# Drugs Identified in Deceased Persons by Florida Medical Examiners



# 2021 Interim Report

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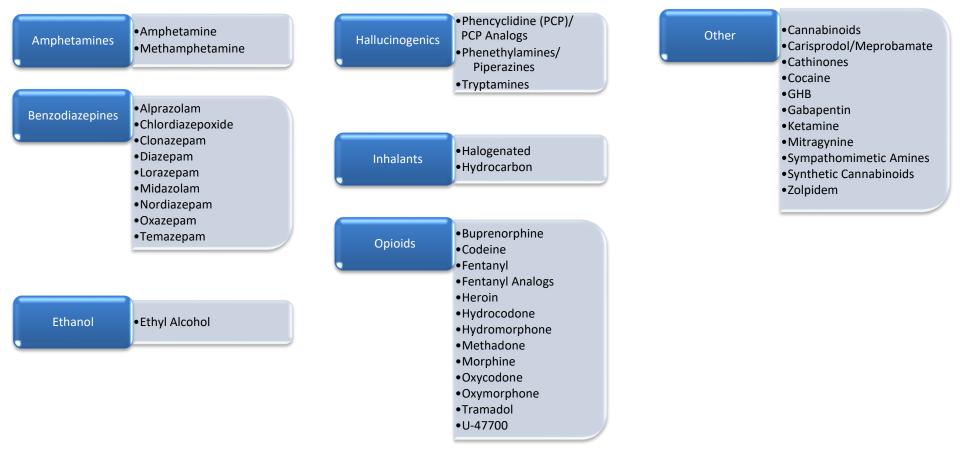
## **Data Collection**

The State of Florida's Bureau of Vital Statistics reported 125,336 deaths in Florida during the first six months of 2021. Of the cases seen by Florida's medical examiners, toxicology results determined that the drugs listed below were present at the time of death in 7,756 cases. The medical examiners assessed whether the drug(s) identified was the cause of death or merely present at the time of death. The data were then submitted to the Medical Examiners Commission (MEC) for presentation in this report. It is important to note that each death is a single case, while each time a drug is detected represents an occurrence. The vast majority of the 7,756 deaths had more than one drug occurrence.

When reporting the data, Florida's medical examiners were asked to distinguish between the drugs determined to be the cause of death and those drugs that were present in the body at the time of death. A drug is indicated as the cause of death only when, after examining all evidence, the autopsy and toxicology results, the medical examiner determines the drug played a causal role in the death. It is not uncommon for a decedent to have multiple drugs listed as a cause of death even when the medical examiner determines the drug is present or identifiable in the death. However, a drug may not have played a causal role in the death even when the medical examiner determines the drug is present or identifiable in the decedent. Therefore, a decedent often is found to have multiple drugs listed as present; these are drug occurrences and are not equivalent to deaths.

The MEC would like to acknowledge with much appreciation the crucial role of the members of the Quality Assurance Committee.

Data were collected on the following drugs:



## Highlights

Some general statewide trends for the first half of 2021 (January – June) are listed below. All comparisons are made to January - June 2020 data unless otherwise noted.

- ✓ Total drug-related deaths increased by 7 percent (513 more).
- 4,140 opioid-related deaths were reported, which is a 5.5 percent increase (216 more). The opioids were identified as either the cause of death or merely present in the decedent.
- ✓ 3,235 opioid-caused deaths were reported, which is a 4 percent increase (135 more).
- 4,740 individuals (5 percent increase, 234 more) died with one or more prescription drugs in their system. The drugs were identified as either the cause of death or merely present in the decedent. These drugs may have also been mixed with illicit drugs and/or alcohol. While fentanyl is a prescription drug, data indicates that at least 82% of fentanyl occurrences were illicitly obtained.
- 3,273 individuals (4 percent increase, 113 more) died with at least one prescription drug in their system that was identified as the cause of death. These
  drugs may have been mixed with other prescription drugs, illicit drugs and/or alcohol.
- The most frequently occurring drugs found in decedents were fentanyl (3,210), ethyl alcohol (3,132), benzodiazepines (2,081, including 773 alprazolam occurrences), cocaine (1,971), cannabinoids (1,915), fentanyl analogs (1,376), methamphetamine (1,338) and amphetamine (1,245).
- The drugs that caused the most deaths were fentanyl (2,920), cocaine (1,305), methamphetamine (962), ethyl alcohol (718), fentanyl analogs (574), benzodiazepines (526, including 349 alprazolam deaths) and amphetamine (421). Fentanyl (91 percent), heroin (84 percent), methamphetamine (72 percent), mitragynine (69 percent), cocaine (66 percent), cathinones (63 percent) and methadone (60 percent) were listed as the major drugs causing death in more than 50 percent of the deaths in which these drugs were found.
- ✓ Occurrences of heroin decreased by 43 percent (215 less) and deaths caused by heroin decreased by 44 percent (183 less).
- ✓ Occurrences of fentanyl increased by 11 percent (311 more) and deaths caused by fentanyl increased by 9 percent (243 more).
- ✓ Occurrences of fentanyl analogs increased by 50.5 percent (462 more) and deaths caused by fentanyl analogs increased by 40 percent (164 more).
- ✓ Occurrences of methadone increased by 5 percent (9 more) and deaths caused by methadone increased by 9 percent (10 more).
- ✓ Occurrences of hydrocodone decreased by 5 percent (13 less) and deaths caused by hydrocodone decreased by 10 percent (9 less).
- ✓ Occurrences of oxycodone decreased by 8 percent (50 less) and deaths caused by oxycodone decreased by 13 percent (36 less).
- ✓ Occurrences of cocaine increased by 4 percent (79 more) and deaths caused by cocaine increased by 3 percent (43 more).

## (Highlights continued)

- ✓ Occurrences of buprenorphine decreased by 14 percent (18 less) and deaths caused by buprenorphine increased by 40 percent (8 more).
- Occurrences of morphine decreased by 32 percent (285 less) and deaths caused by morphine decreased by 47 percent (248 less). In the body, heroin is
  metabolized to morphine, thus many occurrences of morphine likely represent illicit heroin use rather than pharmaceutical morphine use. Accordingly,
  heroin and morphine occurrences have declined similarly.
- ✓ Alprazolam (Xanax) still dominated the category of benzodiazepines even though occurrences decreased by 10 percent (88 less).
- Occurrences of methamphetamine increased by 33 percent (335 more) and amphetamine increased by 27 percent (267 more). Deaths caused by methamphetamine increased by 40 percent (276 more) and amphetamine increased by 7 percent (26 more). In the body, methamphetamine is metabolized to amphetamine, thus many occurrences of amphetamine likely represent illicit methamphetamine ingestion rather than pharmaceutical amphetamine use.
- Occurrences of cathinones increased by 11 percent (25 more) and deaths caused by cathinones increased by 13 percent (19 more). The majority of cathinones reported were eutylone.
- Occurrences of synthetic cannabinoids decreased by 71 percent (27 less) and deaths caused by synthetic cannabinoids decreased by 71 percent (22 less).
   The analysis of synthetic cannabinoids is performed on a case-by-case basis when use is suspected.
- ✓ There was a total of 23 occurrences of difluoroethane reported in the halogenated inhalants category.
- ✓ Occurrences of mitragynine increased by 27 percent (33 more) and deaths caused by mitragynine increased by 36 percent (28 more).
- ✓ Occurrences of gabapentin increased by 23 percent (101 more) and deaths caused by gabapentin increased by 9 percent (7 more).
- Reporting of xylazine was not specifically requested by the Commission in 2021; however, many districts reported deaths with xylazine. A total of 112 occurrences of xylazine were reported.

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# **Coverage Map**

**Florida Medical Examiner Districts** 

#### District 1

Escambia Okaloosa Santa Rosa Walton

#### **District 2**

Franklin Gadsden Jefferson Leon Liberty Taylor Wakulla

# District 3 \*Covered by Columbia \*4

Dixie \*8 Hamilton \*4 Lafayette \*2 Madison \*2 Suwannee \*2

#### **District 4**

Clay Duval Nassau

#### District 5 Citrus

Hernando Lake Marion Sumter

#### <u>District 6</u> Pasco Pinellas

<u>District 7</u> Volusia

#### District 8

Alachua Baker Bradford Gilchrist Levy Union

### District 9

Orange

#### District 10 Hardee Highlands Polk

#### District 11 Miami-Dade

District 12 DeSoto Manatee Sarasota

District 13 Hillsborough

#### **District 14**

Bay Calhoun Gulf Holmes Jackson Washington

District 15 Palm Beach

District 16 Monroe

District 17 Broward

#### District 18 Brevard

District 19 Indian River Martin Okeechobee St. Lucie

Gadsder

Wakulla

District 20 Collier

#### District 21 Glades Hendry Lee

District 22 Charlotte

District 23 Flagler Putnam St. Johns

District 24 \*Covered by Seminole \*5

District 25 \*Covered by Osceola \*9

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# Summary of Drug Occurrences in Decedents

	Drug Present in Body	Cause	Present	TOTAL OCCURRENCES
amines	Amphetamine	421	824	1,245
Amphetamines	Methamphetamine	962	376	1,338
	Alprazolam	349	424	773
	Chlordiazepoxide	8	28	36
es	Clonazepam	44	254	298
Benzodiazepines	Diazepam	63	151	214
diaz	Lorazepam	16	140	156
ozua	Midazolam	3	135	138
Ğ	Nordiazepam	16	184	200
	Oxazepam	8	104	112
	Temazepam	19	135	154
	Ethanol	718	2,414	3,132
enics	Phencyclidine (PCP)/PCP Analogs	0	1	1
Hallucinogenics	Phenethylamines/Piperazines	35	25	60
Hallı	Tryptamines	2	5	7
Inhalants	Halogenated	21	3	24
Inha	Hydrocarbon	1	0	1

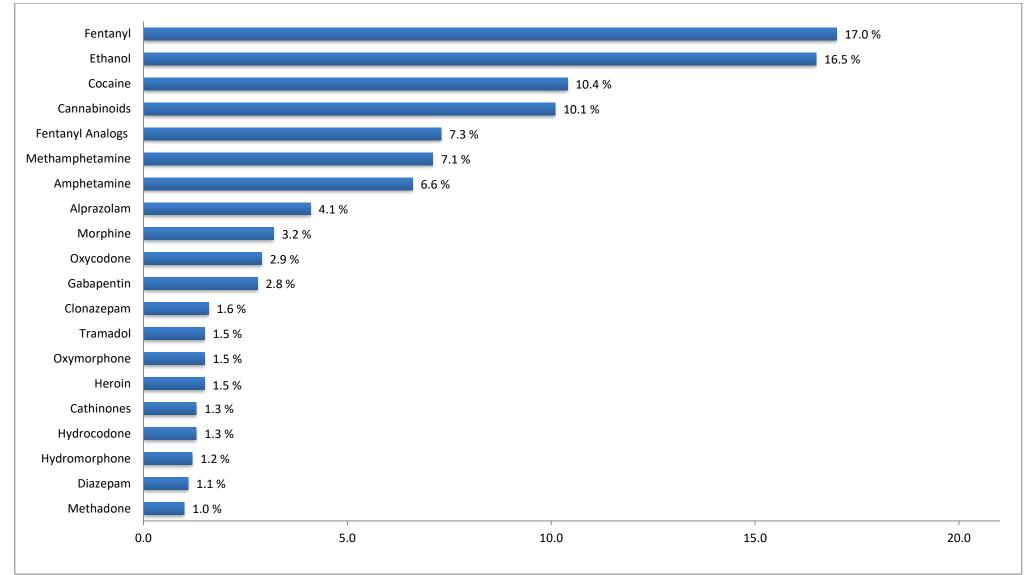
## Summary of Drug Occurrences in Decedents (continued)

	Drug Present in Body	Cause	Present	TOTAL OCCURRENCES
	Buprenorphine	28	79	107
	Codeine	14	132	146
	Fentanyl	2,920	290	3,210
	Fentanyl Analogs	574	802	1,376
	Heroin	234	46	280
sb	Hydrocodone	79	165	244
Opioids	Hydromorphone	56	173	229
Ō	Methadone	116	78	194
	Morphine	277	335	612
	Oxycodone	241	302	543
	Oxymorphone	45	238	283
	Tramadol	55	233	288
	U-47700	0	0	0
	Cannabinoids	23	1,892	1,915
	Carisoprodol/Meprobamate	4	17	21
	Cathinones	160	95	255
	Cocaine	1,305	666	1,971
<u> </u>	GHB	1	0	1
Other	Gabapentin	87	449	536
0	Ketamine	10	93	103
	Mitragynine	106	48	154
	Sympathomimetic Amines	0	12	12
	Synthetic Cannabinoids	9	2	11
	Zolpidem	22	52	74

Note: The total occurrences for buprenorphine and cannabinoids are under reported. The rate will vary from district-to-district based on the scope of drug analysis utilized by the medical examiner office. Since heroin is rapidly metabolized to morphine, this may lead to a substantial over-reporting of morphine-related deaths as well as significant under-reporting of heroin-related deaths. Many deaths were found to have several drugs contributing to the death; therefore, the count of specific drugs listed is greater than the number of deaths.

