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National Drug Treatment Waiting Times Information Framework Report October – December 2006

Publication of revised data

This report replaces the National Drug Treatment Waiting Times Information Framework Report, October – December 2006, published on 27th March 2007.

Previously, data from only 16 out of the 22 ADAT's was published. A Scotland total was also not included. Data has subsequently been received from a further 4 ADAT's and of those ADAT's who previously did return data, some have taken the opportunity to send revised statistics.

The tables and charts present data on the number of clients seen by drug treatment services and the time they waited to be seen for various interventions. The reports only include those clients referred after the 1st of April 2004 and do not take account of the number of clients who were in, or waiting for, treatment before this date.

The tables are:

Table 1 The length of time clients have waited for interventions: clients are grouped into having waited less than 3 weeks or more than 3 weeks from referral to assessment; from care-plan to intervention, clients are classed as having waited less than 2 weeks or more than 2 weeks.

Table 2 Similar to Table 1, showing **trends over the previous 12 months** for which data has been collected.

Table 3 Details the number of **clients who were engaged with the service** for more than 12 weeks from referral to discharge.

Table 4 shows the number of clients **who were retained in treatment** (start of treatment to discharge) for more than 12 weeks.

Tables 3 and 4 provide an indication of client retention time within the system. Retention time from start of treatment to planned discharge is potentially a useful indicator of treatment outcome.

Interpreting the Data

These tables are primarily intended to help ADATs monitor and manage performance in their own areas over a period of time. It is important to be aware that there are some data quality issues that may impact on analysis - caution is therefore recommended when interpreting the tables. In February 2007, ISD provided ADAT's with a revised data collection system. The revised system now allows ADAT's to produce a wider range of reports and also provides them with the facility to monitor data quality.

The number of services submitting data varies significantly from area to area and within areas across time (i.e. over data collection quarters). To address this, ADAT's are asked to encourage services to submit data. The substance misuse team continue to monitor the number of services submitting data and to provide additional training where necessary.

Key points to note when interpreting the October - December 2006 data are:

- There are no submissions from Perth & Kinross due to technical difficulties or from Ayrshire & Arran due to data quality issues
- Missing submissions (i.e. Perth & Kinross and Ayrshire & Arran) are represented as blank fields in the tables. Where no clients have been seen, or there are no clients waiting for a specified intervention, zeros have been used.
- Of those ADAT's who did return data for the time period, not all included data from all services within their area. These areas were: Argyll & Clyde, Borders, Dundee City, East Lothian, Edinburgh City, Highland, Midlothian, Moray and Western Isles.

There is a wide range of demand for substance misuse services across Scotland, and to meet this demand, an equally variable set of practices across the country. In some ADAT areas, the impact of a single specialized service – for example, a crisis management centre – may dramatically alter the distribution of waiting times. Consequently, to compare data across ADATs is risky and potentially inappropriate.

Additional Information

As ISD only receive aggregate data from each of the ADAT's, it is not possible for us to validate the data. Detailed questions regarding local data should be addressed to the relevant ADAT.

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Table 1: Waiting Times Summary: Time Waited for Interventions
Oct - Dec 2006

