

The Evolving Overdose Epidemic in the United States: The Role of Methamphetamine and Cocaine

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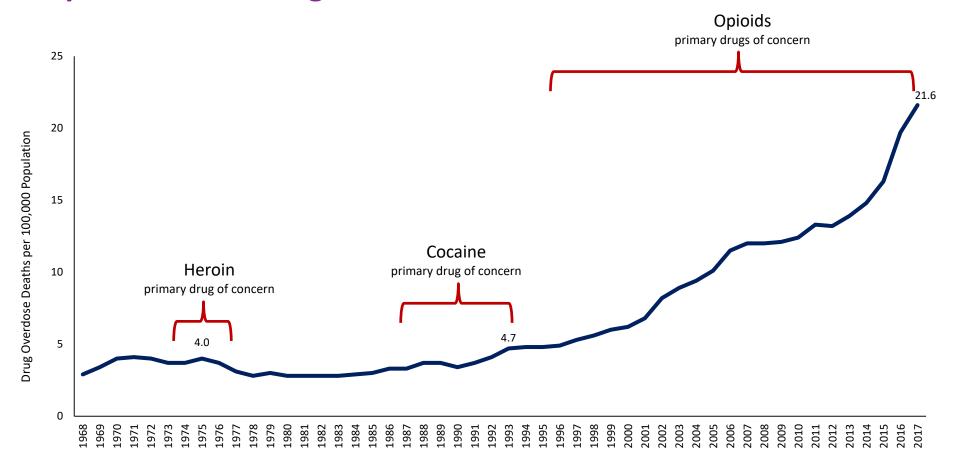
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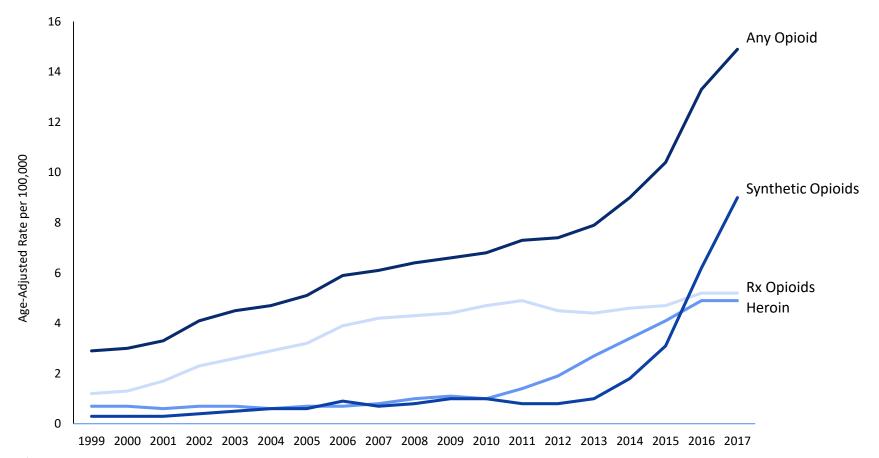
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Unprecedented Drug Overdose Deaths in the U.S.



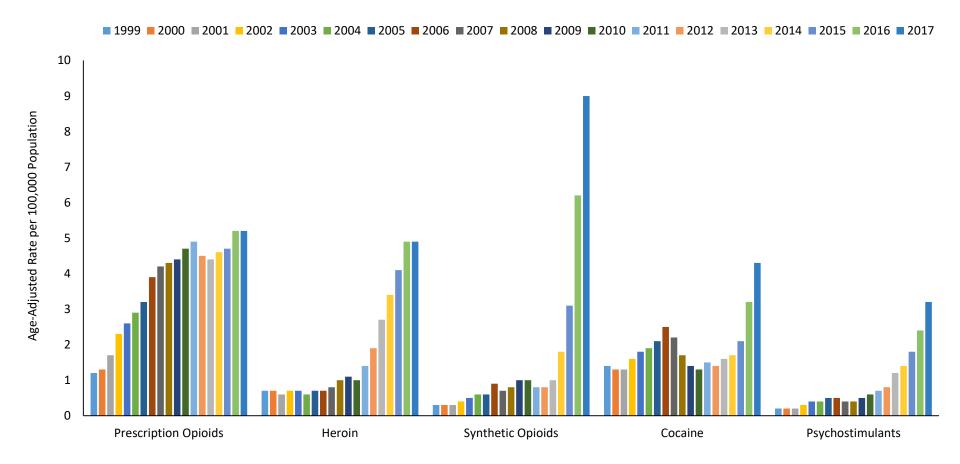
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Waves of the Opioid Overdose Epidemic