#### Frequency of Reported Drug Occurrences<sup>1</sup>

January – June 2021



<sup>1</sup>The following drugs individually constituted less than one percent of drug frequencies and are not included: codeine, chlordiazepoxide, lorazepam, midazolam, nordiazepam, oxazepam, temazepam, all hallucinogenics, all inhalants, buprenorphine, carisoprodol/meprobamate, GHB, ketamine, mitragynine, sympathomimetic amines, synthetic cannabinoids, U-47700 and zolpidem. Note: Percentages may not sum to 100 percent because of rounding.

## **Comparison of Drug Occurrences in Decedents**

	Drug Present in Body	JANUARY – JUNE 2020	JANUARY – JUNE 2021	Percentage Change
Amphetamines	Amphetamine	978	1,245	27.3%
Amphet	Methamphetamine	1,003	1,338	33.4%
	Alprazolam	861	773	-10.2%
	Chlordiazepoxide	62	36	-41.9%
les	Clonazepam	337	298	-11.6%
Benzodiazepines	Diazepam	194	214	10.3%
diaz	Lorazepam	130	156	20.0%
ozua	Midazolam <sup>1</sup>	116	138	19.0%
B	Nordiazepam	256	200	-21.9%
	Oxazepam	133	112	-15.8%
	Temazepam	160	154	-3.8%
	Ethanol	2,887	3,132	8.5%
enics	Phencyclidine (PCP)/PCP Analogs	0	1	*
Hallucinogenics	Phenethylamines/Piperazines	61	60	-1.6%
Hallu	Tryptamines	3	7	*
Inhalants	Halogenated	21	24	14.3%
Inha	Hydrocarbon	2	1	*

\*Due to the small number of occurrences, percent changes were not calculated.

<sup>1</sup>*Midazolam is used clinically as a sedative and anesthetic. It is not currently a known drug of abuse.* 

Note: Many deaths were found to have several drugs contributing to the death; therefore, the count of specific drugs listed is greater than the number of deaths.

## **Comparison of Drug Occurrences in Decedents (continued)**

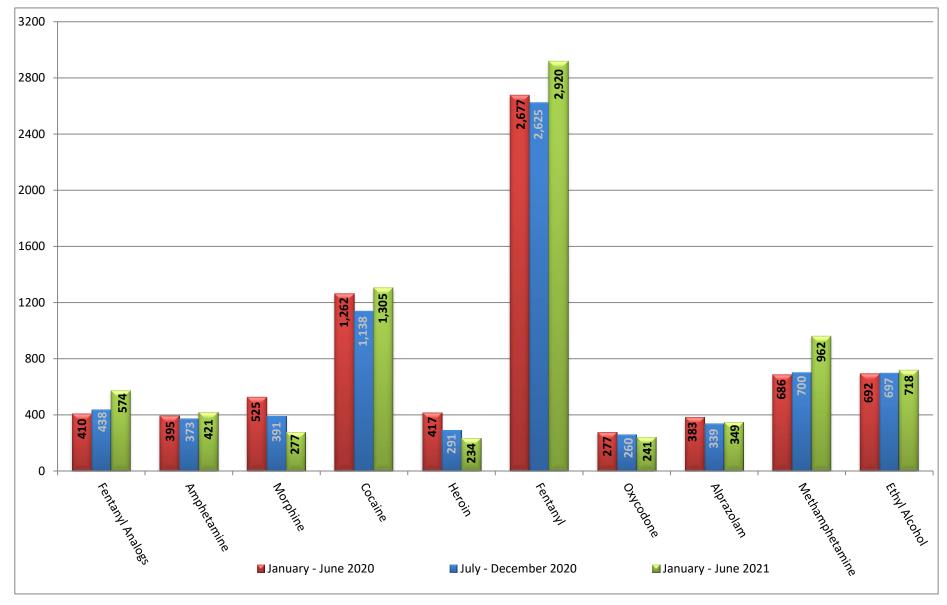
	Drug Present In Body	JANUARY – JUNE 2020	JANUARY – JUNE 2021	Percentage Change
	Buprenorphine	125	107	-14.4%
	Codeine	264	146	-44.7%
	Fentanyl	2,899	3,210	10.7%
	Fentanyl Analogs	914	1,376	50.5%
	Heroin	495	280	-43.4%
sb	Hydrocodone	257	244	-5.1%
Opioids	Hydromorphone	224	229	2.2%
ō	Methadone	185	194	4.9%
	Morphine	897	612	-31.8%
	Oxycodone	593	543	-8.4%
	Oxymorphone	259	283	9.3%
	Tramadol	212	288	35.8%
	U-47700	2	0	*
	Cannabinoids	1,702	1,915	12.5%
	Carisoprodol/Meprobamate	23	21	-8.7%
	Cathinones	230	255	10.9%
	Cocaine	1,892	1,971	4.2%
	GHB	6	1	*
Other	Gabapentin	435	536	23.2%
0	Ketamine	79	103	30.4%
	Mitragynine	121	154	27.3%
	Sympathomimetic Amines	17	12	*
	Synthetic Cannabinoids	38	11	-71.1%
	Zolpidem	76	74	-2.6%

\*Due to the small number of occurrences, percent changes were not calculated.

Note: Many deaths were found to have several drugs contributing to the death; therefore, the count of specific drugs listed is greater than the number of deaths.

### **Comparison of Drug Caused Deaths**

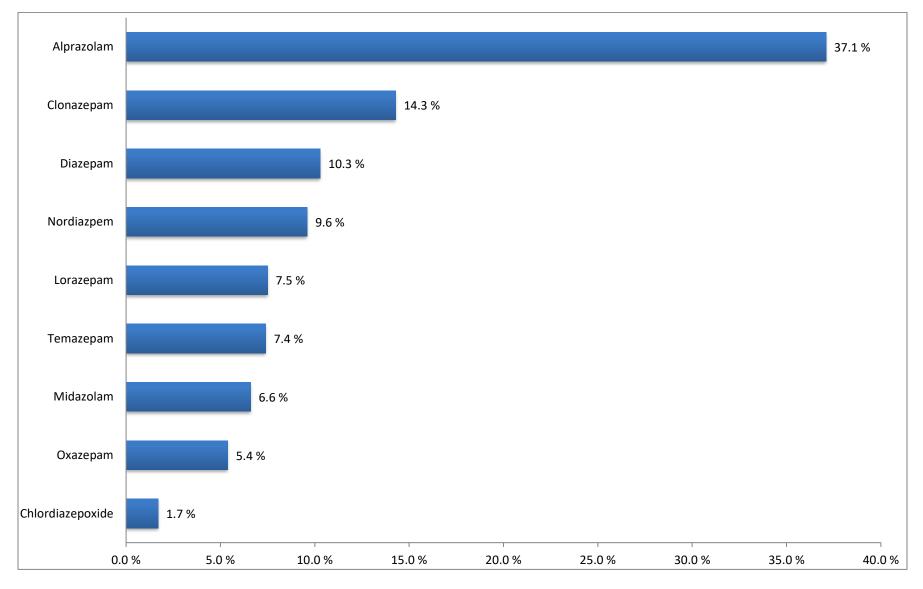
January 2020 to June 2021



Note: Not all drugs are included in the above chart.

#### **Frequency of Occurrence of Benzodiazepines**

January – June 2021



Note: Percentages may not sum to 100 percent because of rounding. Several benzodiazepines (for example, diazepam) are metabolized to other benzodiazepines in the body (for example, nordiazepam, oxazepam and temazepam). Thus, occurrences of nordiazepam, oxazepam and temazepam may be due to the ingestion of diazepam, chlordiazepoxide and/or temazepam.

# Alprazolam Deaths

Medical Examiner District			
	Area of Florida		
District	Area of Florida		
1	Pensacola		
2	Tallahassee		
3	Live Oak		
4	Jacksonville		
5	Leesburg		
6	St. Petersburg		
7	Daytona Beach		
8	Gainesville		
9	Orlando		
10	Lakeland		
11	Miami		
12	Sarasota		
13	Tampa		
14	Panama City		
15	West Palm Beach		
16	Florida Keys		
17	Ft. Lauderdale		
18	Melbourne		
19	Ft. Pierce		
20	Naples		
21	Ft. Myers		
22	Port Charlotte		
23	St. Augustine		
24	Sanford		
25	Kissimmee		
Statewide Totals			

Total Deaths with Alprazolam			
Total	Cause	Present	
33	20	13	
3 5	3	0	
5	3	2	
38	11	27	
24	9	15	
105	67	38	
19	8	11	
3	2	1	
29	11	18	
21	5	16	
113	39	74	
31	14	17	
47	31	16	
18	8	10	
79	23	56	
3	3	0	
76	51	25	
18	2	16	
12	7	5	
22	5	17	
30	10	20	
7	5	2	
13	3	10	
10	5	5	
14	4	10	
773	349	424	

Deaths with Alprazolam Only			
Total	Cause	Present	
2	0	2	
0	0	0	
1	0	1	
1	0	1	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
2	0	2	
0	0	0	
1	0	1	
2	0	2	
6	0	6	
4	0	4	
2	0	2	
2	0	2	
4	1	3	
0	0	0	
6	2	4	
0	0	0	
1	0	1	
3	0	3	
1	0	1	
1	0	1	
0	0	0	
1	0	1	
0	0	0	
40	3	37	

Deaths with Alprazolam in					
	Combination with Other Drugs				
Total	Cause	Present			
31	20	11			
3	3	0			
4	3	1			
37	11	26			
24	9	15			
105	67	38			
17	8	9			
3	2	1			
28	11	17			
19	5	14			
107	39	68			
27	14	13			
45	31	14			
16	8	8			
75	22	53			
3	3	0			
70	49	21			
18	2	16			
11	7	4			
19	5	14			
29	10	19			
6	5	1			
13	3	10			
9	5	4			
14	4	10			
733	346	387			

# Alprazolam Deaths by Age

Medical Examiner District and Area of Florida						
District	Area of Florida	Total				
1	Pensacola	33				
2	Tallahassee	3				
3	Live Oak	5				
4	Jacksonville	38				
5	Leesburg	24				
6	St. Petersburg	105				
7	Daytona Beach	19				
8	Gainesville	3				
9	Orlando	29				
10	Lakeland	21				
11	Miami	113				
12	Sarasota	31				
13	Tampa	47				
14	Panama City	18				
15	West Palm Beach	79				
16	Florida Keys	3				
17	Ft. Lauderdale	76				
18	Melbourne	18				
19	Ft. Pierce	12				
20	Naples	22				
21	Ft. Myers	30				
22	Port Charlotte	7				
23	St. Augustine	13				
24	Sanford	10				
25	Kissimmee	14				
Stat	Statewide Totals 773					

