

City & County of San Francisco  
Daniel Lurie, Mayor



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Carmen Chu, City Administrator  
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Office of the Chief Medical Examiner

August 19, 2025

**Subject: Report on 2025 Accidental Overdose Deaths**

The enclosed report provides preliminary data of accidental overdose deaths in the City and County of San Francisco from January 1, 2025, to July 31, 2025. During this period, the preliminary number of accidental overdose deaths is 358. The preliminary number of accidental overdose deaths in July 2025 is 51.

The preliminary number of accidental overdose deaths involving Fluoro Fentanyl, Xylazine, Bromazolam, Phenazolam, Medetomidine, and Desalkyl Gidazepam from January 1, 2025, to July 31, 2025 are as follows:

- Fluoro Fentanyl, 30
- Xylazine, 12
- Bromazolam, 8
- Phenazolam, 6
- Medetomidine, 1
- Desalkyl Gidazepam, 1

The reports are published by the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME), Forensic Laboratory Division, to comply with local and state reporting guidelines and further OCME's mission to provide neutral data to inform policymakers. Please note, these results are preliminary as of testing to August 7, 2025, and are subject to change as the OCME finalizes the manner and cause of each death.

Pertinent for accurate use of these reports is understanding the source of the data and its subsequent summarization process. Decedent demographic and case information were obtained from the OCME case management system. Additionally, specific details from investigator narratives, forensic toxicology results, and where available, preliminary autopsy findings, were utilized. Collected demographic information included race, gender, age, fixed address status, fixed address location, and death location.

Due to their significance in accidental overdose deaths, the reported drugs for open cases were specific to fentanyl, heroin, medicinal opioids, methamphetamine and cocaine. Their detection in blood was captured to best determine relevance in each case. Medicinal opioid-positive cases required the presence of codeine, hydrocodone, oxycodone, morphine, hydromorphone, oxymorphone, buprenorphine, tramadol, and/or methadone. Heroin-likely determination was more closely evaluated, requiring the presence of specific heroin markers in blood or urine, expected morphine to codeine ratios, and/or case details consistent with heroin use. Closed casework included any drug and alcohol-involved accidental overdose where the death has been certified.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Luke N. Rodda".

Luke N. Rodda, Ph.D.  
Chief Forensic Toxicologist and Director, Forensic Laboratory Division

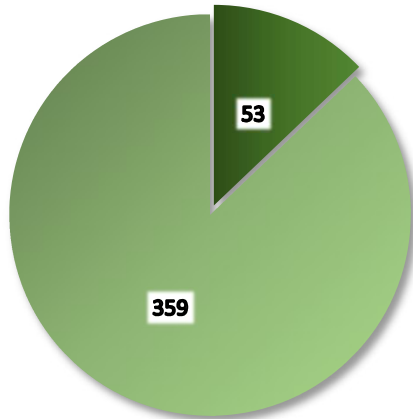
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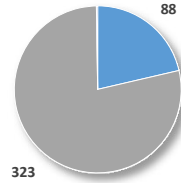
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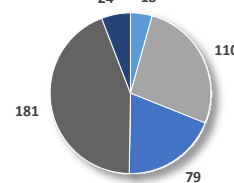
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87.14% ■ Acc. Overdoses Closed

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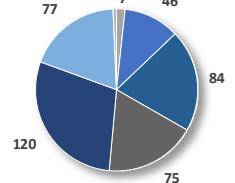
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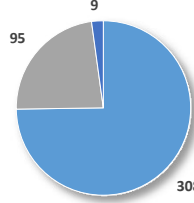
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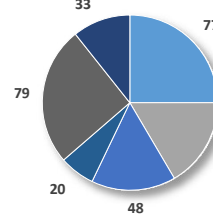
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23% ■ No  
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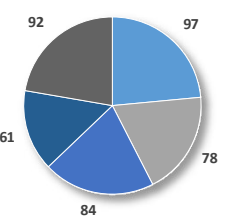
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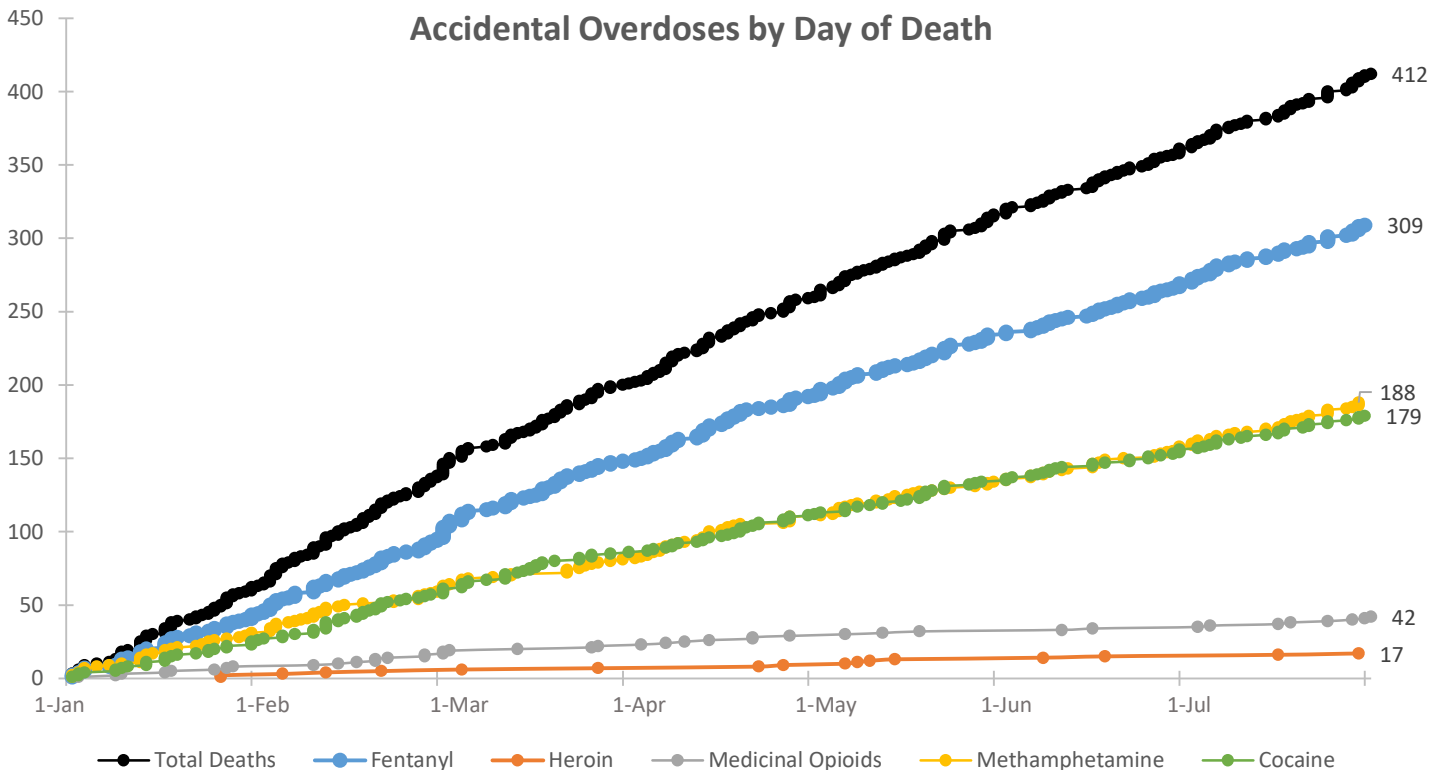
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11% ■ Others (non-SF Location)

