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| Time Range | Contracted Service Provider[[1]](#footnote-1) | Island Health Sites[[2]](#footnote-2) | City of Victoria Drop Boxes | DVBA | Total |
| Apr 1 to Jun 30, 2020 | 23,056 | 2,340 | 2,609 | 714 | 28,719 |
| Jul 1 to Sep 30, 2020 | 18,773 | 2,500 | 3,323 | 1,553 | 26,149 |
| Oct 1 to Dec 30, 2020 | 9,373 | 2,100[[3]](#footnote-3) | 2,718 | 418 | 14,609 |
| Jan 1 to Mar 31, 2021 | 7,229 | 3,600 | 2,148 | 2,094 | 15,071 |
| **Apr 1 to Jun 30, 2021** | **24,301** | **3020** | **2063** | **1396** | **30,780** |

**Table 1: Number of needles collected[[4]](#footnote-4) per quarter as reported, Downtown Victoria**

**Table 2: Number of needles distributed4 per quarter as reported, Downtown Victoria**

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| Time Range | Contracted Service Provider | Island Health Sites | Total |
| Apr 1 to Jun 30, 2020 | 19,274 | 29,000 | 48,274 |
| Jul 1 to Sep 30, 2020 | 19,645 | 27,000 | 46,645 |
| Oct 1 to Dec 30, 2020 | 11,545 | 42,5003 | 54,045 |
| Jan 1 to Mar 31, 2021 | 18,498 | 40,000 | 58,498 |
| **Apr 1 to Jun 30, 2021** | **17,414** | **18,500** | **35,914** |

**Figure 1: Total number of needles distributed & collected per quarter as reported, Downtown Victoria**

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1. Contracted service providers include counts for SOLID and AVI. Both organizations are contracted by Island Health to deliver harm reduction services in downtown Victoria. These numbers come from quarterly reporting to the STOP HIV/AIDS Program. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Various Island Health programs (MHSU & Public Health) distribute and collect needles; only counts for the Sobering Assessment Center (SAC) on Pembroke St is captured in this document. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Values estimated based on invoices, emails, and supply orders [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. Needle collection and distribution is a shared responsibility of multiple agencies and programs. This document provides only a snapshot of distribution and collection and is an underestimate of total numbers. Harm reduction supplies are distributed as part of a provincial program to reduce bloodborne diseases. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)