

Special Access Scheme (SAS): Supply of Therapeutic Vapes

The data provided below relates to notifications submitted by pharmacists under the SAS Category C pathway for therapeutic vapes.

- SAS Category C allows patients aged 18 and over to access therapeutic vapes directly from a pharmacy without a prescription, provided the nicotine concentration does not exceed 20 mg/mL.
- Notifications under SAS Category C reflect supply through this pathway only.
- Historical data may differ to previous reports because notifications relating to supply made in earlier months are reviewed and updated to ensure accuracy.

Table 1 - SAS C S3 Pharmacist Notifications of Supply and Unique Consulting Locations*

By Month	Count of SAS C S3 Notifications	Count of Unique Consulting Locations [†]
2024	14755	1023
Oct	4431	617
Nov	4877	646
Dec	5447	687
2025	86790	1813
Jan	6382	679
Feb	6348	676
Mar	6897	727
Apr	7143	695
May	7952	735
Jun	7252	701
Jul	7350	723
Aug	7302	729
Sep	7299	739
Oct	6469	651
Nov	6313	600
Dec	10083	712
2026	60745	1448
Jan	10708	784
Feb	10310	753
Mar	13111	827
Apr	12456	851
May	14160	925
Grand Total	162290	2510

*Information about the pharmacies where S3 vaping goods are supplied are recorded as the consulting location, provided to the TGA as a free text field on each SAS submission. Counts of unique consulting locations are obtained by removing duplicates of identical entries. This data is not validated and as such may contain duplicates of single consulting locations where there are variations in the text entered on different SAS submissions.

†As there are duplicates in consulting locations over separate months, unique consulting locations are calculated for the period indicated in each row. The grand total covers the entire requested period and is not a sum of the numbers in the column.