## Death Location



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22% ■ Others

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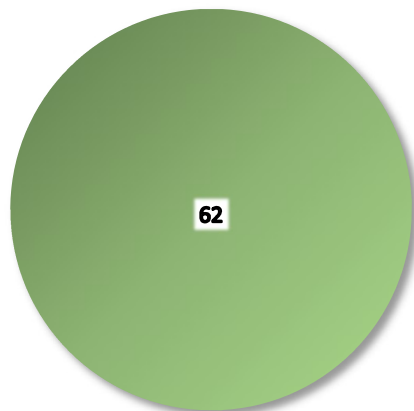
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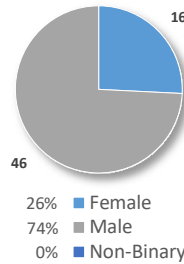


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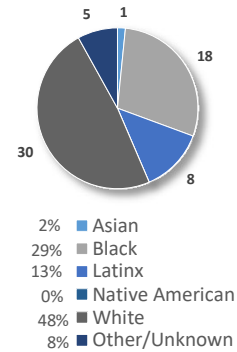
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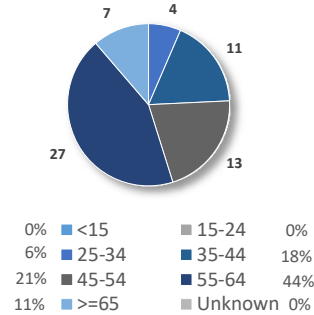
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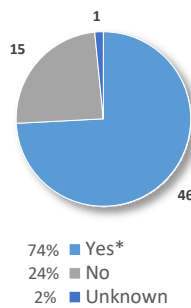
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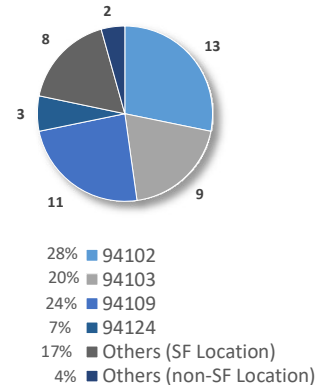


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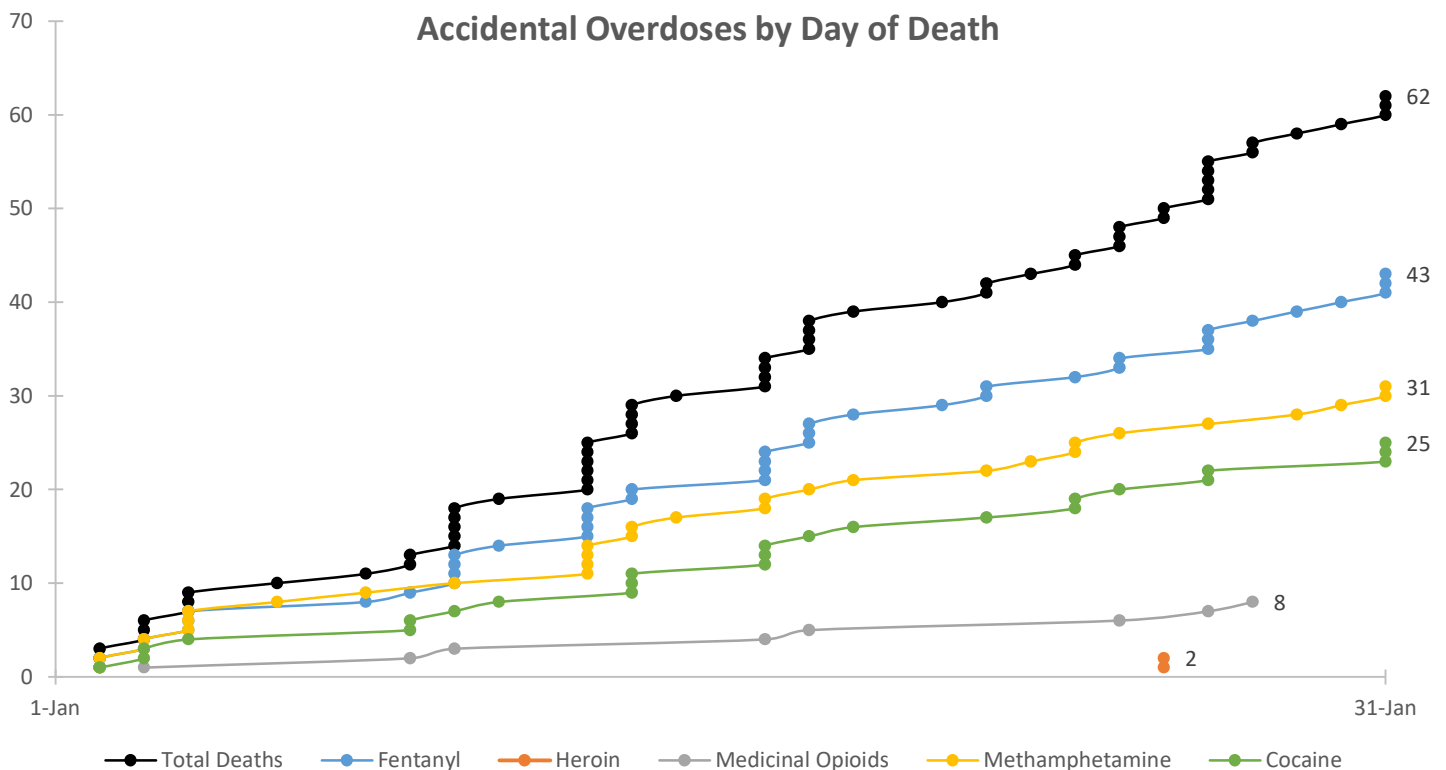
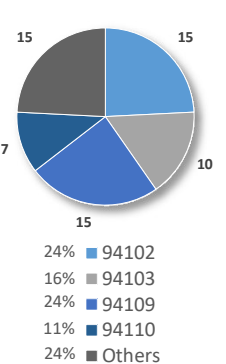


