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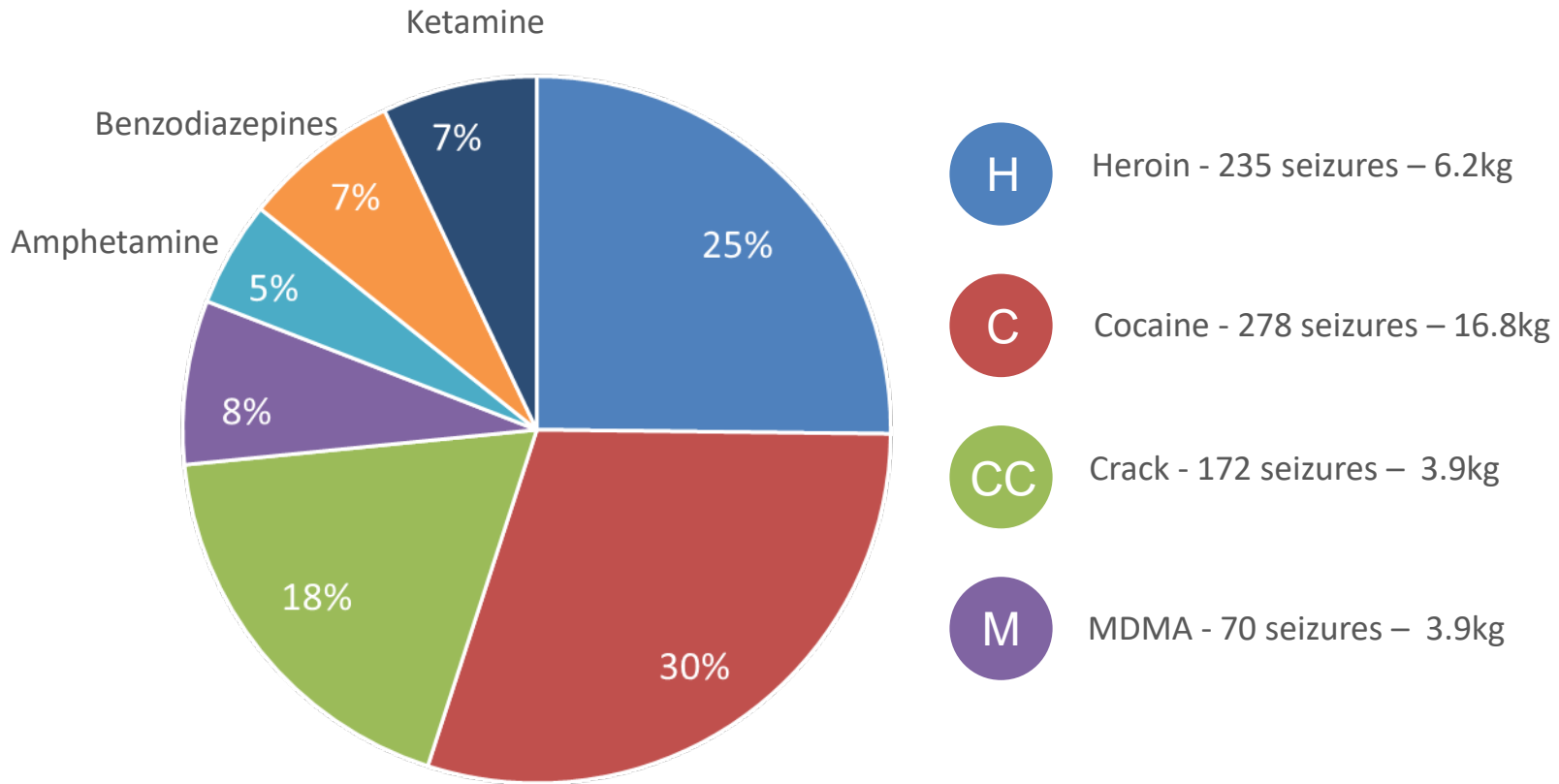
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Drug Seizures
Drug Purities
COVID-19
Benzodiazepines
Smart Drugs
County Lines

