

ECSTASY

A SYNTHETIC/MAN-MADE DRUG THAT
ALTERS MOOD AND PERCEPTION.
(AWARENESS OF SURROUNDING OBJECTS
AND CONDITIONS)



How is it used?

Ecstasy is often taken orally in tablet or capsule form; it can be taken in a liquid or powdered form; can also be snorted or smoked as a powder

Health Risks

The effects of Ecstasy/MDMA last about 3 to 6 hours

- ★ Increase in body temperature, leads to dehydration
- ★ Heart failure
- ★ Kidney failure
- ★ Strokes
- ★ Seizures
- ★ Aggression
- ★ Death



IN HAWAII



- ★ Ecstasy is popularly used at 'rave' dances (e.g. Electric Daisy Carnival, Wonderland Ent.) and associated with Electric Dance Music.
- ★ 6% of Hawaii high school students tried ecstasy at least once in their lifetime.
- ★ In 2012, 19 y.o. UH Hilo student died from anoxic encephalopathy - the inability to get enough oxygen to the brain after consuming ecstasy/MDMA.
- ★ Possession can get you up to 7 years in prison, an unlimited fine or both.

PARTIES, RAVES, CLUBS

Ecstasy is often present in environments where music and dancing is enjoyed. Be responsible and mindful that ecstasy and other club drugs may be present. Be aware of the effects of these drugs, especially when combined with alcohol.



Sources: Honolulu Advertiser, ONDCP, NIDA, Join Together On-line, NIDA Drug pages MDMA, Drug Enforcement Administration, DAWN 2005 Report, CDC YRBS 2017, Monitoring the Future study 2008-2009, Hawaii National Guard Counter Drug Program, Streetdrugs.org, Hawaii News Now

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