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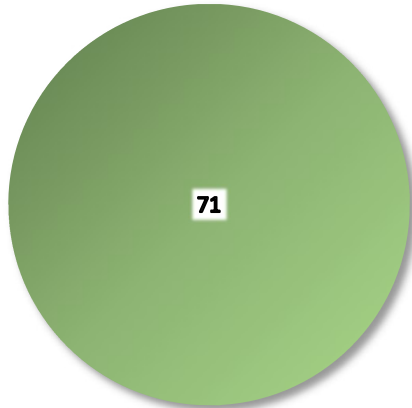
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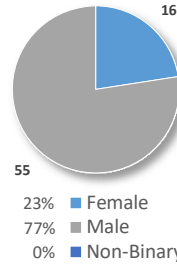


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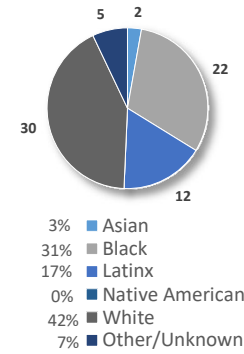
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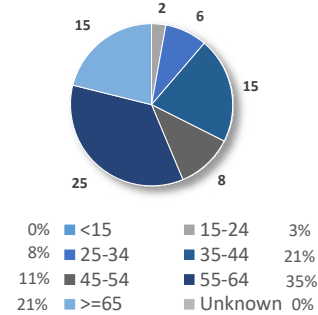
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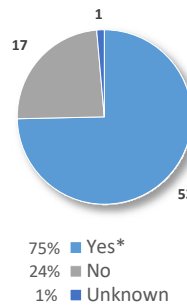
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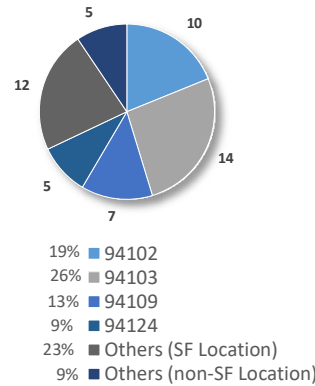


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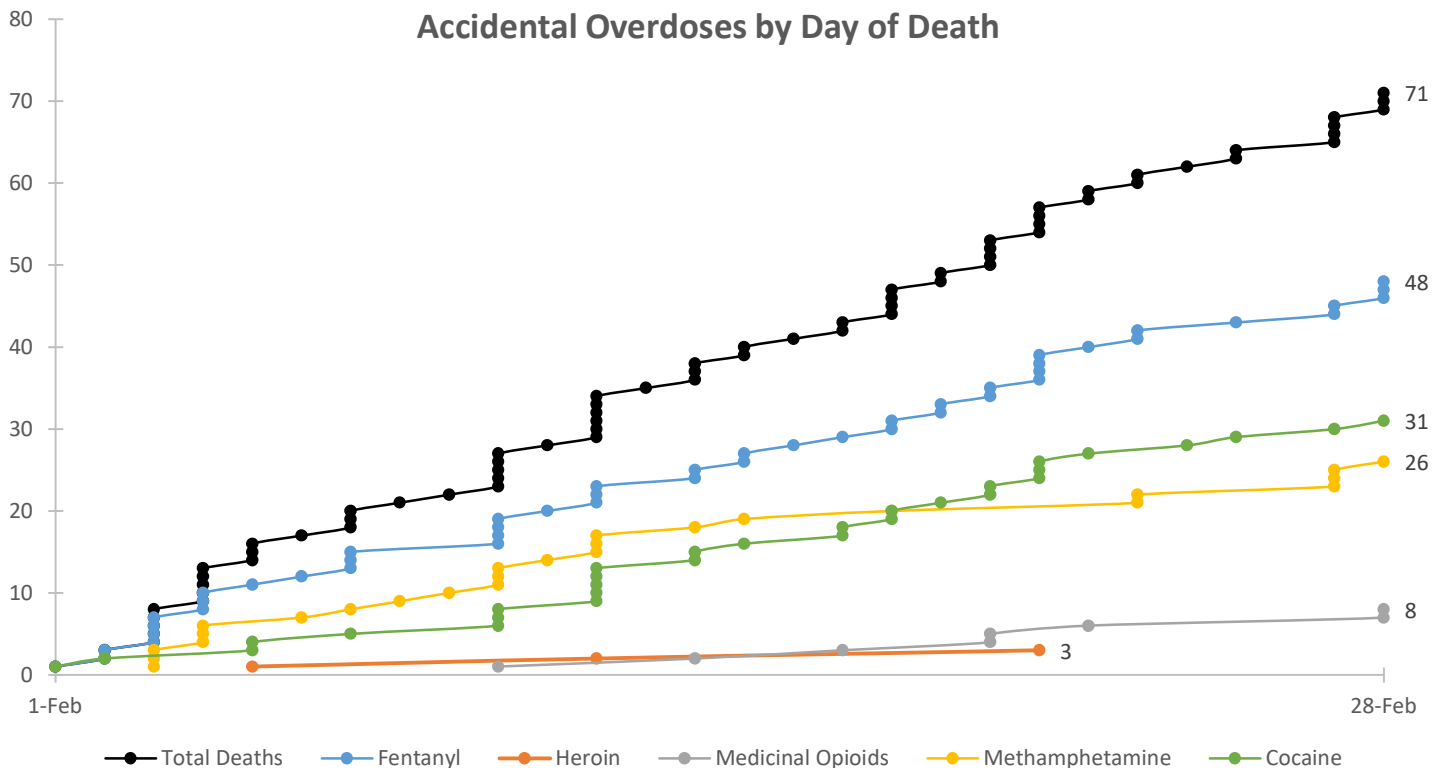
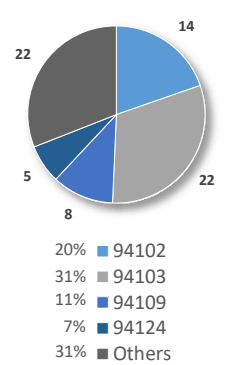