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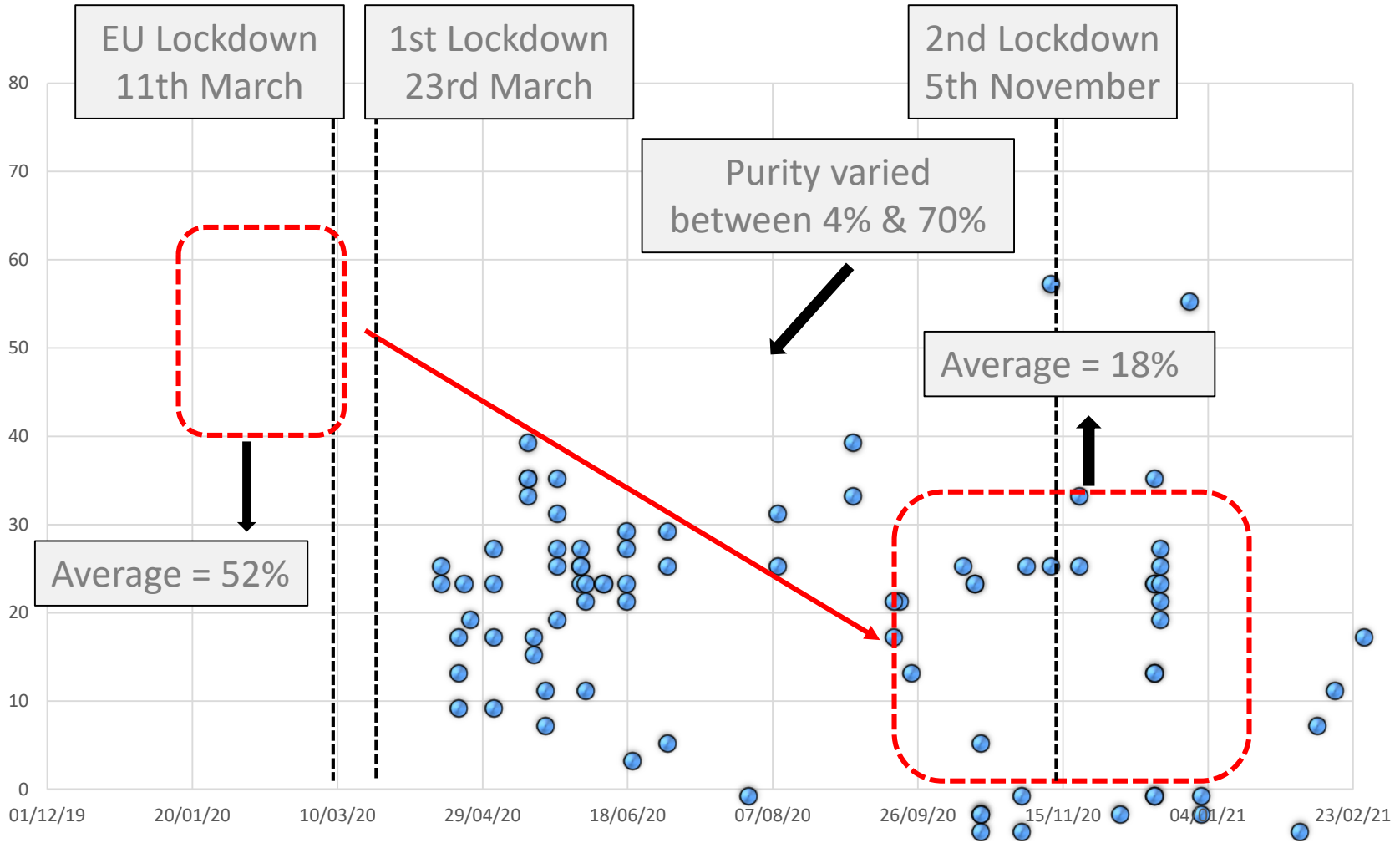




I have left it out of the chart, but by far the most common drug with more than 3/4 of the total seizures is cannabis (3,068)(77%) – 153kg + **11k plants**

We already know that heroin & crack are the drugs causing the most harm. What is concerning is the rise in cocaine use & Benzodiazepines.

