

How pure are street drugs?

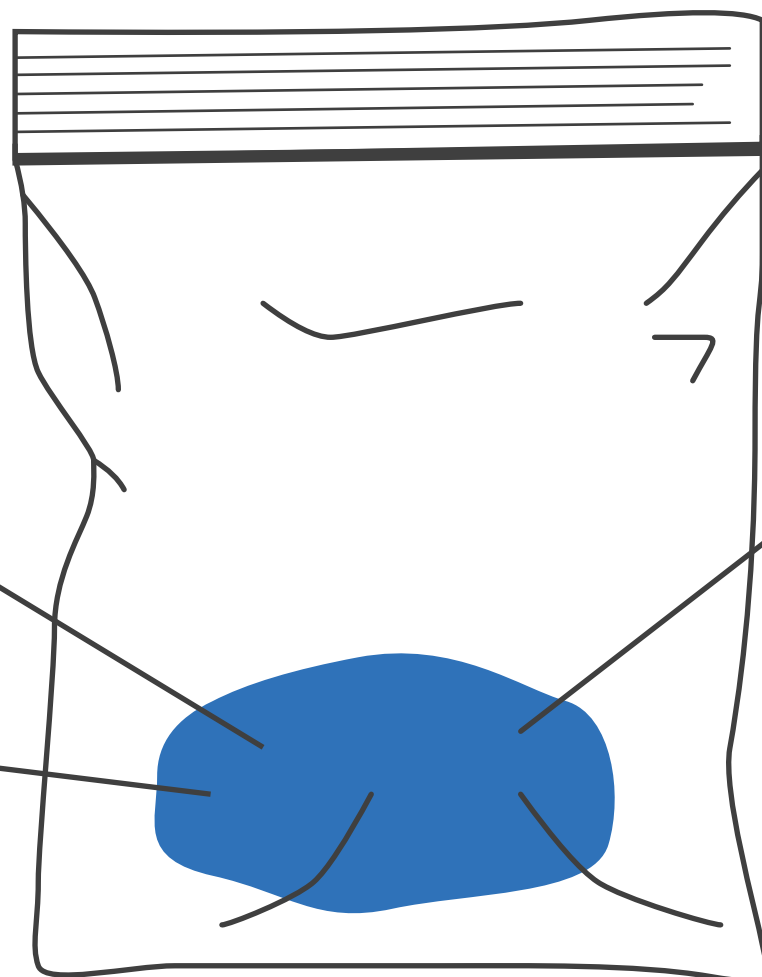
What could street drugs contain?

Impurities

Substances as a natural result of how the drug is made rather than added deliberately.

Adulterants

Other drugs that mimic or enhance the drug being offered.



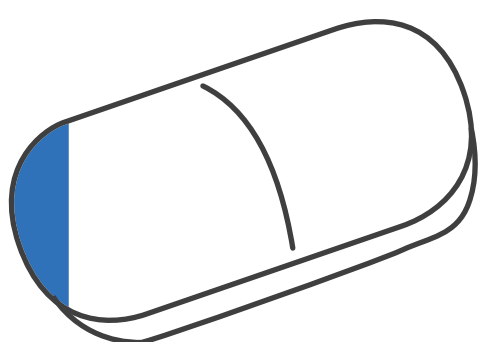
Diluents

Added to bulk out the drug. To bulk the deal or prepare the drug for injection.

Average purity of drugs in the UK*

And what they are commonly cut with

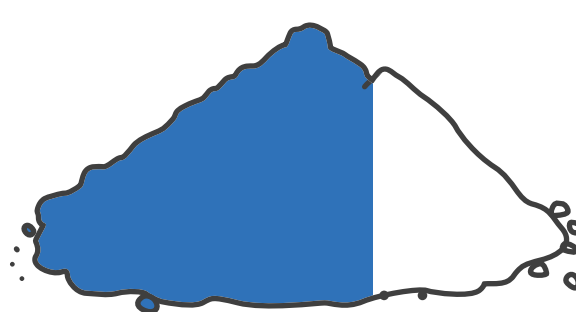
Amphetamine



11%

Caffeine Sugars
Ephedrine

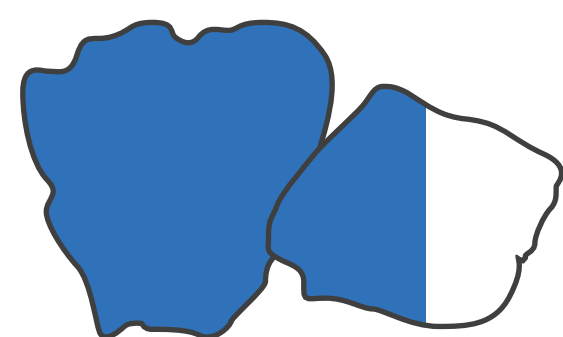
Cocaine



63%

Caffeine Sugars
Creatine Boric acid

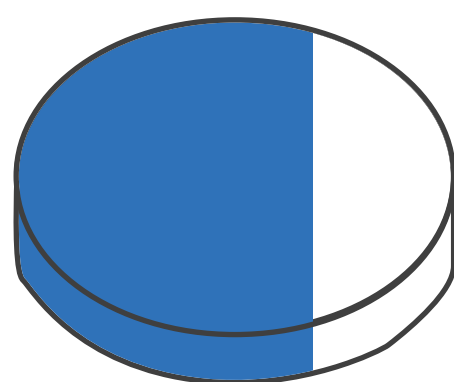
Crack cocaine



77%

Caffeine Sugars
Creatine Boric acid

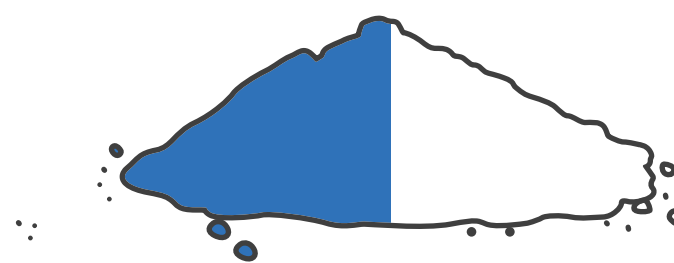
Ecstasy



76%

Caffeine Ketamine
Amphetamine

Heroin



46%

Paracetamol Diazepam
Opiate alkaloids

*2018 statistics from United Kingdom drug situation 2019 Focal Point annual report