

2019-2020 DRUG TREND REPORT

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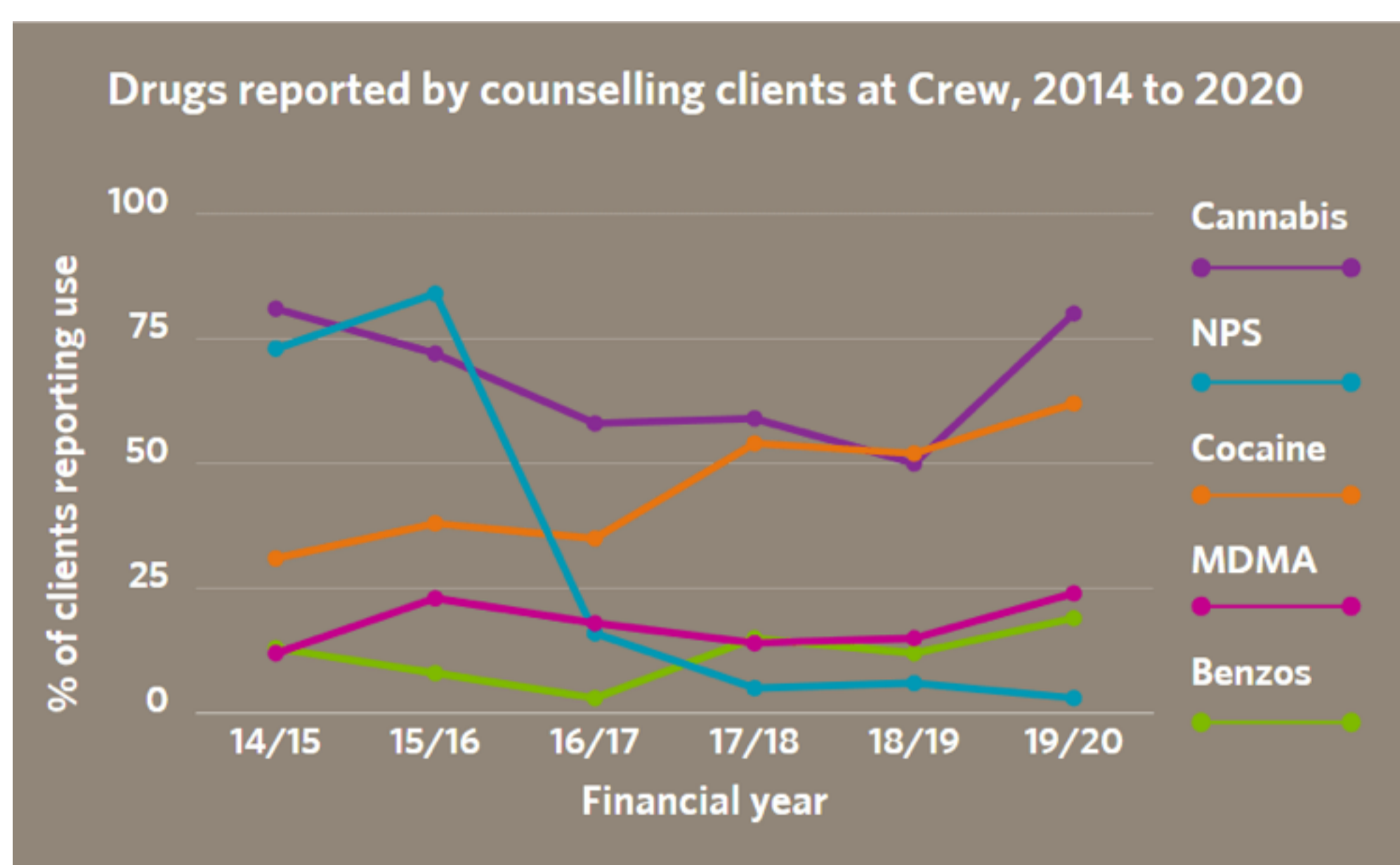


Today we launch our **latest drug trend report covering 2019 to 2020**. This report covers drug trends, explores the drivers behind drug related deaths and gives insight into the impact of the global pandemic and lockdown restrictions.

The report is split into three parts:

Part 1 – Drug Trends

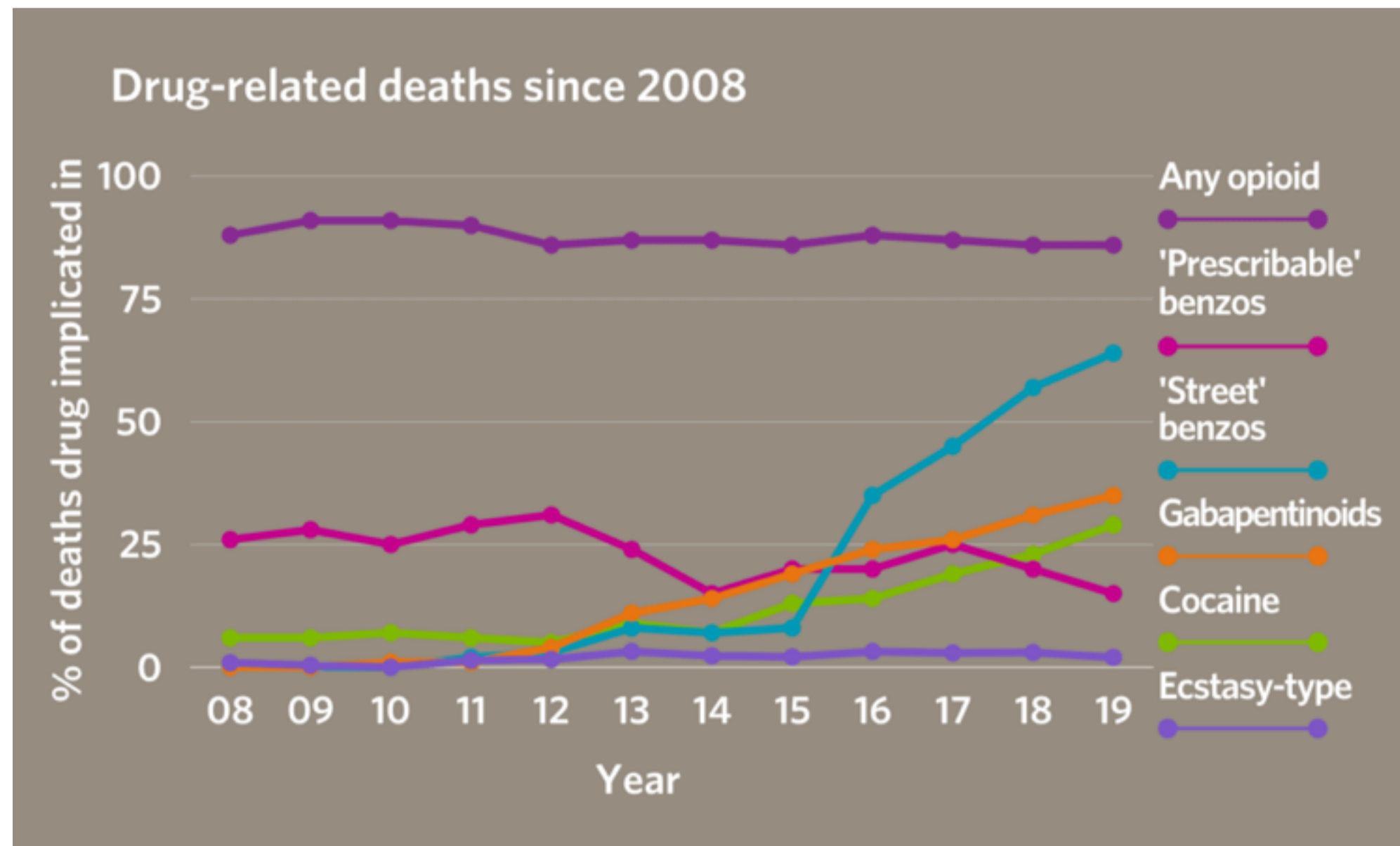
In **Part 1** we discuss local, national and international trends.



Part 2 – Drug-related Deaths

In **Part 2** we give context to the recently released drug-related death report for Scotland in 2019. Drug-related harm and drug-related deaths in Scotland continue to increase, and we delve into the details behind the devastating figures.

1,264 people died after taking drugs in 2019, which is a 6% increase on 2018. Behind each number, family, friends, colleagues and neighbours are left behind. In our latest report we highlight the drugs that are most commonly implicated in drug-related deaths and as well as highlighting several key factors that are driving this deadly trend.