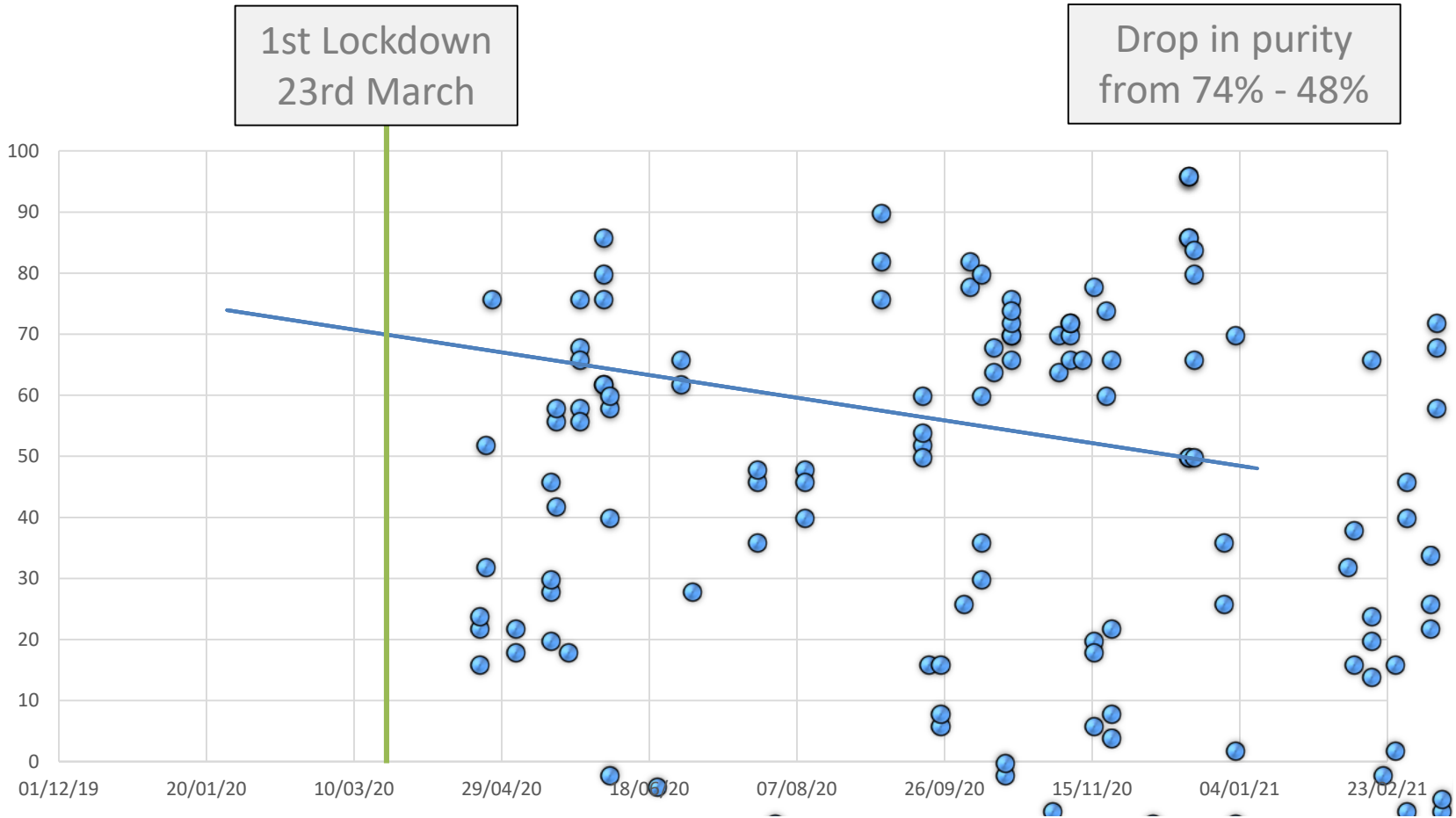
Heroin Purity



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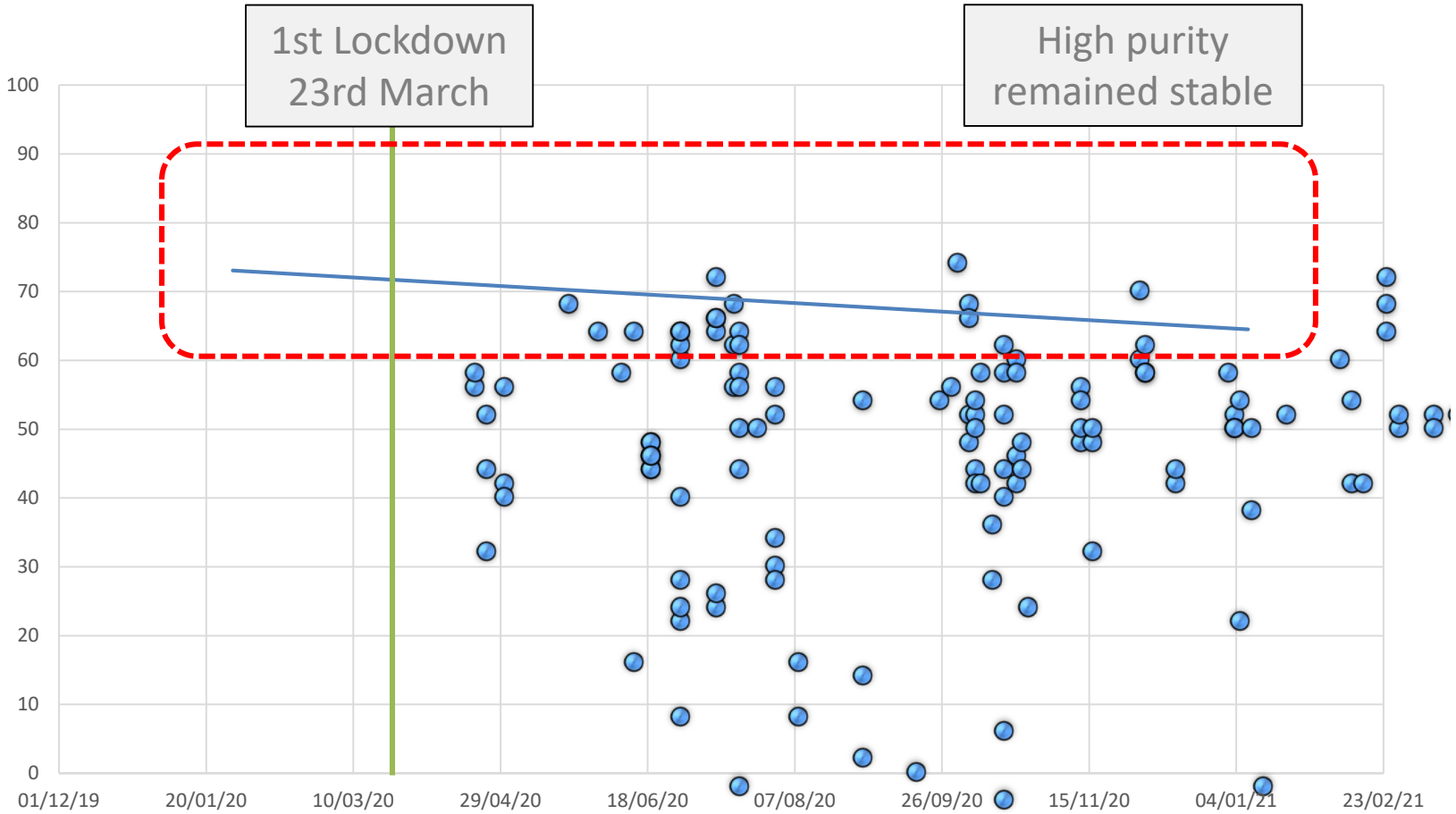
Crack Purity



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Cocaine Purity



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March 2020	Europe wide concern over the availability of illicit drugs Initial reduction in purity of all drugs at street level while availability is established
April 2020	Purity of all drugs all over the place
May 2020	Wholesale prices increase with cocaine up to £50 per kilo (transportation risk increase)
June 2020	Heroin purity at street level reduces to below 30%
September 2020	Heroin purity at street level reduces to below 20% - price remains the same High purity cocaine has a wobble, but generally remains stable IRO 75%
October 2020	Crack has stabilised to IRO 50%
November 2020	Importation is stable, just more risky & expensive

