## Appendix A

Table A1. Age-standardised rate per 100,000 people of drug-induced deaths in 2019 and 2020, and rate ratio for difference between 2020 and 2019 (with 95% confidence intervals), overall and by sex

| Sex    | Rate in 2019 (95% CI) | Rate in 2020 (95% CI) | Age-standardised rate ratio (95% CI) |
|--------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| People | 7.4 ( 7.1, 7.8)       | 7.2 ( 6.8, 7.5)       | 0.97 (0.91, 1.03)                    |
| Male   | 9.7 ( 9.1, 10.2)      | 9.5 ( 9.0, 10.1)      | 0.98 (0.91, 1.07)                    |
| Female | 5.2 ( 4.8, 5.6)       | 4.9 ( 4.5, 5.3)       | 0.94 (0.85, 1.05)                    |

Note: Deaths where conditions related to alcohol or tobacco comprised the underlying cause of death are not captured here. Causes of death data for 2019 and 2020 are preliminary and thus are subject to further revision. 95% confidence intervals for the age-standardised rate and rate ratio are shown in brackets. Please refer to our <a href="methods">methods</a> document on 'Presentation of results' for interpretation of rate ratios. Please also refer to our <a href="methods">methods</a> document on 'Data source' and 'Coding of deaths' for details on the data used.

Table A2. Crude rate per 100,000 people of drug-induced deaths in 2019 and 2020, and rate ratio for difference between 2020 and 2019 (with 95% confidence intervals), by age group

| Age   | Rate in 2019 (95% CI) | Rate in 2020 (95% CI) | Crude rate ratio (95% CI) |
|-------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 15-24 | 3.5 ( 2.9, 4.2)       | 3.7 ( 3.1, 4.5)       | 1.06 (0.81, 1.38)         |
| 25-34 | 8.0 ( 7.1, 8.9)       | 8.0 ( 7.1, 8.9)       | 1.00 (0.85, 1.18)         |
| 35-44 | 14 (13, 16)           | 13 (12, 15)           | 0.95 (0.83, 1.08)         |
| 45-54 | 15 (14, 17)           | 13 (12, 15)           | 0.89 (0.78, 1.02)         |
| 55-64 | 9.5 ( 8.4, 10.6)      | 9.8 ( 8.7, 11.0)      | 1.04 (0.88, 1.22)         |
| 65-74 | 4.8 ( 3.9, 5.8)       | 4.9 ( 4.1, 5.9)       | 1.04 (0.79, 1.36)         |
| 75-84 | 4.8 ( 3.7, 6.2)       | 4.6 ( 3.5, 5.9)       | 0.95 (0.65, 1.38)         |
| 85+   | 6.0 ( 4.1, 8.5)       | 7.9 ( 5.7, 10.7)      | 1.32 (0.81, 2.17)         |

Note: Deaths where conditions related to alcohol or tobacco comprised the underlying cause of death are not captured here. Causes of death data for 2019 and 2020 are preliminary and thus are subject to further revision. 95% confidence intervals for the crude rate and rate ratio are shown in brackets. Please refer to our <u>methods</u> document on 'Presentation of results' for interpretation of rate ratios. The estimates for the 0-14 years age group are not presented due to sensitivity of the data. Please also refer to our <u>methods</u> document on 'Data source' and 'Coding of deaths' for details on the data used.

Table A3. Crude rate per 100,000 people of drug-induced deaths in 2019 and 2020, and rate ratio for difference between 2020 and 2019 (with 95% confidence intervals), by sex and age group

| Sex, Age      | Rate in 2019 (95% CI) | Rate in 2020 (95% CI) | Crude rate ratio (95% CI) |
|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Male, 15-24   | 5.1 ( 4.1, 6.3)       | 5.4 ( 4.3, 6.7)       | 1.06 (0.78, 1.45)         |
| Male, 25-34   | 12 (10, 13)           | 11 (9, 12)            | 0.93 (0.76, 1.13)         |
| Male, 35-44   | 19 (17, 22)           | 19 (17, 21)           | 0.95 (0.81, 1.12)         |
| Male, 45-54   | 20 (18, 22)           | 18 (16, 21)           | 0.92 (0.78, 1.09)         |
| Male, 55-64   | 10 (9, 12)            | 12 (10, 14)           | 1.15 (0.92, 1.45)         |
| Male, 65-74   | 5.1 ( 3.9, 6.6)       | 5.6 ( 4.3, 7.1)       | 1.09 (0.75, 1.58)         |
| Male, 75-84   | 4.1 ( 2.7, 6.2)       | 4.9 ( 3.3, 7.0)       | 1.19 (0.67, 2.12)         |
| Male, 85+     | 6.6 ( 3.5, 11.3)      | 9.3 ( 5.6, 14.5)      | 1.41 (0.66, 3.10)         |
| Female, 15-24 | 1.9 ( 1.3, 2.7)       | 2.0 ( 1.4, 2.8)       | 1.05 (0.61, 1.79)         |
| Female, 25-34 | 4.5 ( 3.6, 5.5)       | 5.3 ( 4.3, 6.4)       | 1.19 (0.89, 1.61)         |