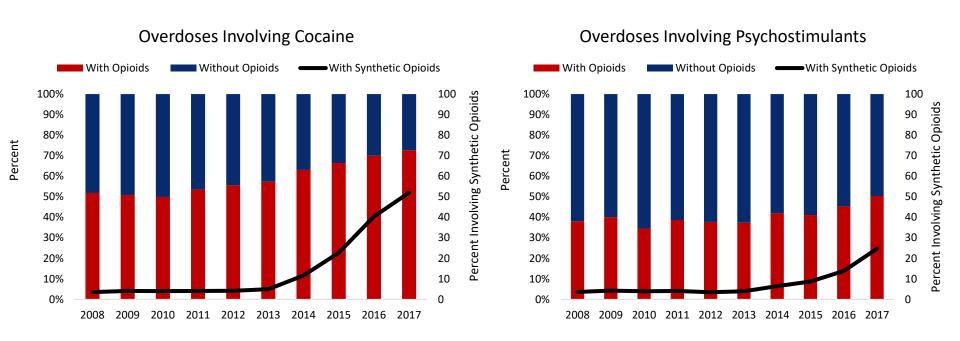


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Continued Evolution of the Overdose Crisis

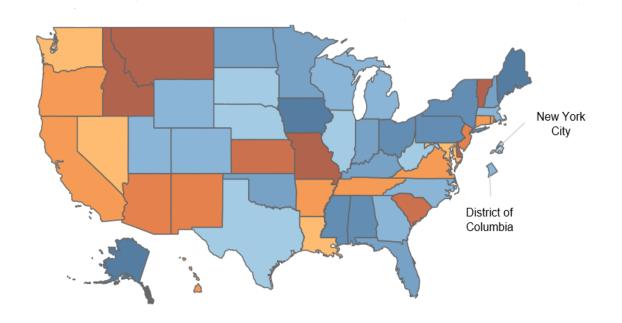


Opioid Involvement in Cocaine and Psychostimulant-Related Overdose Deaths



Source: Jones CM Analysis of CDC NVSS Data, 2019;

12 Month-ending Predicted Provisional Number of Drug Overdose Deaths by State Feb 2018 to Feb 2019



Percent Change for United States

-2.9



Legend for Percent Change in Drug Overdose Deaths Between 12-Month Ending Periods

-19.5

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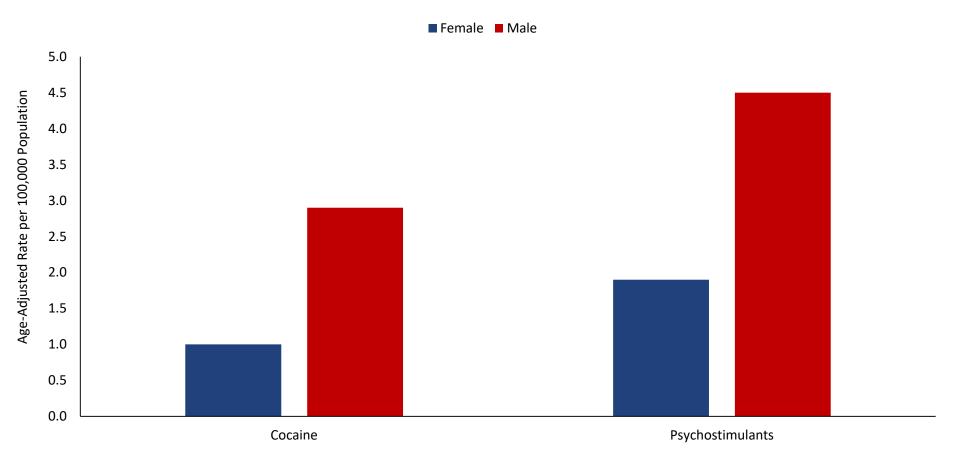
PREDICTED PROVISIONAL OVERDOSE MORTALITY BY CLASS OF DRUG**, 12-Month Ending, Feb 2018-Feb 2019

