214</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>135</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>213</i> | <i>100</i> |
| All Clients | | | | | | | | |
| Male | 469 | 88.0 | 483 | 88.6 | 468 | 86.3 | 435 | 87.0 |
| Female | 64 | 12.0 | 62 | 11.4 | 74 | 13.7 | 65 | 13.0 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>533</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>545</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>542</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>500</i> | <i>100</i> |

Table 6: Year to Date by Gender (April 2005 – March 2006)

| All Clients | Liverpool | |
|--------------------|-------------|------------|
| | n | % |
| Male | 1105 | 87.7 |
| Female | 155 | 12.3 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>1260</i> | <i>100</i> |

Table 7: Individuals within Liverpool DAAT, by Age Group

| | Liverpool | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | Q1 | | Q2 | | Q3 | | Q4 | |
| New Clients | n | % | n | % | n | % | n | % |
| Under 19 | 9 | 4.7 | 1 | 0.5 | 2 | 1.5 | 4 | 1.9 |
| 19-25 | 46 | 24.2 | 42 | 19.6 | 24 | 17.8 | 32 | 15.0 |
| 25+ | 135 | 71.1 | 171 | 79.9 | 109 | 80.7 | 177 | 83.1 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>190</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>214</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>135</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>213</i> | <i>100</i> |
| All Clients | | | | | | | | |
| Under 19 | 12 | 2.3 | 4 | 0.7 | 5 | 0.9 | 4 | 0.8 |
| 19-25 | 89 | 16.7 | 77 | 14.1 | 62 | 11.4 | 63 | 12.6 |
| 25+ | 432 | 81.1 | 464 | 85.1 | 475 | 87.6 | 433 | 86.6 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>533</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>545</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>542</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>500</i> | <i>100</i> |

Of all Agency based syringe exchange clients reported to the IAD for this period, 4 males (0.9% of males) were under 19 years old; there were no females under 19 years of age. Of clients aged 19 to 25 59 were male (13.6% of males) and 4 were females (6.2% of females).

Table 8: Year to Date by Age Group (April 2005 – March 2006)

| All Clients | Liverpool | |
|---------------|-------------|------------|
| | n | % |
| Under 19 | 21 | 1.7 |
| 19-25 | 202 | 16.0 |
| 25+ | 1037 | 82.3 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>1260</i> | <i>100</i> |

Table 9: Main Drug of Use for New Agency Syringe Exchange clients within Liverpool DAAT

| Drug of Use | Liverpool | |
|---------------|------------|------------|
| | Q4 | |
| | n | % |
| Heroin | 124 | 62.0 |
| Amphetamines | 3 | 1.5 |
| Steroids | 73 | 36.5 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>200</i> | <i>100</i> |

Due to changes in reporting methods we are reporting only drug of use for new clients in this report. It was felt that reporting drug of use for all clients based on very limited information would be somewhat misleading. The IAD will be making changes to syringe exchange monitoring over the next few months in an effort to improve data flow and quality.

*Including Crack

Please Note: The client figures recorded for Drug of Use are based on the limited drug information provided and are not representative of the number of clients overall.

| Key | |
|-----|-----------------------|
| 0 | Not reported |
| - | Category not included |

Main Problem Drugs by Gender

The two main drugs of use reported by New Agency Syringe Exchange clients for this period were heroin followed by steroids. Of those reporting heroin as their main drug of use, a total of 97 were male (78.2% of new male clients reporting drug of use) and 27 were female (96.4% of female new clients). All 73 steroid users were male (42.4% of male new clients).

Main Problem Drugs by Age Group

Of New Clients under 19, 2 were steroid users (2.7% of new client steroid users) and 1 reported heroin (3.6% of new client heroin users). Twenty-five steroid users (34.2%) and 5 heroin users were aged 19 to 25 (4.0%).

