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**Flash Eurobarometer 158
(Young people and drugs)**

**Questionnaire
Great Britain**

LET'S TALK ABOUT YOUTH ATTITUDES ON DRUGS

Here is a list with drugs: ecstasy, LSD, heroin, morphine, cocaine, crack, glue or solvents, cannabis, amphetamines. Alcohol, tobacco or doping substances are excluded. (SHOW CARD WITH THE LIST)

Q.1. In your opinion, what are the main reasons why people experiment with drugs? Please choose the three that come closest to your own opinion. (SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 3 ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

- Thrill seeking 1,
- Curiosity 2,
- Expected effects of the drug 3,
- Problems at home 4,
- Problems at school or work 5,
- Loneliness 6,
- Peer pressure 7,
- Recreation 8,
- Social or economic problems (unemployment, poverty, etc.) 9,
- Lack of willpower 10,
- Others (SPONTANEOUS) 11,
- It depends (SPONTANEOUS) 12,
- None of these (SPONTANEOUS) 13,
- DK 14,

Q.2. In your opinion, what are the main reasons why some people find it hard to stop using drugs? Please choose the three that come closest to your own opinion. (SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 3 ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

- Thrill seeking 1,
- Effects of the drug 2,
- Drug dependence 3,
- Problems at home 4,
- Problems at school or work 5,
- Loneliness 6,
- Peer pressure 7,
- Recreation 8,
- Social or economic problems (unemployment, poverty, etc.) 9,
- Lack of willpower 10,
- Others (SPONTANEOUS) 11,
- It depends (SPONTANEOUS) 12,
- None of these (SPONTANEOUS) 13,
- DK 14,

Q.3. Drug use may have certain consequences. Please choose the three that come closest to your own opinion. (SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 3 ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

- Relief from pain or stress 1,
- Problems with the law 2,
- Prostitution 3,
- Suicide 4,
- Mental problems 5,
- Drug dependence 6,
- Infection with communicable diseases (HIV/AIDS, hepatitis, etc.) 7,
- Other health problems 8,
- Enjoyment 9,
- Poverty 10,
- Others (SPONTANEOUS) 11,
- It depends (SPONTANEOUS) 12,
- None of these (SPONTANEOUS) 13,
- DK 14,

Q.4. What do you think are the most effective ways of tackling drug-related problems? Please choose the three that come closest to your own opinion. (SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 3 ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

- More treatment and rehabilitation of drug users 1,
- Information campaigns 2,
- Reducing poverty/unemployment 3,
- More leisure opportunities 4,
- Tougher measures against drug producers and manufacturers 5,
- Tougher measures against drug dealers and traffickers 6,
- Tougher measures against drug users 7,
- Others (SPONTANEOUS) 8,
- None of these (SPONTANEOUS) 9,
- DK 10,

Q.5. If you wanted to know more about drugs, who would you turn to? Please choose the three that come closest to your own opinion. (SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 3 ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

- A friend 1,
- Parents/relatives 2,
- Someone at school or at work 3,
- A doctor, a nurse or other health professionals 4,
- A social/youth worker 5,
- A specialised drugs counsellor/centre 6,
- The police 7,
- A telephone help line 8,
- The Internet 9,
- Others (SPONTANEOUS) 10,
- It depends (SPONTANEOUS) 11,
- None of these (SPONTANEOUS) 12,
- DK 13,

Q.6. Please tell me if you tend to agree or tend to disagree with the following statements.

READ OUT	TEND TO AGREE	TEND TO DISAGREE	DK
a) It is easy to get drugs near where I live	1	2	3
b) It is easy to get drugs in or near my school/college	1	2	3
c) It is easy to get drugs at parties	1	2	3
d) It is easy to get drugs in pubs/clubs	1	2	3
e) People who drink alcohol are more likely to experiment with drugs	1	2	3
f) People who smoke cigarettes are more likely to experiment with drugs	1	2	3
g) There should be drug testing at school/college/work	1	2	3
h) When testing drivers for alcohol, the police should also test for drugs	1	2	3
i) Misuse of prescription medicine may be as dangerous as the use of drugs	1	2	3
j) Occasional use of alcohol is harmless	1	2	3
k) Occasional use of synthetic drugs like ecstasy is harmless	1	2	3
l) Occasional use of cannabis is harmless	1	2	3
m) People should be punished for using drugs	1	2	3
n) If drugs were cheaper, there would be fewer drug-related problems	1	2	3
o) Drug users should be able to get clean needles and syringes at low cost	1	2	3

Q.7. Which of the following applies to you? (SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

- a) I know people who use cannabis
- b) I have already been offered cannabis
- c) I have already tried cannabis
- d) I have used cannabis over the last month
- e) I know people who use drugs (other than cannabis)
- f) I have already been offered drugs (other than cannabis)
- g) I have already tried drugs (other than cannabis)
- h) I have used drugs (other than cannabis) over the last month
- i) I smoke cigarettes regularly
- j) I drink alcohol regularly
- k) None of these (SPONTANEOUS)

Q.8. Here is a list. Please tell me how dangerous or not you consider each of the following. (SHOW CARD WITH SCALE)

READ OUT	VERY DANGEROUS	FAIRLY DANGEROUS	NOT VERY DANGEROUS	NOT AT ALL DANGEROUS	DK
a) Ecstasy	1	2	3	4	5
b) LSD	1	2	3	4	5
c) Heroin	1	2	3	4	5
d) Morphine	1	2	3	4	5
e) Cocaine	1	2	3	4	5
f) Crack	1	2	3	4	5
g) Glue or solvents	1	2	3	4	5
h) Cannabis	1	2	3	4	5
i) Amphetamines	1	2	3	4	5
j) Doping substances	1	2	3	4	5
k) Alcohol	1	2	3	4	5
l) Cigarettes/tobacco	1	2	3	4	5