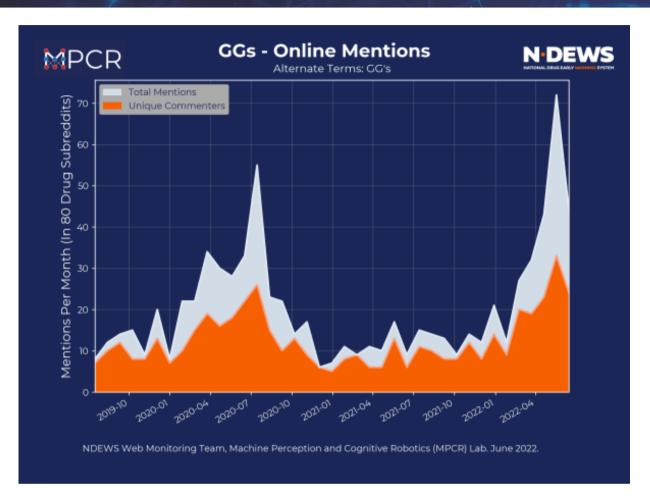
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## Alert from the NDEWS Web Monitoring Team: Online mentions of GGs

**Context:** This alert was found by algorithmic monitoring of 80+ drug-oriented Subreddits.

**What was found?** A Subreddit discussion trend for the slang term "GGs" spiked in May to June 2022. Mentions of the term previously reached a peak in June to July 2020 in the early months of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**To what does "GGs" refer?** "GGs" is a plural slang term referring to Alprazolam (Xanax) pills imprinted with the letters "GG".

**How is it being discussed?** Many Redditors recognize the "GGs" slang term and view the "GG" imprint as a mark of authenticity. The counterfeit status of pills associated with this recent trend can not be determined.

Drug Terms: "GGs", "GG's", Alprazolam, Xanax.

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