Alprazolam Caused Death					
		Age of D	ecedent		
Total	<18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50
20	0	2	4	8	6
3	0	0	1	0	2
3	0	0	1	1	1
11	0	1	2	5	3
9	0	0	3	5	1
67	0	3	11	34	19
8	0	0	3	1	4
2	0	0	0	2	0
11	0	1	4	4	2
5	0	0	2	3	0
39	0	3	14	11	11
14	0	1	1	8	4
31	0	1	8	13	9
8	0	2	2	4	0
23	0	2	6	8	7
3	0	0	0	2	1
51	0	1	14	17	19
2	0	0	0	1	1
7	0	0	2	4	1
5	0	0	2	3	0
10	0	0	1	3	6
5	0	0	1	4	0
3	0	0	1	1	1
5	0	0	1	1	3
4	0	1	2	0	1
349	0	18	86	143	102

Alprazolam Present at Death					
Age of Decedent					
Total	<18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50
13	0	0	2	5	6
0	0	0	0	0	0
2	0	1	0	0	1
27	0	3	4	10	10
15	0	0	3	6	6
38	0	4	1	15	18
11	0	0	3	3	5
1	0	0	0	0	1
18	0	1	5	6	6
16	1	2	1	5	7
74	0	8	18	25	23
17	0	2	5	5	5
16	0	1	3	5	7
10	0	2	1	1	6
56	0	6	17	20	13
0	0	0	0	0	0
25	0	3	3	3	16
16	0	1	3	5	7
5	0	0	1	2	2
17	0	0	2	2	13
20	0	0	7	7	6
2	0	0	0	0	2
10	0	0	1	5	4
5	0	0	0	2	3
10	0	1	2	4	3
424	1	35	82	136	170

# **Clonazepam Deaths**

Medical Examiner District		
	Area of Florida	
District	Area of Florida	
1	Pensacola	
2	Tallahassee	
3	Live Oak	
4	Jacksonville	
5	Leesburg	
6	St. Petersburg	
7	Daytona Beach	
8	Gainesville	
9	Orlando	
10	Lakeland	
11	Miami	
12	Sarasota	
13	Tampa	
14	Panama City	
15	West Palm Beach	
16	Florida Keys	
17	Ft. Lauderdale	
18	Melbourne	
19	Ft. Pierce	
20	Naples	
21	Ft. Myers	
22	Port Charlotte	
23	St. Augustine	
24	Sanford	
25 Kissimmee		
Statewide Totals		

Total Deaths with Clonazepam			
Total	Cause	Present	
5	0	5	
9	0	9	
1	0	1	
22	4	18	
15	3	12	
41	16	25	
8	1	7	
0	0	0	
25	2	23	
0	0	0	
41	5	36	
3	1	2	
2	2	0	
2	0	2	
41	1	40	
0	0	0	
11	5	6	
10	0	10	
16	4	12	
3	0	3	
19	0	19	
9	0	9	
5	0	5	
3	0	3 7	
7	0	7	
298	44	254	

Deaths with Clonazepam Only			
Total	Cause	Present	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
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Deaths with Clonazepam in Combination with Other Drugs				
Total	Cause Present			
5	0	5		
9	0	9		
1	0	1		
22	4	18		
15	3	12		
41	16	25		
8	1	7		
0	0	0		
25	2	23		
0	0	0		
41	5	36		
3	1	2		
2	2	0		
2	0	2		
41	1	40		
0	0	0		
11	5	6		
10	0	10		
16	4	12		
3	0	3		
19	0	19		
9	0	9		
5	0	5		
3	0	3		
7	0	7		
298	44	254		

# **Clonazepam Deaths by Age**

January – June 2021

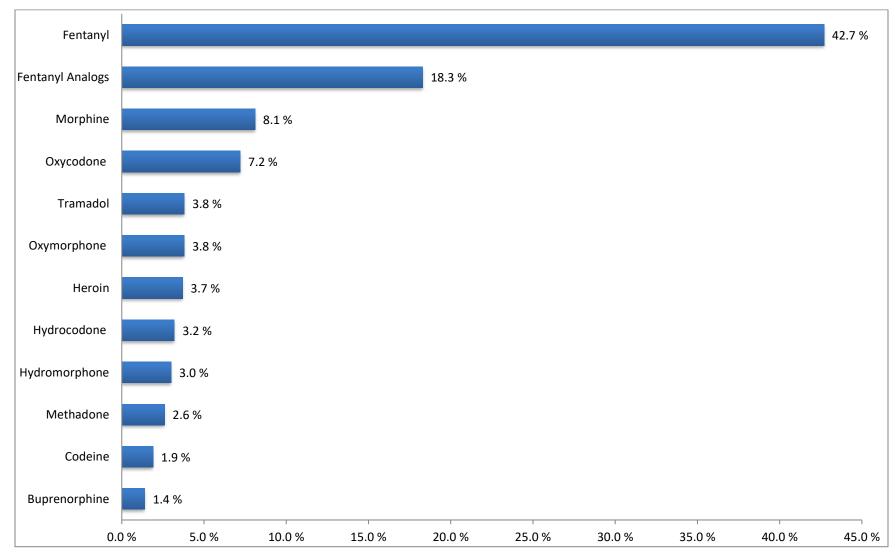
Medical Examiner District and Area of Florida			
District	Area of Florida	Total	
1	Pensacola	5	
2	Tallahassee	9	
3	Live Oak	1	
4	Jacksonville	22	
5	Leesburg	15	
6	St. Petersburg	41	
7	Daytona Beach	8	
8	Gainesville	0	
9	Orlando	25	
10	Lakeland	0	
11	Miami	41	
12	Sarasota	3	
13	Tampa	2	
14	Panama City	2	
15	West Palm Beach	41	
16	Florida Keys	0	
17	Ft. Lauderdale	11	
18	Melbourne	10	
19	Ft. Pierce	16	
20	Naples	3	
21	Ft. Myers	19	
22	Port Charlotte	9	
23	St. Augustine	5	
24	Sanford	3	
25	Kissimmee	7	
Statewide Totals 298			

Clonazepam Caused Death					
Age of Decedent					
Total	< 18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	1	3
3	0	0	0	2	1
16	0	0	0	8	8
1	0	0	0	1	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	0	1	1
0	0	0	0	0	0
5	0	0	1	2	2
1	0	0	0	1	0
2	0	0	1	1	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	0	0	0
5	0	0	0	5	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	2	2
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
44	0	0	2	24	18

	Clonazepam Present at Death				
		Age of D	ecedent		
Total	<18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50
5	0	0	2	1	2
9	0	1	1	2	5
1	0	0	0	1	0
18	0	1	4	9	4
12	0	1	3	4	4
25	0	1	8	13	3
7	0	0	0	5	2
0	0	0	0	0	0
23	0	1	6	5	11
0	0	0	0	0	0
36	0	0	9	9	18
2	0	0	0	1	1
0	0	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	2	0	0
40	0	4	8	13	15
0	0	0	0	0	0
6	0	0	0	2	4
10	0	0	0	6	4
12	0	2	2	5	3
3	0	0	0	2	1
19	0	1	1	7	10
9	0	0	2	4	3
5	0	0	2	2	1
3	0	0	0	0	3
7	0	1	1	3	2
254	0	13	51	94	96

## **Frequency of Occurrence of Opioids**

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Note: U-47700 individually constituted less than 1 percent of opioid occurrences and is not included. Percentages may not sum to 100 percent because of rounding. Oxycodone is metabolized to oxymorphone, and, thus, occurrences of oxymorphone may represent oxycodone ingestion rather than oxymorphone ingestion. Heroin is metabolized to morphine, and, thus, occurrences of morphine may represent heroin ingestion rather than morphine ingestion. Codeine is frequently present in heroin, and, thus, codeine occurrences may represent heroin ingestion.

# **Oxycodone Deaths**

Medical Examiner District			
	Area of Florida		
District	Area of Florida		
1	Pensacola		
2	Tallahassee		
3	Live Oak		
4	Jacksonville		
5	Leesburg		
6	St. Petersburg		
7	Daytona Beach		
8	Gainesville		
9	Orlando		
10	Lakeland		
11	Miami		
12	Sarasota		
13	Tampa		
14	Panama City		
15	West Palm Beach		
16	Florida Keys		
17	Ft. Lauderdale		
18	Melbourne		
19	Ft. Pierce		
20	Naples		
21	Ft. Myers		
22	Port Charlotte		
23	St. Augustine		
24	Sanford		
25 Kissimmee			
Statewide Totals			

Total Deaths with Oxycodone			
Total	Cause	Present	
25	14	11	
3	2	1	
9	2	7	
41	13	28	
26	12	14	
71	38	33	
14	8	6	
13	3	10	
13	7	6	
7	4	3	
46	11	35	
33	18	15	
38	24	14	
9	2	7	
55	21	34	
6	4	2	
32	17	15	
16	7	9	
16	10	6	
14	4	10	
26	11	15	
9	3	6	
8	3	5	
8	2	6	
5	1	4	
543	241	302	

Deaths with Oxycodone Only			
Total	Cause	Present	
3	0	3	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
1	0	1	
3	0	3	
2	0	2	
1	0	1	
1	1	0	
2	0	2	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
2	1	1	
0	0	0	
2	0	2	
2	1	1	
1	0	1	
3	0	3	
0	0	0	
2	1	1	
0	0	0	
1	0	1	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
1	0	1	
27	4	23	

Deaths with Oxycodone in			
	Combination with Other Drugs		
Total	Cause	Present	
22	14	8	
3	2	1	
9	2	7	
40	13	27	
23	12	11	
69	38	31	
13	8	5	
12	2	10	
11	7	4	
7	4	3	
46	11	35	
31	17	14	
38	24	14	
7	2	5	
53	20	33	
5	4	1	
29	17	12	
16	7	9	
14	9	5	
14	4	10	
25	11	14	
9	3	6	
8	3	5	
8	2	6	
4	1	3	
516	237	279	

# Oxycodone Deaths by Age

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Medical Examiner District and Area of Florida			
District	Area of Florida	Total	
1	Pensacola	25	
2	Tallahassee	3	
3	Live Oak	9	
4	Jacksonville	41	
5	Leesburg	26	
6	St. Petersburg	71	
7	Daytona Beach	14	
8	Gainesville	13	
9	Orlando	13	
10	Lakeland	7	
11	Miami	46	
12	Sarasota	33	
13	Татра	38	
14	Panama City	9	
15	West Palm Beach	55	
16	Florida Keys	6	
17	Ft. Lauderdale	32	
18	Melbourne	16	
19	Ft. Pierce	16	
20	Naples	14	
21	Ft. Myers	26	
22	Port Charlotte	9	
23	St. Augustine	8	
24	Sanford	8	
25	25 Kissimmee		
Statewide Totals 543			

Oxycodone Caused Death					
Age of Decedent					
Total	< 18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50
14	0	0	1	2	11
2	0	0	0	0	2
2	0	0	0	0	2
13	0	0	3	6	4
12	0	1	4	3	4
38	0	0	5	13	20
8	0	0	0	5	3
3	0	0	0	1	2
7	0	1	1	4	1
4	0	0	1	2	1
11	0	1	1	6	3
18	0	0	0	5	13
24	0	0	5	9	10
2	0	0	1	1	0
21	0	0	3	8	10
4	0	0	0	1	3
17	0	1	3	7	6
7	0	0	1	1	5
10	0	0	1	5	4
4	0	0	0	2	2
11	0	0	1	4	6
3	0	0	1	0	2
3	0	0	0	1	2
2	0	0	0	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	0
241	0	4	32	88	117

