

**In this issue: April to June 2019 –**

**914 analysed – 85 substances identified.**

**Project launch (Oct 2013) to June 2019 – 12,608 samples received – 10,092 analysed – 405 substances identified.**

## Who:

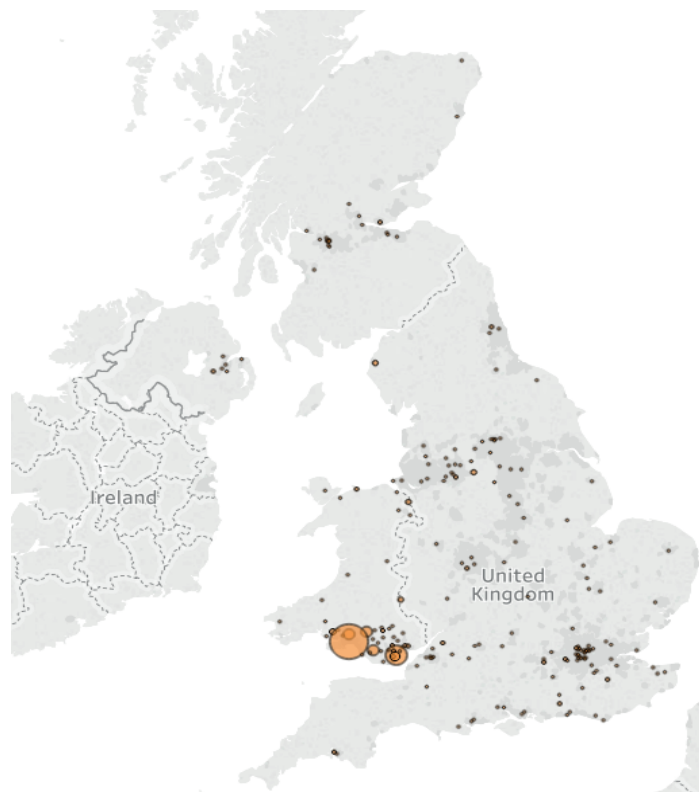
**44 per cent of samples were accompanied with demographic data.**



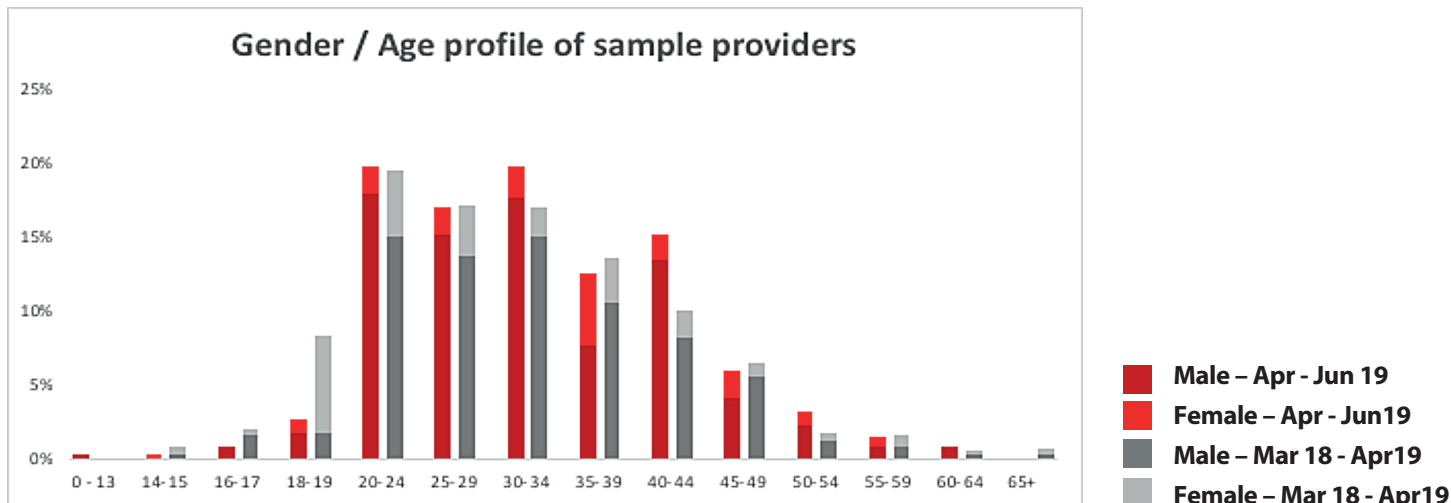
**This quarter has seen an increase in the number of samples submitted from within the Night Time Economy (NTE); particularly night club amnesty bins. Although the samples provide an invaluable insight into substances available within the NTE market they are not accompanied with demographic data.**

