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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. As of April 2005, the IAD was expanded to include the DATs of Halton and Warrington. 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)ATs' (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.

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 D(A)ATs 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 has 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

Data are provided by ARCH Initiatives 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 assessed, by Gender and Age Group, within Wirral DAAT

	Wirral							
	Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
Gender	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Male	60	84.5	103	82.4	143	86.7	86	86.9
Female	11	15.5	22	17.6	22	13.3	13	13.1
Age								
Under 19	1	1.4	7	5.6	10	6.1	7	7.1
19-25	11	15.5	15	12.0	18	10.9	18	18.2
25+	59	83.1	103	82.4	137	83.0	74	74.7
<i>Totals</i>	<i>71</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>125</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>165</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>99</i>	<i>100</i>

Of arrestees aged under 19, all 7 were male (7.1% of males). Seventeen males (19.8%) and 1 female (7.7% of females) were aged between 19-25.

Table 2: Year to Date (April 2005- March 2006)

	Wirral	
	n	%
Male	359	85.1
Female	63	14.9
Age		
Under 19	22	5.2
19-25	60	14.2
25+	340	80.6
<i>Totals</i>	<i>422</i>	<i>100</i>

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

Drug of Use*	Wirral							
	Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Alcohol	2	2.8	5	4.0	6	3.6	11	11.1
Amphetamines	3	4.2	0	0	3	1.8	0	0
Cannabis	2	2.8	0	0	9	5.5	10	10.1
Cannabis & MDMA	0	0	2	1.6	0	0	0	0
Cannabis & Amphetamines	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1.0
Cannabis & Alcohol	0	0	2	1.6	0	0	0	0
Cocaine	10	14.1	0	0	14	8.5	9	9.1
Cocaine & Cannabis	0	0	0	0	5	3.0	6	6.1
Cocaine & Methadone	0	0	0	0	1	0.6	0	0
Cocaine & Amphetamines	0	0	0	0	1	0.6	1	1.0
Cocaine & MDMA	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2.0
Crack	10	14.1	4	3.2	5	3.0	0	0
Crack & Cannabis	0	0	1	0.8	2	1.2	0	0
Crack & Cocaine	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1.0
Heroin	27	38.0	19	15.2	16	9.7	5	5.1
Heroin & Cannabis	0	0	0	0	1	0.6	0	0
Heroin & Cocaine	1	1.4	0	0	3	1.8	0	0
Heroin & Crack	2	2.8	33	26.4	35	21.2	30	30.3
Heroin & Benzodiazepines	0	0	1	0.8	0	0	1	1.0
Methadone	4	5.6	4	3.2	2	1.2	7	7.1
Methadone & Crack	0	0	4	3.2	1	0.6	4	4.0
Methadone & Heroin	0	0	14	11.2	8	4.8	8	8.1
Unknown/Other	10	12.7	24	19.2	53	32.1	3	3.0
<i>Totals</i>	<i>71</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>125</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>165</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>99</i>	<i>100</i>

*Changes in monitoring systems mean we now have data available on polydrug use. For this reason the above table now contains categories that were not previously reported, such as heroin & crack combined.

Main Problem Drug by Gender

Amongst male arrestees the most common reported drugs of use were heroin & crack combined (26.7% of male arrestees), followed by alcohol (12.8%). For female arrestees heroin & crack combined were also the main drugs of use (53.8% of females) followed by cocaine (15.4%).

Main Problem Drug by Age Group

For arrestees under 19 years old, cannabis & cocaine combined were the main drugs of use (28.6% of arrestees under 19). For the 19-25 age group the main known drug of arrest was cannabis (27.8% of arrestees in this age group). Of all arrestees 25 years and older heroin & crack combined were the most common drugs of use (36.5%), followed jointly by methadone & heroin combined, and alcohol (10.8% of those over 25 respectively).