Table 10: Year to Date by Main Drug of Use (April 2005 - March 2006)

| Drug of Use | Liverpool | |
|----------------|------------|------------|
| | n | % |
| Heroin | 282 | 38.1 |
| Methadone | 4 | 0.5 |
| Amphetamines | 3 | 0.4 |
| Steroids | 353 | 47.6 |
| Cocaine* | 2 | 0.3 |
| Heroin & Crack | 97 | 13.1 |
| Other | 0 | 0 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>741</i> | <i>100</i> |

Please Note: The client figures recorded for Drug of Use are based on the limited information provided and are not representative of the number of clients overall.

*Includes crack

Table 11: Quarterly Total Visits within Liverpool DAAT

| Liverpool | | | |
|-----------|------|------|------|
| Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 |
| 1717 | 2061 | 1966 | 1546 |

PHARMACY SYRINGE EXCHANGE

Please Note: Not all the data for this quarter were supplied in time for analysis. The updated figures will be provided in the Q1 06/07 report. However, the updated figures for Q3 have been provided in this report.

Table 12: Individuals within Liverpool DAAT, by Gender

| | Liverpool | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | Q1 | | Q2 | | Q3 | | Q4 | |
| New Clients | n | % | n | % | n | % | n | % |
| Male | 69 | 76.7 | 121 | 83.4 | 154 | 81.9 | 178 | 82.4 |
| Female | 21 | 23.3 | 24 | 16.6 | 34 | 18.1 | 38 | 17.6 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>90</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>145</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>188</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>216</i> | <i>100</i> |
| All Clients | | | | | | | | |
| Male | 658 | 79.7 | 626 | 80.9 | 493 | 78.5 | 550 | 80.4 |
| Female | 168 | 20.3 | 148 | 19.1 | 135 | 21.5 | 134 | 19.6 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>826</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>774</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>628</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>684</i> | <i>100</i> |

Table 13: Year to Date by Gender (April 2005 – March 2006)

| New Clients | Liverpool | |
|--------------------|-------------|------------|
| | n | % |
| Male | 511 | 81.5 |
| Female | 116 | 18.5 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>627</i> | <i>100</i> |
| All Clients | | |
| Male | 1437 | 80.5 |
| Female | 349 | 19.5 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>1786</i> | <i>100</i> |

Table 14: Individuals within Liverpool DAAT, by Age Group

| | Liverpool | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | Q1 | | Q2 | | Q3 | | Q4 | |
| New Clients | n | % | n | % | n | % | n | % |
| Under 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 | 2 | 0.9 |
| 19-25 | 3 | 3.3 | 6 | 4.1 | 19 | 10.1 | 12 | 5.6 |
| 25+ | 87 | 96.7 | 139 | 95.9 | 168 | 89.4 | 202 | 93.5 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>90</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>145</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>188</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>216</i> | <i>100</i> |
| All Clients | | | | | | | | |
| Under 19 | 1 | 0.1 | 1 | 0.1 | 2 | 0.3 | 6 | 0.9 |
| 19-25 | 15 | 1.8 | 16 | 2.1 | 23 | 3.7 | 27 | 3.9 |
| 25+ | 810 | 98.1 | 757 | 97.8 | 603 | 96.0 | 651 | 95.2 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>826</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>774</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>628</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>684</i> | <i>100</i> |

Of all pharmacy based syringe exchange clients reported to the IAD for this period, all 6 clients under 19 years of age were male (1.1% of males). Twenty-four males (4.4% of males) and 3 females (2.2% of females) were aged 19-25.

Table 15: Year to Date by Age Group (April 2005 – March 2006)

| | Liverpool | |
|--------------------|-------------|------------|
| New Clients | n | % |
| Under 19 | 3 | 0.5 |
| 19-25 | 41 | 6.5 |
| 25+ | 583 | 93.0 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>627</i> | <i>100</i> |
| All Clients | | |
| Under 19 | 8 | 0.4 |
| 19-25 | 68 | 3.8 |
| 25+ | 1710 | 95.7 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>1786</i> | <i>100</i> |

COMBINED PHARMACY AND AGENCY SYRINGE EXCHANGE

Analyses here are based on a combination of the aggregated Agency and Pharmacy-based datasets. Data are aggregated by attributor and DAAT to one person per DAAT area. Updated figures for Q3 combined SES have been provided here.