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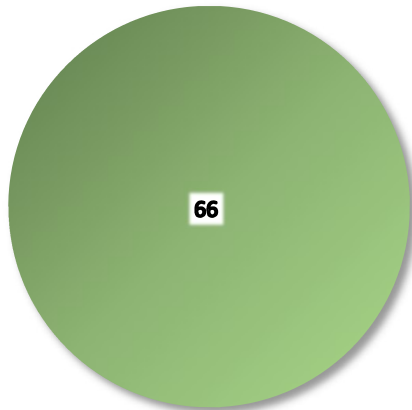
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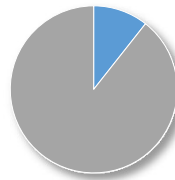
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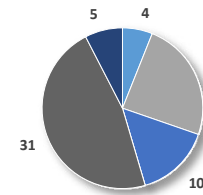
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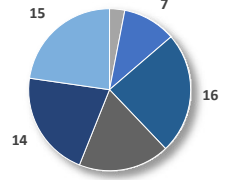
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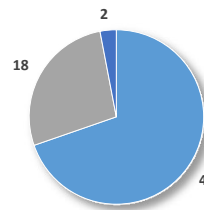
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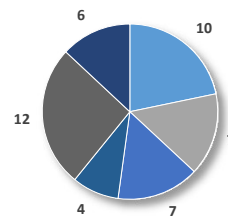
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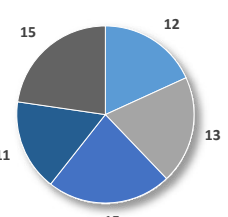
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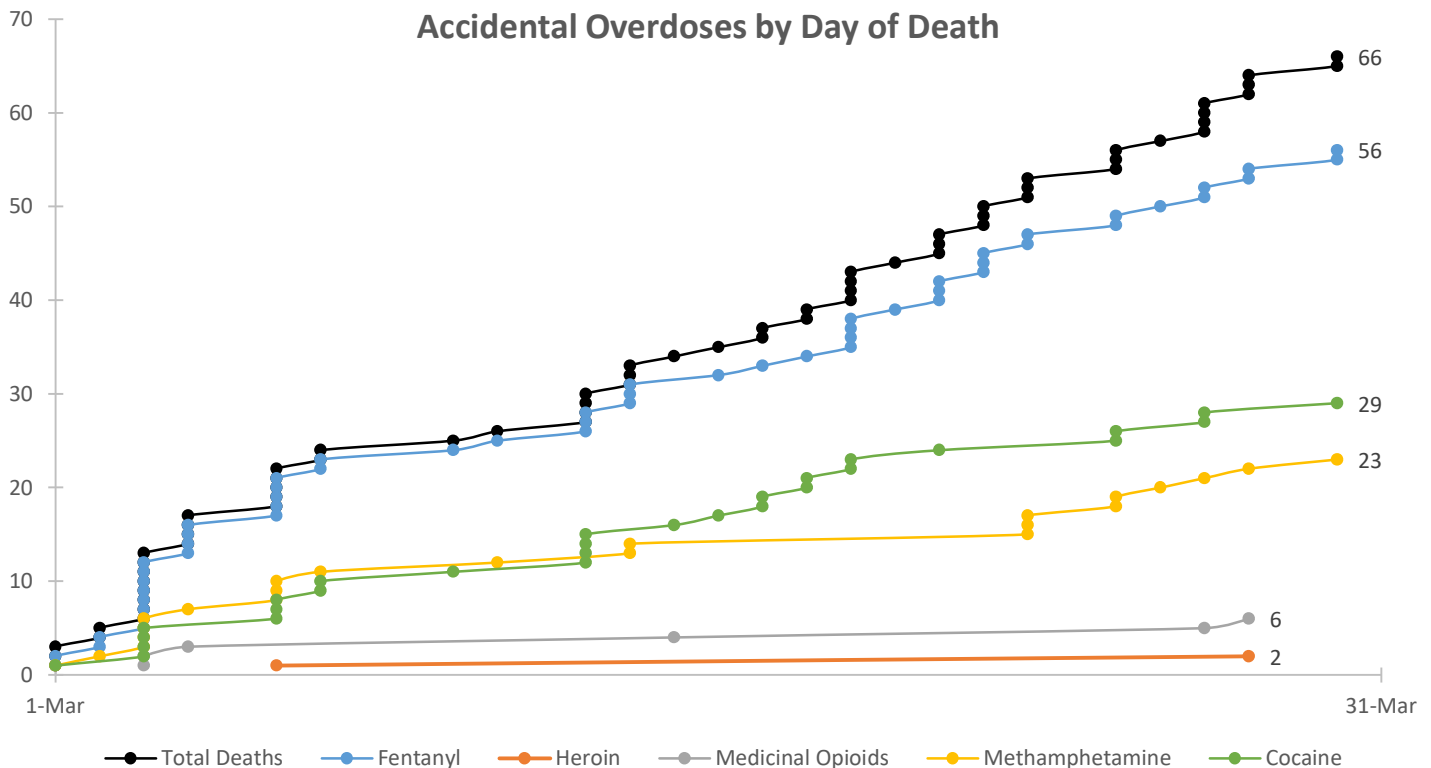
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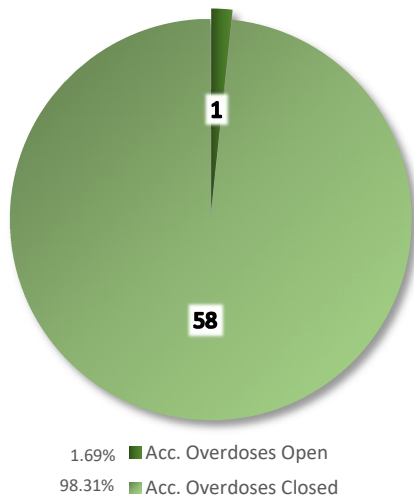
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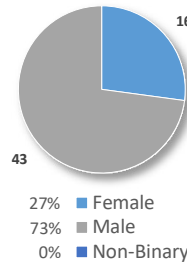