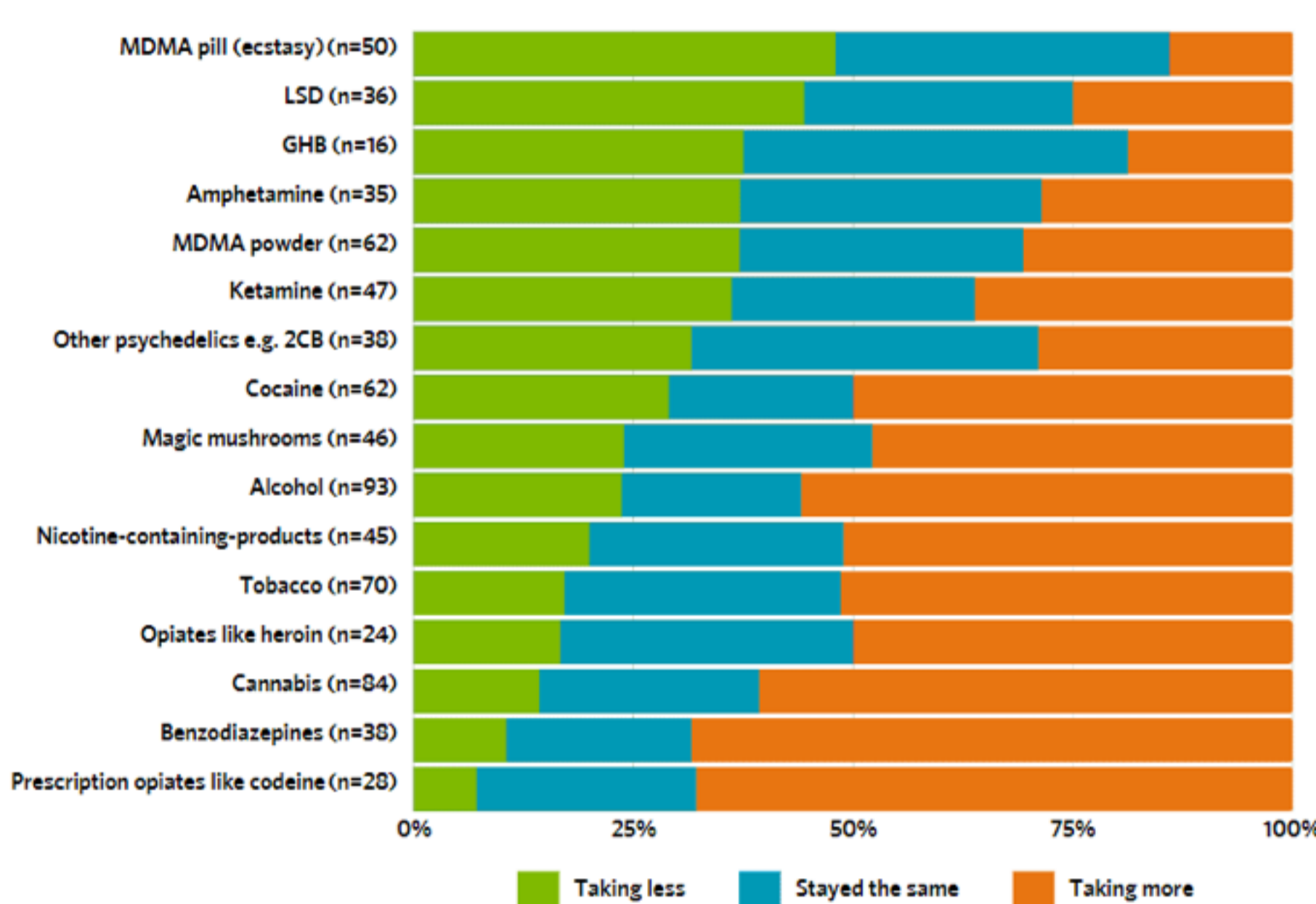


Part 3- COVID -19

In **Part 3** we look at the impact of COVID-19 on the drugs market and how it has influenced drug taking behaviours. With the backdrop of a global pandemic and in the face of increased enforcement activity, the drug market has appeared to remain resilient with dealers quickly adapting to restrictions brought in as a response to COVID-19.

CHANGES TO DRUG USE

Have there been any changes to drug use due to COVID-19?



We hope the report is accessible, informative and helps everyone to understand the current situation we are seeing around drug use in Scotland today.

Download a PDF copy of the report here:

[Drugs at Crew, Trend Report, 2019-2020](#)

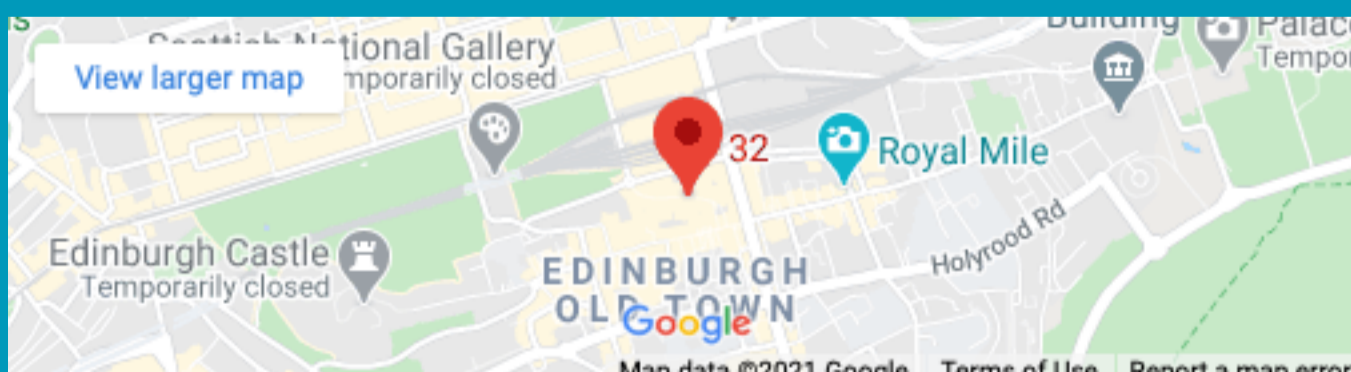
Other useful links

- [Global Drug Survey – COVID-19 Special](#)
- [EMCDDA – COVID-19 Update](#)
- [Bristol Drugs Project – COVID-19 Impact Report](#)
- [The Impact of COVID-19 on People who take Drugs](#)
- [Peer Led COVID-19 Impact Study](#)
- [Drugs and Me – Recreational Drug Use During COVID-19 Outbreak](#)

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