| Female, 35-44 | 9.1 ( 7.7, 10.6) | 8.5 ( 7.2, 10.0) | 0.94 (0.74, 1.18) |  |
|---------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|--|
| Female, 45-54 | 10 (9, 12)       | 8.8 ( 7.4, 10.3) | 0.84 (0.67, 1.05) |  |
| Female, 55-64 | 8.8 ( 7.4, 10.5) | 8.0 ( 6.7, 9.6)  | 0.91 (0.70, 1.17) |  |
| Female, 65-74 | 4.4 ( 3.3, 5.8)  | 4.4 ( 3.3, 5.7)  | 0.98 (0.66, 1.47) |  |
| Female, 75-84 | 5.5 ( 3.8, 7.5)  | 4.3 ( 2.9, 6.2)  | 0.80 (0.47, 1.33) |  |
| Female, 85+   | 5.7 ( 3.4, 8.9)  | 7.1 ( 4.5, 10.6) | 1.25 (0.65, 2.46) |  |

Note: Deaths where conditions related to alcohol or tobacco comprised the underlying cause of death are not captured here. Causes of death data for 2019 and 2020 are preliminary and thus are subject to further revision. 95% confidence intervals for the crude rate and rate ratio are shown in brackets. Please refer to our <a href="mailto:methods">methods</a> document on 'Presentation of results' for interpretation of rate ratios. The estimates for the 0-14 years age group are not presented due to sensitivity of the data. Please also refer to our <a href="mailto:methods">methods</a> document on 'Data source' and 'Coding of deaths' for details on the data used.

Table A4. Age-standardised rate per 100,000 people of drug-induced deaths in 2019 and 2020, and rate ratio for difference between 2020 and 2019 (with 95% confidence intervals), by remoteness area of usual residence

| Remoteness             | Rate in 2019 (95% CI) | Rate in 2020 (95% CI) | Age-standardised rate ratio (95% CI) |
|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Major Cities           | 7.4 ( 7.0, 7.8)       | 7.2 ( 6.8, 7.6)       | 0.97 (0.90, 1.05)                    |
| Inner Regional         | 7.4 ( 6.6, 8.3)       | 7.1 ( 6.3, 8.0)       | 0.96 (0.82, 1.13)                    |
| Outer Regional         | 7.5 ( 6.3, 8.9)       | 6.3 ( 5.2, 7.5)       | 0.83 (0.65, 1.06)                    |
| Remote and Very Remote | 3.9 ( 2.3, 6.1)       | 5.6 ( 3.6, 8.0)       | 1.44 (0.80, 2.60)                    |

Note: Deaths where conditions related to alcohol or tobacco comprised the underlying cause of death are not captured here. Causes of death data for 2019 and 2020 are preliminary and thus are subject to further revision. 95% confidence intervals for the age-standardised rate and rate ratio are shown in brackets. Please refer to our <a href="methods">methods</a> document on 'Presentation of results' for interpretation of rate ratios. Please also refer to our <a href="methods">methods</a> document on 'Data source' and 'Coding of deaths' for details on the data used.

Table A5. Age-standardised rate per 100,000 people of drug-induced deaths in 2019 and 2020, and rate ratio for difference between 2020 and 2019 (with 95% confidence intervals), by remoteness area of usual residence and sex

| Remoteness             | Sex    | Rate in 2019 (95%<br>CI) | Rate in 2020 (95%<br>CI) | Age-standardised rate ratio (95% CI) |
|------------------------|--------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Major Cities           | Male   | 9.8 ( 9.2, 10.5)         | 9.6 ( 8.9, 10.2)         | 0.97 (0.89, 1.07)                    |
| Major Cities           | Female | 5.0 ( 4.5, 5.4)          | 4.8 ( 4.4, 5.3)          | 0.98 (0.86, 1.11)                    |
| Regional and<br>Remote | Male   | 8.6 ( 7.6, 9.7)          | 8.8 ( 7.8, 9.9)          | 1.02 (0.86, 1.21)                    |
| Regional and<br>Remote | Female | 5.8 ( 4.9, 6.6)          | 4.7 ( 4.0, 5.5)          | 0.82 (0.67, 1.02)                    |

