About this report This is a survey report on safe driving, by Brake and Direct Line. Brake publishes regular survey reports throughout the year under the following topics:

- Are you ready to drive?
- Fit to drive
- A risky business
- Speed
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The reports are based on a survey of 1,000 drivers, conducted by an external research agency, Surveygoo. For further reports in the series, visit www.brake.org.uk/safedrivingreports
DRUG DRIVING

Q1: In the past year, have you driven after taking illegal drugs?

7% of drivers report having driven in the past year after having taken illegal drugs.

- Once a week or more: 3%
- About once a month: 3%
- Less than once a month: 1%
- No, never: 93%

Figure 1: In the past year, have you driven after taking illegal drugs?

Q2: Within the past year, have you been a passenger with a driver who has taken illegal drugs or may still been affected by taking them?

1 in 5 people might have been a passenger in a car driven by a person on drugs in the past year.

- Definitely: 3%
- Probably: 5%
- Possibly/don’t know: 10%
- Definitely not: 82%

Figure 2: Within the past year, have you been a passenger with a driver who has taken illegal drugs or may still been affected by taking them?

Q3: If you had been relying on a designated driver to drive you home, and then found out that they had been taking drugs, would you get in?

One in seven people would get into the car with a designated driver who they knew had taken drugs.

- Yes, probably, not matter what the circumstances: 3%
- Yes, but only if they seemed safe to drive: 13%
- No, definitely not: 84%

Figure 3: If you had been relying on a designated driver to drive you home, and then found out that they had been taking drugs, would you get in?

End notes


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