	Oxycodone Present at Death					
	Age of Decedent					
Total	<18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50	
11	0	0	2	3	6	
1	0	0	0	1	0	
7	0	0	1	4	2	
28	0	0	4	10	14	
14	0	0	3	1	10	
33	1	2	0	9	21	
6	0	1	2	2	1	
10	0	0	1	1	8	
6	0	2	2	0	2	
3	0	0	1	1	1	
35	0	8	9	8	10	
15	0	0	3	5	7	
14	0	2	2	6	4	
7	0	1	0	1	5	
34	1	4	7	8	14	
2	0	0	1	1	0	
15	0	2	0	5	8	
9	0	0	2	5	2	
6	0	0	0	0	6	
10	0	0	1	2	7	
15	0	1	3	3	8	
6	0	0	0	3	3	
5	0	0	1	0	4	
6	0	0	2	1	3	
4	0	0	0	2	2	
302	2	23	47	82	148	

# Hydrocodone Deaths

Medical Examiner District				
and Area of Florida				
District	Area of Florida			
1	Pensacola			
2	Tallahassee			
3	Live Oak			
4	Jacksonville			
5	Leesburg			
6	St. Petersburg			
7	Daytona Beach			
8	Gainesville			
9	Orlando			
10	Lakeland			
11	Miami			
12	Sarasota			
13	Tampa			
14	Panama City			
15	West Palm Beach			
16	Florida Keys			
17	Ft. Lauderdale			
18	Melbourne			
19	Ft. Pierce			
20	Naples			
21	Ft. Myers			
22	Port Charlotte			
23	St. Augustine			
24	Sanford			
25 Kissimmee				
Sta	Statewide Totals			

Total Deaths with Hydrocodone			
Total	Cause	Present	
19	8	11	
6	1	5	
6	3	3	
26	12	14	
8	4	4	
25	7	18	
12	1	11	
2	0	2	
16	8	8	
6	1	5	
6	0	6	
12	3	9	
13	5	8	
9	3	6	
11	2	9	
0	0	0	
13	7	6	
12	2	10	
11	3	8	
2	1	1	
11	4	7	
5	1	4	
7	3	4	
3	0	3	
3	0	3	
244	79	165	

Deaths with Hydrocodone Only			
Total	Cause	Present	
4	0	4	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
5	1	4	
2	0	2	
3	0	3	
1	0	1	
1	0	1	
3	0	3	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
4	0	4	
4	1	3	
2	0	2	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
2	0	2	
2	0	2 3	
3	0	3	
0	0	0	
2	0	2	
0	0	0	
1	1	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
39	3	36	

Deaths with Hydrocodone in Combination with Other Drugs			
Total	Cause	Present	
15	8	7	
6	1	5	
6	3	3	
21	11	10	
6	4	2	
22	7	15	
11	1	10	
1	0	1	
13	8	5	
6	1	5 6	
6	0		
8	3	5	
9	4	5	
7	3	4	
11	2	9	
0	0	0	
11	7	4	
10	2	8	
8	3	5	
2	1	1	
9	4	5	
5	1	4	
6	2	4	
3	0	3	
3	0	3	
205	76	129	

# Hydrocodone Deaths by Age

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Medical Examiner District and Area of Florida			
District	Area of Florida	Total	
1	Pensacola	19	
2	Tallahassee	6	
3	Live Oak	6	
4	Jacksonville	26	
5	Leesburg	8	
6	St. Petersburg	25	
7	Daytona Beach	12	
8	Gainesville	2	
9	Orlando	16	
10	Lakeland	6	
11	Miami	6	
12	Sarasota	12	
13	Tampa	13	
14	Panama City	9	
15	West Palm Beach	11	
16	Florida Keys	0	
17	Ft. Lauderdale	13	
18	Melbourne	12	
19	Ft. Pierce	11	
20	Naples	2	
21	Ft. Myers	11	
22	Port Charlotte	5	
23	St. Augustine	7	
24	Sanford	3	
25	Kissimmee	3	
Statewide Totals 244			

Hydrocodone Caused Death					
Age of Decedent					
Total	< 18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50
8	1	0	0	2	5
1	0	0	0	1	0
3	0	0	0	1	2
12	0	1	1	4	6
4	0	0	0	3	1
7	0	0	2	1	4
1	0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	0	0	0
8	0	0	3	3	2
1	0	0	0	1	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
3	0	0	0	1	2
5	0	0	1	0	4
3	0	0	1	1	1
2	0	0	0	0	2
0	0	0	0	0	0
7	0	0	0	3	4
2	0	0	1	0	1
3	0	0	1	0	2
1	0	0	1	0	0
4	0	0	0	2	2
1	0	0	1	0	0
3	0	0	0	1	2
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
79	1	1	12	24	41

Hydrocodone Present at Death							
	Age of Decedent						
Total	<18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50		
11	0	0	1	4	6		
5	0	0	2	2	1		
3	0	0	0	2	1		
14	0	0	1	4	9		
4	0	0	0	2	2		
18	0	0	1	4	13		
11	0	1	0	2	8		
2	0	0	0	0	2		
8	0	2	0	0	6		
5	0	1	1	0	3		
6	0	2	0	1	3		
9	0	1	1	2	5		
8	0	0	0	1	7		
6	0	0	0	2	4		
9	0	0	1	2	6		
0	0	0	0	0	0		
6	0	0	0	1	5		
10	0	0	1	3	6		
8	0	0	0	1	7		
1	0	0	0	0	1		
7	0	0	0	1	6		
4	0	0	1	0	3		
4	0	0	2	1	1		
3	0	0	1	0	2		
3	0	0	0	1	2		
165	0	7	13	36	109		

### **Methadone Deaths**

Medical Examiner District				
and Area of Florida				
District	Area of Florida			
1	Pensacola			
2	Tallahassee			
3	Live Oak			
4	Jacksonville			
5	Leesburg			
6	St. Petersburg			
7	Daytona Beach			
8	Gainesville			
9	Orlando			
10	Lakeland			
11	Miami			
12	Sarasota			
13	Tampa			
14	Panama City			
15	West Palm Beach			
16	Florida Keys			
17	Ft. Lauderdale			
18	Melbourne			
19	Ft. Pierce			
20	Naples			
21	Ft. Myers			
22	Port Charlotte			
23	St. Augustine			
24	Sanford			
25 Kissimmee				
Statewide Totals				

Total Deaths with Methadone			
Total	Cause	Present	
5	2	3	
3	3	0	
1	1	0	
20	14	6	
9	6	3	
32	27	5	
5	5	0	
9	4	5	
12	5	5 7	
3	1	2 4	
4	0	4	
10	7	3	
11	7	4	
4	2	2	
14	8	6	
0	0	0	
13	7	6	
9	2	7	
3	1	2	
6	3	3	
6	4	2	
2	1	1	
6	3	3	
1	1	0	
6	2	4	
194	116	78	

Deaths with Methadone Only			
Total	Cause	Present	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
3	1	2	
1	0	1	
3	1	2	
0	0	0	
2	1	1	
1	0	1	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
2	1	1	
1	1	0	
1	0	1	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
1	0	1	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
1	0	1	
0	0	0	
2	0	2	
18	5	13	

Deaths with Methadone in Combination with Other Drugs		
		-
Total	Cause	Present
5	2	3
3	3	0
1	1	0
17	13	4
8	6	2
29	26	3
5	5	0
7	3	4
11	5	6
3	1	2
4	0	4
8	6	2
10	6	4
3	2	1
14	8	6
0	0	0
13	7	6
8	2	6
3	1	2
6	3	3
6	4	2
2	1	1
5	3	2
1	1	0
4	2	2
176	111	65

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M	Medical Examiner District and Area of Florida		
District	Area of Florida	Total	
1	Pensacola	5	
2	Tallahassee	3	
3	Live Oak	1	
4	Jacksonville	20	
5	Leesburg	9	
6	St. Petersburg	32	
7	Daytona Beach	5	
8	Gainesville	9	
9	Orlando	12	
10	Lakeland	3	
11	Miami	4	
12	Sarasota	10	
13	Tampa	11	
14	Panama City	4	
15	West Palm Beach	14	
16	Florida Keys	0	
17	Ft. Lauderdale	13	
18	Melbourne	9	
19	Ft. Pierce	3	
20	Naples	6	
21	Ft. Myers	6	
22	Port Charlotte	2	
23	St. Augustine	6	
24	Sanford	1	
25	Kissimmee	6	
Sta	Statewide Totals 194		

Methadone Caused Death					
Age of Decedent					
Total	<18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50
2	0	0	1	0	1
3	1	0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1	0
14	1	0	3	4	6
6	0	0	1	3	2
27	0	0	2	16	9
5	0	0	2	3	0
4	0	0	0	2	2
5	0	0	0	4	1
1	0	0	0	1	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
7	0	1	1	3	2
7	0	0	1	4	2
2	0	0	0	0	2
8	0	1	1	4	2
0	0	0	0	0	0
7	0	0	0	3	4
2	0	0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	0	1
3	0	1	0	0	2
4	0	0	1	1	2
1	0	0	0	1	0
3	1	0	0	2	0
1	0	0	0	0	1
2	0	0	0	0	2
116	3	3	15	54	41

	Methadone Present at Death				
Age of Decedent					
Total	<18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50
3	0	0	1	2	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
6	0	0	1	2	3
3	0	0	0	1	2
5	1	0	1	0	3
0	0	0	0	0	0
5	0	0	0	3	2
7	0	0	2	5	0
2	0	1	0	0	1
4	0	1	0	1	2
3	0	0	2	0	1
4	0	0	0	2	2
2	0	0	1	0	1
6	0	0	1	2	3
0	0	0	0	0	0
6	0	0	1	2	3
7	1	1	1	4	0
2	0	0	1	0	1
3	0	0	0	2	1
2	0	0	1	0	1
1	0	0	0	1	0
3	0	0	0	2	1
0	0	0	0	0	0
4	0	1	0	2	1
78	2	4	13	31	28

# Morphine Deaths

Medical Examiner District		
and Area of Florida		
District	Area of Florida	
1	Pensacola	
2	Tallahassee	
3	Live Oak	
4	Jacksonville	
5	Leesburg	
6	St. Petersburg	
7	Daytona Beach	
8	Gainesville	
9	Orlando	
10	Lakeland	
11	Miami	
12	Sarasota	
13	Tampa	
14	Panama City	
15	West Palm Beach	
16	Florida Keys	
17	Ft. Lauderdale	
18	Melbourne	
19	Ft. Pierce	
20	Naples	
21	Ft. Myers	
22	Port Charlotte	
23	St. Augustine	
24	Sanford	
25	Kissimmee	
Statewide Totals		

Total Deaths with Morphine		
Total	Cause	Present
40	6	34
10	4	6
5	0	5
18	9	9
34	27	7
50	15	35
22	13	9
9	3	6
43	18	25
11	3	8
29	11	18
14	5	9
53	40	13
13	0	13
80	23	57
2	1	1
61	45	16
17	6	11
14	9	5
21	15	6
21	9	12
22	3	19
4	2	2
7	4	3
12	6	6
612	277	335

Deaths with Morphine Only		
Total	Cause	Present
1	0	1
0	0	0
0	0	0
0	0	0
1	0	1
2	0	2
1	0	1
2	1	1
6	1	5
1	0	1
2	0	2
0	0	0
4	1	3
1	0	1
2	0	2
0	0	0
3	0	3
2	0	2
1	0	1
0	0	0
1	0	1
2	0	2
0	0	0
1	0	1
1	0	1
34	3	31

Deaths with Morphine in Combination with Other Drugs		
		-
Total	Cause	Present
39	6	33
10	4	6
5	0	5
18	9	9
33	27	6
48	15	33
21	13	8
7	2	5
37	17	20
10	3	7
27	11	16
14	5	9
49	39	10
12	0	12
78	23	55
2	1	1
58	45	13
15	6	9
13	9	4
21	15	6
20	9	11
20	3	17
4	2	2
6	4	2
11	6	5
578	274	304

