

Drug Facts

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Classification	Drug	Common or Brand Name	Dependence Potential		Desired or Immediate Effects	Undesired and Long-Term Effects	Overdose Effects
			Physical	Psychological			
Tobacco	Nicotine	Tobacco, Cigarettes, Cigars, Beedies	High	High	Relaxation, Concentration, Stimulation	Chronic Withdrawal, Emphysema, Lung Cancer, Cardiovascular Disease	Anxiety
		Smokeless, Snuff, Dip, Chew	High	High			
		Patches, Gum	Moderate	Moderate			
Alcohol	Ethanol	Beer, Ale	High	High	Euphoria, Reduced Inhibitions, Impaired Judgment, In-coordination, Slurred Speech, Impaired Memory-Learning	Liver Damage, Brain Damage, Heart Damage, Nerve Damage, Esophageal Hemorrhage, Pancreatitis, Victimization (Rape), Fetal Alcohol Syndrome / Effects, Withdrawal Seizures, D.T.'s	Depressed Breathing, Abnormal Heart Beat, Amnesia, Coma, Death
		Wine, Wine Coolers	High	High			
		Whiskey, Liquor	High	High			
		Liqueurs	High	High			
Cannabis	Marijuana	Grass, Pot, Weed, Dope, Sensimilla	Low	Moderate	Euphoria, Hilarity, Altered Perceptions, Reduced Inhibitions, Hunger, Increased Pulse, Impaired Judgment, Red Eyes, Paranoia, Impaired Memory	Accidents, Mistakes, Lung Damage, Memory Impairment, Motivation Loss	Hallucinations, Panic, Agitation, Delirium
		Reefer, Ganja, Herb, Blunts	Low	Moderate			
	Hashish, Hash Oil	Hash, Tar, Oil	Low	Moderate			
Stimulants	Cocaine	Coke, Crack	Possible	High	Alertness – Concentration, Excitation – Euphoria, Appetite Loss, Insomnia, Grandiosity	Tolerance, Dehydration, Weight Loss, Brain Damage, Nerve Death, Psychosis, Agitated Delirium, "Crash" Withdrawal	Agitation, Paranoia, Panic, Fever, Hallucinations, Seizures, Heart Attack, Stroke, Fatal Heart Rhythms, Sudden Death
	Amphetamine	Dexedrine, Adderall, Uppers, Speed, Ice	Possible	High			
	Methylphenydate	Ritalin	Possible	High			
	Methcathinone	Cat	Unknown	Possible			
	MDMA, MDA, MDEA, PCP	Ecstasy, X, Adam, Eve, Dust	Unknown	Possible			
Opioids	Opium	Chinese molasses, dreams, gong, O	High	High	Euphoric Rush, Pain Relief, Constricted Pupils, Sleepiness	Poor Appetite, Weight Loss Constipation, IV Use Infections: Aids, Hep B/C, Addiction – Withdrawal	Respiratory Depression, Respiratory Arrest, Coma, Death
	Morphine	Morphine sulfate, M.S., MSO4	High	High			
	Codeine	Tylenol #3, cough syrup	High	High			
	Heroin	H, horse, smack, mojo, China white	High	High			
	Meperidine	Demerol	High	High			
	Hydromorphone	Dilaudid	High	High			
	Oxycodone	Percocet, Percodan	High	High			
	Hydrocodone	Vicodin, Tussinex	High	High			
Fentanyl	Sublimaze	High	High				
Sedatives	Barbiturates	Phenobarb, Seconal, Nembutal, Amytal	High	High	Relaxation, Drowsiness, Dizziness, Incoordination, Slurring Words	Addiction – Withdrawal, Memory Impairment, Delirium, Victimization (Rape)	Respiratory Depression, Possible Coma or Death if combined, especially with Alcohol / Opioids
	Benzodiazepines	Valium, Ativan, Xanax, Tranxene, Restoril, High	High	High			
		Rohypnol, Roofies	High	High			
	Methaqualone	Quaalude, Ludes, Sopor	High	High			
	GHB	Gamma-hydroxybutyrate	Unknown	Unknown			
	Chloral Hydrate	Notec, Somnos, Felsules, Micky	Moderate	Moderate			
Hallucinogens	LSD	Acid, Blotter, Sunshine	Possible	Unknown	Sense of Insight, Integration or Detachment, Altered Perceptions, Visual Hallucinations, Delusions, Jitteriness, Fast or Slow Pulse, Chills, Intense Fear, Anxiety, Paranoia, Panic	Flashbacks, Unpredictable Behavior, Delirium, PCP Psychosis, Violence	PCP lethal in overdose especially combined with alcohol, sedatives; Belladonna alkaloids most dangerous combined with stimulants
	Psilocibin	Shrooms, Magic Mushrooms	Possible	Unknown			
	Mescaline	Peyote, Buttons, Mescalito, Mesc	Possible	Unknown			
	Phencyclidine	PCP, Angel Dust, Dust, T	Possible	Unknown			
	Ketamine	Special K, K	Unknown	Unknown			
	DMT, MDMA, MDA, MDEA	Businessman Special, Ecstasy, X, Eve	Unknown	Unknown			
Belladonna Alkaloids	Atropine, Nightshade, Jimsonweed	None	None				
Inhalants	Butyl, Amyl Nitrates	Poppers, Rush, Locker Room Odorizers	Unknown	Unknown	Euphoria, Reduced Inhibitions, Impaired Judgment, In-coordination, Slowed Reflexes, Slurred Speech, Impaired Memory-Learning	Lethargy, Hangover, Confusion, Nerve Damage, Kidney Failure Abnormal Heart Rhythms, Bone Marrow Damage – Abnormal Blood	Suffocation, Coma, Death
	Nitrous Oxide	Laughing Gas, Whippets, Whipped Cream	Unknown	Unknown			
	Petroleum Distillates	Glues, Solvents Toluene, Acetone, Gasoline	Unknown	Unknown			
	Chloro-alkenes alkanes	Cleaning Agents, Adhesives	Unknown	Unknown			
	Butane, Propane	Sprays, Fuels	Unknown	Unknown			