Benzodiazepines



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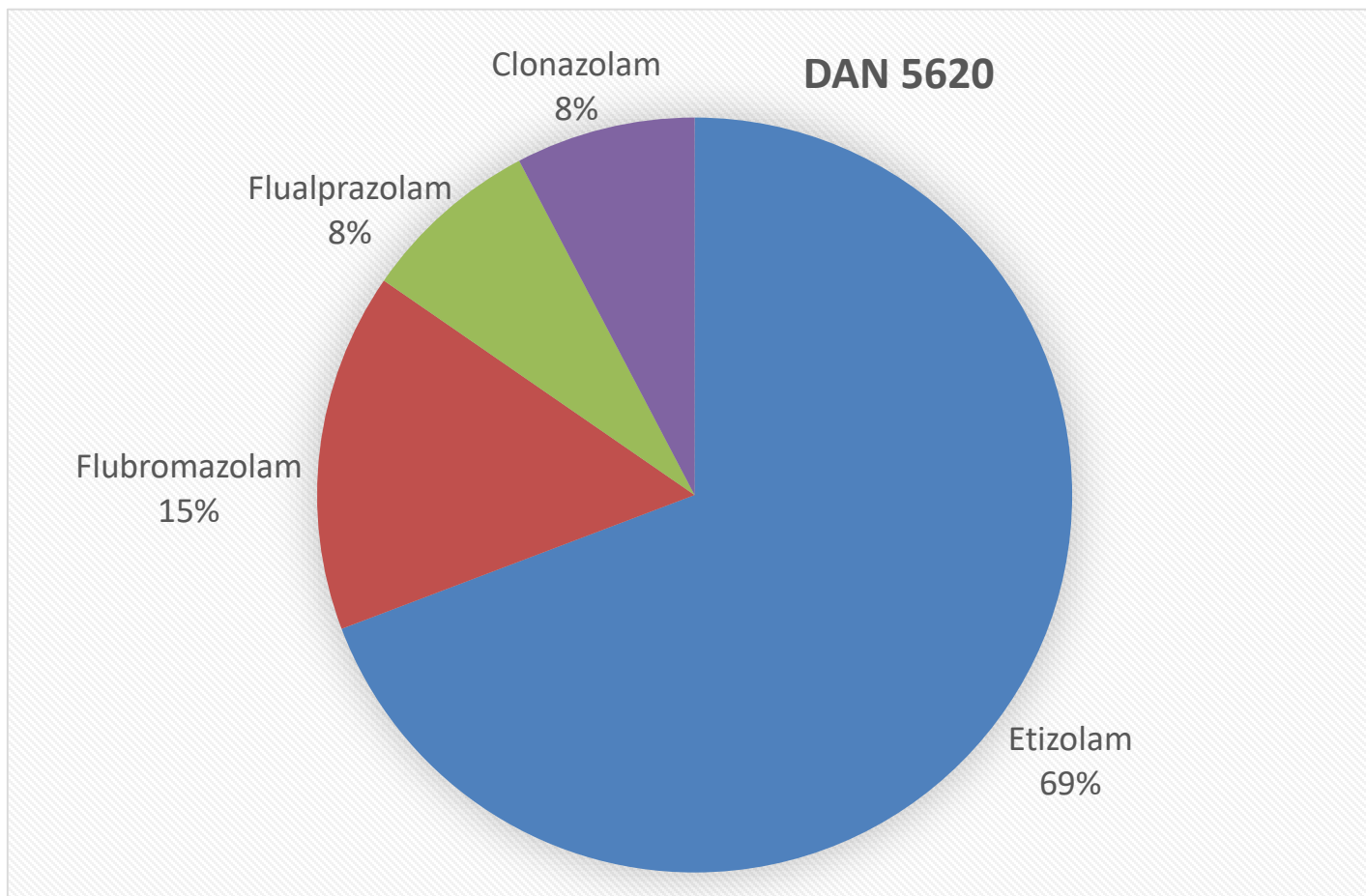
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