## Morphine Deaths by Age

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Medical Examiner District and Area of Florida		
District	Area of Florida	Total
1	Pensacola	40
2	Tallahassee	10
3	Live Oak	5
4	Jacksonville	18
5	Leesburg	34
6	St. Petersburg	50
7	Daytona Beach	22
8	Gainesville	9
9	Orlando	43
10	Lakeland	11
11	Miami	29
12	Sarasota	14
13	Tampa	53
14	Panama City	13
15	West Palm Beach	80
16	Florida Keys	2
17	Ft. Lauderdale	61
18	Melbourne	17
19	Ft. Pierce	14
20	Naples	21
21	Ft. Myers	21
22	Port Charlotte	22
23	St. Augustine	4
24	Sanford	7
25	Kissimmee	12
Stat	tewide Totals	612

Marchine Coursed Death					
Morphine Caused Death					
Age of Decedent					
Total	<18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50
6	0	1	2	3	0
4	0	0	1	2	1
0	0	0	0	0	0
9	0	0	1	3	5
27	0	1	6	10	10
15	0	1	1	3	10
13	0	0	3	3	7
3	1	0	0	0	2
18	1	1	4	8	4
3	0	0	0	2	1
11	0	2	3	4	2
5	0	0	0	3	2
40	0	1	11	17	11
0	0	0	0	0	0
23	0	1	10	8	4
1	0	0	0	0	1
45	0	3	9	18	15
6	0	0	0	2	4
9	0	0	5	2	2
15	0	1	3	7	4
9	0	0	1	6	2
3	0	0	0	3	0
2	0	0	1	0	1
4	0	0	0	1	3
6	0	0	0	4	2
277	2	12	61	109	93

	Morphine Present at Death				
	Age of Decedent				
Total	<18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50
34	0	1	8	14	11
6	0	0	2	3	1
5	0	0	0	2	3
9	1	0	0	4	4
7	0	2	0	1	4
35	0	1	4	10	20
9	0	0	0	8	1
6	0	0	2	0	4
25	0	1	1	2	21
8	0	1	1	4	2
18	0	0	2	2	14
9	0	0	2	2	5
13	1	1	3	5	3
13	0	0	3	4	6
57	0	8	10	20	19
1	0	0	0	1	0
16	0	0	2	3	11
11	0	1	1	2	7
5	0	0	0	0	5
6	0	0	2	2	2
12	0	0	3	2	7
19	0	0	2	2	15
2	0	0	0	0	2
3	0	0	0	1	2
6	0	0	1	1	4
335	2	16	49	95	173

# **Fentanyl Deaths**

Medical Examiner District		
and Area of Florida		
District	Area of Florida	
1	Pensacola	
2	Tallahassee	
3	Live Oak	
4	Jacksonville	
5	Leesburg	
6	St. Petersburg	
7	Daytona Beach	
8	Gainesville	
9	Orlando	
10	Lakeland	
11	Miami	
12	Sarasota	
13	Tampa	
14	Panama City	
15	West Palm Beach	
16	Florida Keys	
17	Ft. Lauderdale	
18	Melbourne	
19	Ft. Pierce	
20	Naples	
21	Ft. Myers	
22	Port Charlotte	
23	St. Augustine	
24	Sanford	
25	Kissimmee	
Statewide Totals		

Total Deaths with Fentanyl			
Total	Cause	Present	
168	146	22	
23	12	11	
12	11	1	
312	272	40	
160	150	10	
366	352	14	
137	132	5	
18	15	3	
287	250	37	
41	36	5	
166	151	15	
130	123	7	
206	197	9	
50	42	8	
255	223	32	
9	7	2	
320	297	23	
89	79	10	
67	62	5	
59	56	3	
171	160	11	
22	18	4	
37	35	2	
38	34	4	
67	60	7	
3,210	2,920	290	

Deaths with Fentanyl Only			
Total	Cause	Present	
13	9	4	
5	0	5	
3	2	1	
22	20	2	
20	17	3	
33	32	1	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
16	14	2	
4	3	1	
3	1	2	
5	5	0	
27	26	1	
6	2	4	
7	4	3	
1	0	1	
14	11	3	
2	1	1	
3	2	1	
0	0	0	
6	3	3	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
3	3	0	
5	5	0	
198	160	38	

Deaths with Fentanyl in Combination with Other Drugs					
	Total Cause Present				
155	137	18			
18	12	6			
9	9	0			
290	252	38			
140	133	7			
333	320	13			
137	132	5			
18	15	3			
271	236	35			
37	33	4			
163	150	13			
125	118	7			
179	171	8			
44	40	4			
248	219	29			
8	7	1			
306	286	20			
87	78	9			
64	60	4			
59	56	3			
165	157	8			
22	18	4			
37	35	2			
35	31	4			
62	55 7				
3,012	2,760	252			

# Fentanyl Deaths by Age

January – June 2021

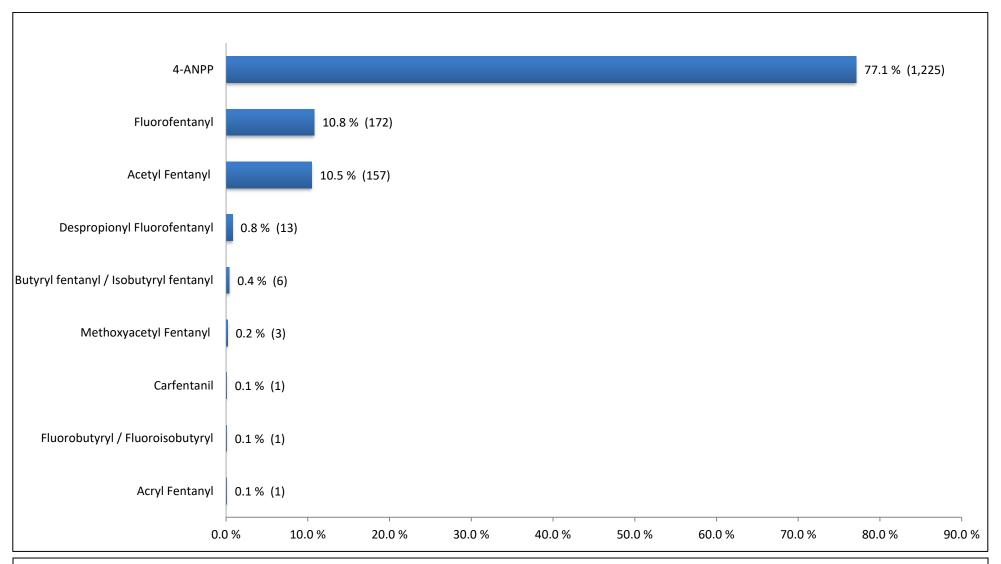
Medical Examiner District and Area of Florida			
District	Area of Florida	Total	
1	Pensacola	168	
2	Tallahassee	23	
3	Live Oak	12	
4	Jacksonville	312	
5	Leesburg	160	
6	St. Petersburg	366	
7	Daytona Beach	137	
8	Gainesville	18	
9	Orlando	287	
10	Lakeland	41	
11	Miami	166	
12	Sarasota	130	
13	Tampa	206	
14	Panama City	50	
15	West Palm Beach	255	
16	Florida Keys	9	
17	Ft. Lauderdale	320	
18	Melbourne	89	
19	Ft. Pierce	67	
20	Naples	59	
21	Ft. Myers	171	
22	Port Charlotte	22	
23	St. Augustine	37	
24	Sanford	38	
25	Kissimmee	67	
Statewide Totals 3,210			

Fentanyl Caused Death						
Age of Decedent						
Total	<18 18-25 26-34 35-50 >50					
146	1	15	37	53	40	
12	0	2	2	6	2	
11	0	2	2	4	3	
272	1	18	67	121	65	
150	1	5	35	69	40	
352	2	12	63	169	106	
132	1	6	30	61	34	
15	0	0	6	7	2	
250	3	19	56	116	56	
36	0	3	15	10	8	
151	1	15	40	53	42	
123	0	6	30	57	30	
197	0	14	62	82	39	
42	0	8	10	18	6	
223	0	26	66	84	47	
7	0	0	0	6	1	
297	0	23	71	121	82	
79	1	4	14	41	19	
62	0	3	19	29	11	
56	1	4	14	26	11	
160	0	11	35	75	39	
18	0	1	3	12	2	
35	0	1	11	19	4	
34	1	2	12	10	9	
60	1	11	12	21	15	
2,920	14	211	712	1,270	713	

Fentanyl Present at Death						
	Age of Decedent					
Total	<18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50	
22	1	1	6	8	6	
11	0	3	3	3	2	
1	0	0	0	0	1	
40	0	2	5	23	10	
10	0	0	2	5	3	
14	1	3	2	4	4	
5	0	0	1	3	1	
3	0	0	2	1	0	
37	2	3	10	8	14	
5	0	0	1	1	3	
15	0	1	0	9	5	
7	0	2	0	3	2	
9	0	2	3	4	0	
8	0	1	0	2	5	
32	0	5	5	10	12	
2	0	0	0	1	1	
23	0	2	4	11	6	
10	0	0	4	3	3	
5	0	0	1	1	3	
3	0	0	0	3	0	
11	2	0	2	2	5	
4	0	1	0	2	1	
2	0	0	0	2	0	
4	0	1	2	0	1	
7	0	2	2	2	1	
290	6	29	55	111	89	

## **Frequency of Occurrence of Fentanyl Analogs**

January – June 2021



Note: 4-ANPP is a precursor of illicitly manufactured fentanyl, as well as a minor metabolite of fentanyl and furanyl fentanyl. The occurrence of 4-ANPP in a decedent is indicative of the administration of illicitly manufactured fentanyl. 4-ANPP is not pharmacologically active. Fluorobutyryl / Fluoroisobutyryl fentanyl includes the analytes para-fluoroisobutyryl fentanyl, para-fluorobutyryl fentanyl, fluoroisobutyryl fentanyl and fluorobutyryl fentanyl. Fluorofentanyl, ortho-fluorofentanyl and para-fluorofentanyl. Percentages may not sum to 100 percent because of rounding.

# **Fentanyl Analog Deaths** January – June 2021

Medical Examiner District				
District	and Area of Florida			
	Area of Florida			
1	Pensacola			
2	Tallahassee			
3	Live Oak			
4	Jacksonville			
5	Leesburg			
6	St. Petersburg			
7	Daytona Beach			
8	Gainesville			
9	Orlando			
10	Lakeland			
11	Miami			
12	Sarasota			
13	Tampa			
14	Panama City			
15	West Palm Beach			
16	Florida Keys			
17	Ft. Lauderdale			
18	Melbourne			
19	Ft. Pierce			
20	Naples			
21	Ft. Myers			
22	Port Charlotte			
23	St. Augustine			
24	Sanford			
25	Kissimmee			
Statewide Totals				

Total Deaths with Fentanyl Analogs					
Total Cause Present					
1	1	0			
10	2	8			
2	1	1			
58	34	24			
21	20	1			
39	15	24			
127	24	103			
9	7	2			
145	3	142			
24	24	0			
102	23	79			
71	16	55			
21	19	2			
14	14	0			
154	58	96			
1	1	0			
233	221	12			
54	3	51			
44	43	1			
39	9	30			
127	18	109			
0	0	0			
33	7	26			
13	11	2			
34	0	34			
1,376	574	802			

Deaths with				
Fentanyl Analogs Only				
Total	Cause	Present		
0	0	0		
0	0	0		
0	0	0		
1	1	0		
0	0	0		
1	1	0		
0	0	0		
0	0	0		
0	0	0		
0	0	0		
0	0	0		
0	0	0		
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0	0	0		
0	0	0		
0	0	0		
0	0	0		
0	0	0		
0	0	0		
2 2 0				

Deaths with Fentanyl Analogs in				
Combination with Other Drugs				
Total	Cause	Present		
1	1	0		
10	2	8		
2	1	1		
57	33	24		
21	20	1		
38	14	24		
127	24	103		
9	7	2		
145	3	142		
24	24	0		
102	23	79		
71	16	55		
21	19	2		
14	14	0		
154	58	96		
1	1	0		
233	221	12		
54	3	51		
44	43	1		
39	9	30		
127	18	109		
0	0	0		
33	7	26		
13	11	2		
34	0	34		
1,374	572	802		