Table 4: Year to Date by Drug of Use (April 2005- March 2006)

Drug of Use	Wirral	
	n	%
Alcohol	22	5.2
Amphetamines	5	1.2
Cannabis	31	7.3
Cannabis & Alcohol	2	0.5
Cannabis & Amphetamines	1	0.2
Cannabis & Crack	2	0.5
Cannabis & MDMA	2	0.5
Cocaine	32	7.6
Cocaine & Cannabis	11	2.6
Cocaine & Methadone	1	0.2
Cocaine & MDMA	2	0.5
Cocaine & Amphetamines	2	0.5
Crack	15	3.6
Crack & Cocaine	1	0.2
Heroin	58	13.7
Heroin & Cannabis	1	0.2
Heroin & Cocaine	4	0.9
Heroin & Crack	91	21.6
Heroin & Benzodiazepines	2	0.5
Methadone	17	4.0
Methadone & Crack	7	1.7
Methadone & Heroin	28	6.6
Unknown/Other	85	25.3
<i>Totals</i>	<i>422</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 DAAT 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

Agency Syringe Exchange experienced recent computer problems that rendered it impossible to provide us data for Q2-Q3 and only limited data for Q1. These problems have now been resolved and the results are reflected in the Q4 data.

Table 5: Individuals by Gender, within Wirral DAAT

	Wirral							
	Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
New Clients	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Male	-	-	-	-	-	-	51	98.1
Female	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1.9
<i>Totals</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	52	100
All Clients								
Male	106	89.1	-	-	-	-	224	93.3
Female	13	10.9	-	-	-	-	16	6.7
<i>Totals</i>	119	100	-	-	-	-	240	100

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

All Clients	Wirral	
	n	%
Male	275	92.3
Female	23	7.7
<i>Totals</i>	298	100

Table 7: Individuals by Age Group, within Wirral DAAT

	Wirral							
	Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
New Clients	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Under 19	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	13.5
19-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	23	44.2
25+	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	42.3
<i>Totals</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	52	100
All Clients								
Under 19	0	0.0	-	-	-	-	8	3.3
19-25	4	3.4	-	-	-	-	42	17.5
25+	115	96.6	-	-	-	-	190	79.2
<i>Totals</i>	119	100	-	-	-	-	240	100

Of all Agency Syringe Exchange clients reported to the IAD for this period, 8 males were under 19 years of age (3.6% of males) and 42 males (18.8% of males) were in the 19-25 year age group. All females were over 25 years of age.

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

All Clients	Wirral	
	n	%
Under 19	8	2.7
19-25	45	15.1
25+	245	82.2
<i>Totals</i>	<i>298</i>	<i>100</i>

Table 9: Main Drug of Use for Agency Syringe Exchange clients, within Wirral DAAT

Drug of Use	Wirral							
	Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Heroin	58	54.7	-	-	-	-	70	31.5
Methadone	16	15.1	-	-	-	-	15	6.8
Amphetamines	3	2.8	-	-	-	-	6	2.7
Steroids	22	20.8	-	-	-	-	119	53.6
Cocaine*	5	4.7	-	-	-	-	7	3.2
Morphine	0	0	-	-	-	-	1	0.5
Other	1	0.9	-	-	-	-	1	0.5
Various	1	0.9	-	-	-	-	3	1.4
<i>Totals</i>	<i>106</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>222</i>	<i>100</i>

*Including Crack

Please Note Q4: 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.

Main Drugs by Gender

The two main drugs of use reported by Agency clients for this period were steroids followed by heroin. Of those reporting steroids as their main drug of use, a total of 116 were Male (55.8% of all Males with a reported drug of use) and 3 were Female (21.4% of females with a reported drug of use). A total of 66 heroin users were male (31.7 %) and 4 females (28.6%).

Main Drugs by Age Group

The only drug of use reported by agency clients in the 'Under 19' and '19-25' age groups were steroids; 8 were aged under 19 and 42 were aged 19 to 25 years old (35.3% of steroid users). For those in the 25+ age group the main reported drug of use was heroin, with 70 people reporting this (40.7% of those over 25) very closely followed by Steroids with 69 people reporting this as their main drug of use.

