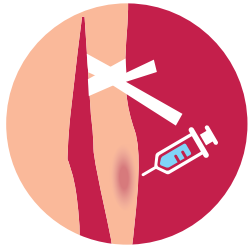




# Shooting Up: Infections among people who inject drugs in the United Kingdom

Data published in the latest Shooting Up report shows that among people who inject psychoactive drugs like heroin and crack cocaine in 2018:



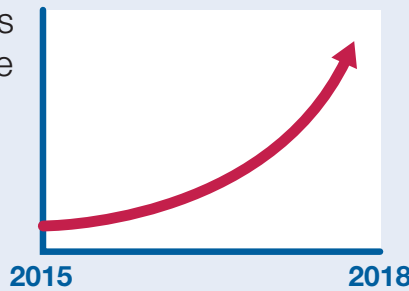
# 54%

Reported symptoms of a **bacterial infection** at an injection site

Reports of some serious **bacterial infections** are

# 10 times higher

than in 2015



# 1 in 2

have reported being **homeless** in the past year

**Crack injection** continues to increase:

# 60%



reported injecting crack in the last month

Just over

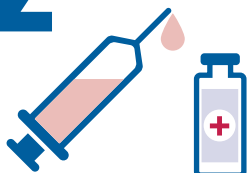
# 1 in 3



reported **sharing injecting equipment**

**Hepatitis B vaccine** uptake remains at only

# 72%



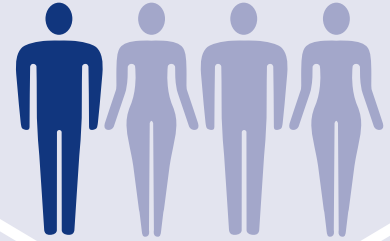
# Only half

of those who started injecting in the past 3 years reported being vaccinated for hepatitis B

## HEPATITIS C

# 1 in 4

Have a **current hepatitis C** Infection



Reporting of a **recent test** for hepatitis C has increased

# 36%

# 47%

The highest level in the past decade

However...

# 54%

of those with a current hepatitis C infection are **unaware of their status**