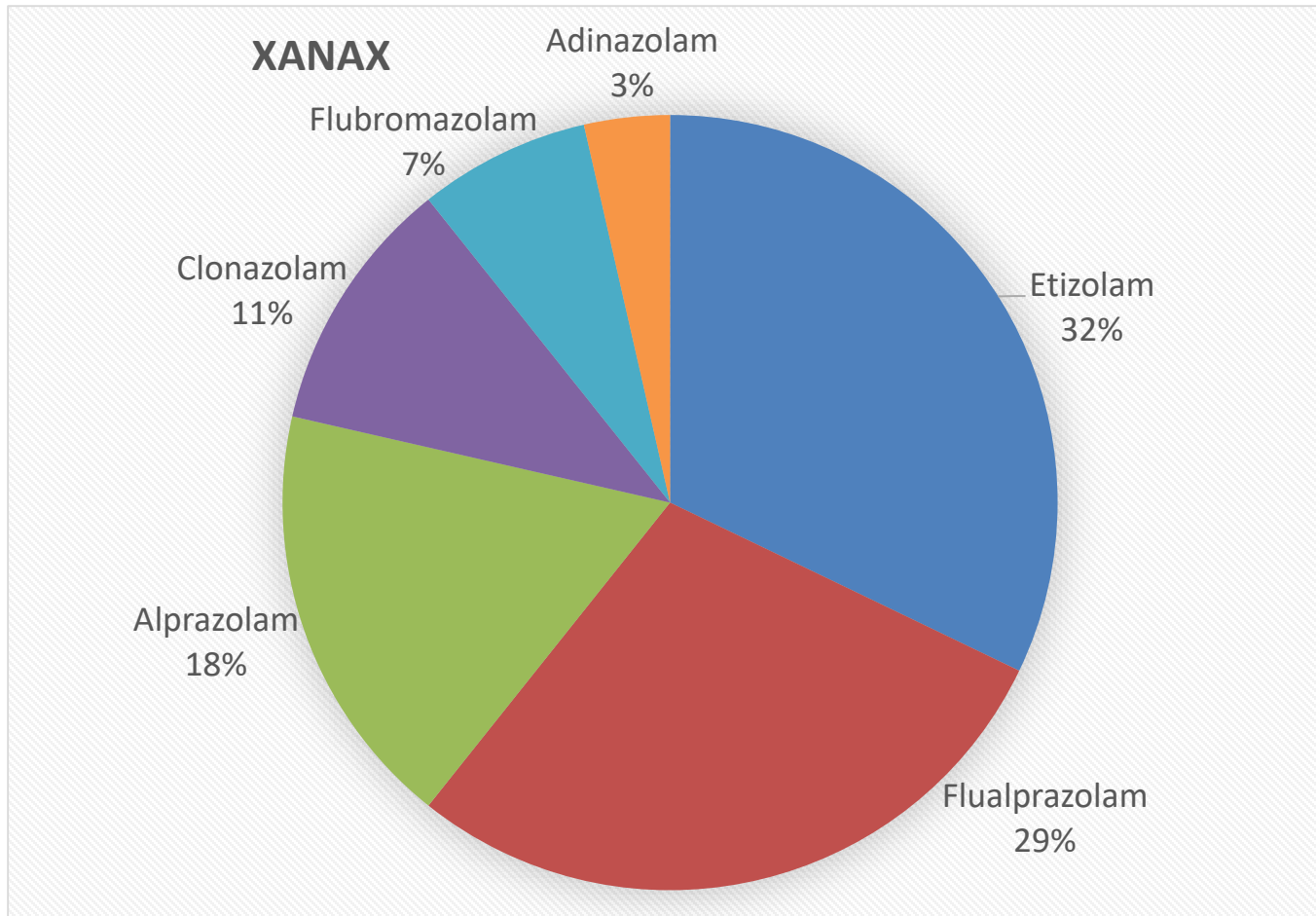
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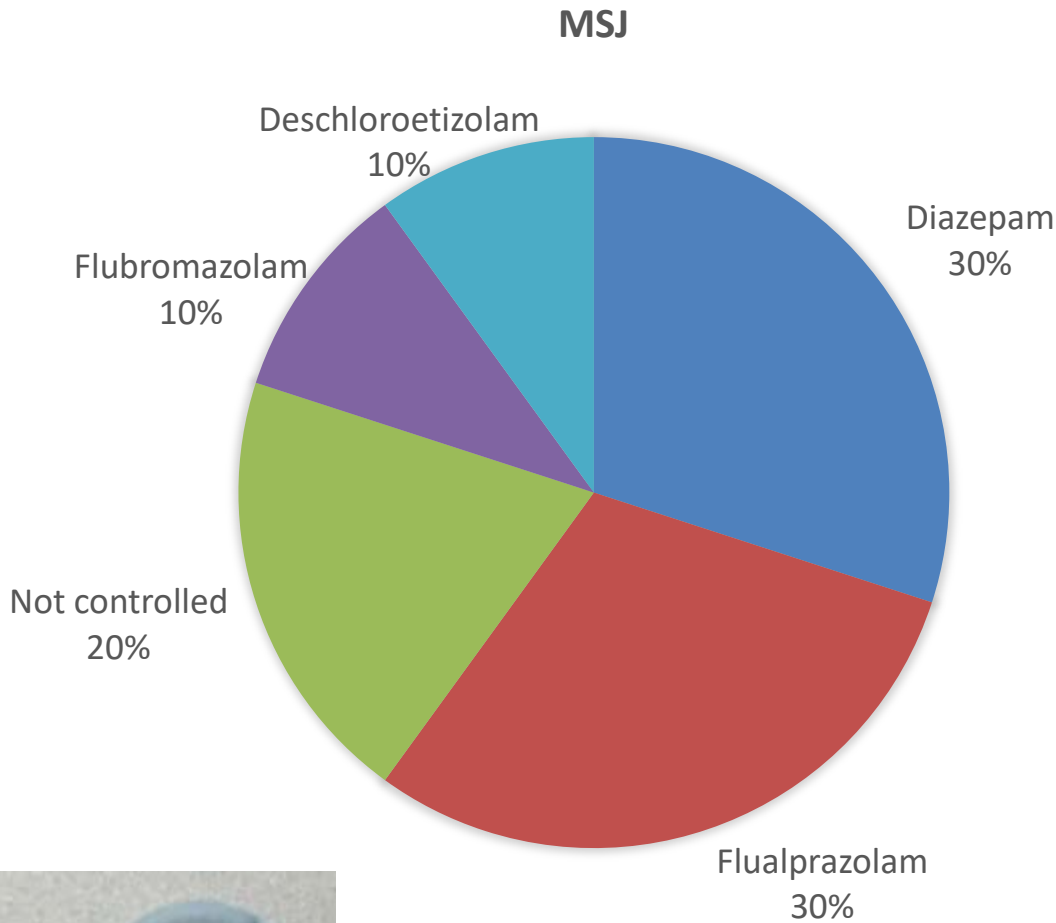