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

Drug of Use	Wirral	
	n	%
Heroin	102	36.8
Methadone	23	8.3
Amphetamines	8	2.9
Steroids	129	46.6
Cocaine*	10	3.6
Morphine	1	0.4
Other	1	0.4
Various	3	1.1
<i>Totals</i>	<i>277</i>	<i>100</i>

*Includes crack

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.

Table 11: Quarterly Total Visits within Wirral DAAT

	Wirral			
	Q1*	Q2	Q3	Q4
Attributable	199	-	-	519
Non Attributable	28	-	-	-
<i>Totals</i>	<i>227</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>519</i>

* The figures for Q1 are for one month only.

PHARMACY SYRINGE EXCHANGE

Table 12: Individuals, by Gender, within Wirral DAAT

	Wirral							
	Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
New Clients	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Male	56	84.8	51	87.9	56	81.2	47	88.7
Female	10	15.2	7	12.1	13	18.8	6	11.3
<i>Totals</i>	66	100	58	100	69	100	53	100
All Clients								
Male	180	84.9	167	87.9	157	83.5	141	84.9
Female	32	15.1	23	12.1	31	16.5	25	15.1
<i>Totals</i>	212	100	190	100	188	100	166	100

Table 13: Year to Date (April 2005- March 2006)

New Clients	Wirral	
	n	%
Male	209	86.0
Female	34	14.0
<i>Totals</i>	243	100
All Clients		
Male	369	86.2
Female	59	13.8
<i>Totals</i>	428	100

Table 14: Individuals, by Age Group, within Wirral DAAT

	Wirral							
	Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
New Clients	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Under 19	1	1.5	1	1.7	0	0	2	3.8
19-25	4	6.1	3	5.2	3	4.3	2	3.8
25+	61	92.4	54	93.1	66	95.7	49	92.5
<i>Totals</i>	66	100	58	100	69	100	53	100
All Clients								
Under 19	1	0.5	1	0.5	0	0	2	1.2
19-25	5	2.4	8	4.2	4	2.1	4	2.4
25+	206	97.2	181	95.3	184	97.9	160	96.4
<i>Totals</i>	212	100	190	100	188	100	166	100

Both pharmacy clients under 19 were male (1.4% of males) and all 4 clients aged 19-25 were also male (2.8%). All the females were aged over 25 (15.6% of over 25s).

Table 15: Pharmacy Syringe Exchange Year to Date (April 2005- March 2006)

	Wirral	
New Clients	n	%
Under 19	4	1.6
19-25	11	4.5
25+	228	93.8
<i>Totals</i>	<i>243</i>	<i>100</i>
All Clients		
Under 19	4	0.9
19-25	14	3.3
25+	410	95.8
<i>Totals</i>	<i>428</i>	<i>100</i>

COMBINED PHARMACY AND AGENCY-BASED SYRINGE EXCHANGE

Analyses here are based on a combination of the aggregated Agency and Pharmacy datasets. Data are aggregated by attributor and D(A)AT to one person per D(A)AT area. Individuals who appear in more than one D(A)AT area may therefore appear more than once in the final dataset.

No data are presented here for Q2 and Q3 as there were no data provided for Agency Syringe Exchange within these periods.

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

	Wirral							
	Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
New Clients	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Male	56	84.8	-	-	-	-	102	91.9
Female	10	15.2	-	-	-	-	9	8.1
<i>Totals</i>	<i>66</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>111</i>	<i>100</i>
All Clients								
Male	275	86.5	-	-	-	-	355	90.3
Female	43	13.5	-	-	-	-	38	9.7
<i>Totals</i>	<i>318</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>393</i>	<i>100</i>

Table 17: Combined Syringe Exchange Year to Date (April 2005 – March 2006)

New Clients	Wirral	
	n	%
Male	266	87.8
Female	37	12.2
<i>Totals</i>	<i>303</i>	<i>100</i>
All Clients		
Male	612	89.0
Female	76	11.0
<i>Totals</i>	<i>688</i>	<i>100</i>