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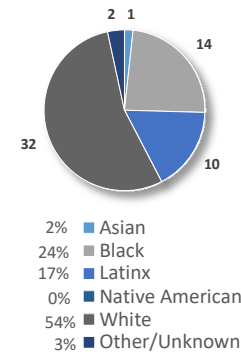
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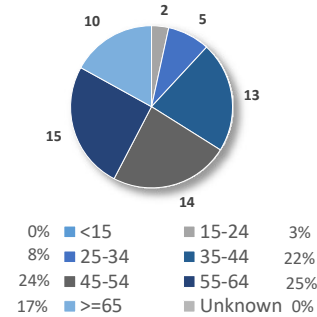
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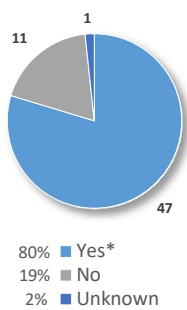
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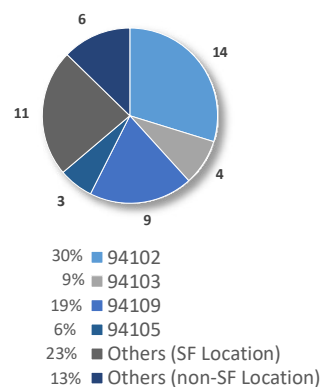


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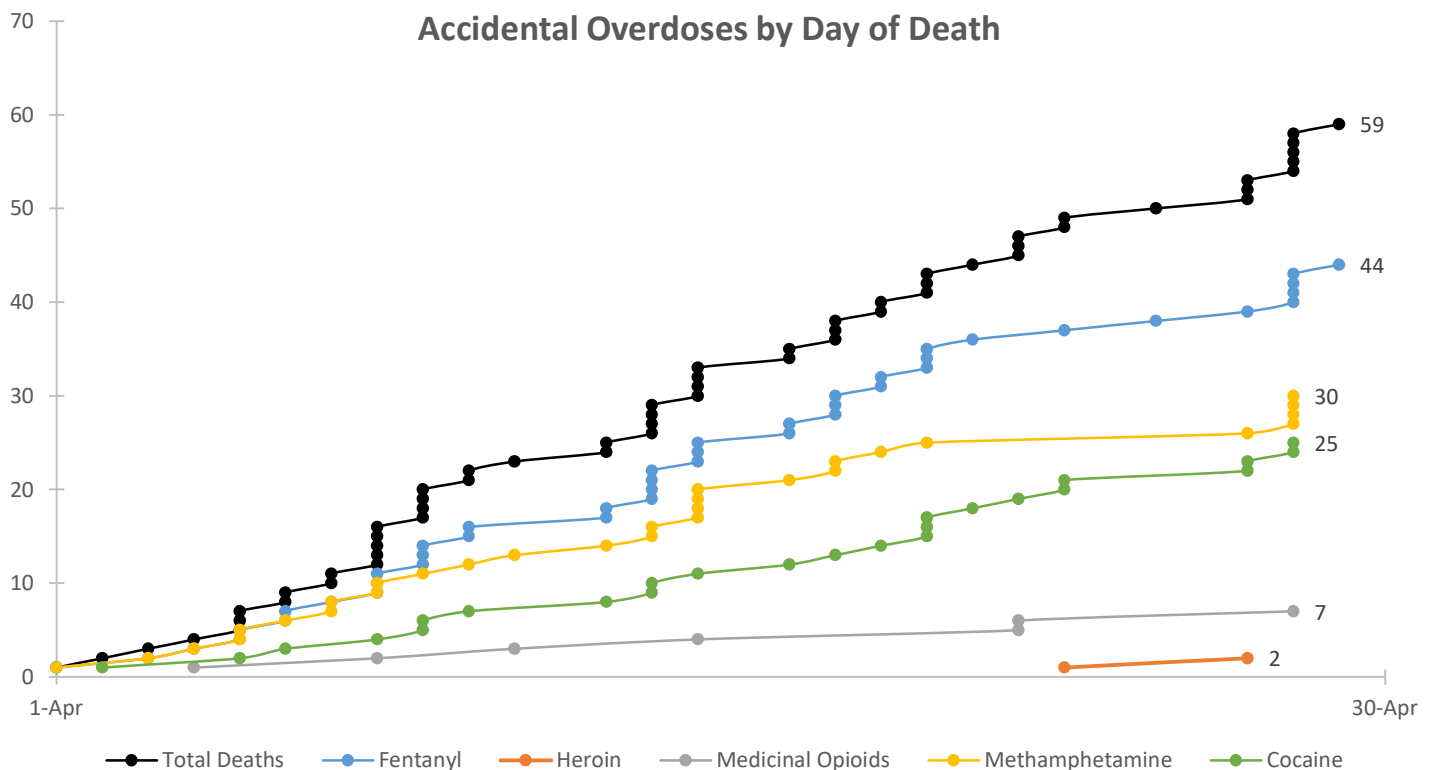
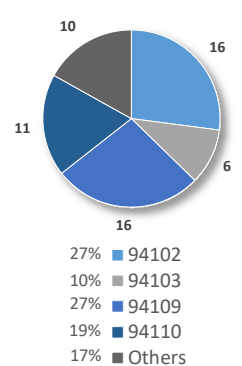