	Ready for treatment to...																												
	Referral to assessment ¹				Structured Preparatory & Motivational Intervention ²				Prescribed Drug Treatment ²				Community Support / Rehabilitation ²				Residential Detox / Rehabilitation ²												
	<=21 days ³		>21 days ⁴		Longest Wait		<=14 days ⁵		>14 days ⁶		Longest Wait		<=14 days ⁵		>14 days ⁶		Longest Wait		<=14 days ⁵		>14 days ⁶		Longest Wait						
	n	%	n	%		n	%	n	%		n	%	n	%		n	%	n	%		n	%	n	%					
<i>Drug Action Team</i>																													
Aberdeen City	51	6	777	90	52+ wks	22	51	21	49	27-52 wks	15	20	59	80	52+ wks	25	83	5	17	27-52 wks	0	0	0	0					
Aberdeenshire	24	14	144	84	52+ wks	2	22	7	78	52+ wks	10	67	5	33	27-52 wks	2	25	6	75	52+ wks	3	19	12	75	52+ wks				
Angus	53	87	2	3	22-28 days	32	71	9	20	22-28 days	0	0	0	0		0	0	15	88	13-26 wks	0	0	0	0					
Argyll and Clyde	605	69	213	24	52+ wks	116	68	53	31	52+ wks	105	69	44	29	52+ wks	158	69	63	28	52+ wks	6	67	3	33	27-52 wks				
Ayrshire and Arran																													
Borders	87	39	119	53	52+ wks	36	77	9	19	52+ wks	2	100	0	0	<7 days	2	67	1	33	52+ wks	23	49	24	51	52+ wks				
Dumfries and Galloway	230	85	18	7	52+ wks	49	73	18	27	27-52 wks	18	37	31	63	27-52 wks	24	63	14	37	13-26 wks	0	0	0	0					
Dundee City	78	43	89	49	52+ wks	21	91	1	4	52+ wks	13	100	0	0	<7 days	15	56	11	41	13-26 wks	0	0	0	0					
East Lothian	91	71	22	17	52+ wks	32	91	3	9	52+ wks	26	100	0	0	<7 days	6	5	104	94	52+ wks	2	100	0	0	<7 days				
Edinburgh City	184	29	387	62	52+ wks	59	91	1	2	22-28 days	11	32	23	68	52+ wks	97	72	35	26	52+ wks	41	100	0	0	<7 days				
Fife	371	34	617	56	52+ wks	33	87	2	5	9-12 wks	14	34	26	63	9-12 wks	183	89	16	8	9-12 wks	0	0	0	0					
Forth Valley	62	51	39	32	13-26 wks	0	0	1	100	27-52 wks	3	2	131	96	52+ wks	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0					
Glasgow	1080	87	124	10	52+ wks	322	64	166	33	52+ wks	133	50	132	50	52+ wks	168	59	114	40	52+ wks	138	75	43	23	52+ wks				
Highland	109	70	39	25	27-52 wks	48	79	7	11	5-8 wks	31	82	4	11	5-8 wks	30	59	20	39	13-26 wks	0	0	0	0					
Lanarkshire	259	41	339	53	52+ wks	124	84	23	16	52+ wks	16	44	20	56	52+ wks	96	76	27	21	52+ wks	0	0	1	100	13-26 wks				
Midlothian	59	60	39	40	27-52 wks	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0		5	10	44	88	27-52 wks	1	100	0	0	<7 days				
Moray	31	56	20	36	52+ wks	14	100	0	0	<7 days	12	80	3	20	5-8 wks	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0					
Orkney	17	68	4	16	5-8 wks	13	100	0	0	<7 days	1	100	0	0	<7 days	13	100	0	0	<7 days	0	0	0	0					
Perth and Kinross																													
Shetland	6	75	1	13	22-28 days	4	57	1	14	15-21 days	2	67	1	33	15-21 days	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0					
West Lothian	213	54	178	45	52+ wks	13	81	3	19	15-21 days	38	51	35	47	52+ wks	27	10	228	88	52+ wks	0	0	0	0					
Western Isles	6	86	1	14	5-8 wks	0	0	2	100	13-26 wks	0	0	1	100	5-8 wks	0	0	1	100	13-26 wks	0	0	0	0					
Scotland	3616	50	3172	44		940	72	327	25		450	46	515	53		851	53	704	44		214	71	83	28					

1 - Time between date referral received / first contact and the first appointment date offered for assessment for those assessed during the reporting period OR the time between date referral received / first contact and the end of the reporting period for those still waiting for assessment.

2 - Time between date care plan is agreed / decision on treatment is made / date client ready for treatment and the first appointment date offered for an intervention for those receiving this intervention during the reporting period OR the time between date care plan is agreed / decision on treatment is made / date client ready for treatment and the end of the reporting period for those still waiting for an intervention.