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

	Wirral							
	Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
New Clients	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Under 19	2	3.1	-	-	-	-	9	8.1
19-25	3	4.7	-	-	-	-	25	22.5
25+	59	92.2	-	-	-	-	77	69.4
<i>Totals</i>	<i>64</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>111</i>	<i>100</i>
All Clients								
Under 19	2	0.6	-	-	-	-	10	2.5
19-25	6	1.8	-	-	-	-	46	11.7
25+	321	97.6	-	-	-	-	337	85.8
<i>Totals</i>	<i>329</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>393</i>	<i>100</i>

Table 19: Combined Syringe Exchange Year to Date (April 2005 – March 2006)

	Wirral	
New Clients	n	%
Under 19	11	3.6
19-25	34	11.2
25+	258	85.1
<i>Totals</i>	<i>303</i>	<i>100</i>
All Clients		
Under 19	12	1.7
19-25	59	8.6
25+	617	89.7
<i>Totals</i>	<i>688</i>	<i>100</i>

Table 20: Quarterly Total Syringes Provided & Returned within Wirral DAT

	Wirral			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Syringes Provided- Agency	7265	-	-	18556
Syringes Provided- Pharmacy	-	-	12351	12334
Returns	15043	-	-	11732

* figures are from Agency Syringe Exchange only.

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 D(A)AT. 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 original age group breakdown is shown in this quarter for continuity). This change is in response to D(A)AT 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 in contact with treatment service by Gender

	Wirral							
	Q1*		Q2		Q3		Q4	
New Clients	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Male	-	-	155	83.8	188	75.2	200	79.1
Female	-	-	30	16.2	62	24.8	53	20.9
<i>Totals</i>	-	-	185	100	250	100	253	100
All Clients								
Male	1772	71.4	1829	72.1	1767	72.7	1870	73.1
Female	711	28.6	707	27.9	665	27.3	687	26.9
<i>Totals</i>	2483	100	2536	100	2432	100	2557	100

*A breakdown of new clients by gender and age was not available for this quarter

Table 17: Year to Date (April 2005- March 2006)

	Wirral	
	n	%
All Clients		
Male	3961	72.9
Female	1473	27.1
<i>Totals</i>	5434	100

Table 18: Individuals in contact with treatment service by Age Group

	Wirral							
	Q1*		Q2		Q3		Q4	
New Clients	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Under 19	-	-	15	8.1	24	9.6	35	13.8
19-25	-	-	18	9.7	28	11.2	46	18.2
25+	-	-	152	82.2	198	79.2	172	68.0
<i>Totals</i>	-	-	185	100	250	100	253	100
All Clients								
Under 19*	-	-	103	4.1	103	4.2	142	5.6
19-25*	-	-	116	4.6	151	6.2	312	12.2
25+	2250	90.6	2317	91.4	2178	89.6	2103	82.2
<i>Totals</i>	2483	100	2536	100	2432	100	2557	100

*Please Note Q1: Due to changes in the analysis and reporting of age groups by the IAD from Q2, a breakdown by number and percentage of the two age groups for those under 25 was not possible for this report.

Table 14: Individuals in contact with treatment service by Age Group (extended)

	Wirral	
	Q4	
New Clients	n	%
Under 18	25	9.9
18-19	16	6.3
20-24	38	15
25-29	27	10.7
30-34	46	18.2
35-39	50	19.8
40-44	40	15.8
45+	11	4.3
<i>Totals</i>	253	100
All Clients		
Under 18	76	3
18-19	64	2.5
20-24	128	5
25-29	225	8.8
30-34	488	19.1
35-39	744	29.1
40-44	538	21
45+	294	11.5
<i>Totals</i>	2557	100

Table 19: NDTMS Year to Date (April 2005- March 2006)

	Wirral	
	n	%
All Clients		
Under 19	319	5.9
19-25	466	8.6
25+	4649	85.6
<i>Totals</i>	5434	100