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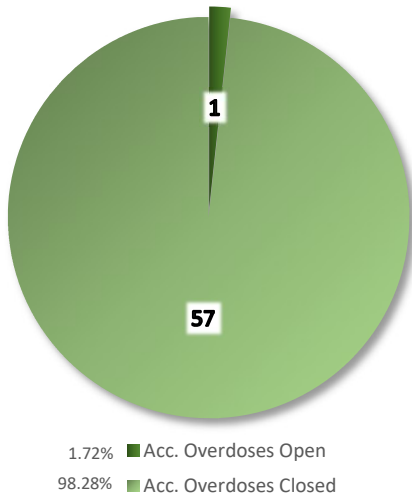
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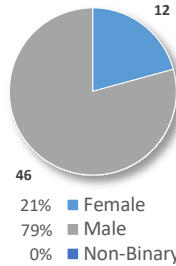


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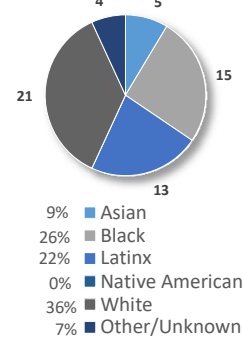
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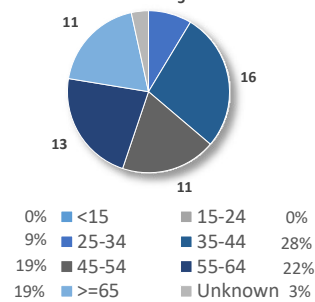
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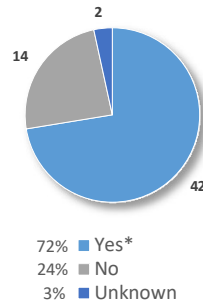
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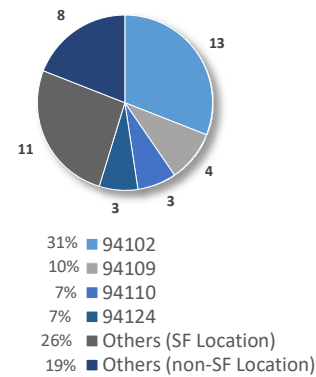


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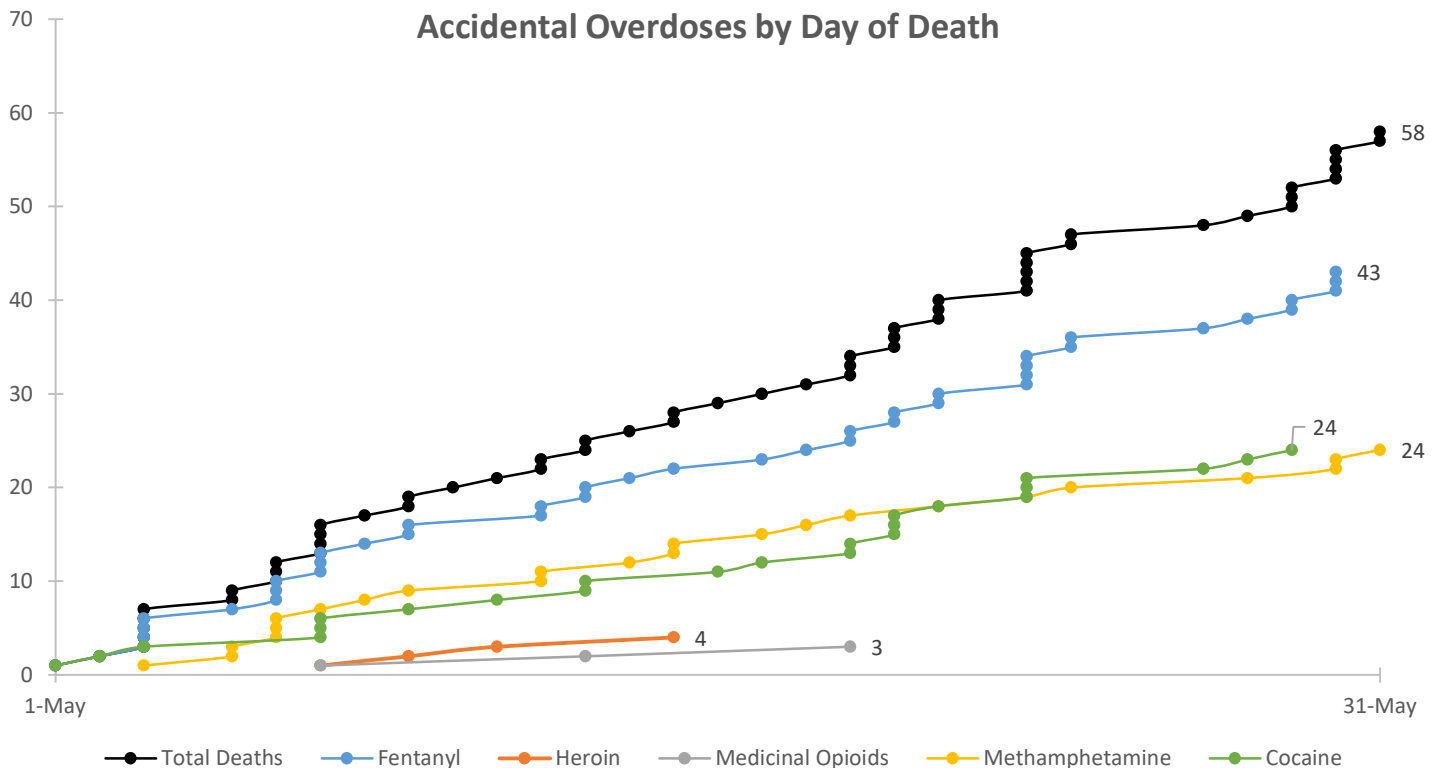
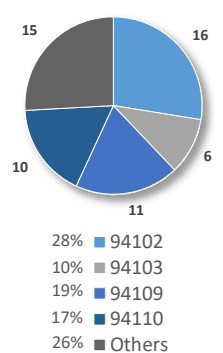


