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# EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT (ED) VISITS FOR OPIOID OVERDOSE: November 2017

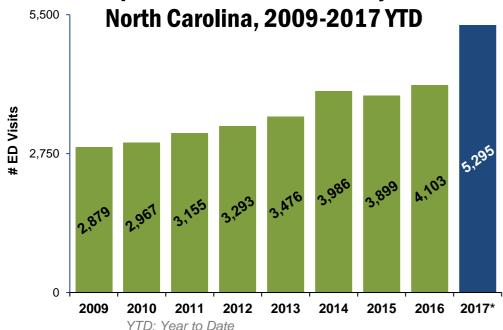
## 390 Opioid overdose ED visits November 2017

Compared 328 November 2016

Source: NC DETECT: ED; Syndrome: Overdose: Opioid Overdose (ICD-9/10-CM)

**Note:** Counts based on diagnosis (ICD-9/10-CM code) of an opioid overdose of any intent (accidental, intentional, assault, and undetermined) for North Carolina residents. Opioid overdose cases include poisonings with opium, heroin, opioids, methadone, and other synthetic narcotics.

### **Opioid Overdose ED Visits by Year:**

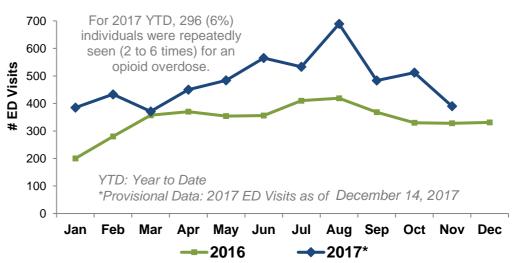


\*Provisional Data: 2017 ED Visits as of December 14, 2017

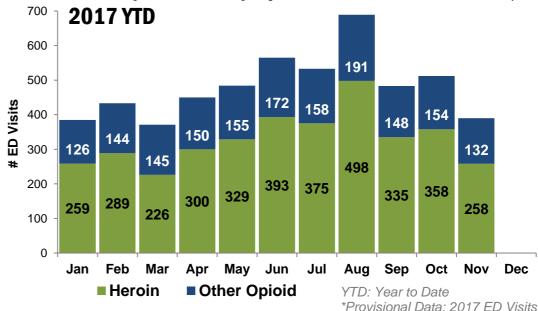
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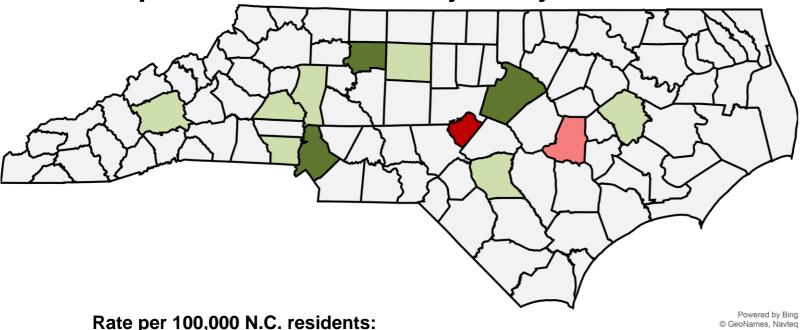
### Opioid Overdose ED Visits by Month: North Carolina, 2016-2017 YTD



#### Monthly ED Visits by Opioid Class: North Carolina,



#### Rate of Opioid Overdose ED Visits by County: November 2017



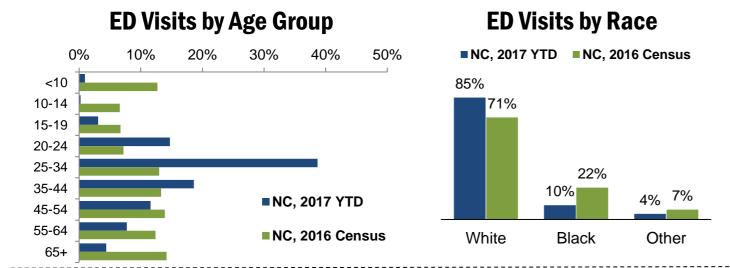
□ Suppressed (<10 cases) ■ 1.0 to 3.9 ■ 4.0 to 7.9 ■ 8.0 to 11.9 ■ ≥12.0

#### Highest Rates of Opioid Overdose ED Visits by County: November 2017

	County	Count	Rate
Cı	Lee	10	16.8
	Wayne	11	8.9
	umberland*	25	7.6
	Pitt	13	7.3
	Catawba	11	7.0
	Guilford	35	6.7
	Iredell	11	6.4
	Buncombe	13	5.1
	Gaston	11	5.1
Mecklenburg		33	3.1

**Note:** Rate per 100,000 N.C. residents Rates not shown for counties <10 cases \* ≥5 overdoses this month compared to last month

#### Demographics of 2017 YTD Opioid Overdose ED Visits Compared to the 2016 NC Standard Population



Demographic data from the North Carolina census provide population-level context for potential disparities by age or race among opioid overdose ED visits.

In North Carolina, ED visits for opioid overdose occur predominately among whites, and those ages 25-34 years if age.

**Source**: U.S. Census Bureau. *Quick Facts Data: North Carolina 2016.*Retrieved August 22, 2017, from http://quickfacts.census.gov.

**NOTE:** The North Carolina Disease Event Tracking and Epidemiologic Collection Tool (NC DETECT) is North Carolina's statewide syndromic surveillance system. For training on NCDETECT, contact Amy Ising, ising@ad.unc.edu.

Emergency department visit data from NC DETECT are provisional and should not be considered final. There may be data quality issues affecting our counts: counties with <10 cases may not be true lack of opioid overdose cases but data quality issues; additionally, some hospitals use non-specific poisoning codes rather than specific opioid poisoning codes. NC DETECT reports five categories of race: White, Black, American Indian, Asian, or Other. Due to low counts, Asian, American Indian, and Other races have been collapsed into a single category.