Table 20: Ethnicity of people in structured drug treatment within Wirral DAAT

Ethnicity	Wirral							
	Q3				Q4			
	New Clients		All Clients		New Clients		All Clients	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
White British	234	93.6	1793	73.7	248	98	2517	98
White Irish	3	1.2	9	0.4	0	0	6	0.3
Other White	0	0	2	0.1	1	0.4	4	0.2
White & Black Caribbean	1	0.4	4	0.2	0	0	4	0.2
White & Black African	0	0	2	0.1	0	0	2	0.1
Other Mixed	0	0	5	0.2	0	0	5	0.2
Indian	0	0	1	0.04	0	0	1	0.05
Pakistani	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.05
Bangladeshi	1	0.4	1	0.04	0	0	1	0.05
Other Asian	0	0	3	0.1	0	0	4	0.2
Caribbean	0	0	2	0.1	0	0	1	0.05
African	0	0	2	0.1	0	0	2	0.1
Other Black	0	0	2	0.1	0	0	1	0.05
Chinese	0	0	1	0.04	0	0	0	0
Unknown	11	4.4	603	24.8	3	1.2	7	0.4
Other	0	0	2	0.1	1	0.4	1	0.05
<i>Totals</i>	<i>250</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>2432</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>253</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>2557</i>	<i>100</i>

CONNEXIONS

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

Background

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

Table 21: Individuals by Gender, within Wirral DAAT

Gender	Wirral							
	Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Male	4	66.7	49	76.6	24	82.8	17	85.0
Female	2	33.3	15	23.4	5	17.2	3	15.0
<i>Totals</i>	6	100	64	100	29	100	20	100

Table 22: Year to Date (April 2005- March 2006)

	Wirral	
	n	%
Male	70	77.8
Female	20	22.2
<i>Totals</i>	90	100

Table 23: Individuals by Age Group, within Wirral DAAT

Age	Wirral							
	Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
16	1	16.7	13	20.3	8	27.6	2	10.0
17	2	33.3	26	40.6	7	24.1	6	30.0
18	2	33.3	16	25.0	6	20.7	8	40.0
19	1	16.7	9	14.1	8	27.6	4	20.0
<i>Totals</i>	6	100	64	100	29	100	20	100

Table 24: Year to Date (April 2005- March 2006)

Age	Wirral	
	n	%
16	21	23.3
17	33	36.7
18	24	26.7
19	12	13.3
<i>Totals</i>	90	100

Table 25: Drug/Alcohol problem, within Wirral DAAT

	Wirral							
	Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Alcohol/Other*	3	50.0	27	42.2	9	31.0	6	30.0
Drugs	3	50.0	37	57.8	20	69.0	14	70.0
<i>Totals</i>	6	100	64	100	29	100	20	100

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

Table 26: Year to Date (April 2005- March 2006)

	Wirral	
	n	%
Alcohol/Other*	34	37.8
Drugs	56	62.2
<i>Totals</i>	<i>90</i>	<i>100</i>

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

Combined Datasets

Quarter 1 (2005/06)- Quarter 4 (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 to produce overall figures for numbers of individuals presenting to any 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. Further information on the processes of data manipulation, aggregation and analysis is available from the IAD Manager.

Please Note: The quarterly figures for total problem 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 27: Total Problem Drug Users (PDUs) reported to the IAD: by Gender and Age

	Wirral							
	Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
Gender	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Male	1959	72.6	2233	74.2	1920	73.7	2147	75.1
Female	738	27.4	778	25.8	685	26.3	712	24.9
Age								
Under 19	145	5.4	182	6.0	128	4.9	170	5.9
19-25	112	4.2	200	6.6	169	6.5	368	12.9
25+	2440	90.5	2629	87.3	2308	88.6	2321	81.2
<i>Totals</i>	<i>2697</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>3011</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>2605</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>2859</i>	<i>100</i>

Table 28: Combined Datasets Year to Date (April 2005- March 2006)

	Wirral	
	n	%
Male	3233	76.7
Female	980	23.3
Age		
Under 19	325	7.7
19-25	423	10.0
25+	3465	82.2
<i>Totals</i>	<i>4213</i>	<i>100</i>

Year to Date: Of all males reported to the IAD for this period, 251 (7.8% of males) were under 19 and 349 (10.8% of males) were between 19 and 25 years. For female clients 74 (7.6% of females) were under 19 and 74 (7.6%) were between 19 and 25 years.

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

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