# Fentanyl Analog Deaths by Age

Medical Examiner District and Area of Florida			
District	Total		
1	Pensacola	1	
2	Tallahassee	10	
3	Live Oak	2	
4	Jacksonville	58	
5	Leesburg	21	
6	St. Petersburg	39	
7	Daytona Beach	127	
8	Gainesville	9	
9	Orlando	145	
10	Lakeland	24	
11	Miami	102	
12	Sarasota	71	
13	Tampa	21	
14	Panama City	14	
15	West Palm Beach	154	
16	Florida Keys	1	
17	Ft. Lauderdale	233	
18	Melbourne	54	
19	Ft. Pierce	44	
20	Naples	39	
21	Ft. Myers	127	
22	Port Charlotte	0	
23	St. Augustine	33	
24	Sanford	13	
25	Kissimmee	34	
Statewide Totals 1,376			

Fentanyl Analogs Caused Death							
Age of Decedent							
Total	<18	<18 18-25 26-34 35-50 >50					
1	0	0	0	1	0		
2	0	0	0	2	0		
1	0	0	1	0	0		
34	0	4	3	20	7		
20	0	1	9	5	5		
15	0	0	3	6	6		
24	0	2	7	9	6		
7	0	0	3	3	1		
3	0	0	0	1	2		
24	0	2	12	7	3		
23	0	4	6	6	7		
16	0	0	4	7	5		
19	0	1	8	8	2		
14	0	0	4	7	3		
58	0	9	20	23	6		
1	0	0	0	1	0		
221	0	15	54	94	58		
3	0	0	1	1	1		
43	0	3	15	18	7		
9	1	1	0	4	3		
18	0	0	6	8	4		
0	0	0	0	0	0		
7	0	0	2	5	0		
11	1	1	3	3	3		
0	0	0	0	0	0		
574	2	43	161	239	129		

	Fentanyl Analogs Present at Death				
	Age of Decedent				
Total	<18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50
0	0	0	0	0	0
8	0	2	2	3	1
1	0	0	0	0	1
24	0	0	8	13	3
1	0	1	0	0	0
24	0	1	2	13	8
103	1	4	22	49	27
2	0	0	1	1	0
142	3	8	36	64	31
0	0	0	0	0	0
79	1	7	21	24	26
55	0	2	13	30	10
2	0	0	1	1	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
96	0	9	30	32	25
0	0	0	0	0	0
12	0	3	3	5	1
51	1	2	10	27	11
1	0	0	0	1	0
30	0	3	8	13	6
109	0	10	23	53	23
0	0	0	0	0	0
26	0	1	10	11	4
2	0	0	1	0	1
34	1	6	7	16	4
802	7	59	198	356	182

## **Heroin Deaths**

Medical Examiner District			
and Area of Florida			
District	Area of Florida		
1	Pensacola		
2	Tallahassee		
3	Live Oak		
4	Jacksonville		
5	Leesburg		
6	St. Petersburg		
7	Daytona Beach		
8	Gainesville		
9	Orlando		
10	Lakeland		
11	Miami		
12	Sarasota		
13	Tampa		
14	Panama City		
15	West Palm Beach		
16	Florida Keys		
17	Ft. Lauderdale		
18	Melbourne		
19	Ft. Pierce		
20	Naples		
21	Ft. Myers		
22	Port Charlotte		
23	St. Augustine		
24	Sanford		
25 Kissimmee			
Statewide Totals			

Total Deaths with Heroin			
Total	Cause	Present	
27	27	0	
3	3	0	
0	0	0	
5	4	1	
21	21	0	
11	9	2	
9	9	0	
2	1	1	
11	11	0	
2	2 7	0	
9	7	2	
4	4	0	
30	28	2	
4	3	1	
48	20	28	
0	0	0	
55	48	7	
2	2	0	
0	0	0	
15	15	0	
7	7	0	
3	2 2	1	
2	2	0	
4	3	1	
6	6	0	
280	234	46	

Deaths with Heroin Only			
Total	Cause	Present	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
1	1	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
0	0	0	
1	1	0	

Deaths with Heroin in Combination with Other Drugs			
Total	Cause Present		
27	27	0	
3	3	0	
0	0	0	
5	4	1	
21	21	0	
11	9	2	
9	9	0	
1	0	1	
11	11	0	
2	2	0	
9	7	2	
4	4	0	
30	28	2	
4	3	1	
48	20	28	
0	0	0	
55	48	7	
2	2	0	
0	0	0	
15	15	0	
7	7	0	
3	2	1	
2	2	0	
4	3	1	
6	6	0	
279	233	46	

# Heroin Deaths by Age

January – June 2021

Medical Examiner District and Area of Florida			
District	Area of Florida	Total	
1	Pensacola	27	
2	Tallahassee	3	
3	Live Oak	0	
4	Jacksonville	5	
5	Leesburg	21	
6	St. Petersburg	11	
7	Daytona Beach	9	
8	Gainesville	2	
9	Orlando	11	
10	Lakeland	2	
11	Miami	9	
12	Sarasota	4	
13	Tampa	30	
14	Panama City	4	
15	West Palm Beach	48	
16	Florida Keys	0	
17	Ft. Lauderdale	55	
18	Melbourne	2	
19	Ft. Pierce	0	
20	Naples	15	
21	Ft. Myers	7	
22	Port Charlotte	3	
23	St. Augustine	2	
24	Sanford	4	
25	Kissimmee	6	
Statewide Totals 280			

	Heroin Caused Death				
	Age of Decedent				
Total	<18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50
27	0	1	5	11	10
3	0	0	0	3	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	1	3	0
21	0	2	2	12	5
9	0	0	1	3	5
9	0	0	1	7	1
1	0	0	0	1	0
11	1	0	2	6	2
2	0	0	0	1	1
7	0	1	2	2	2
4	0	0	1	1	2
28	0	1	8	13	6
3	0	0	1	2	0
20	0	1	10	6	3
0	0	0	0	0	0
48	0	3	11	21	13
2	0	0	0	0	2
0	0	0	0	0	0
15	0	1	4	6	4
7	0	0	1	5	1
2	0	0	0	2	0
2	0	0	1	0	1
3	0	0	0	0	3
6	0	0	0	4	2
234	1	10	51	109	63

	Heroin Present at Death					
	Age of Decedent					
Total	<18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50	
0	0	0	0	0	0	
0	0	0	0	0	0	
0	0	0	0	0	0	
1	0	0	0	1	0	
0	0	0	0	0	0	
2	0	0	0	0	2	
0	0	0	0	0	0	
1	0	0	0	0	1	
0	0	0	0	0	0	
0	0	0	0	0	0	
2	0	0	0	0	2	
0	0	0	0	0	0	
2	0	0	1	1	0	
1	0	0	0	1	0	
28	0	3	9	12	4	
0	0	0	0	0	0	
7	0	1	1	2	3	
0	0	0	0	0	0	
0	0	0	0	0	0	
0	0	0	0	0	0	
0	0	0	0	0	0	
1	0	0	0	0	1	
0	0	0	0	0	0	
1	0	0	0	0	1	
0	0	0	0	0	0	
46	0	4	11	17	14	

## **Cocaine Deaths**

Medical Examiner District and Area of Florida			
District Area of Florida			
1	Pensacola		
2	Tallahassee		
3	Live Oak		
4	Jacksonville		
5	Leesburg		
6	St. Petersburg		
7	Daytona Beach		
8	Gainesville		
9	Orlando		
10	Lakeland		
11	Miami		
12	Sarasota		
13	Tampa		
14	Panama City		
15	West Palm Beach		
16	Florida Keys		
17	Ft. Lauderdale		
18	Melbourne		
19	Ft. Pierce		
20	Naples		
21	Ft. Myers		
22	Port Charlotte		
23	St. Augustine		
24	Sanford		
25 Kissimmee			
Statewide Totals			

Total Deaths with Cocaine			
Total	Cause	Present	
67	41	26	
13	13	0	
8	5	3	
194	157	37	
43	38	5	
177	124	53	
63	45	18	
31	17	14	
188	137	51	
33	23	10	
237	141	96	
83	53	30	
96	55	41	
9	5	4	
189	73	116	
5	4	1	
227	175	52	
47	36	11	
47	24	23	
42	33	9	
75	41	34	
9	4	5	
24	9	15	
19	17	2	
45	35	10	
1,971	1,305	666	

Deaths with Cocaine Only			
Total	Cause	Present	
8	4	4	
4	4	0	
3	2	1	
20	14	6	
6	3	3	
11	4	7	
4	3	1	
7	3	4	
16	7	9	
5	4	1	
25	9	16	
8	4	4	
12	5	7	
1	1	0	
13	3	10	
0	0	0	
21	13	8	
3	1	2	
2	1	1	
0	0	0	
5	3	2	
0	0	0	
2	0	2	
2	1	1	
4	2	2	
182	91	91	

Deaths with Cocaine in Combination with Other Drugs			
Total	Cause Present		
59	37	22	
9	9	0	
5	3	2	
174	143	31	
37	35	2	
166	120	46	
59	42	17	
24	14	10	
172	130	42	
28	19	9	
212	132	80	
75	49	26	
84	50	34	
8	4	4	
176	70	106	
5	4	1	
206	162	44	
44	35	9	
45	23	22	
42	33	9	
70	38	32	
9	4	5	
22	9	13	
17	16	1	
41	33	8	
1,789	1,214	575	

## Cocaine Deaths by Age

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Medical Examiner District and Area of Florida						
District Area of Florida Tot						
1	Pensacola	67				
2	Tallahassee	13				
3	Live Oak	8				
4	Jacksonville	194				
5	Leesburg	43				
6	St. Petersburg	177				
7	Daytona Beach	63				
8	Gainesville	31				
9	Orlando	188				
10	Lakeland	33				
11	Miami	237				
12	Sarasota	83				
13	Tampa	96				
14	Panama City	9				
15	West Palm Beach	189				
16	Florida Keys	5				
17	Ft. Lauderdale	227				
18	Melbourne	47				
19	Ft. Pierce	47				
20	Naples	42				
21	Ft. Myers	75				
22	Port Charlotte	9				
23	St. Augustine	24				
24	Sanford	19				
25	Kissimmee	45				
Sta	1,971					

Cocaine Caused Death								
Age of Decedent								
Total	<18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50			
41	0	2	7	15	17			
13	0	1	1	5	6			
5	0	0	0	1	4			
157	1	6	26	69	55			
38	0	2	6	13	17			
124	0	1	20	58	45			
45	0	3	6	20	16			
17	0	0	2	6	9			
137	0	3	25	68	41			
23	1	0	3	6	13			
141	1	9	32	49	50			
53	0	1	11	22	19			
55	0	3	10	22	20			
5	0	1	1	3	0			
73	0	3	15	42	13			
4	0	0	0	3	1			
175	1	10	32	78	54			
36	1	1	8	15	11			
24	0	0	6	14	4			
33	0	3	10	10	10			
41	0	3	5	21	12			
4	0	1	1	1	1			
9	0	1	0	6	2			
17	0	1	6	6	4			
35	1	5	7	14	8			
1,305	6	60	240	567	432			

Cocaine Present at Death								
Age of Decedent								
Total	<18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50			
26	0	2	7	8	9			
0	0	0	0	0	0			
3	0	0	0	2	1			
37	0	1	9	14	13			
5	0	1	1	2	1			
53	0	6	9	20	18			
18	0	2	1	6	9			
14	0	1	3	7	3			
51	1	5	11	20	14			
10	1	1	2	4	2			
96	0	6	24	35	31			
30	0	1	5	15	9			
41	0	6	5	13	17			
4	0	0	3	1	0			
116	1	18	29	37	31			
1	0	0	0	1	0			
52	0	7	12	19	14			
11	0	2	3	4	2			
23	0	1	6	7	9			
9	0	2	2	5	0			
34	0	2	7	15	10			
5	0	0	2	2	1			
15	0	1	5	7	2			
2	0	0	0	0	2			
10	0	1	5	1	3			
666	3	66	151	245	201			