| | HEROIN | NATURAL & SEMI –SYNTHETIC OPIOIDS | METHADONE | SYNTHETIC OPIOIDS | COCAINE | PSYCHO- STIMULANTS |
|------------|--------|---|-----------|----------------------|---------|-----------------------|
| FEB 2018 * | 15,428 | 14,594 | 3,254 | 29,539 | 15,107 | 11,068 |
| FEB 2019 * | 15,349 | 12,626 | 3,068 | 32,656 | 15,552 | 13,642 |
| Change | -0.51% | -13.48% | -5.72% | 10.55% | 2.95% | 23.26% |

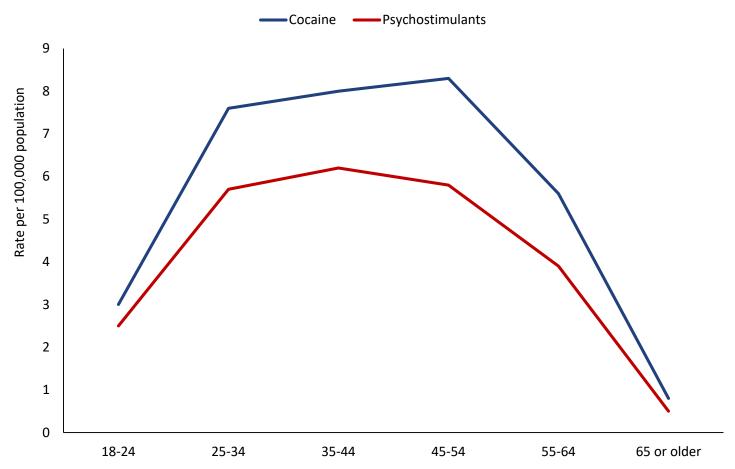
^{*} Number of predicted deaths for the 12 months ending in February of the indicated year

^{**} Categories are not mutually exclusive

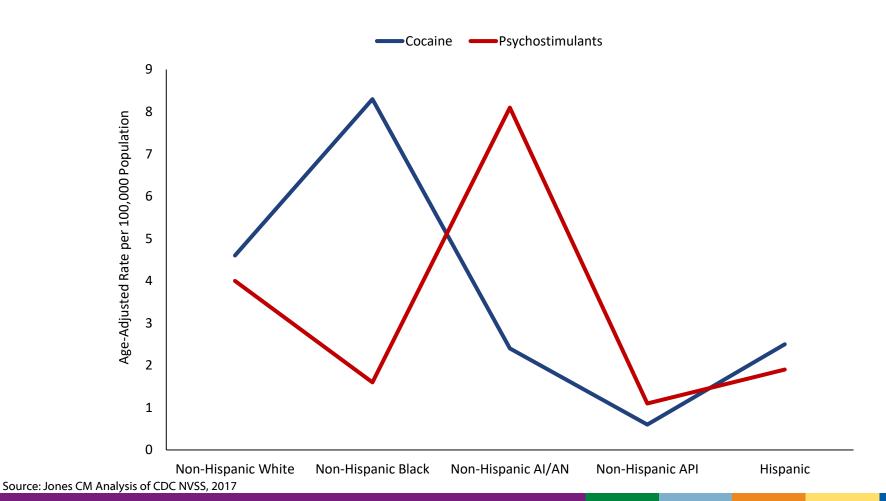
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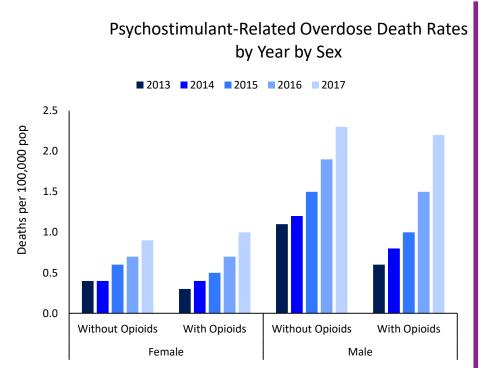
Cocaine and Psychostimulant Overdose Deaths by Age Group, 2017