3 - Includes the number of clients who received an assessment appointment within 21 days of referral

4 - Includes the number of clients who received an assessment appointment more than 21 days after referral AND the number of clients who are still waiting for an assessment appointment and have already waited more than 21 days

5 - Includes the number of clients who received a treatment appointment within 14 days of date care plan agreed / date decision on treatment made / date client ready for treatment

6 - Includes the number of clients who received a treatment appointment more than 14 days after treatment decision AND the number of clients who are still waiting for a treatment appointment and have already waited more than 14 days

Note: Clients who are still waiting for an appointment and have waited less than 21 days for an assessment appointment or less than 14 days for a treatment appointment are not included in these figures.

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Table 3: Waiting Times Summary - Referral to Discharge

Oct - Dec 2006

	Referral to Discharge for...																							
	Planned Discharges				Unplanned Discharges				Disciplinary Discharges															
	Jan-Mar06		Apr-Jun06		Jul-Sep06		Oct-Dec06		Jan-Mar06		Apr-Jun06		Jul-Sep06		Oct-Dec06									
	>12 wks	%	>12 wks	%	>12 wks	%	>12 wks	%	>12 wks	%	>12 wks	%	>12 wks	%	>12 wks	%								
<i>Drug Action Team</i>	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%								
Aberdeen City	39	80	37	97	25	83	49	79	46	64	33	97	21	75	36	88	1	100	2	100	0	0	0	0
Aberdeenshire	16	59	14	64	29	76	9	82	46	70	48	63	40	59	24	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	100
Angus	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Argyll and Clyde	79	46	102	55	88	48	108	50	81	38	96	36	60	25	113	38	1	33	4	50	8	89	11	61
Ayrshire and Arran	78	43	56	29	99	40			26	20	85	40	108	46			2	15	1	5	7	29		
Borders	44	59	17	63	23	64	33	61	44	48	26	62	41	53	28	48	2	50	1	100	0	0	1	17
Dumfries and Galloway	32	28	30	43	24	39	43	34	32	29	34	19	19	29	30	37	0	0	0	0	1	50	1	17
Dundee City	32	41	20	41	21	43	21	50	22	31	17	43	25	49	15	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
East Lothian	27	41	39	54	18	38	23	31	21	35	11	35	7	19	1	3	1	100	2	100	0	0	0	0
Edinburgh City	26	60	22	69	34	62	44	65	29	53	29	39	66	42	86	44	1	100	0	0	1	50	1	50
Fife	239	74	157	63	178	56	259	63	196	42	135	41	63	26	180	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forth Valley			11	28	9	14	0	0			1	100	0	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0	0
Glasgow	88	48	200	67	109	51	127	41	123	38	250	46	170	36	143	33	8	47	12	44	8	44	13	42
Highland	30	67	11	44			17	57	41	58	18	44			19	41	1	50	0	0			3	75
Lanarkshire	118	67	106	59	41	49	66	44	63	35	52	36	39	33	77	37	1	100	1	33	1	50	3	60
Midlothian				0	0	2	40					0	0	2	3						0	0	0	0
Moray	10	48	37	69	12	71	6	40	19	61	19	45	13	46	5	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Orkney	2	50	2	50	8	89	2	25	1	33	2	50	1	33	1	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Perth and Kinross																								
Shetland	2	67	0	0	4	67	3	100	0	0	0	0	1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
West Lothian	82	80	49	72	43	69	45	68	63	31	26	13	20	14	31	13	6	100	17	100	16	94	12	92
Western Isles	0	0	0	0	2	50	1	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Scotland	944	56	910	56	768	50	858	50	853	39	882	39	694	35	791	37	24	46	40	48	42	56	46	53

1 Number of clients who were discharged more than 12 weeks after their referral date and as a percentage of total discharges from referral to discharge.

Note: The number of services submitting data varies significantly from area to area and within areas across data collection periods. Caution is recommended when interpreting trend data.

