

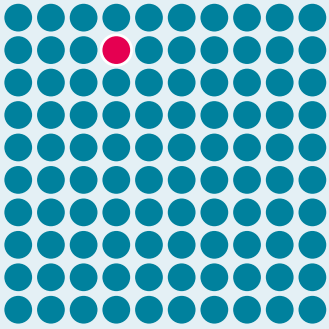


Shooting Up: Infections and other injecting-related harms among people who inject drugs in the United Kingdom

Data published in the latest Shooting Up report shows that among people who inject psychoactive drugs in 2020:

HIV prevalence

1 in 100 are HIV positive, but outbreaks continue to occur



Currently infected with HCV

The proportion of people currently infected with **hepatitis C** has decreased in recent years, likely due to increased testing and treatment



15% have never had a diagnostic hepatitis C test

Just under half haven't had a recent HCV test

HBV vaccination (all PWID)

1/3 have never been vaccinated for hepatitis B



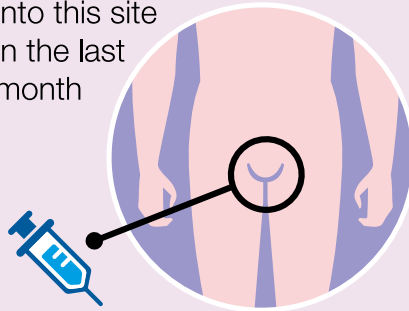
Just under half

of PWID reported being homeless in the last year

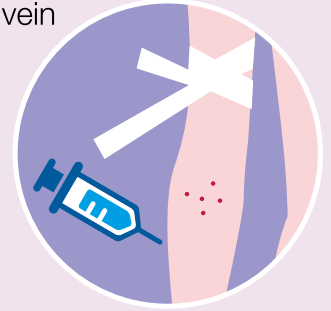


Groin injecting remains common, with over

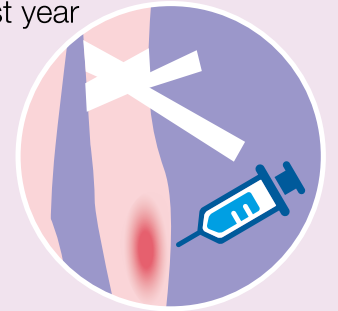
1/3 reporting injecting into this site in the last month



1 in 4 reported inserting the needles 4 or more times before finding a vein



38% reported symptoms of an injection site infection in the last year



Almost **2/3** reported reusing their own injecting equipment in the past month

The proportion reporting sharing of any injecting equipment has increased to **43%**

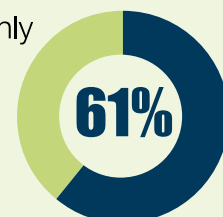


Almost **1 in 5**



reported a non-fatal overdose in the last year

with only



reporting receiving naloxone