LOVE COUNTY
Drug Overdose Facts

DRUG OVERDOSE FAST FACTS*
Love County Data (2014-2018)

- There were 11 unintentional drug overdose deaths in Love County.
- Love County had the 18th highest death rate in the state.
- Nearly three out of four (73%) people who died had a history of substance abuse.
- Learn the warning signs of an overdose — 73% of deaths occurred at a home or apartment.

* Rates per 100,000 population. Some rates are based on a small number of cases and should be interpreted with caution.

Most common substances in Love County overdose deaths:
- Methamphetamine
- Hydrocodone
- Alcohol
- Clonazepam
- Codeine
- Fentanyl
- Methadone
- Oxycodone

12 Oklahomans die every week from an unintentional drug overdose

STATE FACTS:
- From 2014-2018, more than 3,300 Oklahomans died of an unintentional drug overdose.
- From 2013-2018, the rate of unintentional prescription opioid-related overdose death decreased by 61% (475 deaths in 2013; 191 deaths in 2018).
- From 2007-2018, the unintentional methamphetamine-related overdose death rate increased nearly 700%. In 2018, methamphetamine was involved in more than half of drug overdose deaths.
- From 2016-2018, nearly nine out of ten (87%) drug overdose deaths were unintentional and 8% were due to suicide.
Love County had the 23rd highest nonfatal drug overdose hospitalization rate in the state.

- 47% of hospitalizations were unintentional and 53% due to self harm.
- Females were twice as likely to be hospitalized as males.
- Adults aged 35-44 had the highest hospitalization rates.
- The most common substances involved in hospitalizations were:
  - Benzodiazepines (36% of hospitalizations)
  - Opioids (31%)
  - Non-opioid pain medications (13%)

*Includes all intents of nonfatal drug overdose – unintentional, self harm, undetermined, and assault

Oklahoma State Facts

- From 2016-2018, more than 15,000 Oklahomans were hospitalized for a nonfatal drug overdose. That's 100 Oklahomans each week.
- Half (50%) of hospitalizations were unintentional and 46% were due to self harm.
- Females were 51% more likely to be hospitalized than males.
- Adults aged 45-64 had the highest rates of hospitalization.
- The most common substances involved in hospitalizations were:
  - Opioids (25% of hospitalizations)
  - Benzodiazepines (19%)
  - Non-opioid pain medications (13%)

Unintentional Drug Overdose Death Rates by County of Residence
Oklahoma, 2014-2018

- Top 5 counties: Love, Cimarron, Texas, Beaver, Harper

Rates per 100,000 population

- Top 5 counties: 23.0 – 29.5
- Other counties: 17.9 – 22.9
- 6.1 – 12.4
- <5 deaths

State rate: 16.9

Data Source: OSDH Injury Prevention Service, Fatal Unintentional Poisoning Surveillance System