Table A6. Crude rate per 100,000 people of drug-induced deaths in 2019 and 2020, and rate ratio for difference between 2020 and 2019 (with 95% confidence intervals), by remoteness area of usual residence and age group

| Remoteness Age Rate in 2019 (95% CI) | Rate in 2020 (95% CI) | Crude rate ratio (95% CI) |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|

| Major Cities        | 15-24 | 3.9 ( 3.1, 4.7)  | 4.1 ( 3.3, 5.0)  | 1.05 (0.79, 1.41) |
|---------------------|-------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Major Cities        | 25-34 | 7.7 ( 6.7, 8.7)  | 7.7 ( 6.7, 8.8)  | 1.00 (0.83, 1.21) |
| Major Cities        | 35-44 | 13 (12, 15)      | 13 (12, 15)      | 1.00 (0.86, 1.16) |
| Major Cities        | 45-54 | 15 (13, 17)      | 13 (12, 15)      | 0.88 (0.75, 1.03) |
| Major Cities        | 55-64 | 9.6 ( 8.2, 11.0) | 10 (9, 11)       | 1.04 (0.85, 1.28) |
| Major Cities        | 65-74 | 5.3 ( 4.2, 6.6)  | 4.7 ( 3.6, 5.9)  | 0.88 (0.63, 1.23) |
| Major Cities        | 75-84 | 5.3 ( 3.8, 7.0)  | 5.1 ( 3.7, 6.8)  | 0.95 (0.61, 1.48) |
| Major Cities        | 85+   | 7.8 ( 4.9, 10.9) | 10 (7, 14)       | 1.32 (0.79, 2.24) |
| Regional and Remote | 15-24 | 2.3 ( 1.4, 3.6)  | 2.5 ( 1.5, 3.8)  | 1.10 (0.56, 2.16) |
| Regional and Remote | 25-34 | 8.1 ( 6.2, 10.1) | 8.3 ( 6.4, 10.4) | 1.03 (0.72, 1.46) |
| Regional and Remote | 35-44 | 16 (13, 18)      | 12 (10, 15)      | 0.79 (0.60, 1.03) |
| Regional and Remote | 45-54 | 15 (12, 17)      | 14 (11, 16)      | 0.94 (0.73, 1.20) |
| Regional and Remote | 55-64 | 8.7 ( 6.9, 10.7) | 9.0 ( 7.2, 11.1) | 1.04 (0.76, 1.42) |
| Regional and Remote | 65-74 | 3.6 ( 2.3, 5.1)  | 5.4 ( 3.9, 7.2)  | 1.51 (0.93, 2.50) |
| Regional and Remote | 75-84 | 3.9 ( 2.2, 6.3)  | 3.6 ( 1.9, 5.7)  | 0.95 (0.45, 2.03) |
| Regional and Remote | 85+   | NA ( NA, NA)     | NA ( NA, NA)     | NA ( NA, NA)      |
|                     |       |                  |                  |                   |

Note: Deaths where conditions related to alcohol or tobacco comprised the underlying cause of death are not captured here. Causes of death data for 2019 and 2020 are preliminary and thus are subject to further revision. 95% confidence intervals for the crude rate and rate ratio are shown in brackets. Please refer to our <a href="mailto:methods">methods</a> document on 'Presentation of results' for interpretation of rate ratios. The estimates for the 0-14 years age group are not presented due to sensitivity of the data. Please also refer to our <a href="mailto:methods">methods</a> document on 'Data source' and 'Coding of deaths' for details on the data used.

