

SUBSTANCE WEEKLY REPORT

Oct 7 - Oct 13, 2024 (125 Samples)



HIGHLIGHTS

- 48.0% (60/125) of samples checked were as expected, with no cuts or adulterants detected
- 20.5% (9/44) of down samples contained a benzo this week
- Our Paper Spray Mass Spectrometer (Matilda) is still encountering some unexpected issues

DOWN/OPIOIDS, 48 SAMPLES

- 28 samples contained **fentanyl** at a median concentration of 8%
- 7 samples contained **fluorofentanyl** at a median concentration of 6%
- 12 samples contained **ortho-Methyl fentanyl** at a median concentration of 9%
- 6 samples contained **xylazine** at a median concentration of 0.2%
- 28/48 down samples contained a **benzo**
 - 24 samples contained **bromazolam** at a median concentration of 0.7%
 - 4 samples contained an **unknown benzo**
 - 1 sample contained **Desalkylgidazepam**

Community Reporting

- **Down:** Small red pebbles. When cooked, stayed a red colour. When smoked, turned thick and dark red. Effects were somewhat stronger than expected, felt like a benzo was present. Bought around North Park area.
- **Down:** Large light blue chunks. When cooked, turned clear. When smoked, had a strong bitter taste. Much stronger than expected, felt like tranq was present.
- **Down:** Small hard coral coloured pebbles. When cooked, turned thick and sticky and caramel in colour. Was nice and mellow when smoked. Effects were somewhat stronger than expected, bought in downtown area.

BENZOS, 4 SAMPLES

- 1/2 samples were **alprazolam (Xanax)**
 - 1 sample was an **etizolam** instead
- 1 sample was **bromazolam**
- 1 unspecified benzo sample was **bromazolam** and **fentanyl**

DISSOCIATIVES & PSYCHEDELICS, 20 SAMPLES

- 9/19 samples were **ketamine**
 - 10 samples were **MDA** instead
- 1 sample was **LSD (acid)**

OTHER, 8 SAMPLES

- 1 sample was **GHB**
- 1/2 samples were **zopiclone**
 - 1 sample was **zopiclone** and an **unknown benzo**
- 2 **fenbendazole** samples did not have any actives detected
- 1 **fentora** sample was **fentanyl** and **bromazolam**
- 1 **ivermectin** sample did not have any actives detected
- 1 sample was **tadalafil (Cialis)**

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STIMULANTS, 43 SAMPLES

- 12/14 samples were **cocaine** (hard and soft)
 - 1 **cocaine (hard)** sample also contained **levamisole**
 - 1 **cocaine (hard)** sample did not have any actives detected
- 19/20 samples were **MDMA/MDA**
 - 1 **MDMA** sample also contained **MDA**
- 2/3 samples were **methamphetamine**
 - 1 **methamphetamine** sample also contained **fentanyl**
- 1 **3-MMC** sample was **cocaine (soft)** instead
- 3 **3-Methylaminorex** samples had not actives detected
- 1 sample was **amphetamine**
- 1 sample was **lisdexamfetamine dimesylate (Vyvanse)**

Community Reporting

- **Cocaine base/crack:** Small white pebbles. Was nice and clean when smoked - it melted well and produced a nice resin. Effects as expected. Bought north of downtown area.
- **Meth/side:** Large clear/white shards. When cooked, turned totally clear. When smoked was quite bitter. Gave a sedating feeling which was unexpected and unusual. Bought north of downtown area.

UNKNOWN, 2 SAMPLES

- 2 samples were brought in as "unknown"
 - 1 had actives detected, 1 did not

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REPORT GLOSSARY

- **Median:** Like an average, but accounts for outlying results so the final number isn't skewed.
- **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.
- **Fenbendazole:** A medication used to treat gastrointestinal parasites, most commonly in animals
- **Fentora:** A pharmaceutical brand name for fentanyl

WEEKLY REPORT FEEDBACK

We are seeking feedback on the weekly report about what is works and what doesn't. If you would like to contribute, please email barclay@uvic.ca or call 250-721-6275, leave a message, and we will provide more information.