# GDSC – JULY 2017 SURVEY



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**Document purpose** 

This document has been produced by the Guernsey Drug Strategy Campaign to provide a high level overview of the results from our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual survey.

For more information about the GDSC and for previous survey results, see our website www.GDSC.co.uk

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Abuse, fairness and anonymity:

Survey abuse – As with any website your computer/smartphone/tablet connects to, it displays your public IP Address. [Devices connecting from the same modem/router will have the same public IP Address]

To help protect privacy we turn your IP address into a randomly assigned 'barcode' which allows us to mitigate abuse while retaining anonymity.

**Anonymity** – To help ensure anonymity we have not collected any personal information that could identify individuals.

**Fairness** – To ensure a wide and varied reach, we have advertised the survey on multiple platforms such as Local TV, Radio, Local Press and Social Media.

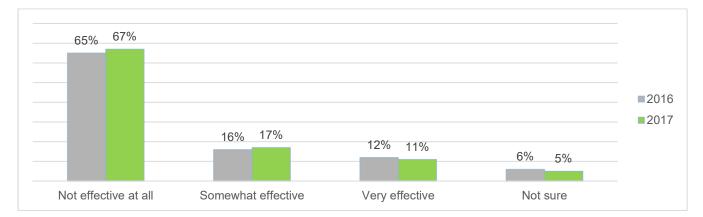
We received a number of enhancement requests from last year's survey. As yet we have not secured funding other than volunteer's time & money, this has limited our capacity to implement any improvements.

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#### **Headline questions**

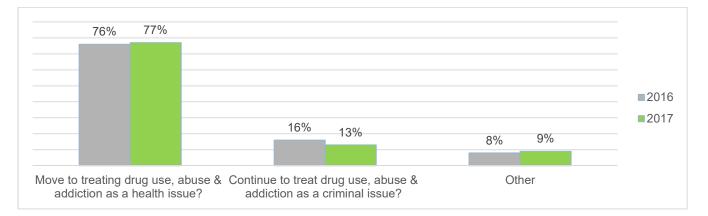
In this section we cover the headline questions; these reflect peoples overall view on the islands current drugs policy in respect of:

- Addiction prevention
- Preference to treating drug use as a criminal or health issue



How effective do you believe criminalising drug users is, in respect of preventing addiction?

#### Do you believe Guernsey should:

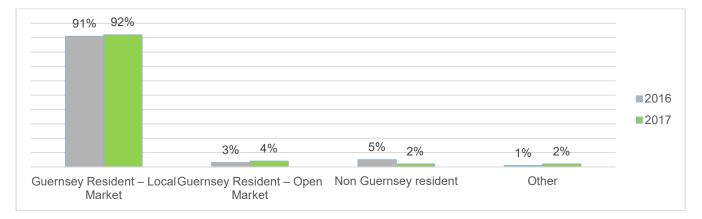


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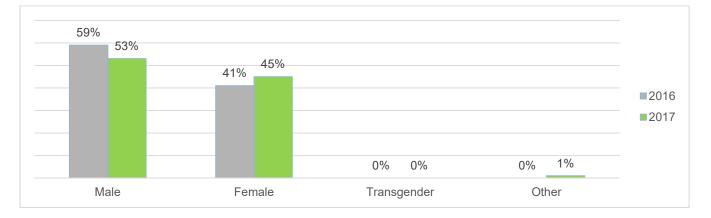
#### Profiling

In this section we provide information on peoples profiles such as residency, gender and age. This information was collected for the purposes of gauging the surveys participating audience type:

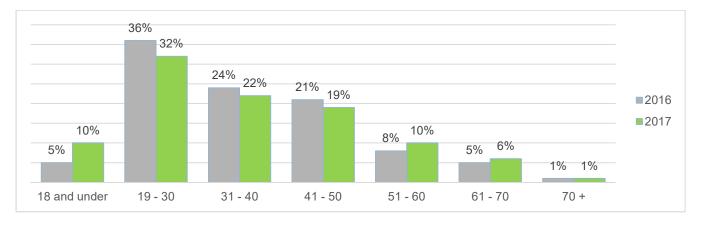
#### Please indicate your residential status:



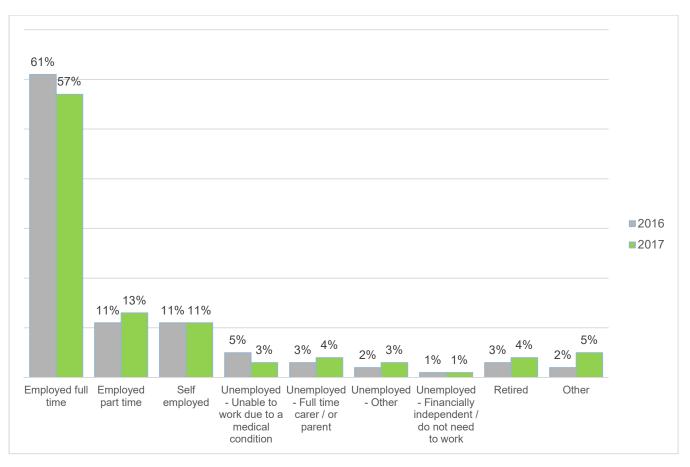
#### Please indicate your Gender:



#### Please indicate your Age Group:

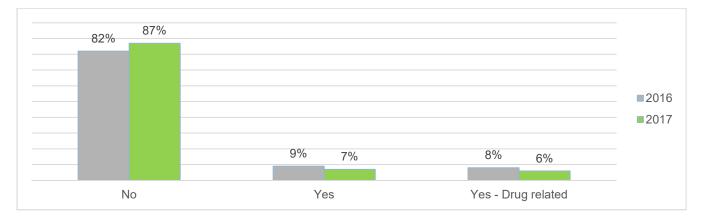


#### Please select an answer which best describes your current employment status:

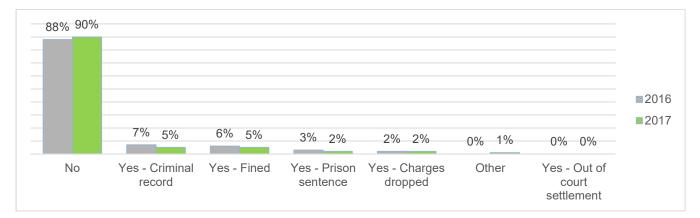


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#### Do you have a criminal record in Guernsey?



#### Have you ever been arrested and charged in Guernsey for drug possession?



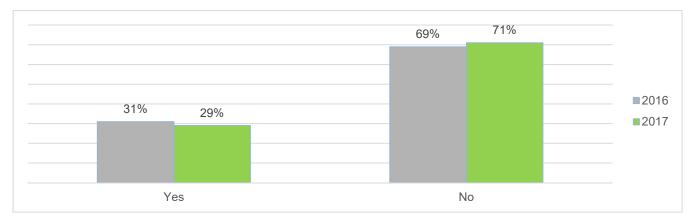
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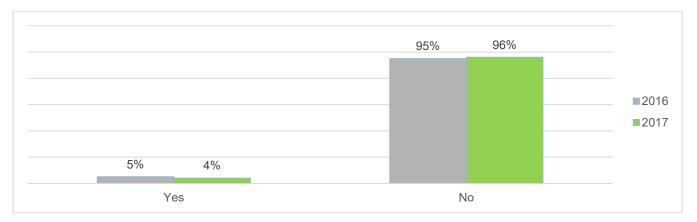
#### Drug usage

In this section we provide statistics on drug use, we have covered pharmaceutical and illegal drugs.

#### Have you ever used illegally obtained pharmaceutical drugs in Guernsey?

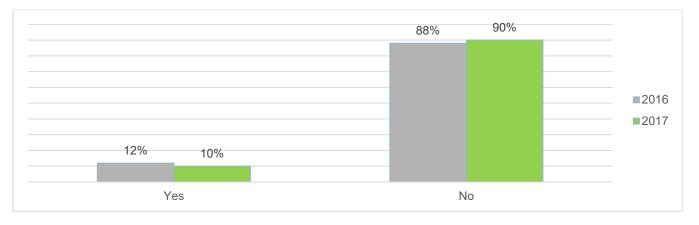


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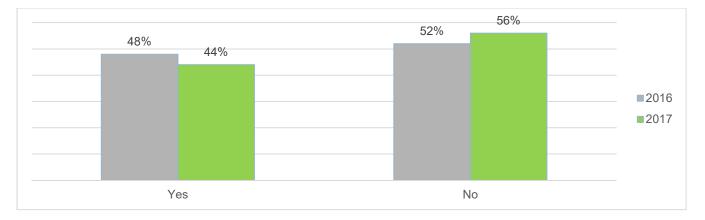


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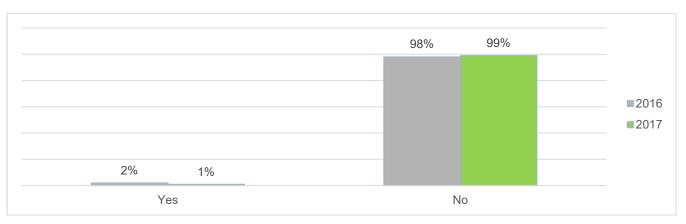
#### Have you ever been addicted to pharmaceutical drugs?