Table A7. Age-standardised rate per 100,000 people of drug-induced deaths in 2019 and 2020, and rate ratio for difference between 2020 and 2019 (with 95% confidence intervals), by intent and sex

| Sex    | Intent        | Rate in 2019 (95% CI) | Rate in 2020 (95% CI) | Age-standardised rate ratio (95% CI) |
|--------|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| People | Unintentional | 5.0 ( 4.8, 5.3)       | 4.9 ( 4.6, 5.2)       | 0.97 (0.90, 1.05)                    |
| People | Intentional   | 1.7 ( 1.5, 1.8)       | 1.6 ( 1.4, 1.7)       | 0.95 (0.83, 1.09)                    |
| People | Undetermined  | 0.49 ( 0.41, 0.59)    | 0.52 ( 0.43, 0.62)    | 1.05 (0.82, 1.35)                    |
| People | Other         | 0.22 ( 0.17, 0.29)    | 0.18 ( 0.13, 0.24)    | 0.81 (0.55, 1.19)                    |
| Male   | Unintentional | 7.1 ( 6.7, 7.6)       | 6.9 ( 6.5, 7.4)       | 0.97 (0.88, 1.07)                    |
| Male   | Intentional   | 1.7 ( 1.5, 1.9)       | 1.7 ( 1.5, 1.9)       | 0.99 (0.82, 1.20)                    |
| Male   | Other         | 0.30 ( 0.21, 0.42)    | 0.26 ( 0.18, 0.36)    | 0.85 (0.53, 1.36)                    |
| Female | Unintentional | 3.0 ( 2.7, 3.3)       | 2.9 ( 2.6, 3.2)       | 0.97 (0.84, 1.12)                    |
| Female | Intentional   | 1.6 ( 1.4, 1.8)       | 1.5 ( 1.3, 1.7)       | 0.91 (0.75, 1.11)                    |
| Female | Other         | 0.14 ( 0.08, 0.21)    | 0.10 ( 0.06, 0.17)    | 0.75 (0.38, 1.47)                    |

Table A8. Crude rate per 100,000 people of drug-induced deaths in 2019 and 2020, and rate ratio for difference between 2020 and 2019 (with 95% confidence intervals), by intent (unintentional and intentional) and age group

| Intent        | Age   | Rate in 2019 (95% CI) | Rate in 2020 (95% CI) | Crude rate ratio (95% CI) |
|---------------|-------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Unintentional | 15-24 | 2.5 ( 2.0, 3.1)       | 2.5 ( 2.0, 3.1)       | 1.01 (0.73, 1.40)         |

| Unintentional | 25-34 | 6.0 ( 5.2, 6.8)    | 6.0 ( 5.2, 6.8)    | 1.00 (0.83, 1.20) |
|---------------|-------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Unintentional | 35-44 | 11 (10, 12)        | 9.8 ( 8.8, 10.9)   | 0.91 (0.78, 1.06) |
| Unintentional | 45-54 | 11 (9, 12)         | 10 (9, 11)         | 0.96 (0.82, 1.12) |
| Unintentional | 55-64 | 5.5 ( 4.7, 6.5)    | 6.2 ( 5.4, 7.2)    | 1.12 (0.90, 1.39) |
| Unintentional | 65-74 | 2.1 ( 1.5, 2.8)    | 2.0 ( 1.5, 2.7)    | 0.97 (0.63, 1.47) |
| Unintentional | 75-84 | 0.97 ( 0.50, 1.69) | 0.77 ( 0.37, 1.41) | 0.79 (0.31, 2.00) |
| Unintentional | 85+   | 1.2 ( 0.4, 2.5)    | 2.1 ( 1.0, 3.7)    | 1.78 (0.60, 5.88) |
| Intentional   | 15-24 | 0.71 ( 0.45, 1.06) | 0.94 ( 0.63, 1.34) | 1.32 (0.74, 2.39) |
| Intentional   | 25-34 | 1.3 ( 1.0, 1.8)    | 1.3 ( 0.9, 1.7)    | 0.93 (0.62, 1.41) |
| Intentional   | 35-44 | 2.3 ( 1.8, 2.8)    | 2.2 ( 1.7, 2.8)    | 0.97 (0.69, 1.34) |
| Intentional   | 45-54 | 2.8 ( 2.3, 3.4)    | 2.3 ( 1.8, 2.9)    | 0.84 (0.61, 1.15) |
| Intentional   | 55-64 | 3.0 ( 2.4, 3.7)    | 2.7 ( 2.1, 3.3)    | 0.90 (0.66, 1.24) |
| Intentional   | 65-74 | 2.5 ( 1.9, 3.2)    | 2.3 ( 1.8, 3.0)    | 0.95 (0.64, 1.40) |
| Intentional   | 75-84 | 3.1 ( 2.2, 4.2)    | 3.1 ( 2.2, 4.2)    | 1.00 (0.63, 1.60) |
| Intentional   | 85+   | 3.9 ( 2.4, 6.0)    | 4.3 ( 2.8, 6.5)    | 1.12 (0.59, 2.15) |
|               |       |                    |                    |                   |