## Where:

**Samples were submitted from across the United Kingdom. Samples were submitted from 51 services and NTE venues, as well as anonymously by individuals.**



**Gender / Age profile of sample providers**



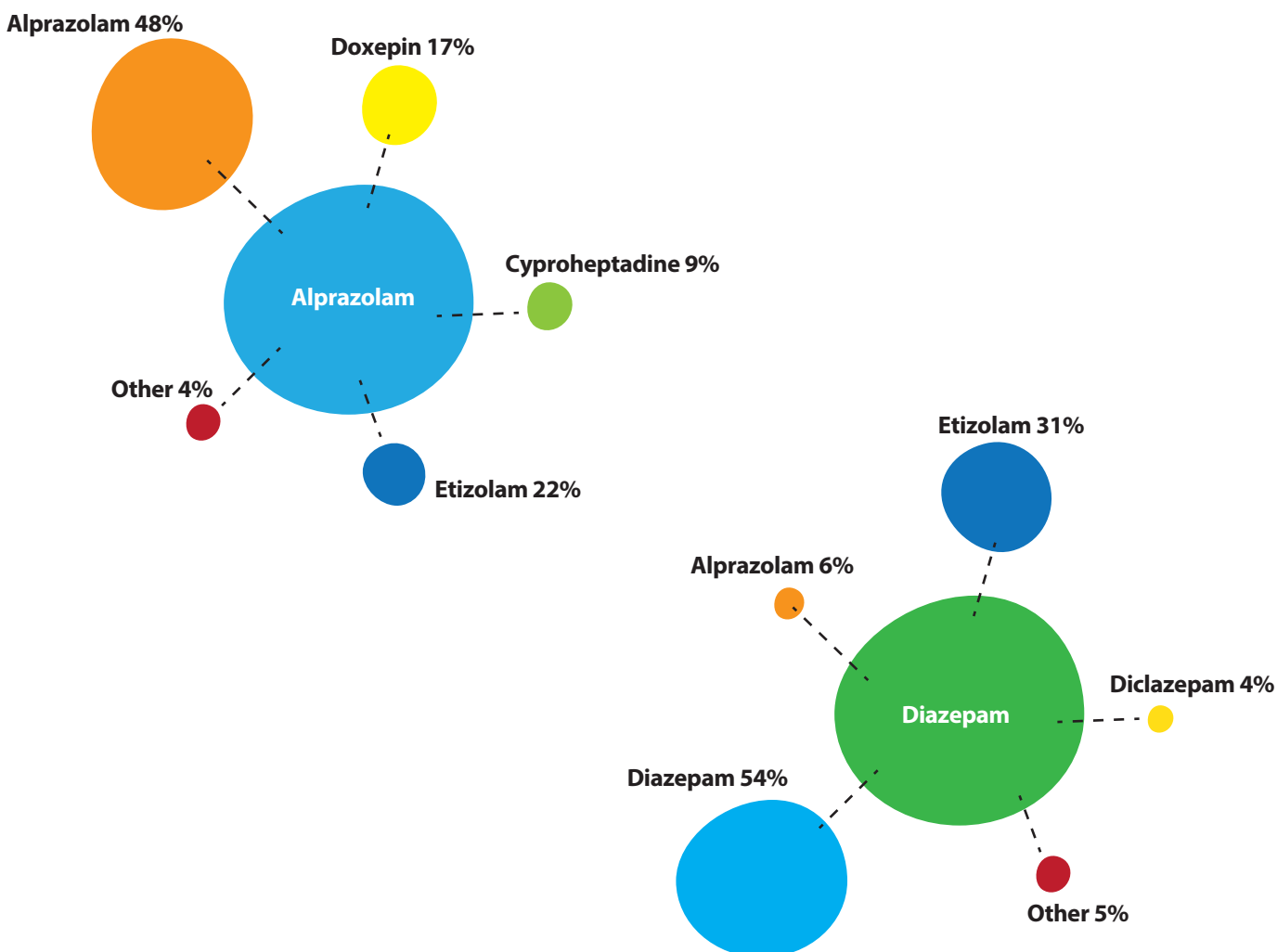
## What:

Top ten most commonly identified substances.  
NPS refers to New Psychoactive Substances.