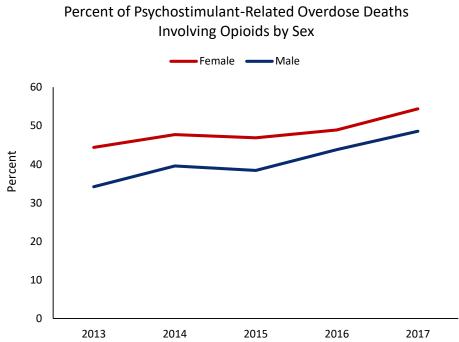


Cocaine and Psychostimulant Overdose Deaths by Race/Ethnicity, 2017

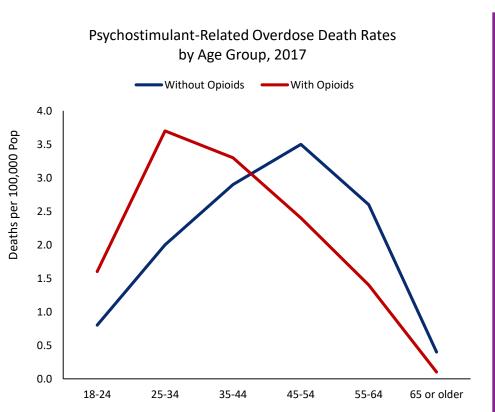


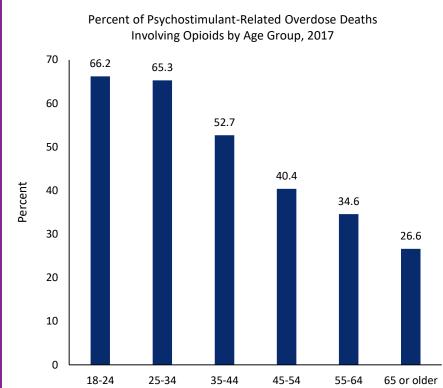
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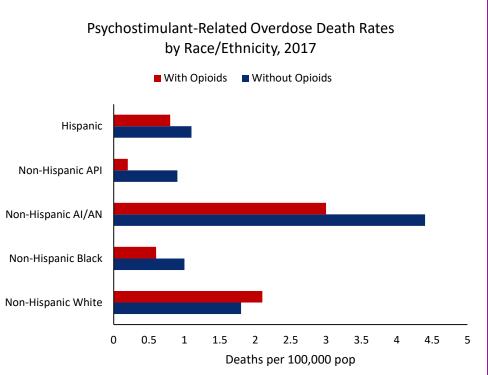