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Table A9. Age-standardised rate per 100,000 people of drug-induced deaths in 2019 and 2020, and rate ratio for difference between 2020 and 2019 (with 95% confidence intervals), by intent and remoteness area of usual residence

| Intent        | Remoteness             | Rate in 2019 (95%<br>CI) | Rate in 2020 (95%<br>CI) | Age-standardised rate ratio (95% CI) |
|---------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Unintentional | Major Cities           | 5.1 ( 4.8, 5.5)          | 4.9 ( 4.6, 5.2)          | 0.96 (0.88, 1.05)                    |
| Unintentional | Regional and<br>Remote | 4.6 ( 4.0, 5.1)          | 4.5 ( 4.0, 5.1)          | 0.99 (0.84, 1.17)                    |
| Intentional   | Major Cities           | 1.6 ( 1.4, 1.8)          | 1.5 ( 1.4, 1.7)          | 0.96 (0.82, 1.13)                    |
| Intentional   | Regional and<br>Remote | 1.8 ( 1.5, 2.1)          | 1.6 ( 1.3, 1.9)          | 0.92 (0.71, 1.18)                    |

Table A10. Age-standardised rate per 100,000 people of drug-induced deaths in 2019 and 2020, and rate ratio for difference between 2020 and 2019 (with 95% confidence intervals), by drug type involved

| Drug                               | Rate in 2019 (95%<br>CI) | Rate in 2020 (95%<br>CI) | Age-standardised rate ratio (95% CI) |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Alcohol                            | 1.2 ( 1.1, 1.4)          | 1.1 ( 1.0, 1.2)          | 0.89 (0.75, 1.04)                    |
| Amphetamines                       | 2.0 ( 1.8, 2.1)          | 2.1 ( 2.0, 2.3)          | 1.10 (0.97, 1.25)                    |
| Antidepressants                    | 2.2 ( 2.1, 2.4)          | 2.1 ( 2.0, 2.3)          | 0.96 (0.85, 1.08)                    |
| Antiepileptic, sedative-hypnotic & |                          |                          |                                      |
| antiparkinsonism drugs             | 3.8 ( 3.5, 4.0)          | 3.9 ( 3.6, 4.1)          | 1.02 (0.93, 1.12)                    |

| Antipsychotics & neuroleptics | 1.5 ( 1.3, 1.6)    | 1.2 ( 1.1, 1.4)    | 0.84 (0.72, 0.98) |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Cannabinoids                  | 0.85 ( 0.74, 0.98) | 0.44 ( 0.36, 0.54) | 0.52 (0.41, 0.66) |
| Cocaine                       | 0.35 ( 0.28, 0.43) | 0.35 ( 0.28, 0.43) | 0.99 (0.73, 1.34) |
| Nonopioid analgesics          | 1.2 ( 1.0, 1.3)    | 0.77 ( 0.66, 0.88) | 0.65 (0.55, 0.78) |
| Opioids                       | 4.6 ( 4.3, 4.8)    | 4.3 ( 4.1, 4.6)    | 0.95 (0.87, 1.03) |

Note: Deaths where conditions related to alcohol or tobacco comprised the underlying cause of death are not captured here. Causes of death data for 2019 and 2020 are preliminary and thus are subject to further revision. 95% confidence intervals for the age-standardised rate and rate ratio are shown in brackets. Please refer to our <a href="methods">methods</a> document on 'Presentation of results' for interpretation of rate ratios. Please also refer to our <a href="methods">methods</a> document on 'Data source' and 'Coding of deaths' for details on the data used.

Table A11. Age-standardised rate per 100,000 people of drug-induced deaths in 2019 and 2020, and rate ratio for difference between 2020 and 2019 (with 95% confidence intervals), by intent (unintentional and intentional) and drug type involved

