

All possible suicides 1990, 1998 and 2005 and all anti-depressant, paracetamol, coproxamol & charcoal-burning deaths (according to cause of death and/or reported by toxicologist) in 2005, 2006 and 2007

**(1) THE CORONER**

Q1a *Centre* 1 = Oxford 2 = Bristol 3 = Manchester CENTRE

Q1b *Coroner's District (Name)* (CORDIST)

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Q1c *Coroner (Initials)* CORONER

Q1d *Coroner's Record Number* REC NO

**(2) DEMOGRAPHICS OF DECEASED**

Q2a *Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)* DOB

Q2b *Age (years) for those aged >=10* AGE

Q2c *Post code of usual residence* POSTCD1 POSTCD2

Q2d *Sex* 1 = Male 2 = Female SEX

Q2e *Ethnicity* 1=White 3=Asian ETHNICITY

2=Black

4=Other

9=Not Known

**Q2f Marital status**

1 = Single

4 = Divorced

2 = Married

5 = Other

3 = Widowed

9 = Not Known

MARIT

**Q2g Employment status at time of death**

1=Unemployed

4=Other *specify* (EMPLTXT)<sup>2</sup>

2=Employed

3=Retired

9=Not Known

EMPL<sup>1</sup>

**Q2h** Occupation (if unemployed, state usual occupation);  
(If retired, state previous occupation)

specify \_\_\_\_\_ (OCCUP)

**Q2i Living circumstances on day of suicide**

1 = Alone

2 = With family (including partner)

3 = With others (e.g. friends)

4 = Hospital in-patient – Psychiatric Hospital

5 = Hospital in-patient - General Hospital

6 = Other *specify*\* \_\_\_\_\_ (LIVTXT)<sup>2</sup>

7 = NFA

9 = Not Known

DAYLIV<sup>1</sup>

\*if the deceased had been living in a hostel, enter details of the type of hostel where described in the coroner's file (YMCA, rehabilitation of offenders...)

**(3) VERDICT AND CAUSE OF DEATH**

**Q3a** *Date of death (if not known, enter date death certified)*

DOD 

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**Q3b** *The above date is:* 1 = Date of death & certification  
2 = Date of certification only

DDC

**Q3c** *Inquest verdict*

1 = Suicide      3=Accident      5=Narrative  
2 = Open      4=Misadventure

VERDICT

**Q3d** **If open or accidental/misadventure verdict – probability of suicide (consensus decision)**

1 = High      8 = Not Applicable  
2 = Moderate      9 = Not clear/insufficient information  
3 = Low

SUIPROB

**Q3e** **Underlying cause of death**

1 = Poisoning  
2 = Hanging/suffocation  
3 = Firearms/Gunshots  
4 = Car exhaust gas  
5 = Jumping/falling  
6=Charcoal burning  
7 = Other (Describe) \_\_\_\_\_ (METHTXT)<sup>2</sup>

METH<sup>1</sup>



Q3f

<i>Cause of death from death certificate</i> (CAUSETXT)
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Q3g

**Was an additional method involved?**

- 1 = Yes *specify below(Q3h)*
- 2 = No
- 9 = Not Known

ADMETH

Q3h **Additional method used**

- 1 = Poisoning
- 2 = Hanging/suffocation
- 3 = Firearms/Gunshots
- 4 = Car exhaust gas
- 5 = Jumping/falling
- 6=Charcoal burning
- 7 = Other (Describe) \_\_\_\_\_ (METHTXT2)<sup>2</sup>

METH2<sup>1</sup>

Q3i **If jumping was the method used, what was the site of jump?**

- 1=Bridge
- 2=Car park
- 3=Place of residence
- 4=Other
- 9=NK
- If not place of residence, name site \_\_\_\_\_ (JUMPTXT)<sup>2</sup>

JUMP<sup>1</sup>

Q3j **Did they leave a suicide note?**

1=Yes  
2=No

9=Not Known

NOTE

Q3k **Do the inquest records indicate that there was a possible role of the Internet in the death?**

1=Yes (describe) \_\_\_\_\_ (INTERNETXT)<sup>2</sup>  
2=No

INTERNET<sup>1</sup>

#### (4) PSYCHIATRIC AND MEDICAL HISTORY

Q4a ***Had the deceased ever had contact with Psychiatric Services?***

1 = Yes *specify below (Q4b)*  
2 = No

9 = Not Known

CONTPSY

Q4b **Timing of contact with Psychiatric Services**

1 = At time of death  
2 = During last year

3 = >1 year previously  
9 = Not Known

TIMEPSY

Q4c ***Was the subject suffering from a psychiatric disorder at the time of death?***

