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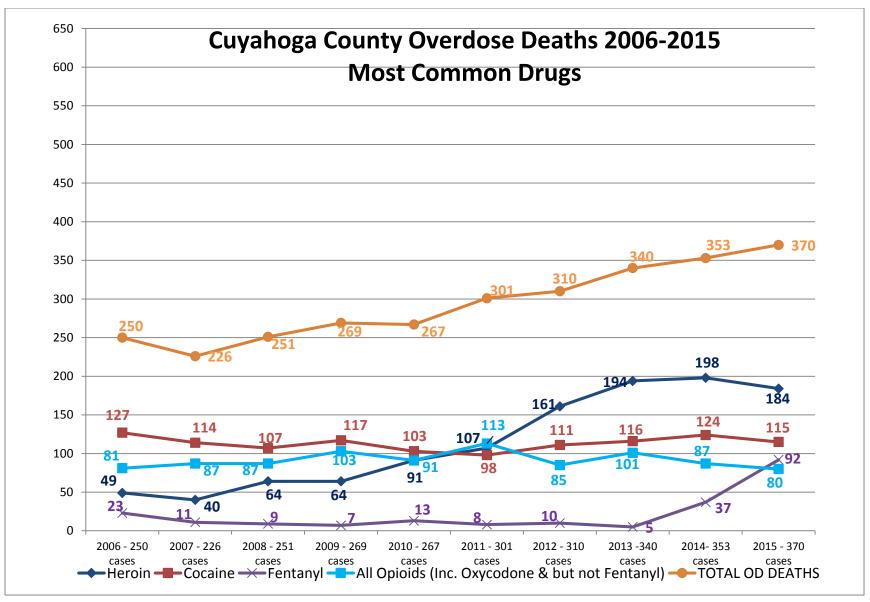


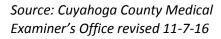
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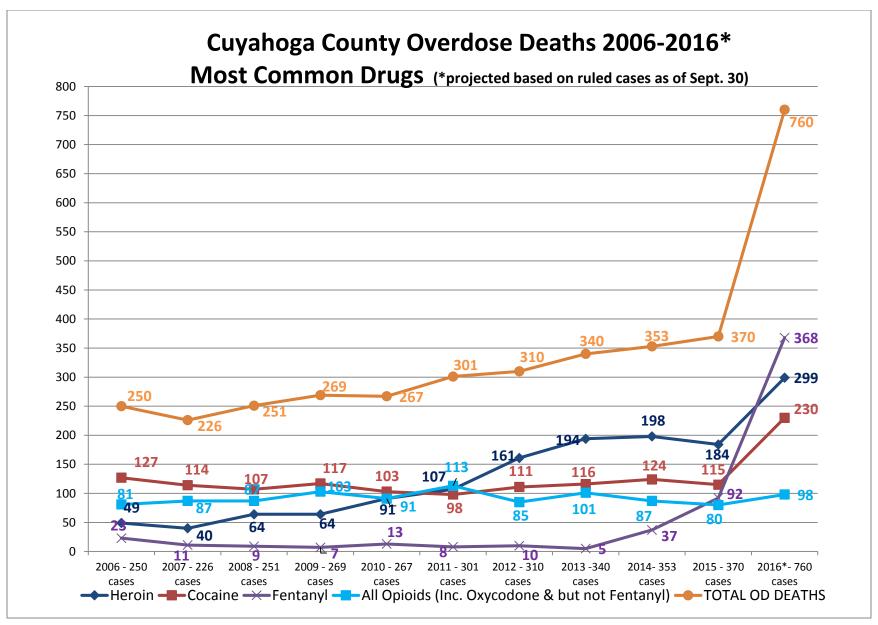
MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE Heroin & Fentanyl Related Deaths in Cuyahoga County

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CURRENT PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS At least 16 fatalities since Nov.1

<u>Fatal Cases due to heroin/fentanyl in October—at least 42 (More than a dozen cases are pending</u> further case testing for *carfentanil*)

20 - City of Cleveland Residents

22 - Suburban Residents- Bedford Hts., Broadview Hts., East Cleveland, Euclid, Highland Hts., Lakewood, Lyndhurst, Mayfield Hts., North Olmsted (2), Parma (6), and (3) out of County residents – Richfield, Warren (2).