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Waiting Times Summary: Start of Treatment to Discharge

Start of Treatment to Discharge for...

	Planned Discharges										Unplanned Discharges										Disciplinary Discharges										
	Oct-Dec05		Jan-Mar06		Apr-Jun06		Jul-Sep06		Oct-Dec 06 ¹		Oct-Dec05		Jan-Mar06		Apr-Jun06		Jul-Sep06		Oct-Dec 06 ¹		Oct-Dec05		Jan-Mar06		Apr-Jun06		Jul-Sep06		Oct-Dec 06 ¹		
	>12 wks		>12 wks		>12 wks		>12 wks		>12 wks		>12 wks		>12 wks		>12 wks		>12 wks		>12 wks		>12 wks		>12 wks		>12 wks		>12 wks		>12 wks		
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	
<i>Drug Action Team</i>																															
Aberdeen City			0	0	32	94	16	73				0	0	14	88	13	87					0	0	1	50	0	0				
Aberdeenshire	4	40	7	47	9	60	17	57	19	73	12	48	14	54	14	78			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Angus	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Argyll and Clyde	26	52	32	71	77	80	50	57	144	74	7	13	46	47	23	32			4	100	1	100	4	67	4	67					
Ayrshire and Arran	14	42	12	38	8	24	38	46	60	65	7	30	37	54	40	52			2	22	0	0	0	0	6	50					
Borders	17	71	32	58	12	57	16	53	43	67	11	31	8	42	13	43			0	0	2	50	1	100	0	0					
Dumfries and Galloway	16	57	19	36	25	57	14	48	19	79	11	37	18	40	12	40			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Dundee City	0	0	21	50	16	55	10	53	0	0	12	67	6	55	4	67			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
East Lothian	0	0	18	62	31	60	16	67	0	0	8	50	7	78	4	44			0	0	1	100	2	100	0	0					
Edinburgh City	19	54	17	74	16	53	26	70	103	72	10	63	7	13	33	32			0	0	0	0	0	0	1	50					
Fife	48	66	95	71	53	57	102	53	77	68	14	33	6	40	14	56			2	100	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Forth Valley	0	0			9	82	8	73	0	0				0	0	0			0	0			0	0	0	0					
Glasgow	65	46	65	57	149	75	81	60	264	77	75	51	113	52	90	42			2	14	7	50	11	41	7	41					
Highland	13	54	26	76	4	27			35	58	31	56	10	34					0	0	1	50	0	0							
Lanarkshire	25	42	104	74	94	59	28	39	63	77	26	41	21	38	16	42			2	50	1	100	1	50	1	50					
Midlothian							0	0								0	0							0	0	0	0				
Moray	9	50	5	42	24	77	6	75	51	85	2	17	17	61	11	69			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Orkney	0	0	2	50	2	67	7	88	0	0	1	50	1	50	0	0			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Perth and Kinross																															
Shetland	1	50	2	67	0	0	4	67	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	100			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
West Lothian	23	51	51	69	32	62	28	54	56	70	27	41	8	18	6	18			5	100	5	83	12	80	13	76					
Western Isles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Scotland	280	51	508	63	593	63	468	54	934	73	254	42	333	45	294	43			17	27	18	53	32	53	32	56					

1. Data on Start of treatment to Discharge was no longer collected centrally from October 2006.

2. Number of clients who were discharged more than 12 weeks after their initial treatment date and as a percentage of total discharges from treatment to discharge.

Note: The number of services submitting data varies significantly from area to area and within areas across data collection periods. Caution is recommended when interpreting trend data.

Waiting Times Summary: Percentage of clients receiving an assessment appointment within 21 days of referral.

