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December 2025

- 608 samples analysed
  - 83 substances identified either in isolation or combination
  - Samples received from across the UK
    - Including: Health, Substance Misuse Services, Mental Health, and Housing and Homelessness services
    - Alongside samples submitted anonymously by individuals

Sex / age profile of sample providers

- Sex (where listed n= 585 of 608 samples)
  - Male: 74% (n= 451)
  - Female: 26% (n= 134)
- Age
  - Range: 13yrs (E-Liquid submitted by an educational setting) to 78yrs (Median: 38yrs)
  - Male age range: 13 to 78yrs (Median: 38yrs)
  - Female age range: 13 to 78yrs (Median: 36yrs)

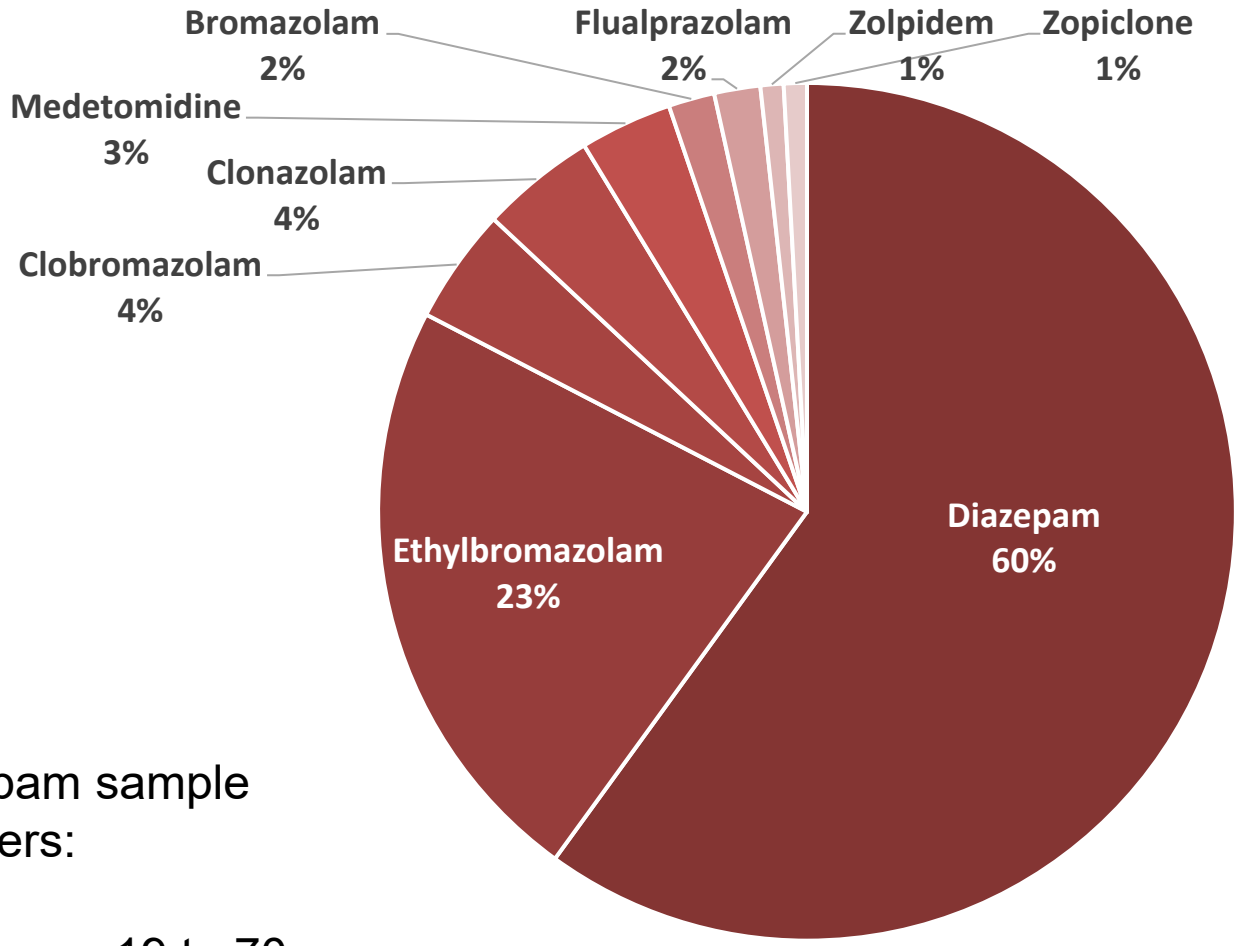
Purchase vs Post analysis Top 10

	Most commonly listed purchase intent	Most commonly profiled substances
1	Diazepam	Diazepam
2	Alprazolam	Ketamine
3	Ketamine	Cocaine
4	MDMA	Ethylbromazolam
5	Cocaine	MDMA
6	Unknown	Alprazolam
7	Zopiclone	No Active Component Identified
8	Pregabalin	Zopiclone
9	Mephedrone	Caffeine
10	Cannabis	Pregabalin

Benzodiazepines

- 11 Benzodiazepines identified
  - Diazepam (115 purchase intent / 72 identifications)
  - Ethylbromazolam (0 purchase intent / 39 identifications)
  - Alprazolam (55 purchase intent / 34 identifications)
  - Bromazolam (3 purchase intent / 13 identifications)
  - Clonazepam (15 purchase intent / 13 identifications)
  - Lorazepam (11 purchase intent / 12 identifications)
  - Clobromazolam (0 purchase intent / 7 identifications)
  - Nitrazepam (3 purchase intent / 6 identifications)
  - Clonazolam (0 purchase intent / 5 identifications)
  - Etizolam (0 purchase intent / 5 identifications)
  - Midazolam (2 purchase intent / 2 identifications)

Contents of samples submitted as Diazepam: December 2025 (n=115)



Diazepam sample providers:

Age range: 19 to 70yrs
Median: 39yrs

Nitazenes, Brorphine analogues & Medetomidine

In December 2025, 4 samples were profiled as containing medetomidine, two nitazene, and two a brorphine analogue (News: May 2025 – Emerging analogues of brorphine)

Medetomidine

Purchase Intent	Sample Form	Colour	Location
Diazepam	Tablet	White	Sefton, England
Diazepam	Tablet	White	Falkirk, Scotland
Diazepam	Tablet	White	Dundee, Scotland
Diazepam	Tablet	White	Falkirk, Scotland

Nitazene

Purchase Intent	Sample Form	Colour	Location
Unknown	Powder	Yellow	Poole, England
SR-17018	Powder	Brown	Uttlesford, England

Brophine analogues

Purchase Intent	Sample Form	Colour	Location
Deseyhlyproni tazene	Powder	Yellow	Sunderland, England
Heroin	Powder	Brown	Edinburgh, Scotland

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