Table 16: Individuals in Syringe Exchange within Liverpool DAAT, by Gender

| | Liverpool | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| | Q1 | | Q2 | | Q3 | | Q4 | |
| New Clients | n | % | n | % | n | % | n | % |
| Male | 214 | 88.1 | 115 | 83.3 | 266 | 83.6 | 354 | 82.7 |
| Female | 29 | 11.9 | 23 | 16.7 | 52 | 16.4 | 74 | 17.3 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>243</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>138</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>318</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>428</i> | <i>100</i> |
| All Clients | | | | | | | | |
| Male | 1103 | 83.2 | 1076 | 84.1 | 924 | 82.1 | 937 | 83.0 |
| Female | 223 | 16.8 | 204 | 15.9 | 202 | 17.9 | 192 | 17.0 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>1326</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>1280</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>1126</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>1129</i> | <i>100</i> |

Table 17: Year to Date by Gender (April 2005 – March 2006)

| New Clients | Liverpool | |
|--------------------|-------------|------------|
| | n | % |
| Male | 971 | 83.4 |
| Female | 193 | 16.6 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>1164</i> | <i>100</i> |
| All Clients | | |
| Male | 2392 | 83.5 |
| Female | 472 | 16.5 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>2864</i> | <i>100</i> |

Table 18: Individuals in Syringe Exchange within Liverpool DAAT, by Age

| | Liverpool | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| | Q1 | | Q2 | | Q3 | | Q4 | |
| New Clients | n | % | n | % | n | % | n | % |
| Under 19 | 9 | 3.7 | 0 | 0.0 | 3 | 0.9 | 6 | 1.4 |
| 19-25 | 48 | 19.8 | 6 | 4.3 | 42 | 13.2 | 44 | 10.3 |
| 25+ | 186 | 76.5 | 132 | 95.7 | 273 | 85.8 | 378 | 88.3 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>243</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>138</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>318</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>428</i> | <i>100</i> |
| All Clients | | | | | | | | |
| Under 19 | 13 | 1.0 | 5 | 0.4 | 7 | 0.6 | 10 | 0.9 |
| 19-25 | 104 | 7.8 | 93 | 7.3 | 83 | 7.4 | 89 | 7.9 |
| 25+ | 1209 | 91.2 | 1182 | 92.3 | 1036 | 92.0 | 1030 | 91.2 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>1326</i> | <i>47.4</i> | <i>1280</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>1126</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>1129</i> | <i>100</i> |

Table 19: Year to Date by Age Group (April 2005 – March 2006)

| New Clients | Liverpool | |
|--------------------|-------------|------------|
| | n | % |
| Under 19 | 21 | 1.8 |
| 19-25 | 145 | 12.5 |
| 25+ | 998 | 85.7 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>1164</i> | <i>100</i> |
| All Clients | | |
| Under 19 | 33 | 1.2 |
| 19-25 | 271 | 9.5 |
| 25+ | 2560 | 89.4 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>2864</i> | <i>100</i> |

Table 20: Quarterly Total Syringes Provided and Returned within Liverpool DAT

| | Liverpool | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-------|--------|-------|
| | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 |
| Syringes Provided- Agency | 37923 | 35775 | 31172 | 33294 |
| Syringes Provided- Pharmacy | 21070 | 97315 | 78400 | 83684 |
| Returns | 68323 | 76076 | 111174 | 81947 |

National Drug Treatment Monitoring System (NDTMS)

Quarter 1 (2005/06) - Quarter 4 (2005/06)

Background

The NDTMS is the official method for measuring the extent and nature of structured drug treatment in England and Wales. The system is commissioned by the NTA and is operated through nine regional centres – corresponding to the nine government offices for the regions.

Data here are aggregated to one individual, per quarter, per DAAT. Individuals presenting in more than one DAAT within the time period will therefore be represented more than once in the original data. The DAAT referred to is DAAT of treatment.

New Clients

Figures presented here for "new" clients are calculated using the triage date. Those individuals triaged within the reporting period are taken as new clients for this report. However, it should be noted that these individuals may have been triaged, or in contact with treatment services, before this period.