1 = Yes  
2 = No

3 = Probably  
9 = Not Known

PSYCHDIS

Q4d **Primary psychiatric diagnosis at time of death**

- 1 = Schizophrenia and other delusional disorders
- 2 = Affective disorder (Depression/Depression-anxiety/BPD)
- 3 = Anxiety disorder
- 4 = Alcohol dependence
- 5 = Drug dependence
- 6 = Other *specify* \_\_\_\_\_ (DIAGTXT)
- 7 = No mental disorder
- 9 = Not Known

DIAG

**Q4e** *Date of last contact with general practitioner (dd/mm/yyyy)*  
*Include all contacts i.e. face to face/telephone/or other means of contact*  
**DO NOT INCLUDE contact with receptionist/nurse**

GPCONTA 

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**Q4f** *Most recent contact with General Practitioner*  
*include all contacts i.e. face to face/telephone/or other means of contact*  
**DO NOT INCLUDE contact with receptionist/nurse**

- 1 = ≤1 week
- 2 = > 1 week – 1 month
- 3 = > 1 month – 6 months
- 4 = > 6 months – 1 year
- 5 = > 1 year
- 6 = Cannot be categorised
- 9 = Not Known
- If information cannot be categorised, describe \_\_\_\_\_ (GPTXT)

GPONTB

**Q4g** **History of previous self-harm/suicide attempt**

- 1 = 1 or more
- 2 = None
- 9 = Not known

PREVSH

**Q4h Method of last non-fatal self-harm/suicide attempt**

- 1 = Poisoning
- 2 = Hanging/suffocation
- 3 = Firearms/Gunshots
- 4 = Car exhaust gas
- 5 = Jumping/falling
- 6 = Charcoal burning
- 7 = Other (Describe) \_\_\_\_\_ (METHTXT2)

PREMETH

Q4i

*Patient psychiatric management during a previous presentation to a general hospital in previous 3 months* (MANAGETXT)

**(5) ALCOHOL**

**Q5a. Was alcohol consumed as part of the act or beforehand?**

- 1 = Yes specify below (Q5b)
- 2 = No
- 9 = Not Known

ALC

**Q5b. Alcohol consumed in relation to legal limit**

1 = Likely to be over legal limit at time of death (or action leading to death)  
2 = Likely < legal limit  
9 = Not known

ALCLEV

**Q5c. Pathologist report of Blood alcohol level**

*Specify units/volume*

(i) \_\_\_\_\_ / (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

BLALC

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(mg/dl)

**Q5d. Was alcohol detected by the pathologist?**

1 = Yes

9 = Not Known

2 = No alcohol/below detection level

ALCL

**Q5e. Alcohol level detected**

0 = < 20 mg/100 ml

3 = 80 – 149 mg/100 ml

1 = 20-49 mg/100 ml

4 =  $\geq$  150 mg/100 ml

2 = 50-79 mg/100 ml

9 = Not Known

ALCL2

**Q5f. Pathologist report of Urine alcohol**

*Specify units/volume*

(i) \_\_\_\_\_ / (ii) \_\_\_\_\_

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(mg/dl)

**(6) VIGNETTE of CIRCUMSTANCES of SUICIDE**

*Description of circumstances including precipitants for those assigned a verdict of open, accident or misadventure*



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**(7) DETAILS OF SELF-POISONING (SP)**

	(a) Drug Name	(b) No. taken	(c) Tablet size	(d) Source*	(e)Source txt (SPSOURCETXT)	From Toxicology report		
						(f) Blood level	(g) Therapeutic level (SPBLTHERAP)	(h) Toxic level (SPTOXICLEV)
i)								
ii)								
iii)								
iv)								
v)								
vi)								
vii)								
viii)								

\*1=prescribed for deceased, 2= prescribed for other. Specify relationship to deceased in Source txt, 3=not prescribed & bought for act, 4=not prescribed & present in household, 5=not prescribed & other, 9=NK. Specify in Source txt.

**(8) DETAILS OF PRESCRIPTION (PRSC) *Record details where drugs taken in overdose had been prescribed for the deceased (last prescription prior to death)***

	(a) Drug Name (PRSCNAME)	(b) Reason prescribed† (PRSCREASON)	(c) When prescribed‡ (PRSCWHEN)	Details of prescription	
				(d) No. of tablets (NOTABLETS)	(e) Dose ( e.g. 5mg)
i)					
ii)					
iii)					
iv)					
v)					
vi)					
vii)					
viii)					

†e.g depression, pain ‡dd/mm/yyyy