

Healthy Sexuality and Harm Reduction /Street Connections

DRUG CHECKING SERVICE QUARTERLY REPORT – OCTOBER 2024

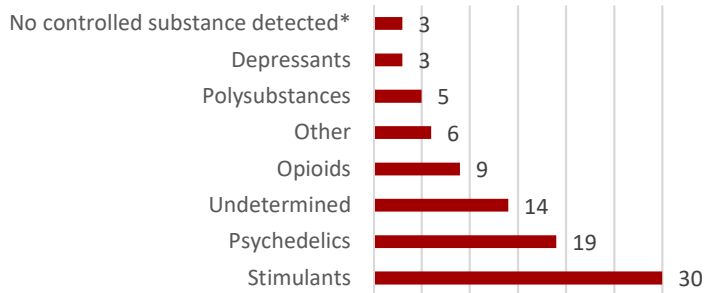
Healthy Sexuality and Harm Reduction/Street Connections delivers drug checking service in Winnipeg, MB. This free and confidential service provides information on the composition of substances, and harm reduction information. **Drug checking assists community members to identify contaminants and take steps to reduce harms from potent or unexpected drugs.**



- 89 samples were tested in June-September 2024.
- Most of the samples tested contained stimulants (34%) or psychedelics (21%).
- Fentanyl and/or fentanyl analogs were found only through the use of test strips. This means that the concentration of fentanyl in the sample was less than 5%.
- Our technologies were unable to detect psychoactive components in some samples (named as undetermined in the graph below). This does not mean that there was nothing active in the sample. It could mean that there was something present at a very low concentration. Some substances can be very strong even at low doses.
- One public health notification/drug alert was issued at the end of July 2024.

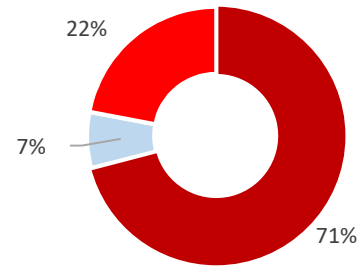
Results

Note: Results from FTIR, test strips, and Health Canada’s Drug Analysis Service confirmatory tests*



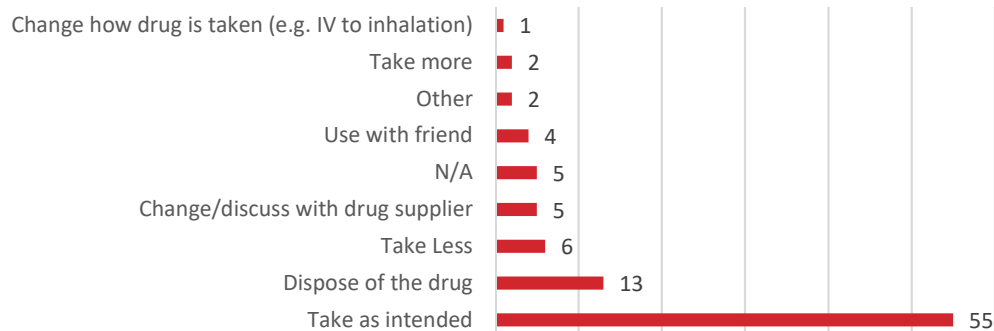
Expected Results

Note: A number of samples contained substances that were “unknown” to the service user (e.g., sample found or given), explaining why there is a “not applicable” category in the graph below.



Stimulant	Opioid	Psychedelic	Depressant	Polysubstance	Other
Methamphetamine, cocaine, crack cocaine	*Down, heroin, fentanyl (unregulated opioids), and pharmaceutical opioids	MDMA and related, 2-C family, ketamine	Benzodiazepines	Cross-category mixture	Testosterone, health supplement

Intended Actions upon Receiving Results



Public Health Notification/Drug Alerts Issued
<https://streetconnections.ca/drug-alerts>

Disclaimer: This report is not intended to show trends of drugs found in the overall local market. It is a representation of samples tested at our site.