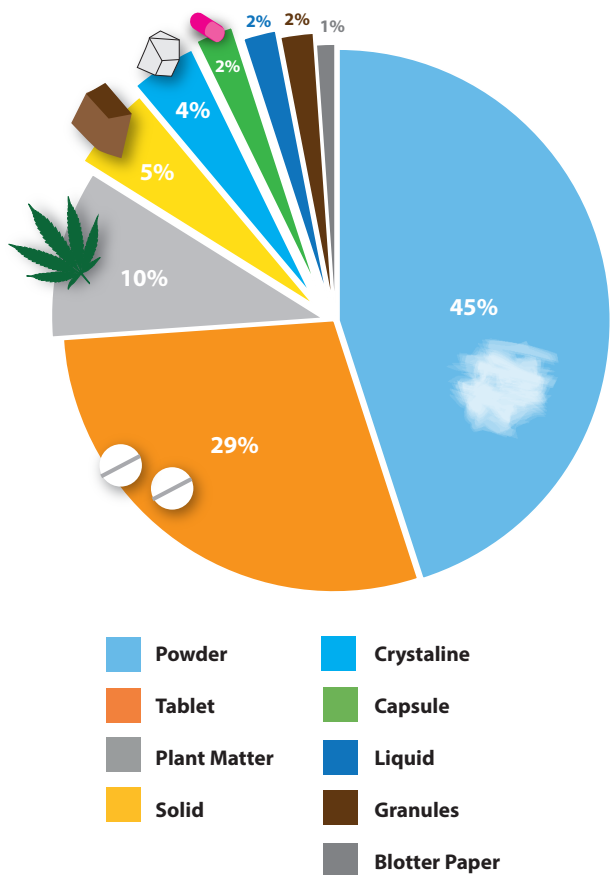
Number	All Substances	NPS	Number	All Substances	NPS
1	Cocaine	Ketamine	6	Etizolam	5F-ADB
2	MDMA	Etizolam	7	Caffeine	Flualprazolam
3	Ketamine	Alprazolam	8	Alprazolam	Quetiapine
4	Diazepam	Buprenorphine	9	Buprenorphine	Mephedrone
5	Cannabis	4F-MDMB-BINACA	10	4F-MDMB-BINACA	Pregabalin

During this quarter four Synthetic Cannabinoid Receptor Agonists were identified. However, only two were identified on more than ten occasions. Ten benzodiazepines were identified during the same period, with four being identified on ten or more occasions. The illicit / non-prescribed use of Benzodiazepines remain a public health concern for several reasons. One of the primary concerns being the substitution of one benzodiazepine for another substance in the unregulated, non-pharmaceutical market.

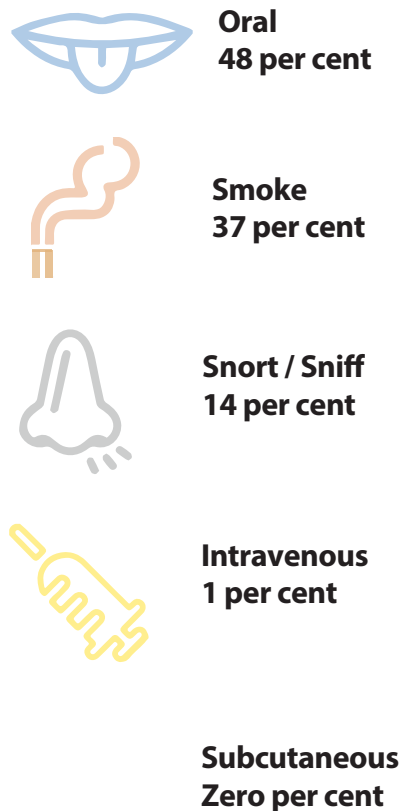
This quarter 52 per cent of samples submitted as alprazolam (Xanax) and 46 per cent submitted as diazepam were found to contain different substances.



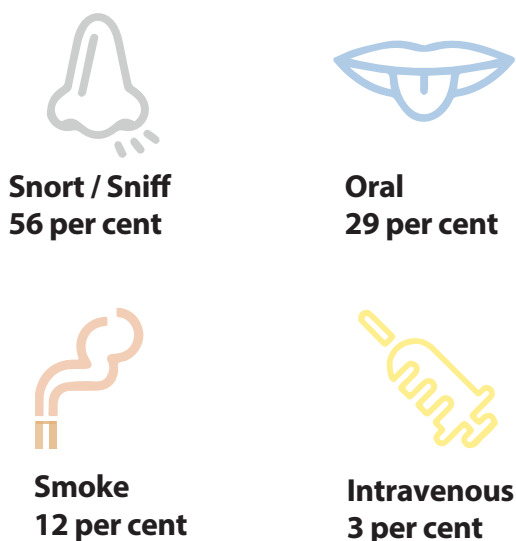
## How: Sample Form:



## Route of Administration (All substances):



## Route of Administration (Powders and crystalline material):



Here the intravenous use relates to samples of Fentanyl (purchased as China White) and amphetamine