Clients by Age Group

As of this quarter, the IAD will be changing the way it reports Age Groups for NDTMS clients. Clients will be separated into 8 age categories as opposed to the 3 used in previous quarters (although the 3 age group breakdown is shown in this quarter for continuity). This change is in response to DAT requests for a more detailed age breakdown. As of Q1 06/07 all services will be reported using the new age group categories.

Table 21: Individuals within Liverpool DAAT in contact with treatment services by Gender

| | Liverpool | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|-----------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | Q1 | | Q2 | | Q3 | | Q4 | |
| New Clients* | n | % | n | % | n | % | n | % |
| Male | - | - | 200 | 66.2 | 357 | 70.6 | 319 | 70.7 |
| Female | - | - | 102 | 33.8 | 149 | 29.4 | 132 | 29.3 |
| <i>Totals</i> | - | - | 302 | 100 | 506 | 100 | 451 | 100 |
| All Clients | | | | | | | | |
| Male | 2394 | 68.8 | 2402 | 68.3 | 2227 | 68.3 | 2270 | 68.8 |
| Female | 1084 | 31.2 | 1115 | 31.7 | 1036 | 31.7 | 1029 | 31.2 |
| <i>Totals</i> | 3478 | 100 | 3517 | 100 | 3263 | 100 | 3299 | 100 |

*A breakdown of new clients by Gender and Age was not available for Q1 2005/06.

Table 22: Year to Date by Gender (April 2005 – March 2006)

| All Clients | Liverpool | |
|--------------------|-----------|------|
| | n | % |
| Male | 5266 | 68.7 |
| Female | 2394 | 31.3 |
| <i>Totals</i> | 7660 | 100 |

Table 23: Individuals in contact with treatment services in Liverpool DAAT by Age Group

| | Liverpool | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | Q1* | | Q2 | | Q3 | | Q4 | |
| New Clients | n | % | n | % | n | % | n | % |
| Under 19 | - | - | 12 | 4.0 | 13 | 2.6 | 20 | 4.4 |
| 19-25 | - | - | 30 | 9.9 | 37 | 7.3 | 35 | 7.8 |
| 25+ | - | - | 260 | 86.1 | 456 | 90.1 | 396 | 87.8 |
| <i>Totals</i> | - | - | 302 | 100 | 506 | 100 | 451 | 100 |
| All Clients | | | | | | | | |
| Under 19 | - | - | 49 | 1.4 | 26 | 0.8 | 49 | 1.5 |
| 19-25 | - | - | 157 | 4.5 | 182 | 5.6 | 278 | 8.4 |
| 25+ | 3275 | 94.2 | 3311 | 94.1 | 3055 | 93.6 | 2972 | 90.1 |
| <i>Totals</i> | 3478 | 100 | 3517 | 100 | 3263 | 100 | 3299 | 100 |

*A breakdown of new clients by Gender and Age was not available for Q1 2005/06. Also, due to changes in the analysis and reporting of age groups by the IAD as of Q2, a breakdown by number and percentage of the two age groups for those under 25 was not possible for this report.

Table 24: Individuals in contact with treatment service by Extended Age Groups

| | Liverpool | |
|--------------------|-----------|------|
| | Q4 | |
| New Clients | n | % |
| Under 18 | 16 | 3.5 |
| 18-19 | 6 | 1.3 |
| 20-24 | 33 | 7.3 |
| 25-29 | 53 | 11.8 |
| 30-34 | 108 | 24 |
| 35-39 | 131 | 29 |
| 40-44 | 70 | 15.5 |
| 45+ | 34 | 7.6 |
| <i>Totals</i> | 451 | 100 |
| All Clients | | |
| Under 18 | 25 | 0.8 |
| 18-19 | 14 | 0.4 |
| 20-24 | 142 | 4.3 |
| 25-29 | 303 | 9.1 |
| 30-34 | 721 | 21.9 |
| 35-39 | 1060 | 32.1 |
| 40-44 | 658 | 20 |
| 45+ | 376 | 11.4 |
| <i>Totals</i> | 3299 | 100 |