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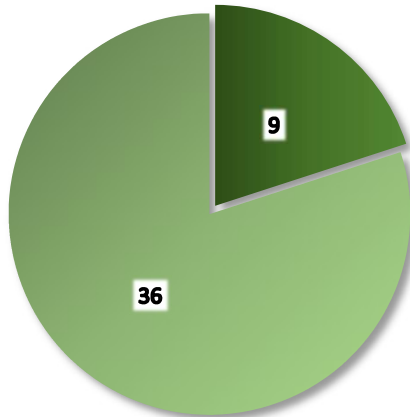
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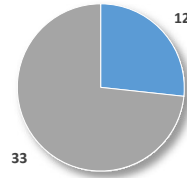
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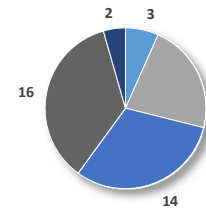
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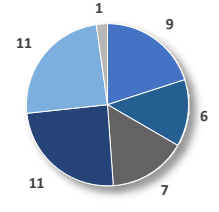
27% ■ Female  
73% ■ Male  
0% ■ Non-Binary

## Race



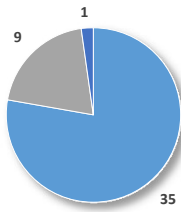
7% ■ Asian  
22% ■ Black  
31% ■ Latinx  
0% ■ Native American  
36% ■ White  
4% ■ Other/Unknown

## Age



0% ■ <15  
20% ■ 25-34  
16% ■ 45-54  
24% ■ >=65  
11% ■ 15-24  
13% ■ 35-44  
24% ■ 55-64  
2% ■ Unknown

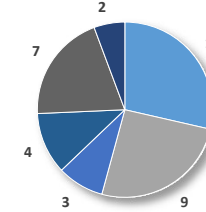
## Fixed Address



78% ■ Yes\*  
20% ■ No  
2% ■ Unknown

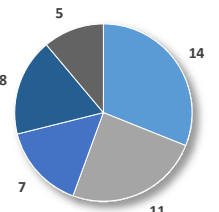
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## Fixed Address Location

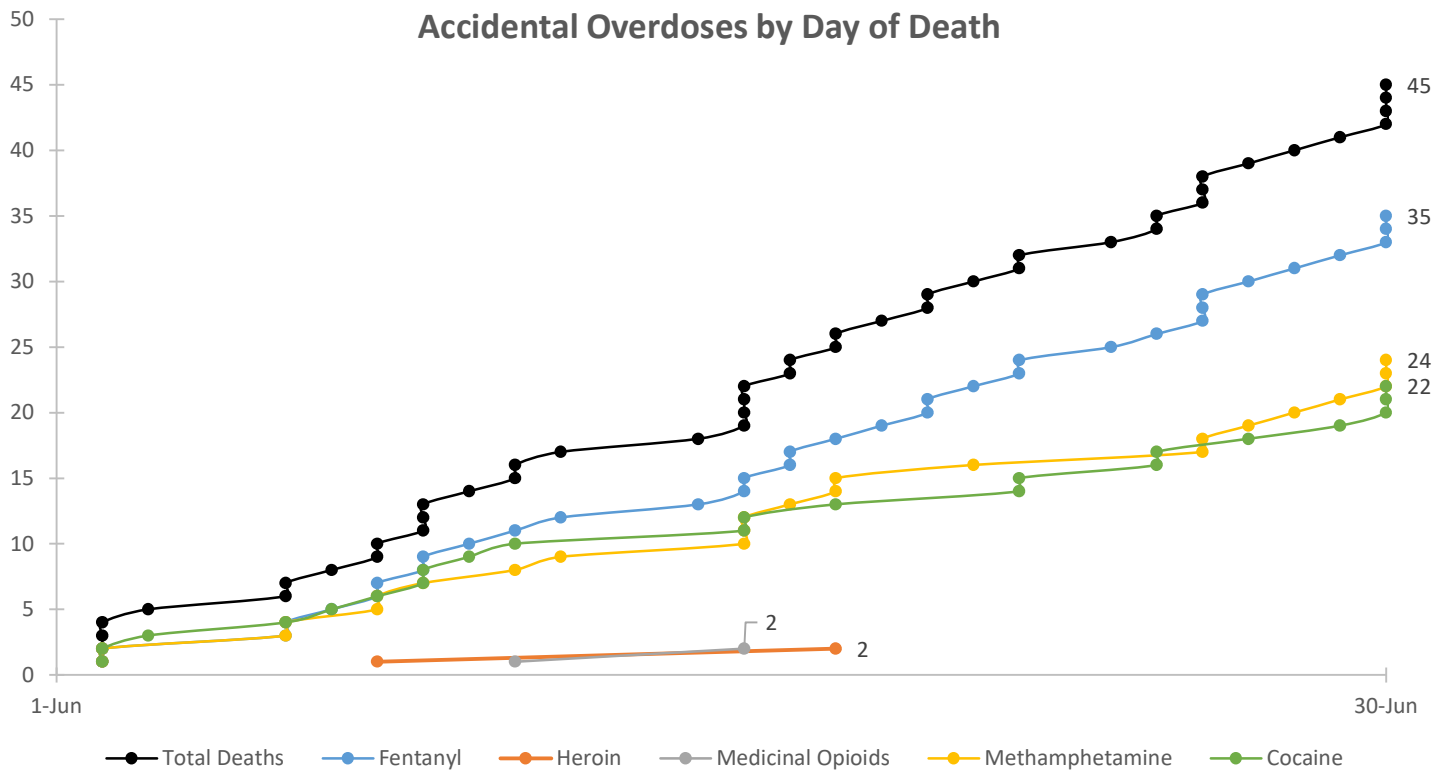


29% ■ 94102  
26% ■ 94103  
9% ■ 94109  
11% ■ 94110  
20% ■ Others (SF Location)  
6% ■ Others (non-SF Location)