16- Further testing – Avon Lake, Cleveland (6), East Cleveland, Euclid, Independence, Newburgh Hts., North Olmsted, North Royalton, Parma Hts., Strongsville and (1) Out of County- Northfield.

VICTIMS

Victims' ages range from 20 – 67

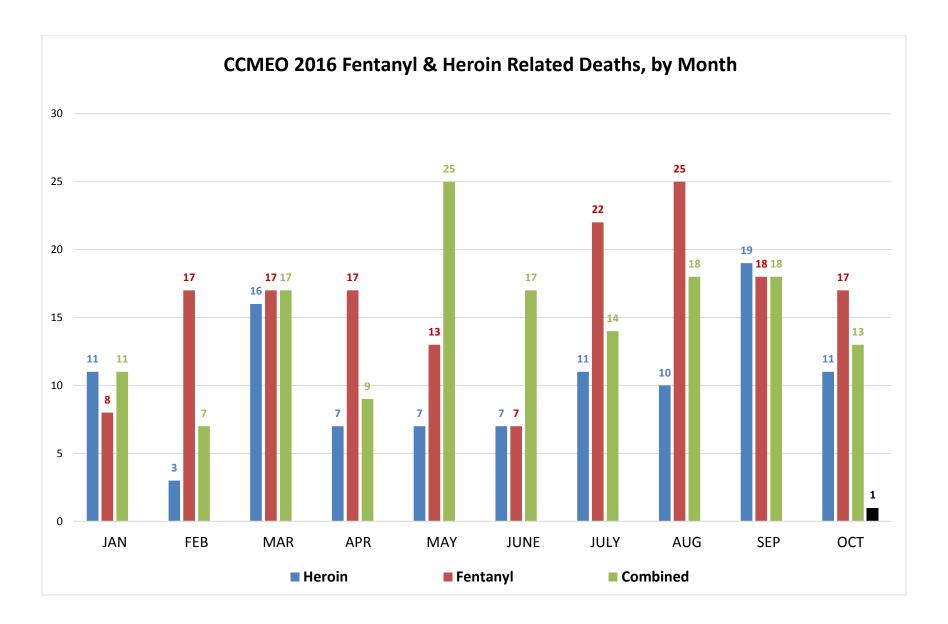
27 Male victims; 15 Female victims

3 African American victims; 39 Caucasian victims

EXPONENTIAL RATE OF INCREASE

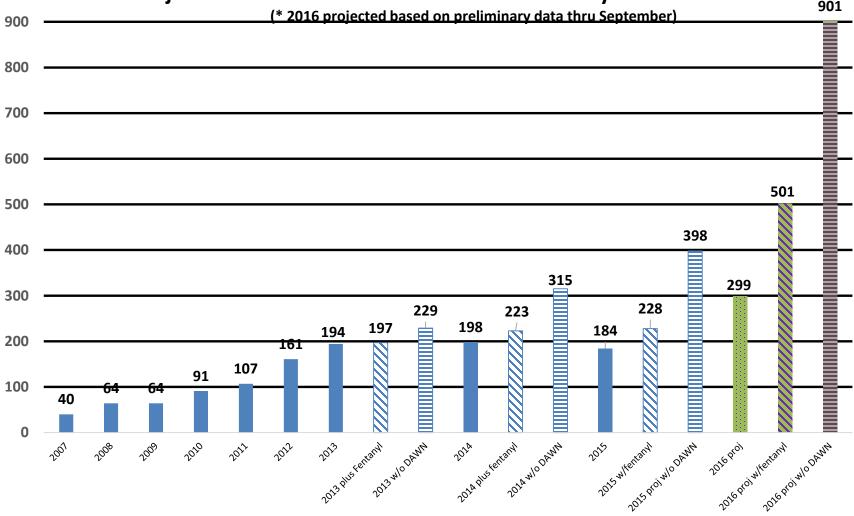
In 2015, one person died every day in Cuyahoga County from a drug overdose.

In 2016, during January and February, one person died every day in Cuyahoga County from a heroin or fentanyl overdose. Since then, we have lost an average of 11 people every week. At least **446** victims have died already in 2016, nearly double the 228 from 2015.





Cuyahoga County Heroin Related Overdose Deaths 2007-2016* Projected deaths with DAWN Saves and Fentanyl as overdose Deaths 901



Source: Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner's Office revised 11-7-16

DAWN includes all documented naloxone saves through DAWN including police reversals. Does not include EMS administration (nearly 1,000 in 2015).