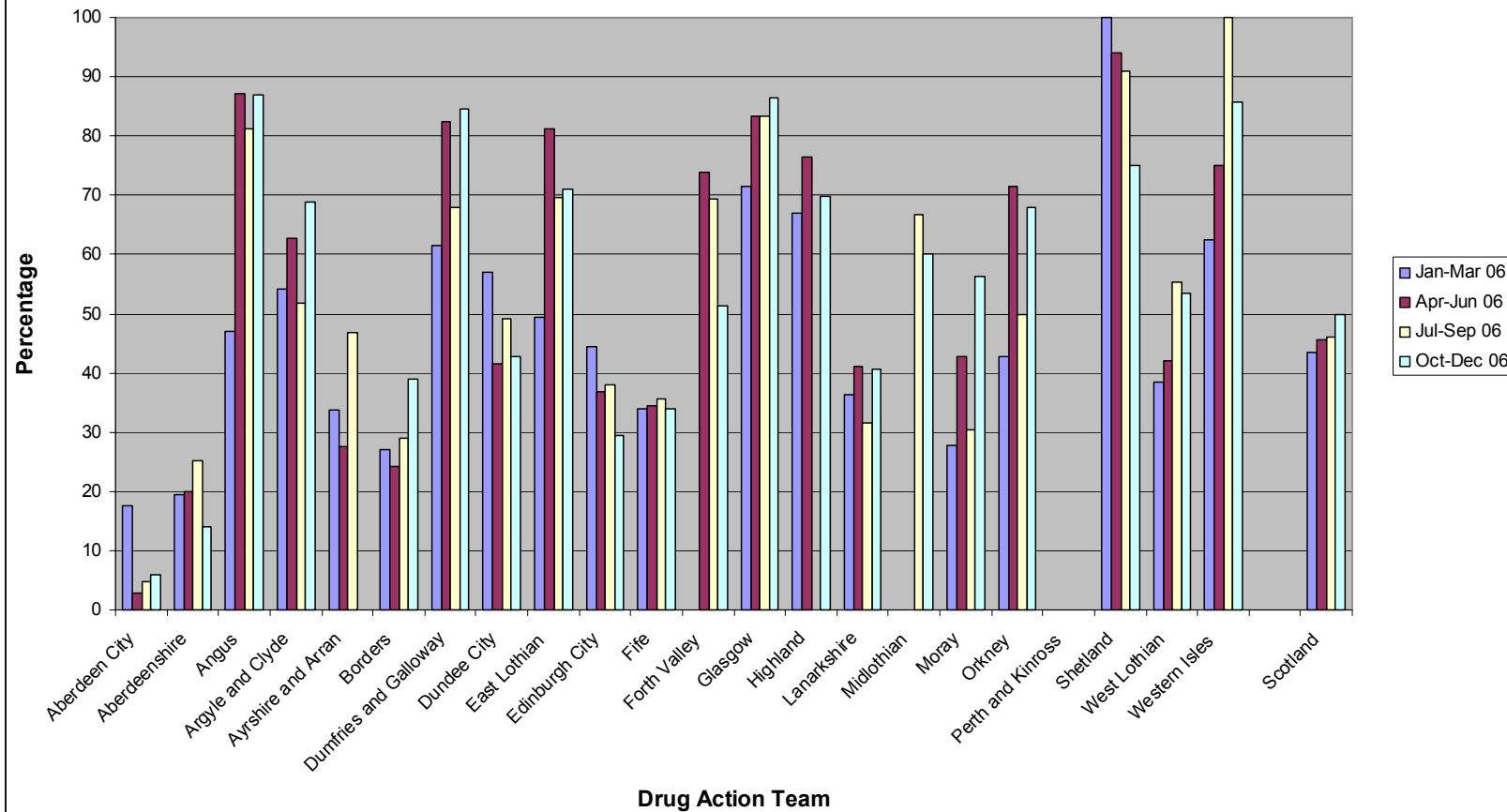