# Methamphetamine Deaths

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Medical Examiner District			
and Area of Florida			
District	Area of Florida		
1	Pensacola		
2	Tallahassee		
3	Live Oak		
4	Jacksonville		
5	Leesburg		
6	St. Petersburg		
7	Daytona Beach		
8	Gainesville		
9	Orlando		
10	Lakeland		
11	Miami		
12	Sarasota		
13	Tampa		
14	Panama City		
15	West Palm Beach		
16	Florida Keys		
17	Ft. Lauderdale		
18	Melbourne		
19	Ft. Pierce		
20	Naples		
21	Ft. Myers		
22	Port Charlotte		
23	St. Augustine		
24	Sanford		
25 Kissimmee			
Statewide Totals			

Total Deaths with				
Methamphetamine				
Total	Cause	Present		
124	99	25		
24	9	15		
17	10	7		
142	94	48		
116	97	19		
193	154	39		
63	51	12		
21	12	9		
66	45	21		
53	40	13		
37	23	14		
55	44	11		
85	62	23		
44	23	21		
26	11	15		
4	3	1		
37	22	15		
57	27	30		
22	17	5		
26	25	1		
60	46	14		
21	15	6		
18	11	7		
10	8	2 3		
17	14	3		
1,338	962	376		

Deaths with Methamphetamine Only					
	Total Cause Present				
1	1	0			
5	0 5				
0	0	0			
1	0	1			
1	1	0			
2	0	2			
0	0	0			
0	0	0			
3	1	2			
1	1	0			
0	0	0			
0	0	0			
8	7	1			
1	0	1			
0	0	0			
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0	0	0			
0	0	0			
0	0	0			
0	0	0			
0	0	0			
0	0	0			
0	0	0			
0	0	0			
0	0	0			
23 11 12					

Deaths with Methamphetamine				
in Combination with Other Drugs				
Total	Cause Present			
123	98 25			
19	9	10		
17	10	7		
141	94	47		
115	96	19		
191	154	37		
63	51	12		
21	12	9		
63	44	19		
52	39	13		
37	23	14		
55	44	11		
77	55	22		
43	23	20		
26	11	15		
4	3	1		
37	22	15		
57	27	30		
22	17	5		
26	25	1		
60	46	14		
21	15	6		
18	11	7		
10	8	2		
17	14	3		
1,315	951	364		

# Methamphetamine Deaths by Age

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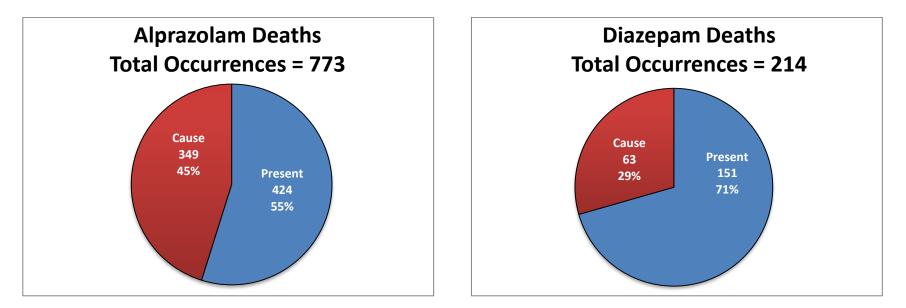
Medical Examiner District				
and Area of Florida				
District	Area of Florida	Total		
1	Pensacola	124		
2	Tallahassee	24		
3	Live Oak	17		
4	Jacksonville	142		
5	Leesburg	116		
6	St. Petersburg	193		
7	Daytona Beach	63		
8	Gainesville	21		
9	Orlando	66		
10	Lakeland	53		
11	Miami	37		
12	Sarasota	55		
13	Tampa	85		
14	Panama City	44		
15	West Palm Beach	26		
16	Florida Keys	4		
17	Ft. Lauderdale	37		
18	Melbourne	57		
19	Ft. Pierce	22		
20	Naples	26		
21	Ft. Myers	60		
22	Port Charlotte	21		
23	St. Augustine	18		
24	Sanford	10		
25	Kissimmee	17		
Statewide Totals 1,338				

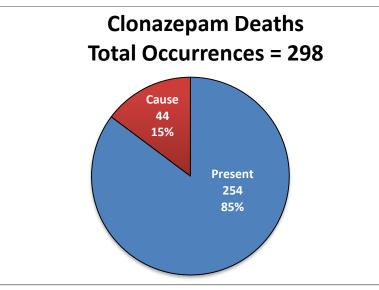
Methamphetamine Caused Death						
Age of Decedent						
Total	<18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50	
99	1	9	23	35	31	
9	0	0	2	5	2	
10	0	2	2	5	1	
94	1	0	24	45	24	
97	0	1	25	36	35	
154	1	6	31	72	44	
51	0	1	14	26	10	
12	0	0	4	5	3	
45	0	3	13	22	7	
40	0	2	11	13	14	
23	0	3	6	10	4	
44	0	2	13	19	10	
62	0	5	16	33	8	
23	0	0	4	15	4	
11	0	1	2	7	1	
3	0	0	0	3	0	
22	0	0	5	8	9	
27	1	1	4	13	8	
17	0	0	4	10	3	
25	0	2	6	11	6	
46	1	3	6	29	7	
15	0	1	1	9	4	
11	0	1	3	5	2	
8	0	0	3	3	2	
14	1	1	4	4	4	
962	6	44	226	443	243	

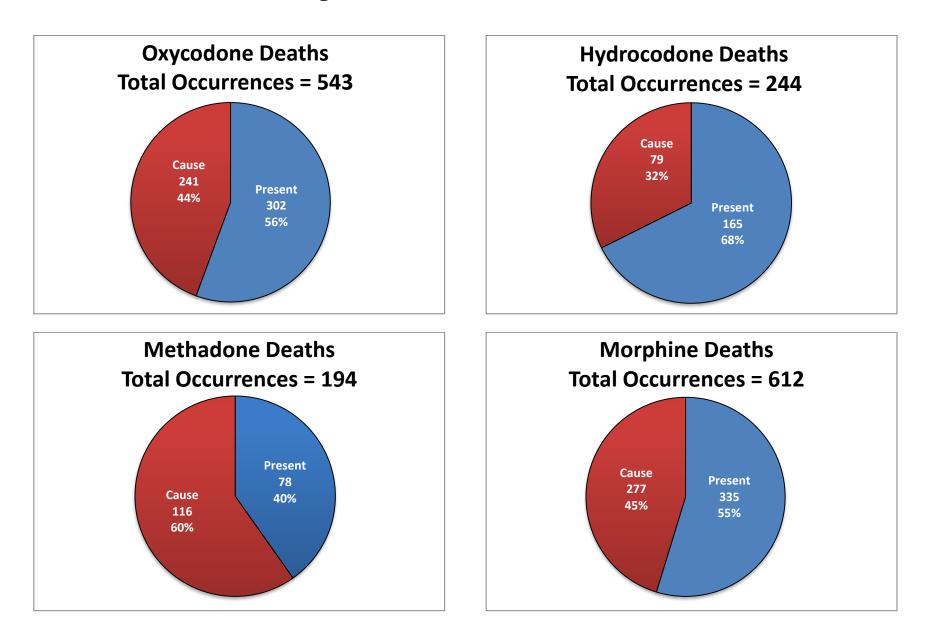
Methamphetamine Present at Death					
	Age of Decedent				
Total	<18	18-25	26-34	35-50	>50
25	1	3	4	11	6
15	1	4	7	3	0
7	0	3	0	2	2
48	0	4	10	28	6
19	0	0	7	8	4
39	1	4	9	18	7
12	1	2	0	9	0
9	0	0	4	1	4
21	0	0	6	10	5
13	0	0	6	5	2
14	0	0	6	7	1
11	0	1	2	6	2
23	1	0	8	11	3
21	0	4	3	11	3
15	0	2	5	7	1
1	0	1	0	0	0
15	0	0	3	9	3
30	0	4	8	14	4
5	0	0	0	2	3
1	0	0	1	0	0
14	0	0	3	7	4
6	0	0	4	2	0
7	0	0	3	3	1
2	0	0	0	2	0
3	0	0	1	1	1
376	5	32	100	177	62

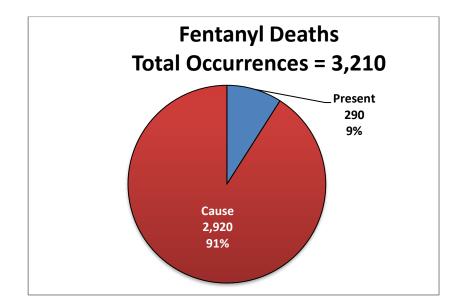
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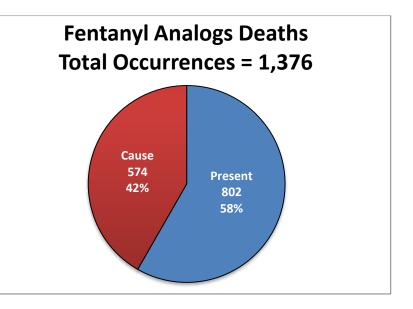
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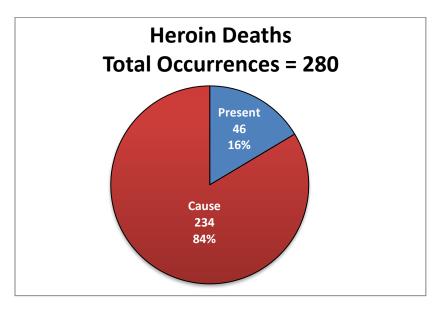


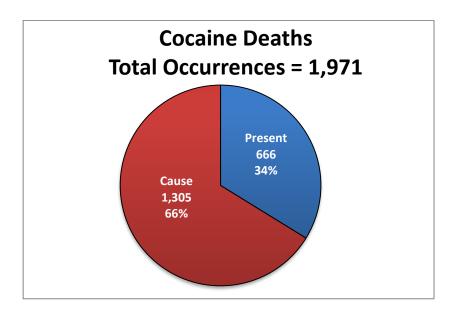


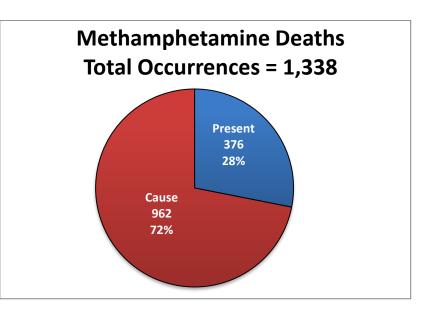








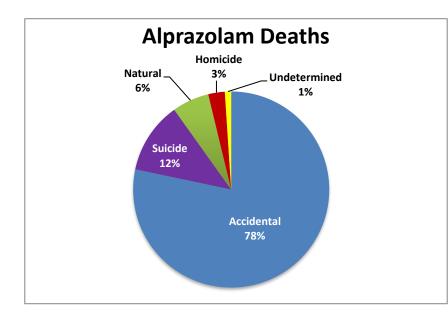


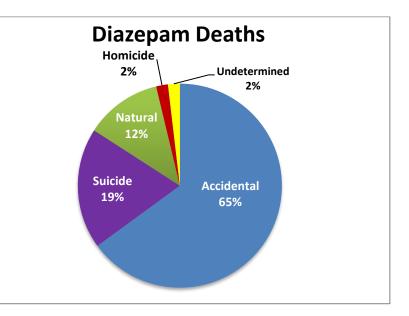


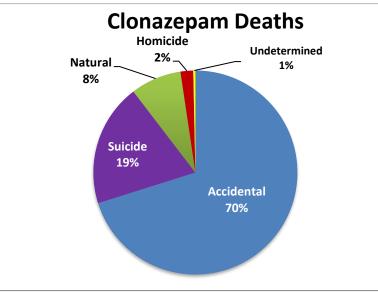
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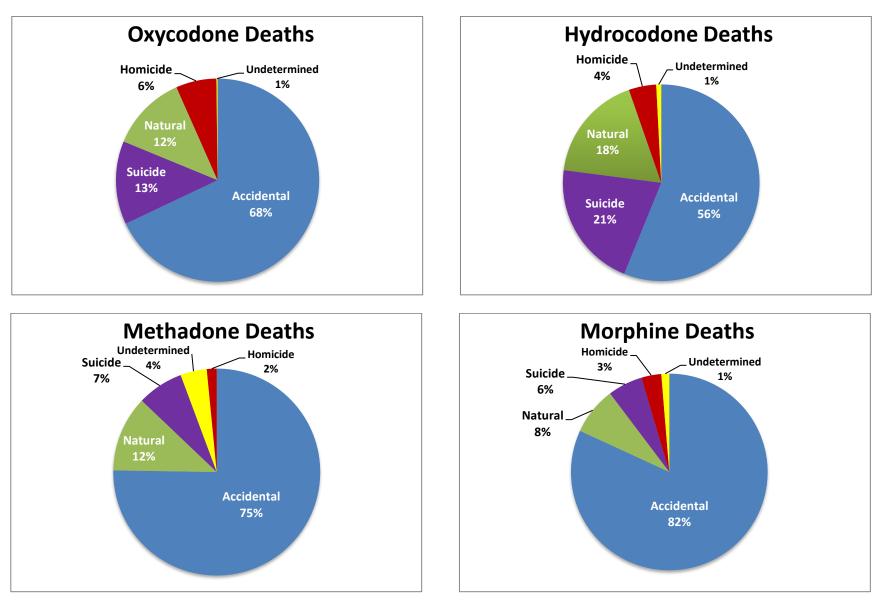




