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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/013748 – Babies born to drug dependant mothers

In all of the following answers we have excluded addiction/dependency with regard to tobacco

Over the last 5 years with an annual breakdown - How many babies were born to drug dependent mothers?

2012 = 21  
2013 = 26  
2014 = 37  
2015 = 20  
2016 = 35  
2017 = 27

Over the last 5 years with an annual breakdown - how many babies were transferred to a drug treatment programme to wean them off their addiction?

2012 = No data on system  
2013 = 14- 187 days in total stay  
2014 = 13 -169 days total stay  
2015 = 10- 67 days total stay  
2016 = 10 – 310 days in total  
2017 = 18 – 70 days total stay

Over the last 5 years with an annual breakdown - how many mothers gave birth when they had an addiction and what they were addicted to.

Please note:- Individual mothers can have multiple substance dependencies

2012 = 21  
Addictions for alcohol, opioids, cannabinoids, sedatives/Hypnotics, cocaine, other stimulants (prescription drugs)

2013 = 26  
Addictions for alcohol, opioids, cocaine, cannabinoids

2014 = 38  
Addictions for alcohol, opioids, cannabinoids, cocaine, other stimulants (prescription drugs)

2015 = 23  
Addictions for alcohol, opioids, cannabinoids, cocaine,

2016 = 35  
Addictions for alcohol, opioids, cocaine, cannabinoid's, other stimulants (prescription drugs)

2017 = 27 (up until September 2017)  
Addictions for alcohol, opioids, other, cocaine, other stimulants (prescription drugs), cannabinoids  
Some babies were born prematurely and did not survive. This is shown in the data