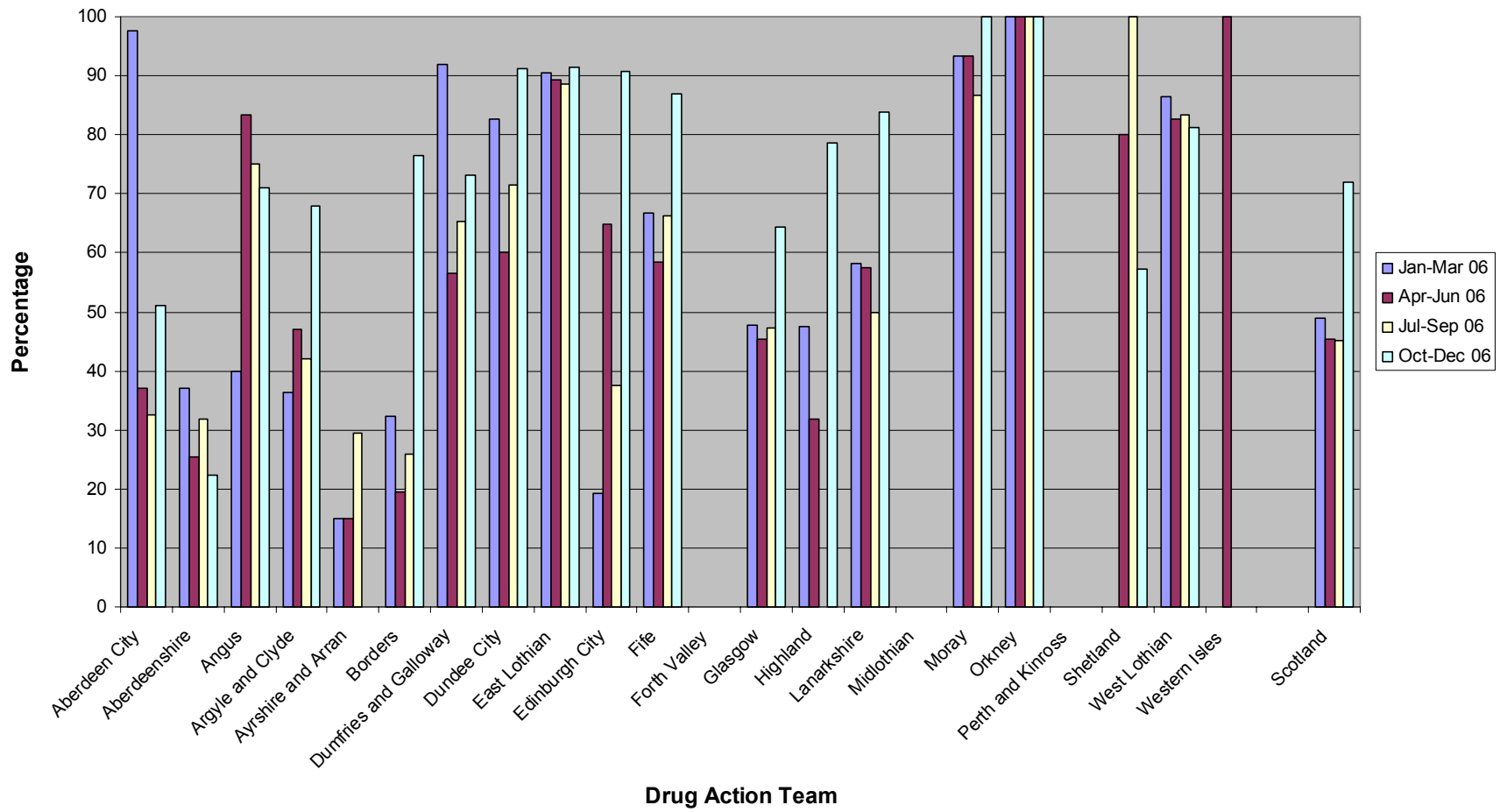