| Intent        | Drug  | Rate in 2019<br>(95% CI) | Rate in 2020<br>(95% CI) | Age-standardised rate ratio (95% CI) |
|---------------|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Unintentional | Alcohol   | 0.89 ( 0.78,<br>1.02)    | 0.83 ( 0.72,<br>0.95)    | 0.93 (0.77, 1.12)                    |
| Unintentional | Amphetamines  | 1.7 ( 1.5, 1.8)          | 1.8 ( 1.6, 2.0)          | 1.09 (0.95, 1.25)                    |
| Unintentional | Antidepressants   | 1.4 ( 1.2, 1.5)          | 1.3 ( 1.1, 1.4)          | 0.93 (0.80, 1.08)                    |
| Unintentional | Antiepileptic, sedative-hypnotic & antiparkinsonism drugs | 2.7 ( 2.5,<br>2.9)       | 2.7 ( 2.5,<br>2.9)       | 1.01 (0.91, 1.13)                    |
| Unintentional | Antipsychotics & neuroleptics                             | 0.95 ( 0.83,<br>1.08)    | 0.78 ( 0.67,<br>0.90)    | 0.82 (0.68, 1.00)                    |
| Unintentional | Cannabinoids  | 0.72 ( 0.62,<br>0.84)    | 0.38 ( 0.31,<br>0.47)    | 0.53 (0.42, 0.69)                    |
| Unintentional | Cocaine   | 0.32 ( 0.25,<br>0.40)    | 0.30 ( 0.23,<br>0.37)    | 0.94 (0.68, 1.29)                    |
| Unintentional | Nonopioid analgesics                                      | 0.66 ( 0.56,<br>0.77)    | 0.48 ( 0.40,<br>0.57)    | 0.72 (0.57, 0.91)                    |
| Unintentional | Opioids   | 3.6 ( 3.4, 3.8)          | 3.4 ( 3.2, 3.7)          | 0.95 (0.87, 1.05)                    |
| Intentional   | Alcohol   | 0.29 ( 0.23,<br>0.36)    | 0.22 ( 0.17,<br>0.28)    | 0.76 (0.54, 1.08)                    |
| Intentional   | Amphetamines  | 0.18 ( 0.13,<br>0.24)    | 0.21 ( 0.15,<br>0.27)    | 1.14 (0.76, 1.72)                    |
| Intentional   | Antidepressants   | 0.69 ( 0.59,<br>0.80)    | 0.67 ( 0.58,<br>0.78)    | 0.98 (0.79, 1.21)                    |
| Intentional   | Antiepileptic, sedative-hypnotic & antiparkinsonism drugs | 0.88 ( 0.77,<br>1.00)    | 1.03)                    | 1.03 (0.86, 1.23)                    |
| Intentional   | Antipsychotics & neuroleptics                             | 0.42 ( 0.34,<br>0.51)    | 0.37 ( 0.30,<br>0.45)    | 0.88 (0.66, 1.16)                    |
| Intentional   | Cannabinoids  | 0.10 ( 0.06,<br>0.15)    | NA ( NA, NA)             | NA ( NA, NA)                         |
| Intentional   | Cocaine   | NA ( NA, NA)             | NA ( NA, NA)             | NA ( NA, NA)                         |
| Intentional   | Nonopioid analgesics                                      | 0.41 ( 0.34,<br>0.50)    | 0.24 ( 0.19,<br>0.31)    | 0.59 (0.43, 0.80)                    |
| Intentional   | Opioids   | 0.69 ( 0.59,<br>0.80)    | 0.58 ( 0.49,<br>0.68)    | 0.84 (0.67, 1.04)                    |

Note: Deaths where conditions related to alcohol or tobacco comprised the underlying cause of death are not captured here. Causes of death data for 2019 and 2020 are preliminary and thus are subject to further revision. 95% confidence intervals for

the age-standardised rate and rate ratio are shown in brackets. Please refer to our <u>methods</u> document on 'Presentation of results' for interpretation of rate ratios. Please also refer to our <u>methods</u> document on 'Data source' and 'Coding of deaths' for details on the data used.

Table A12. Age-standardised rate per 100,000 people of drug-induced deaths involving amphetamines or cocaine in 2019 and 2020, and rate ratio for difference between 2020 and 2019 (with 95% confidence intervals), by sex

| Drug         | Sex    | Rate in 2019 (95% CI) | Rate in 2020 (95% CI) | Age-standardised rate ratio (95% CI) |
|--------------|--------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Amphetamines | Female | 1.0 ( 0.9, 1.2)       | 1.2 ( 1.1, 1.5)       | 1.19 (0.94, 1.51)                    |
| Amphetamines | Male   | 2.9 ( 2.6, 3.2)       | 3.1 ( 2.8, 3.4)       | 1.07 (0.92, 1.23)                    |
| Amphetamines | People | 2.0 ( 1.8, 2.1)       | 2.1 ( 2.0, 2.3)       | 1.10 (0.97, 1.25)                    |
| Cocaine      | Female | 0.12 ( 0.07, 0.20)    | NA ( NA, NA)          | NA ( NA, NA)                         |
| Cocaine      | Male   | 0.58 ( 0.45, 0.73)    | 0.63 ( 0.50, 0.79)    | 1.10 (0.80, 1.52)                    |
| Cocaine      | People | 0.35 ( 0.28, 0.43)    | 0.35 ( 0.28, 0.43)    | 0.99 (0.73, 1.34)                    |

