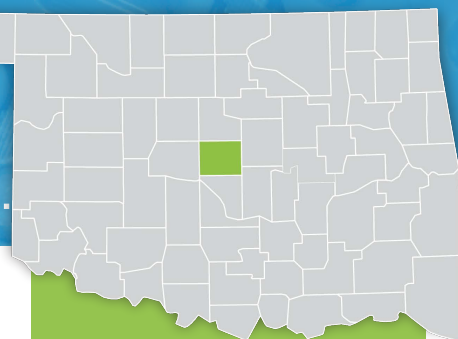


OKLAHOMA COUNTY

Prescription Opioid Overdose Facts



NUMBER OF UNINTENTIONAL OVERDOSE DEATHS BY TYPE OF SUBSTANCE

OKLAHOMA COUNTY, 2013-2017

All unintentional overdoses	730
Prescription drugs	418
Prescription opioids	345
Illicit drugs	312
Alcohol	132

More than four out of five unintentional prescription drug overdose deaths in Oklahoma involve at least one prescription opioid.

Overdose deaths involving prescription opioids account for **more than all illicit drugs combined.**

Most common substances* in Oklahoma County overdose deaths:

Methamphetamine

Alcohol

Oxycodone

Hydrocodone

Alprazolam

Cocaine

Heroin

Morphine

Fentanyl

Methadone

*Opioids in bold



State Facts:

- From 2013-2017, more than 1,900 Oklahomans died of an unintentional prescription opioid overdose.
- In 2017, enough opioids were dispensed for every adult in Oklahoma to have the equivalent of 156 hydrocodone 10mg tablets.



Opioid Overdose Fast Facts*

Oklahoma County Data (2013-2017)

- There were 345 unintentional prescription opioid overdose deaths in Oklahoma County.
- Oklahoma County had the 40th highest death rate in the state.
- Males were 18% more likely to die than females.
- Adults aged 35-54 had the highest rate of death.
- More than one out of four (28%) people who died had a history of mental health problems.
- More than half (59%) of people who died had a history of substance abuse.
- Learn the warning signs of an overdose – 63% of deaths occurred at a home or apartment.

*Some rates are based on small numbers and may be unstable.

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Enough opioids were dispensed to Oklahoma County residents for every adult to have the equivalent of 142 hydrocodone 10mg tablets.*

*2017 Oklahoma Prescription Monitoring Program data

Oklahoma County Prescribing Data*

- The opioid prescription rate for Oklahoma County adults was 10% lower than the state rate.
- Adults aged 75 years and older had the highest opioid prescription rate.
- The most commonly prescribed opioids were:
 - Hydrocodone
 - Oxycodone
 - Tramadol
 - Morphine
 - Codeine
- 14% of Oklahoma County adults with an opioid prescription had an overlapping prescription for a benzodiazepine. This combination increases the risk of fatal overdose.

Unintentional Prescription Opioid Overdose Death Rates by County of Residence¹, Oklahoma, 2013-2017