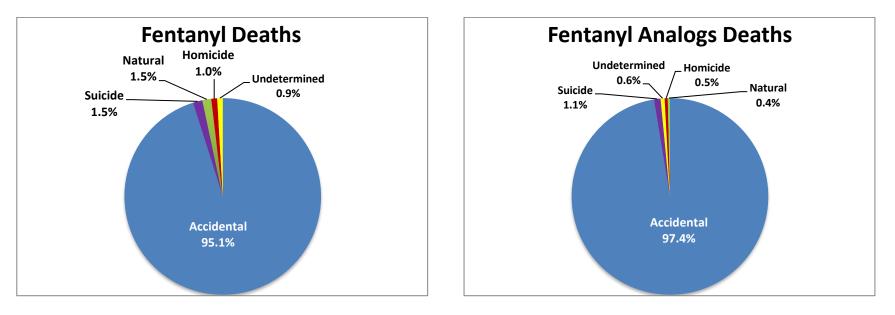


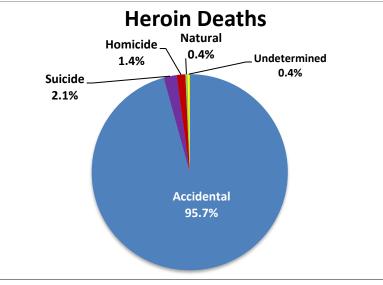
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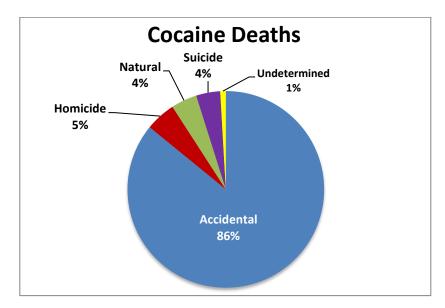


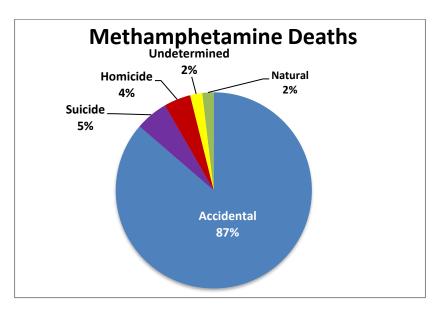
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### Manner of Death for Cases Reported (Accidental, Homicide, Natural, Suicide, or Undetermined)





### Glossary

**4-ANPP (despropionyl fentanyl)** – A precursor chemical used in the manufacture of illicit fentanyl. 4-ANPP is also a metabolite of illicit fentanyl and fentanyl-related analogs. 4-ANPP is not pharmacologically active.

**Amphetamines** – A group of synthetic psychoactive drugs called central nervous system (CNS) stimulants. The collective group of amphetamines includes amphetamine, dextroamphetamine and methamphetamine. Methamphetamine is also known as "meth," "crank," "speed" and "tina." Methamphetamine is metabolized to amphetamine and, thus, occurrences of amphetamine may represent methamphetamine ingestion rather than amphetamine ingestion.

**Benzodiazepines** – A family of sedative-hypnotic drugs indicated for the treatment of stress, anxiety, seizures and alcohol withdrawal. Benzodiazepines are often referred to as "minor tranquilizers." Xanax (alprazolam) and Valium (diazepam) are the most commonly prescribed drugs in this drug class. Many benzodiazepines are interconverted to one another, making occurrences of these drugs difficult to interpret. Exceptions include alprazolam, clonazepam, lorazepam and midazolam.

**Buprenorphine** – A semi-synthetic opioid known as Buprenex, Suboxone and Subutex indicated for the treatment of opioid addiction and moderate to severe pain.

**Cannabinoids** – A series of compounds found in the marijuana plant, the most psychoactive of which is THC, a strong, illicit hallucinogen. Street names for this drug are often associated with a geographic area from which it came but also include generic names like "ganja," "MJ," "ragweed," "reefer" and "grass."

**Carisoprodol** – Muscle relaxant indicated for the treatment of pain, muscle spasms and limited mobility. It is often abused in conjunction with analgesics for enhanced euphoric effect. It is marketed as Soma.

**Cathinones** – A family of drugs containing one or more synthetic chemicals related to cathinone, an amphetamine-like stimulant found naturally in the Khat plant. They are cousins of MDMA and the amphetamine family of drugs, which includes amphetamine and methamphetamine.

**Cocaine** – An illicit stimulant. Powdered cocaine goes by many street names including "C," "blow," "snow" and "nose candy," while freebase cocaine is mostly commonly known as "crack."

Ethanol – Ethyl alcohol.

**Fentanyl** – Synthetic opioid analgesic supplied in transdermal patches and also available for oral, nasal, intravenous and spinal administration. Fentanyl is also produced illicitly and currently most fentanyl occurrences represent the ingestion of illicit fentanyl rather than pharmaceutically manufactured fentanyl.

## **Glossary** (Continued)

**Fentanyl Analog** – A synthetic opioid structurally similar to fentanyl. Many analogs of fentanyl are pharmacologically more potent than fentanyl. Carfentanil is an analog of fentanyl approved for veterinary use only.

**Flunitrazepam (Rohypnol)** – Commonly referred to as a "date rape" drug. It is a sedative-hypnotic drug in the benzodiazepine class. It often goes by the street name "roofies."

Gabapentin - An anti-epileptic drug also called an anticonvulsant to treat neuropathic pain (nerve pain) caused by herpes virus.

**Gamma-Hydroxybutyric Acid (GHB)** – A depressant, also known as a "date rape" drug. GHB often goes by the street name "easy lay," "scoop," "liquid X," "Georgia home boy" and "grievous bodily harm."

Hallucinogenic Phenethylamines/Piperazines – Includes such drugs as MDMA (Ecstasy, a hallucinogen), MDA (a psychedelic), MDEA (a psychedelic hallucinogenic) and piperazine derivatives. Ecstasy has multiple street names including "Molly," "E," "XTC," "love drug" and "clarity." MDMA is often also known by a large variety of embossed logos on the pills such as "Mitsubishis" and "Killer Bees."

Hallucinogenic Tryptamines – Natural tryptamines are commonly available in preparations of dried or brewed mushrooms, while tryptamine derivatives are sold in capsule, tablet, powder, or liquid forms. Street names include "Foxy-Methoxy," "alpha-O" and "5-MEO."

**Halogenated Inhalants** – Includes but is not limited to: halogenated hydrocarbons, especially refrigerants such as difluoroethane, which is a component of "compressed air" electronics cleaners; these and similar halogenated substances are typically used illicitly as inhalants.

Heroin – An illicit narcotic derivative. It is a semi-synthetic product of opium. Heroin also has multiple street names including "H," "hombre" and "smack."

Hydrocarbon Inhalants – Includes toluene, benzene, components of gasoline and other similar hydrocarbons typically used illicitly as inhalants.

**Hydrocodone** – A narcotic analgesic (pain killer). Vicodin and Lortab are two common drugs containing hydrocodone.

**Hydromorphone** – A narcotic analgesic (pain killer) used to treat moderate to severe pain. Marketed under the trade name Dilaudid, it is two to eight times more potent than morphine. Commonly used by abusers as a substitute for heroin.

Ketamine – An animal tranquilizer and a chemical relative of PCP. Street names for this drug include "special K," "vitamin K" and "cat valium."

# **Glossary** (Continued)

**Meperidine** – A synthetic narcotic analgesic (pain killer) sold under the trade name Demerol. It is used for pre-anesthesia and the relief of moderate to severe pain.

**Methadone** – A synthetic narcotic analgesic (pain killer) commonly associated with heroin detoxification and maintenance programs and is also prescribed to treat severe pain. It has been increasingly prescribed in place of oxycodone for pain management. Dolophine is one form of methadone.

**Mitragynine** – An alkaloid found in the Kratom plant, which is consumed for its stimulant and analgesic (opioid-like) effects. The leaves of the Kratom plant, either whole or crushed, are smoked, chewed or prepared as a tea. In addition, plant extract containing mitragynine is available in tablets and capsules.

**Morphine** – A narcotic analgesic (pain killer) used to treat moderate to severe pain. MS (Morphine Sulfate), Kadian and MS-Contin are the tablet forms; Roxanol is the liquid form. Heroin is metabolized to morphine, and, thus, occurrences of morphine may represent heroin ingestion rather than morphine ingestion.

**Nitrous Oxide (N2O)** – Also known as "laughing gas," is an inhalant (gas) that produces light anesthesia and analgesia. "Whippets" are a common form of nitrous oxide.

**Oxycodone** – A narcotic analgesic (pain killer). OxyContin is one form of this drug and goes by the street name "OC." Percocet, Percodan, Roxicet, Tylox and Roxicodone also contain oxycodone.

**Oxymorphone** – A narcotic analgesic (pain killer) that is often prescribed as Opana, Numorphan and Numorphone.

**Phencyclidine (PCP)** – An illicit, dissociative anesthetic/hallucinogen. Common street names for this drug include "angel dust," "ace," "DOA" and "wack."

PCP Analog – A drug structurally related to phencyclidine.

**Sympathomimetic Amines** – A group of stimulants including phentermine (an appetite suppressant) and other sympathomimetic amines not tracked elsewhere in this report.

**Synthetic Cannabinoids** – Synthetic cannabinoids are manmade chemicals that are applied (often sprayed) onto plant material to mimic the effect of delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), the psychoactive ingredient in the naturally grown marijuana plant (cannabis sativa). Synthetic cannabinoids, commonly known as "synthetic marijuana," "Spice" or "K2," are often sold in retail outlets as "herbal incense" or "potpourri" and are labeled "not for human consumption."

# **Glossary** (Continued)

**Tramadol** – A synthetic narcotic analgesic sold under the trade name Ultram and Ultracet. Indications include the treatment of moderate to severe pain. It is a chemical analogue to codeine. Not currently a scheduled drug.

**U-47700** – A synthetic opioid with a white or light-pink chalky appearance that is found in powder or tablet form. Common street names for this drug include "pink," "pinky" or "U4."

**Zolpidem** – A prescription medication used for the short-term treatment of insomnia; it is commonly known as Ambien.