Table 1

Waiting Times Summary: Percentage of clients who receive structured preparatory and motivational interventions within 14 days of treatment decision (care plan)



Waiting Times Summary: Percentage of clients who receive prescribed drug treatment within 14 days of treatment decision (care plan)

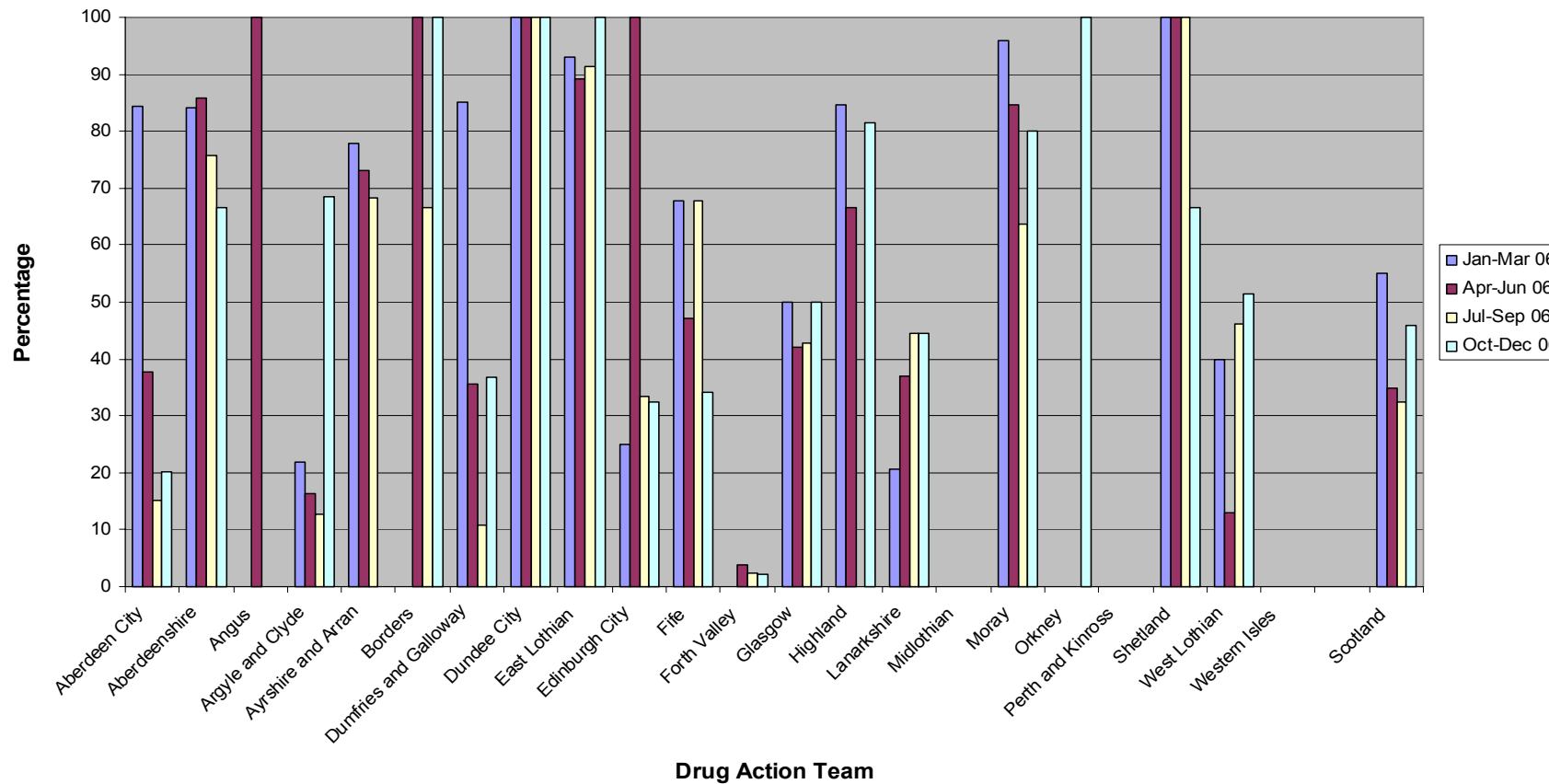


Table 2: trend data

Waiting Times Summary: Percentage of clients who receive community support and/or rehabilitation within 14 days of treatment decision (care plan)