Note: Deaths where conditions related to alcohol or tobacco comprised the underlying cause of death are not captured here. Causes of death data for 2019 and 2020 are preliminary and thus are subject to further revision. 95% confidence intervals for the age-standardised rate and rate ratio are shown in brackets. Please refer to our <a href="methods">methods</a> document on 'Presentation of results' for interpretation of rate ratios. Please also refer to our <a href="methods">methods</a> document on 'Data source' and 'Coding of deaths' for details on the data used.

Table A13. Crude rate per 100,000 people of drug-induced deaths involving amphetamines in 2019 and 2020, and rate ratio for difference between 2020 and 2019 (with 95% confidence intervals), by age

| Age   | Rate in 2019 (95% CI) | Rate in 2020 (95% CI) | Crude rate ratio (95% CI) |
|-------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 15-24 | 1.2 ( 0.8, 1.6)       | 1.2 ( 0.9, 1.7)       | 1.07 (0.67, 1.71)         |
| 25-34 | 2.7 ( 2.2, 3.2)       | 3.2 ( 2.7, 3.8)       | 1.21 (0.92, 1.59)         |
| 35-44 | 4.6 ( 3.9, 5.4)       | 4.7 ( 4.0, 5.5)       | 1.03 (0.82, 1.29)         |
| 45-54 | 4.3 ( 3.6, 5.1)       | 4.5 ( 3.8, 5.3)       | 1.05 (0.83, 1.33)         |
| 55-64 | 1.2 ( 0.8, 1.6)       | 1.5 ( 1.1, 2.0)       | 1.30 (0.81, 2.09)         |
| 65-74 | NA ( NA, NA)          | 0.30 ( 0.12, 0.61)    | NA ( NA, NA)              |
| 75-84 | 0.00 ( NA, 0.30)      | 0.00 ( NA, 0.28)      | NA ( NA, NA)              |
| 85+   | 0.00 ( NA, 0.72)      | 0.00 ( NA, 0.70)      | NA ( NA, NA)              |

Note: Deaths where conditions related to alcohol or tobacco comprised the underlying cause of death are not captured here. Causes of death data for 2019 and 2020 are preliminary and thus are subject to further revision. 95% confidence intervals for the age-standardised rate and rate ratio are shown in brackets. Please refer to our <a href="methods">methods</a> document on 'Presentation of results' for interpretation of rate ratios. Please also refer to our <a href="methods">methods</a> document on 'Data source' and 'Coding of deaths' for details on the data used.

Table A14. Age-standardised rate per 100,000 people of opioid-induced deaths in 2019 and 2020, and rate ratio for difference between 2020 and 2019 (with 95% confidence intervals), by sex

| Sex    | Rate in 2019 (95% CI) | Rate in 2020 (95% CI) | Age-standardised rate ratio (95% CI) |
|--------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| People | 4.5 ( 4.3, 4.8)       | 4.3 ( 4.0, 4.5)       | 0.94 (0.86, 1.02)                    |
| Male   | 6.2 ( 5.7, 6.6)       | 5.9 ( 5.5, 6.3)       | 0.96 (0.86, 1.06)                    |
| Female | 2.9 ( 2.6, 3.2)       | 2.6 ( 2.4, 2.9)       | 0.90 (0.78, 1.05)                    |

Note: Deaths where conditions related to alcohol or tobacco comprised the underlying cause of death are not captured here. Causes of death data for 2019 and 2020 are preliminary and thus are subject to further revision. 95% confidence intervals for the age-standardised rate and rate ratio are shown in brackets. Please refer to our methods document on 'Presentation of

results' for interpretation of rate ratios. Please also refer to our <u>methods</u> document on 'Data source' and 'Coding of deaths' for details on the data used.