Benzodiazepines



Xanax





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Smart Drugs

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DEALING WITH COUNTY LINES



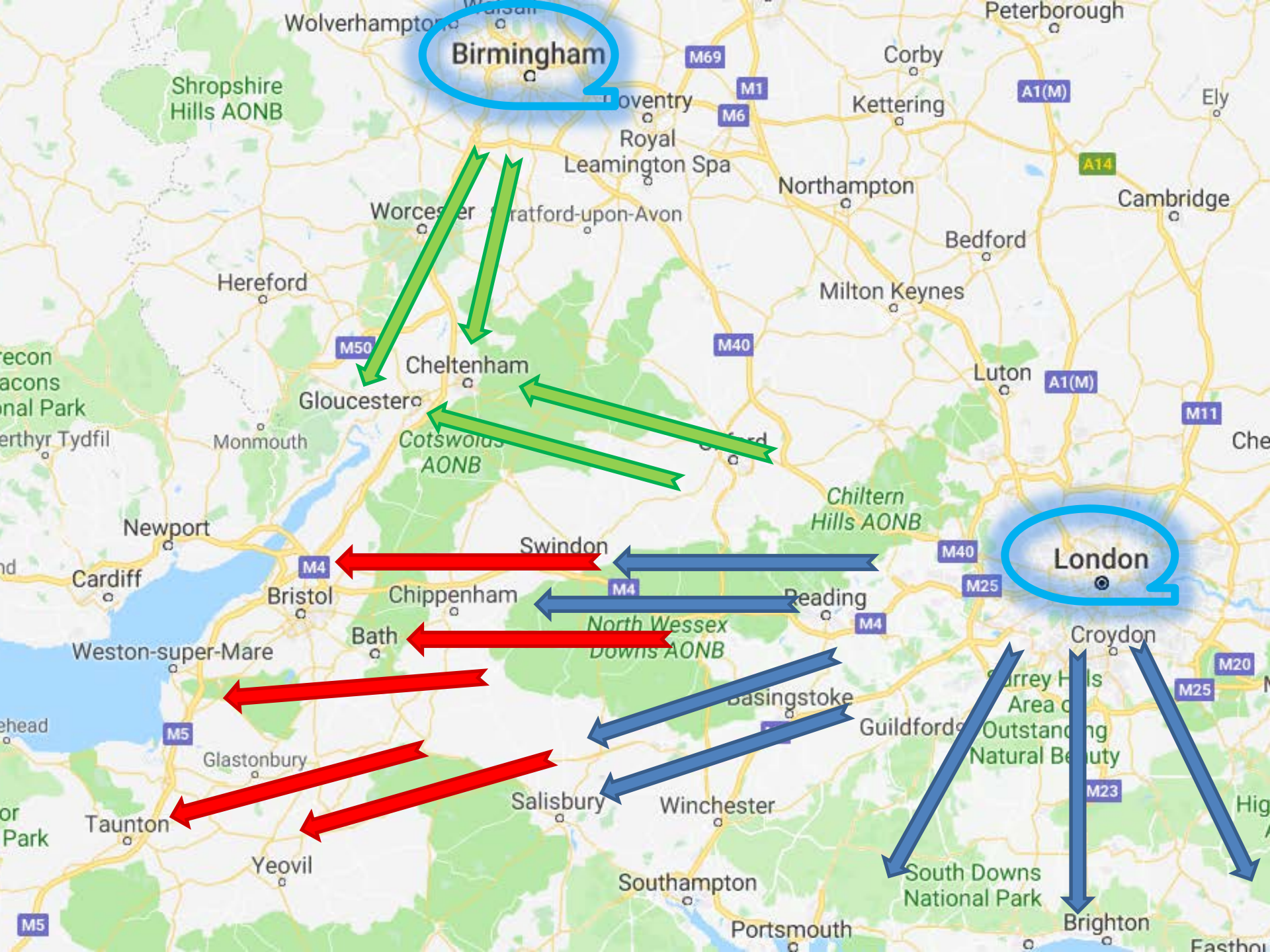
**Typical county lines activity involves a gang
(usually made up of young males)**

