SUBSTANCE WEEKLY REPO

July 15 - July 21, 2024 (179 Samples)



HIGHLIGHTS

- 57.5% (103/179) of samples checked were as expected, with no cuts or adulterants detected.
- 42.6% (26/61) of down samples contained a benzo this week.
- We had a great time drug checking at the Pachena Bay Music Festival this weekend!
- Teaching Thursdays are back! Starting this week on July 25, stop by between 2:30-6 PM to chat with us, learn to use the FTIR, and check your own sample.

DOWN/OPIOIDS, 61 SAMPLES

- 52 samples contained **fentanyl** at a median concentration of 15%
- 16 samples contained **fluorofentanyl** at a median concentration of 10%
- 14 samples contained **ortho-Methyl fentanyl** at a median concentration of 5%
- 3 samples contained **xylazine** at a median concentration of 2%
- 2 samples contained heroin at concentrations of 1% and 2%
- 2 samples contained **medetomidine** at concentrations of 0.3% and 1%
- 26/61 down samples contained a benzo
 - 22 samples contained **bromazolam** at a median concentration of 5%
 - 4 samples contained an unknown benzo

Community Reporting

- **Down:** Small brown pebbles. When smoked, had a typical down taste smoked as expected. Effects were average, nothing unexpected to report - did feel like it had a benzo. Bought north of downtown.
- **Down:** Large purple chunks. When smoked had a very strong flavour, was harsh. Effects as expected, benzo was present. Bought north of downtown.
- **Down:** Blue powder. When cooked, stayed a blueish colour. Cooked well. Felt very benzo heavy, effects much stronger than expected. Bought downtown.

BENZOS, 7 SAMPLES

- 2 samples were etizolam
- 1 sample was flualprazolam
- 1 sample was alprazolam (Xanax)
- 1 alprazolam (Xanax) sample was bromazolam instead
- 1 alprazolam (Xanax) sample was microcrystalline cellulose, a common pill binding agent
- 1 unspecified benzo was bromazolam and fentanyl



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STIMULANTS, 47 SAMPLES

- 24/27 samples were **cocaine** (hard and soft)
 - 1 **cocaine (hard)** sample also contained **fentanyl**, this sample was burnt residue on a brillo pad
 - 1 cocaine (hard) sample also contained levamisole
 - 1 cocaine (soft) sample was fluorofentanyl base and ortho-methyl fentanyl instead
- 14/15 samples were MDMA/MDA
 - 1 MDMA sample also contained an unknown
- 3/3 samples were **methamphetamine**
- 1 3-MMC sample was 2-MMC instead
- 1 2-MMC sample had no actives detected

Community Reporting

• Meth/side: Clear crystal shards. When smoked, tasted and melted normally. Effects as expected.

UNKNOWN, 7 SAMPLES

- 7 samples were brought in as "unknown"
 - 7 had actives detected

DISSOCIATIVES & PSYCHEDELICS, 52 SAMPLES

- 25/26 samples were ketamine
 - 1 **ketamine** sample was **MDMA** instead
- 1 sample was 2-fluoro-2-oxo-PCE
- 1 sample was 3-HO-PCE
- 5/5 samples were 2C-B
- 8 2C-I samples were cocaine (soft) instead
- 1 2C-D sample contained an unknown drug from the **2C-X** family
- 1 2C-X sample was 2C-B
- 1 2C-X sample was 3-MMC
- 1 sample was 5-MeO-DMT
- 1 sample was **DMT**
- 1 DOET sample was 2C-E instead
- 1 **DOI** sample had no actives detected
- 3 samples were LSD
- 1 **Psilocybin (mushrooms)** had no actives detected

OTHER, 4 SAMPLES

- 2 samples were **GHB**
- 1 sample was hydromorphone (Dilaudid)
- 1 **hydromorphone (Dilaudid)** sample was isotonitazene instead

REPORT GLOSSARY

- Median: Like an average, but accounts for outlying results so the final number isn't skewed
- No cuts or adulterants detected: This does not mean these samples were "pure", impurities likely exist at concentrations below our limits of detection
- No actives detected: We could not detect any active ingredients within our PSMS target list
- **Percentages:** Represents the amount per 100 mg, for example, a concentration of 12% fentanyl would mean 12 mg of fentanyl per 100 mg (a point) of the total sample (including other components likes cuts)
- **Unknown benzo**: A benzo we cannot identify, likely because it's not on our PSMS target list.
- 2C-X: 2C-X is a general name for the family of drugs which contains 2C-B, 2C-D, and many others





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