Table 25: Year to Date by Age Group (April 2005 – March 2006)

| | Liverpool | |
|---------------|-----------|------|
| | n | % |
| Under 19 | 145 | 1.9 |
| 19-25 | 491 | 6.4 |
| 25+ | 7024 | 91.7 |
| <i>Totals</i> | 7660 | 100 |

Table 26: Ethnicity of people in structured drug treatment within Liverpool DAAT

| Ethnicity | Liverpool | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| | Q3 | | | | Q4 | | | |
| | New Clients | | All Clients | | New Clients | | All Clients | |
| | n | % | n | % | n | % | n | % |
| White British | 487 | 96.2 | 2962 | 90.8 | 419 | 92.9 | 2933 | 88.9 |
| White Irish | 1 | 0.2 | 9 | 0.3 | 1 | 0.3 | 9 | 0.3 |
| Other White | 0 | 0 | 25 | 0.8 | 4 | 1 | 28 | 0.8 |
| White & Black Caribbean | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0.1 | 1 | 0.3 | 3 | 0.1 |
| White & Black African | 2 | 0.4 | 3 | 0.1 | 3 | 0.7 | 10 | 0.3 |
| White & Asian | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.03 | 1 | 0.3 | 3 | 0.1 |
| Other Mixed | 2 | 0.4 | 8 | 0.2 | 2 | 0.4 | 10 | 0.3 |
| Indian | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.03 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pakistani | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Bangladeshi | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other Asian | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0.1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0.1 |
| Caribbean | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0.1 | 1 | 0.3 | 3 | 0.1 |
| African | 1 | 0.2 | 7 | 0.2 | 2 | 0.4 | 7 | 0.2 |
| Other Black | 3 | 0.6 | 31 | 1.0 | 4 | 1 | 27 | 0.8 |
| Chinese | 1 | 0.2 | 5 | 0.2 | 1 | 0.3 | 6 | 0.2 |
| Unknown | 5 | 1.0 | 178 | 5.5 | 6 | 1.4 | 236 | 7.2 |
| Other | 4 | 0.8 | 23 | 0.7 | 3 | 0.7 | 21 | 0.6 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>506</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>3263</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>451</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>3299</i> | <i>100</i> |

CONNEXIONS

Quarter 4 (2004/05) - Quarter 3 (2005/06)

Background

Connexions provide a support service for young people, aged 13-19. The Greater Merseyside Connexions Partnership provides data presented here.

Table 27: Individuals within Liverpool DAAT by Gender

| | Liverpool | | | | | | | |
|---------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|
| | Q1 | | Q2 | | Q3 | | Q4 | |
| Gender | n | % | n | % | n | % | n | % |
| Male | 11 | 91.7 | 60 | 85.7 | 31 | 83.8 | 24 | 88.9 |
| Female | 1 | 8.3 | 10 | 14.3 | 6 | 16.2 | 3 | 11.1 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>12</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>70</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>37</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>27</i> | <i>100</i> |

Table 28: Year to Date by Gender (April 2005 – March 2006)

| | Liverpool | |
|---------------|------------|------------|
| | n | % |
| Male | 97 | 87.4 |
| Female | 14 | 12.6 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>111</i> | <i>100</i> |

Table 29: Individuals within Liverpool DAAT by Age

| | Liverpool | | | | | | | |
|---------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|
| | Q1 | | Q2 | | Q3 | | Q4 | |
| Age | n | % | n | % | n | % | n | % |
| 16 | 2 | 16.7 | 20 | 28.6 | 11 | 29.7 | 8 | 29.6 |
| 17 | 3 | 25.0 | 25 | 35.7 | 15 | 40.5 | 6 | 22.2 |
| 18 | 5 | 41.7 | 12 | 17.1 | 10 | 27.0 | 7 | 25.9 |
| 19 | 2 | 16.7 | 13 | 18.6 | 1 | 2.7 | 6 | 22.2 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>12</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>70</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>37</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>27</i> | <i>100</i> |