**From a large urban area
travelling to smaller locations
(such as a county or coastal town)**

**To sell class A drugs
specifically crack cocaine and heroin**

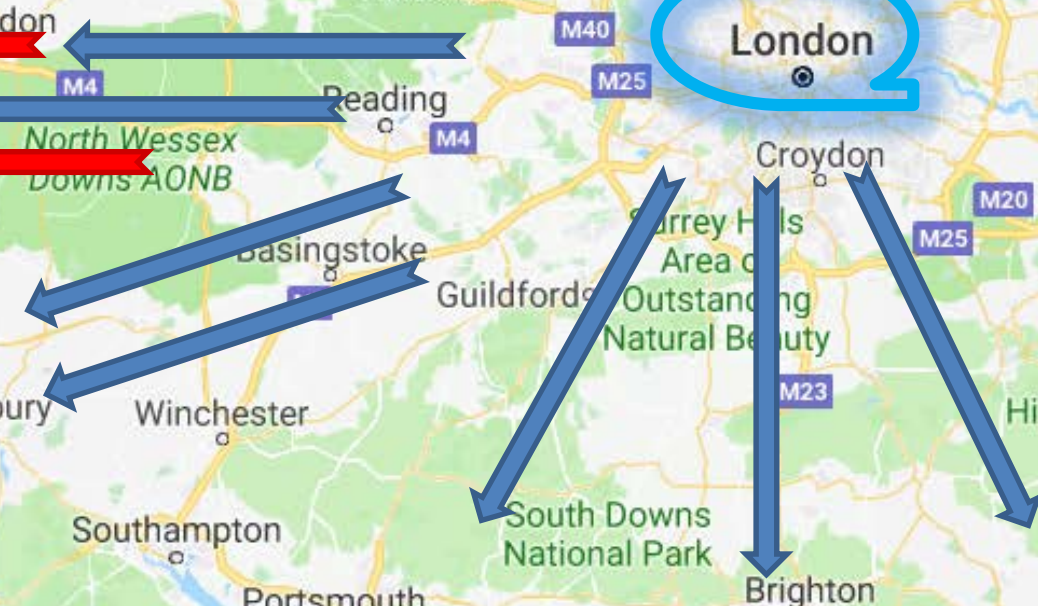
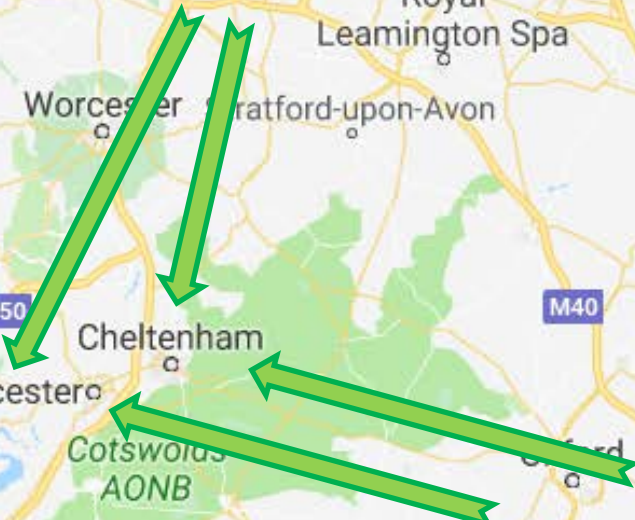
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