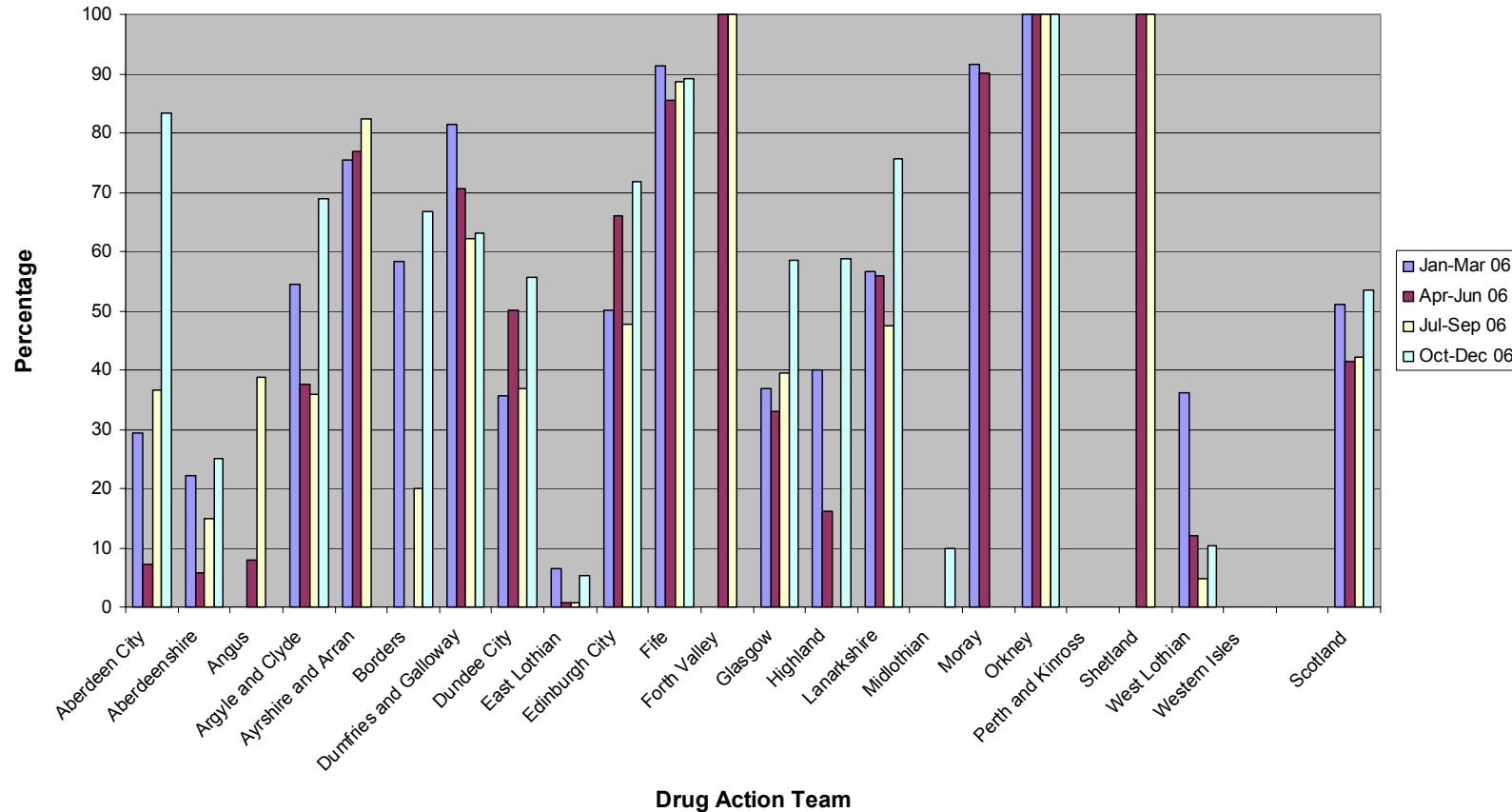


Table 2: trend data