

Opioid-related Deaths in Louisiana

All deaths of Louisiana residents are reported to the Office of the State Registrar and Vital Records. Parish coroners investigate any deaths due to opioids to determine cause and manner of death. The two tables in this document display the number of deaths by parish for the last 5 years, and the number of deaths with several opioid types for the last three years.

The table on this page lists the number of deaths in each parish for each year from 2012 to 2016. Blank spots in the table indicate zero opioid related deaths in that parish for that year. A value of “<5” indicates between 1 and 4 opioid-related deaths in that parish for that year. Numbers less than 5 are suppressed to protect the confidentiality of the records. Unlisted counties had no deaths in the past 5 years of available data.

Number of Deaths With Opioids* Present by Parish of Residence, Louisiana					
Parish	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
LOUISIANA	155	224	208	249	305
ACADIA	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5
ASCENSION	< 5	< 5	7	< 5	7
ASSUMPTION		< 5		< 5	< 5
AVOYELLES		< 5	< 5		
BIENVILLE	< 5	5	< 5		
BOSSIER			< 5	7	< 5
CADDO	< 5	< 5	< 5	9	< 5
CALCASIEU		< 5			< 5
CALDWELL		< 5	< 5		< 5
CATAHOULA	< 5				
CLAIBORNE	< 5				
CONCORDIA	< 5				
DESOTO	< 5				< 5
E BATON ROUGE	9	27	24	15	24
EAST CARROLL					< 5
E FELICIANA			< 5		
EVANGELINE			< 5	< 5	
FRANKLIN					< 5
GRANT	< 5	< 5	< 5		< 5
IBERIA			< 5	< 5	< 5
IBERVILLE		< 5			
JACKSON		< 5	< 5	< 5	
JEFFERSON	49	58	53	77	83
LAFAYETTE	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5	6
LAFOURCHE		< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5
LIVINGSTON	< 5	5	< 5	7	16

Number of Deaths With Opioids* Present by Parish of Residence, Louisiana (continued)					
Parish	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
MOREHOUSE	< 5		< 5		< 5
NATCHITOCHE			< 5	< 5	< 5
ORLEANS	9	34	18	15	27
OUACHITA	5	< 5	< 5	9	8
PLAQUEMINES	< 5		< 5	< 5	< 5
POINTE COUPEE				< 5	< 5
RAPIDES	< 5	< 5	< 5	6	12
RICHLAND				< 5	< 5
SABINE		< 5			
ST BERNARD	< 5	< 5		< 5	< 5
ST CHARLES	< 5	5	< 5	5	< 5
ST HELENA				< 5	
ST. JAMES					< 5
ST JOHN			< 5	< 5	< 5
ST LANDRY	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5
ST MARTIN	< 5		< 5		< 5
ST MARY	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5	
ST TAMMANY	32	47	49	47	50
TANGIPAHOA	< 5		< 5	5	5
TERREBONNE			< 5		< 5
UNION	< 5	< 5	< 5		
VERMILION	< 5				
VERNON	< 5	< 5	< 5		
WASHINGTON	7	< 5	< 5	10	15
WEBSTER	< 5	< 5	< 5	< 5	
W BATON ROUGE	< 5			< 5	
WINN	< 5			< 5	

Source: Louisiana Vital Records Database

*ICD-10 codes for opioids: Heroin (T40.1); Opioid Analgesic (T40.2 – T40.4)

The table on this page lists several types of opioids (including heroin, fentanyl, and methadone) and the number of overdose deaths where each drug type was detected. These do not sum, as several drugs could have been detected in one death.

Number of Deaths for Specific Opioid Drugs Used Louisiana, 2014-2016			
Year	2014	2015	2016
Opioid Analgesic*	119	145	191
Natural and Semi-synthetic Opioid Analgesic	90	103	110
Synthetic Opioid Analgesic, excluding Methadone	29	38	81
Fentanyl	22	26	71
Methadone	19	17	18
Heroin	108	127	141

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