## Death Location



31% ■ 94102  
24% ■ 94103  
16% ■ 94109  
18% ■ 94110  
11% ■ Others



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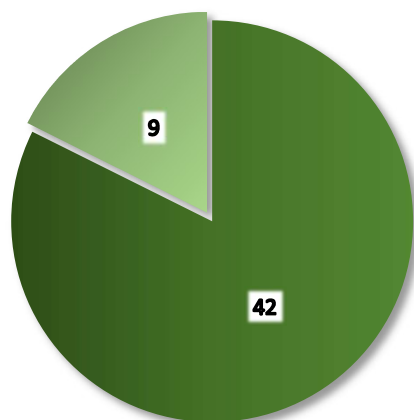
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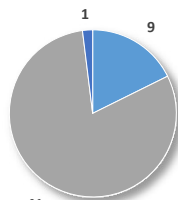
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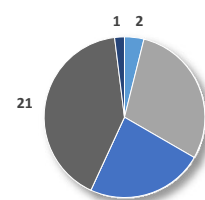
82.35% ■ Acc. Overdoses Open  
17.65% ■ Acc. Overdoses Closed

## Gender



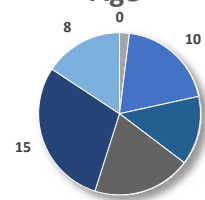
18% ■ Female  
80% ■ Male  
2% ■ Non-Binary

## Race



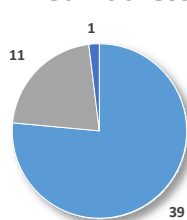
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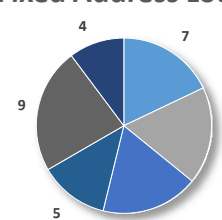
## Fixed Address



76% ■ Yes\*  
22% ■ No  
2% ■ Unknown

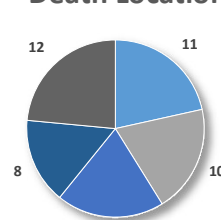
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## Fixed Address Location

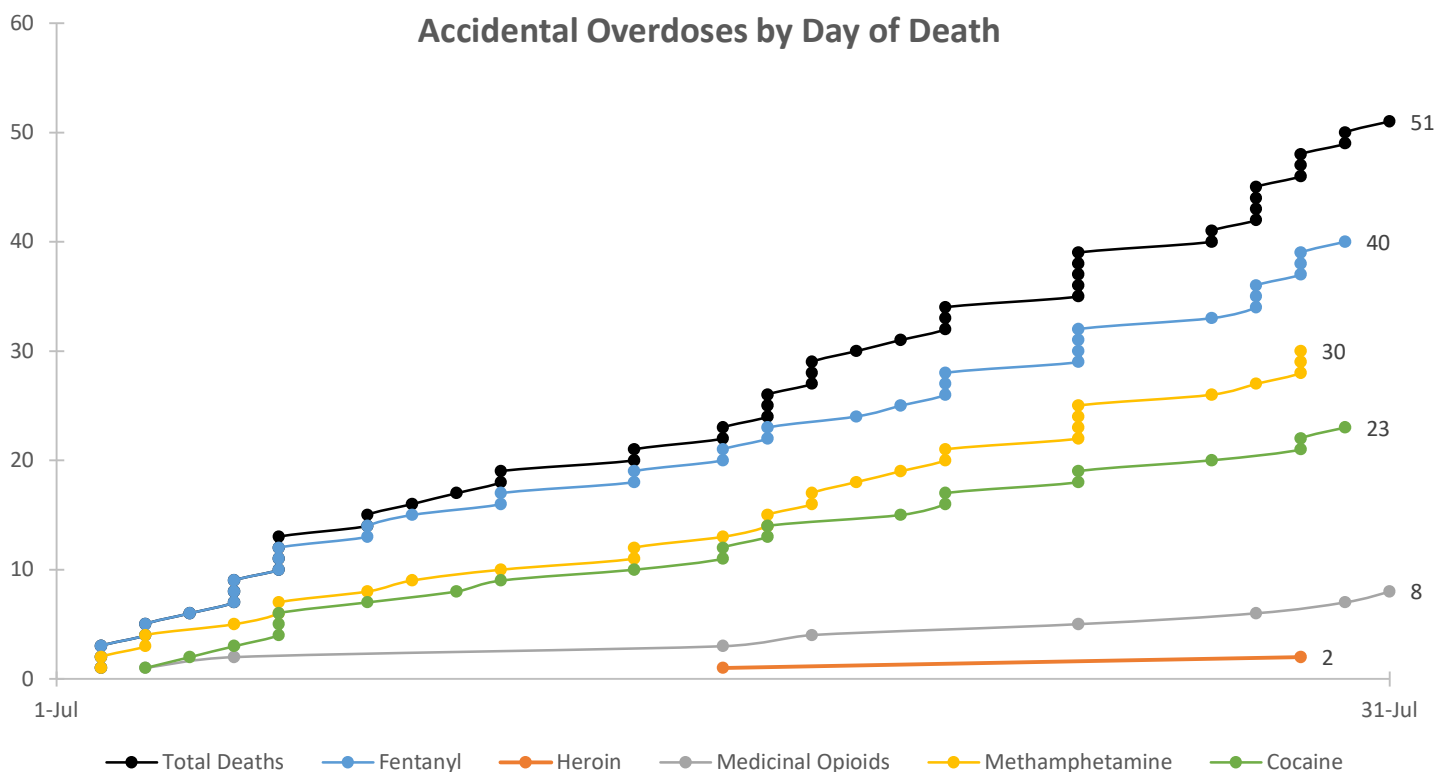


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