

# ECSTASY



Top: Ecstasy pill

Center: Ecstasy pills (source: Drug Enforcement Agency)

Lower: Ecstasy pills (source: Drug Enforcement Agency)

## SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF USE

Sudden extreme feelings of love and acceptance, confusion, jaw clenching, grinding teeth, vomiting or nausea, sweating, overly thirsty, missing money, a sudden change in appearance and/or attitude, unexplained absences, change in friends, attending all night dance parties (raves) or clubs

## SHORT AND LONG-TERM EFFECTS

Short-term: blurred vision, increase in body temperature, chills, sweating, dehydration, confusion, anxiety, trance-like state, overly fixated on sights and sounds

Long-term: addiction, brain damage (memory and thought process), depression

## STREET NAMES

Molly, X, E, ETC, Roll, Adam, Bean, Hug, Love Drug, Clarity

## HOW IT'S USED

Swallowed or crushed and snorted

## WHY IT'S DANGEROUS

Ecstasy comes in pill form with playful symbols/pictures imprinted onto them to appeal to younger people. The chemicals in ecstasy cause the body to overheat, which may cause a person to pass out from a heat stroke, and/or it may cause a person to become dehydrated and experience a heart attack. Both of these may cause the user to die. Using ecstasy for a long period of time causes permanent brain damage to the areas of the brain responsible for memory and problem solving.

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