Table A15. Crude rate per 100,000 people of opioid-induced deaths in 2019 and 2020, and rate ratio for difference between 2020 and 2019 (with 95% confidence intervals), by age

| Age   | Rate in 2019 (95% CI) | Rate in 2020 (95% CI) | Crude rate ratio (95% CI) |
|-------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 15-24 | 2.1 ( 1.7, 2.7)       | 1.7 ( 1.3, 2.3)       | 0.82 (0.57, 1.19)         |
| 25-34 | 4.6 ( 3.9, 5.3)       | 5.0 ( 4.3, 5.8)       | 1.10 (0.89, 1.36)         |
| 35-44 | 9.5 ( 8.5, 10.6)      | 9.0 ( 8.0, 10.1)      | 0.94 (0.81, 1.11)         |
| 45-54 | 9.7 ( 8.7, 10.9)      | 8.4 ( 7.4, 9.4)       | 0.86 (0.73, 1.01)         |
| 55-64 | 5.9 ( 5.0, 6.8)       | 5.3 ( 4.5, 6.2)       | 0.91 (0.73, 1.14)         |
| 65-74 | 1.9 ( 1.4, 2.6)       | 2.3 ( 1.8, 3.0)       | 1.21 (0.80, 1.84)         |
| 75-84 | 1.5 ( 0.9, 2.3)       | 1.4 ( 0.8, 2.2)       | 0.95 (0.47, 1.94)         |
| 85+   | 1.6 ( 0.7, 3.1)       | 1.9 ( 0.9, 3.5)       | 1.22 (0.43, 3.55)         |

Note: Deaths where conditions related to alcohol or tobacco comprised the underlying cause of death are not captured here. Causes of death data for 2019 and 2020 are preliminary and thus are subject to further revision. 95% confidence intervals for the crude rate and rate ratio are shown in brackets. Please refer to our <a href="methods">methods</a> document on 'Presentation of results' for interpretation of rate ratios. The estimates for the 0-14 years age group are not presented due to sensitivity of the data. Please also refer to our <a href="methods">methods</a> document on 'Data source' and 'Coding of deaths' for details on the data used.

Table A16. Age-standardised rate per 100,000 people of opioid-induced deaths in 2019 and 2020, and rate ratio for difference between 2020 and 2019 (with 95% confidence intervals), by opioid type involved

| Drug                             | Rate in 2019 (95%<br>CI) | Rate in 2020 (95%<br>CI) | Age-standardised rate ratio (95% CI) |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Heroin                           | 1.9 ( 1.8, 2.1)          | 1.9 ( 1.7, 2.1)          | 0.96 (0.84, 1.09)                    |
| Natural & semi-synthetic opioids | 1.8 ( 1.7, 2.0)          | 1.6 ( 1.5, 1.8)          | 0.89 (0.78, 1.02)                    |
| Synthetic opioids                | 0.90 ( 0.78, 1.02)       | 0.84 ( 0.73, 0.97)       | 0.94 (0.78, 1.14)                    |
| Methadone                        | 0.78 ( 0.67, 0.90)       | 0.77 ( 0.66, 0.89)       | 0.99 (0.81, 1.21)                    |
| Other & unspecified opioids      | NA ( NA, NA)             | NA ( NA, NA)             | NA ( NA, NA)                         |

Table A17. Age-standardised rate per 100,000 people of opioid-induced deaths in 2019 and 2020, and rate ratio for difference between 2020 and 2019 (with 95% confidence intervals), by other drugs involved

| Drug                                     | Rate in 2019 (95%<br>CI) | Rate in 2020 (95%<br>CI) | Age-standardised rate ratio (95% CI) |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Benzodiazepines                          | 2.5 (2.3, 2.7)           | 2.5 (2.3, 2.7)           | 1.00 (0.89, 1.12)                    |
| Antidepressants                          | 1.4 (1.3, 1.6)           | 1.4 (1.3, 1.6)           | 1.00 (0.86, 1.16)                    |
| Amphetamines                             | 1.2 (1.0, 1.3)           | 1.3 (1.1, 1.4)           | 1.08 (0.92, 1.27)                    |
| Antiepileptic & sedative-hypnotic drugs, |                          |                          |                                      |
| unspecified                              | 0.68 (0.58, 0.80)        | 0.87 (0.75, 0.99)        | 1.27 (1.04, 1.56)                    |
| Antipsychotics & neuroleptics            | 0.94 (0.82, 1.07)        | 0.74 (0.63, 0.85)        | 0.79 (0.65, 0.96)                    |

| Alcohol                   | 0.84 (0.73, 0.97) | 0.68 (0.58, 0.79) | 0.80 (0.65, 0.99) |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 4-aminophenol derivatives | 0.74 (0.63, 0.85) | 0.50 (0.42, 0.60) | 0.68 (0.54, 0.85) |