Table 30: Year to Date by Age (April 2005 – March 2006)

| Age | Liverpool | |
|---------------|------------|------------|
| | n | % |
| 16 | 35 | 31.5 |
| 17 | 36 | 32.4 |
| 18 | 23 | 20.7 |
| 19 | 17 | 15.3 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>111</i> | <i>100</i> |

Table 31: Drug/Alcohol problem for clients within Liverpool DAAT

| | Liverpool | | | | | | | |
|----------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|
| | Q1 | | Q2 | | Q3 | | Q4 | |
| | n | % | n | % | n | % | n | % |
| Alcohol/Other* | 2 | 16.7 | 27 | 42.2 | 10 | 27.0 | 7 | 25.9 |
| Drugs | 10 | 83.3 | 37 | 57.8 | 27 | 73.0 | 20 | 74.1 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>12</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>64</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>37</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>27</i> | <i>100</i> |

*"Other" is generally used to refer to solvents although this is not necessarily always the case.

Table 32: Year to Date by Drug/Alcohol problem (April 2005 – March 2006)

| | Liverpool | |
|----------------|------------|------------|
| | n | % |
| Alcohol/Other* | 28 | 25.2 |
| Drugs | 83 | 74.8 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>111</i> | <i>100</i> |

*"Other" is generally used to refer to solvents although this is not necessarily always the case.

Combined Datasets

Quarter 4 (2004/05) - Quarter 3 (2005/06)

Introduction

Data presented here are drawn from a combination of datasets relating to Arrests under Misuse of Drugs Act (1971), Arrest Referrals, Syringe Exchange (Agency and Pharmacy), NDTMS, Probation and Connexions. The combined data are aggregated on attributor and DAAT area of intervention to produce overall figures for numbers of individuals in contact with service reporting to the IAD. Figures presented here will therefore not necessarily reflect the combined totals of data presented earlier as duplicate attributors are removed. These figures should not be taken as a measure of prevalence of problem drug users, but reflects the total number of problem drug users in contact with a range of agencies. Note that, for those in the Connexions dataset, only individuals with a reported drug problem were included. Further information on the processes of data manipulation, aggregation and analysis is available from the IAD Manager.

Please Note: The quarterly figures for total drug users are drawn from only the data provided for that quarter. The Year-to-Date totals will include datasets that have not reported every quarter but have provided figures during the 05/06 financial year.

Table 33: Total Problem Drug Users reported to the IAD within Liverpool DAAT by Gender and Age Group

| | Liverpool | | | | | | | |
|---------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| | Q1 | | Q2 | | Q3 | | Q4 | |
| Gender | n | % | n | % | n | % | n | % |
| Male | 4719 | 75.6 | 3691 | 73.5 | 2811 | 71.0 | 3114 | 72.2 |
| Female | 1522 | 24.4 | 1334 | 26.5 | 1147 | 29.0 | 1198 | 27.8 |
| Age | | | | | | | | |
| Under 19 | 602 | 9.6 | 133 | 2.6 | 70 | 1.8 | 83 | 1.9 |
| 19-25 | 582 | 9.3 | 355 | 7.1 | 248 | 6.3 | 384 | 8.9 |
| 25+ | 5057 | 81.0 | 4537 | 90.3 | 3640 | 92.0 | 3845 | 89.2 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>6241</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>5025</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>3958</i> | <i>100</i> | <i>4312</i> | <i>100</i> |

Table 34: Year to Date by Gender and Age Group (April 2005 – March 2006)

| | Liverpool | |
|---------------|-------------|------------|
| | n | % |
| Male | 7428 | 77.0 |
| Female | 2219 | 23.0 |
| Age | | |
| Under 19 | 760 | 7.9 |
| 19-25 | 1083 | 11.2 |
| 25+ | 7804 | 80.9 |
| <i>Totals</i> | <i>9647</i> | <i>100</i> |

Combined Datasets Year to Date: April 2005 – March 2006

For the Year to Date a total of 619 males (8.3% of males) were under 19 and 904 (12.2%) were between 19 and 25 years. For female clients, 141 (6.4% of females) were under 19 and 179 (8.1%) were between 19 and 25 years of age.

Fig 1: Distribution of Problem Drug Users by Age Group and Gender

