## ECSTASY DEATHS

How many people die from ecstasy?



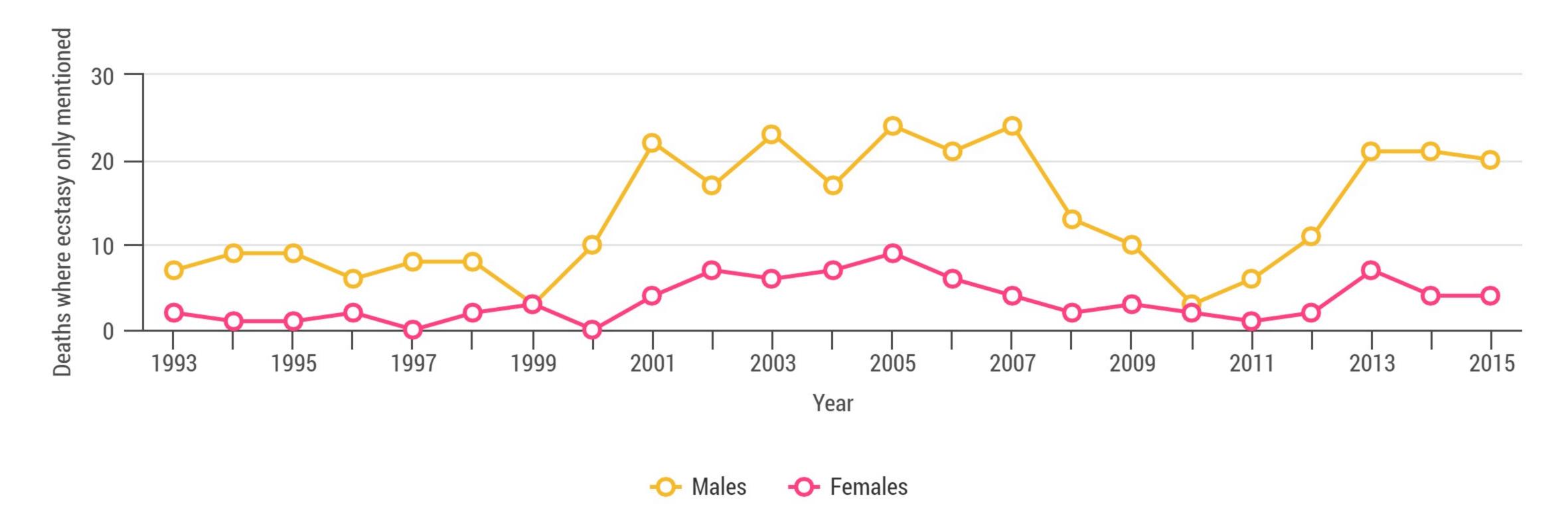


In 2015 there were 24 deaths in England and Wales attributed solely to ecstasy.

There were 57 deaths in England and Wales where ecstasy was mentioned in combination with other drugs.

In Scotland there were 15 drug-related deaths attributed to ecstasy during 2015.

## Comparing the Years... Drug-related deaths mentioning ONLY ecstasy on the death certificate (ONS)



Ecstasy deaths seem to fall into 3 main categories:

Heatstroke / Too much fluid / Heart failure

If you are going to use ecstasy always start with a quarter of a pill and wait 1-2 hours to see the effects. Get help if you feel unwell.

## Is ecstasy getting stronger?

It seems so. The European Monitoring Centre on Drugs and Drug Addiction state that in the 1990s and 2000s the average MDMA content of tablets was 50–80 mg. Currently, averages are closer to 125 mg MDMA per tablet, while there are also 'super pills' found on the market in some European countries with a reported range of 270–340 mg.