

Unintentional Drug Overdose Deaths
North Central Health District, January 1 – December 31, 2022

Victim Characteristics	North Central Resident ^a		North Central Occurrent ^b		Connecticut	
	n (%) ^c	n (%) ^c	n (%) ^c	n (%) ^c	n (%) ^c	n (%) ^c
Total	64	(100.0)	63	(100.0)	1464	(100.0)
Sex						
Male	45	(70.3)	43	(68.3)	1077	(73.6)
Female	19	(29.7)	20	(31.7)	387	(26.4)
Unknown/missing	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)
Age						
Mean	48.4		48.0		46.8	
Range	20–72		23–72		13–93	
0–14	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)	1	(0.1)
15–24	3	(4.7)	2	(3.2)	44	(3.0)
25–34	9	(14.1)	11	(17.5)	256	(17.5)
35–44	12	(18.8)	12	(19.0)	370	(25.3)
45–54	15	(23.4)	14	(22.2)	322	(22.0)
55–64	19	(29.7)	19	(30.2)	355	(24.2)
65+	6	(9.4)	5	(7.9)	116	(7.9)
Unknown/missing	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)
Race/ethnicity						
Non-Hispanic White Race	46	(71.9)	46	(73.0)	846	(57.8)
Non-Hispanic Black Race	7	(10.9)	4	(6.3)	285	(19.5)
Hispanic All Races	11	(17.2)	13	(20.6)	309	(21.1)
Non-Hispanic Other Race ^d	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)	24	(1.6)
Homelessness						
No	56	(87.5)	59	(93.7)	1357	(92.7)
Yes	6	(9.4)	3	(4.8)	65	(4.4)
Unknown/missing	2	(3.1)	1	(1.6)	42	(2.9)
Location of injury/overdose						
House/apartment	49	(76.6)	52	(82.5)	1147	(78.3)
Hotel/motel	3	(4.7)	3	(4.8)	76	(5.2)
Supervised residential facility (e.g., shelter, sober house)	2	(3.1)	1	(1.6)	26	(1.8)
Motor vehicle	3	(4.7)	3	(4.8)	72	(4.9)
Other (e.g., sidewalk, parking lot, commercial establishment, etc.)	7	(10.9)	4	(6.3)	128	(8.7)
Unknown/missing	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)	15	(1.0)
Type of substances causing the death ^e						
Any opioid	61	(95.3)	59	(93.7)	1348	(92.1)
Fentanyl ^f	59	(92.2)	55	(87.3)	1247	(85.2)
Any stimulant (cocaine/amphetamine)	29	(45.3)	28	(44.4)	626	(42.8)
Any benzodiazepine	13	(20.3)	12	(19.0)	250	(17.1)
Any opioid and any benzodiazepine	12	(18.8)	11	(17.5)	234	(16.0)
Heroin	3	(4.7)	3	(4.8)	88	(6.0)
Naloxone Administered						
Yes ^g	13	(20.3)	17	(27.0)	414	(28.3)
Yes, unknown by whom	10	(15.6)	11	(17.5)	214	(14.6)
Yes, by EMS/fire	1	(1.6)	3	(4.8)	128	(8.7)
Yes, by police	0	(0.0)	0	(0.0)	9	(0.6)
Yes, by hospital	1	(1.6)	2	(3.2)	32	(2.2)
Yes, by bystander	1	(1.6)	1	(1.6)	53	(3.6)
Yes, by other	1	(1.6)	1	(1.6)	2	(0.1)
No/unknown/missing	51	(79.7)	46	(73.0)	1050	(71.7)

^a Includes only overdoses to North Central residents, regardless of where the overdose occurred

^b Includes only overdoses that occurred in North Central, regardless of residence

^c Percentages may not add to 100% because of rounding

^d Includes Asian or Pacific Islander and American Indian or Native Alaskan

^e Categories are not mutually exclusive, multiple types of drugs may contribute to causing the death

^f Includes both prescription and illicit Fentanyl

^g Total number of victims that received naloxone; naloxone may have been administered more than once



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