

# SUBSTANCE WEEKLY REPORT

Aug 19 - Aug 25, 2024 (122 Samples)



## HIGHLIGHTS

- 44.3% (54/122) of samples checked were as expected, with no cuts or adulterants detected
- 44.4% (24/54) of down samples contained a benzo this week

## DOWN/OPIOIDS, 54 SAMPLES

- 45 samples contained **fenanyl** at a median concentration of 12%
- 24 samples contained **fluorofenanyl** at a median concentration of 11%
- 14 samples contained **ortho-Methyl fenanyl** at a median concentration of 2%
- 3 sample contained **xylazine** at concentrations of 0.1%, 0.1%, 0.4%
- 24/54 down samples contained a **benzo**
  - 21 samples contained **bromazolam** at a median concentration of 5%
  - 3 samples contained an **unknown benzo**

### Community Reporting

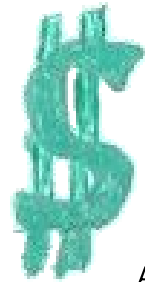
- **Down:** Large burgundy chunks. When cooked, it turned green as if it was originally green but had a layer of burgundy on top. When smoked, it tasted and smelled very strong and chemically. Was stronger than it was sold as, had benzos for sure. Caused black outs and memory loss (memory of an hour before and after consuming). Bought north of downtown.
- **Down:** Small light blue pebbles. When cooked, turned light blue in colour, dissolved well without cooking. Effects much stronger than expected, felt like it had tranq or benzos. Caused extreme sleepiness.

## DISSOCIATIVES & PSYCHEDELICS, 10 SAMPLES

- 4/4 samples were **ketamine**
- 1 sample was **O-PCE**
- 1 sample was **2C-B**
- 1 sample was **LSD**
- 3 **Psilocybin (mushrooms)** samples were water and an unknown



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## BENZOS, 7 SAMPLES

- 2/5 samples were **alprazolam (Xanax)**
  - 1 sample was **flualprazolam** instead
  - 1 sample was **bromazolam** instead
  - 1 sample was **clonazepam (Klonopin)** instead
- 1 **bromazolam** sample also contained **fluorofenanyl**
- 1 unspecified benzo was **bromazolam** and **fenanyl** or an **analogue**



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## STIMULANTS, 39 SAMPLES

- 16/17 samples were **cocaine** (hard and soft)
  - 1 **cocaine (soft)** sample also contained levamisole
- 10/14 samples were **MDMA/MDA**
  - 1 **MDA** sample was **MDMA** instead
  - 3 **MDMA** sample also contained **MDA**
- 5/6 samples were **methamphetamine**
  - 1 **meth** sample also contained **fentanyl**
- 1 **3-MMC** sample was **4-CMC** instead
- 1 sample was **amphetamine**
- 2 samples were **modafinil**

### Community Reporting (from last week)

- **Meth/side:** Clear crystal shards. Tasted "yuck" when smoked. Effects as expected.
- **Cocaine base/crack:** White/grey waxy granules. When smoked, melted normally, produced a beige/pink resin. Effects different than expected, caused reporter to be sleepy.

## UNKNOWN, 4 SAMPLES

- 9 samples were brought in as "unknown"
  - 7 had actives detected, 2 did not



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## OTHER, 8 SAMPLES

- 1 **xylazine** sample was water and an unknown
- 1 sample was **hydromorphone (Dilaudid)**
- 2 **oxycodone** samples did have actives
- 1 sample was **cannabidiol (CBD)**
- 1 sample was **cannabigerol (CBG)**



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## 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. Example: a concentration of 12% fentanyl is 12 mg of fentanyl per 100 mg (a point) of the total sample (including other components like cuts).
- **Unknown benzo:** A benzo that is likely outside of our PSMS target list.
- **Medetomidine:** Medetomidine is a veterinary tranquilizer similar to xylazine, but is more potent and longer acting than xylazine. There is little research on the effects of medetomidine in humans, so it is difficult to comment on its effects, potency or duration.

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