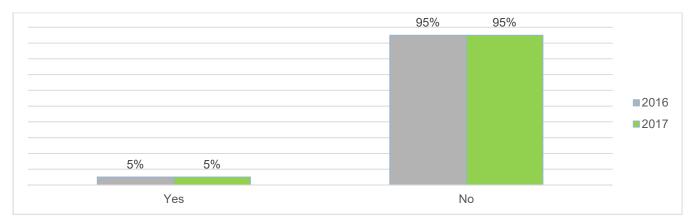
# Have you ever used illegal drugs in Guernsey? (e.g. ecstasy, heroin, cocaine, NPS) [excluding cannabis]



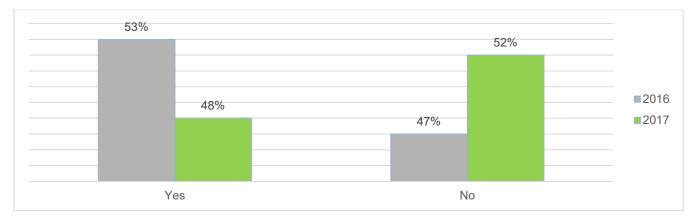
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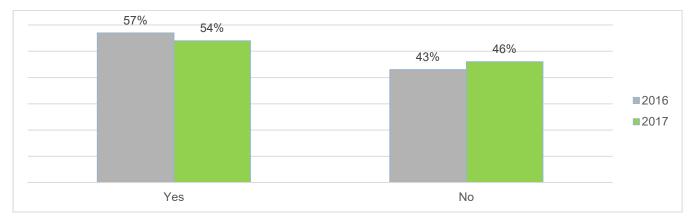
#### Have you ever been addicted to illegal drugs in Guernsey? (e.g. ecstasy, heroin, cocaine, NPS) [excluding cannabis]



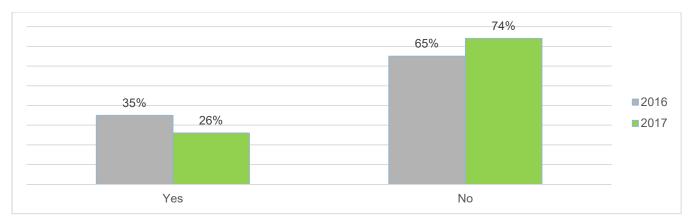
# Do you know or have you known someone who has been addicted to pharmaceutical drugs? (e.g. a close friend or family member)



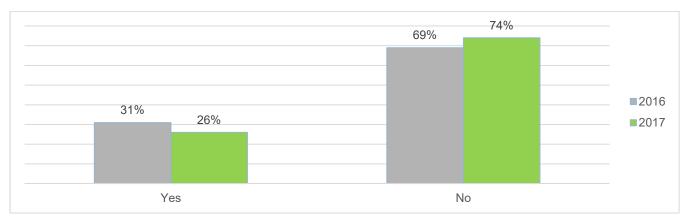
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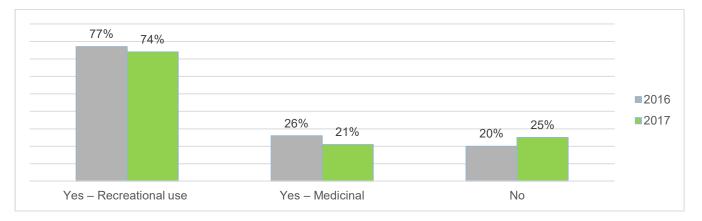
Has anyone you've known died as a result of taking illegally obtained pharmaceutical drugs? (e.g. a close friend or family member)



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#### Have you ever used cannabis?



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#### **Closing notes**

- We would like to take this opportunity to thank all participants in providing their input and patience while we analysed the data.
- There was a significant uptake for this survey and we are pleased to be able to provide this data to the public forum. We truly believe this will help with our journey of reshaping our island's drug policies.
- The report received a total of 1144 responses. (An increase of 93 from last year)
- If further information is required on this report, or any other related subject, we would ask that you get in touch via our websites contact form –
  <u>http://www.gdsc.co.uk</u>