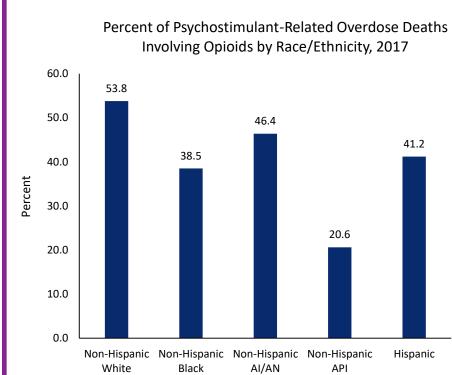
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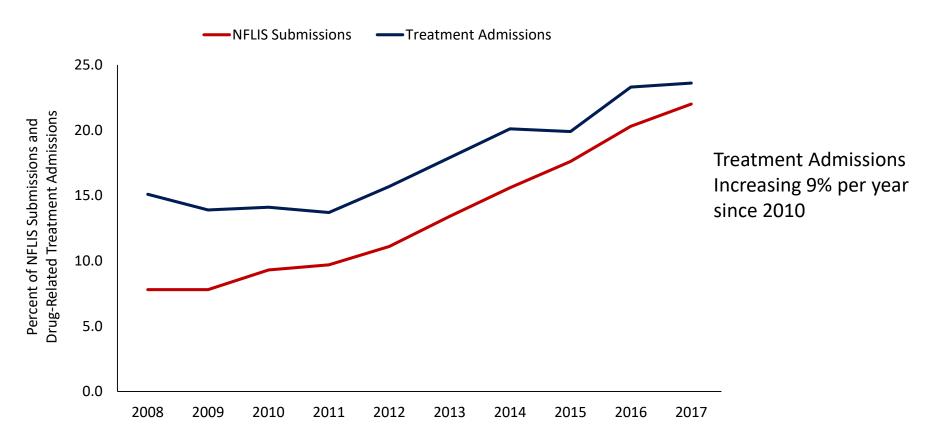
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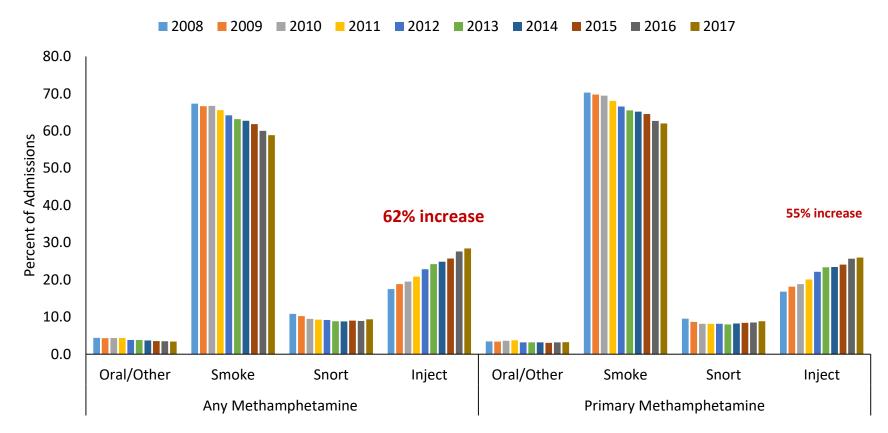


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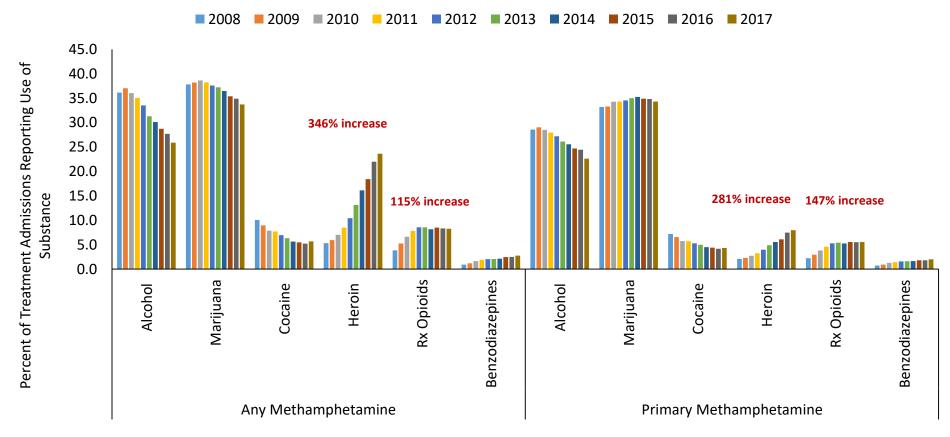
METHAMPHETAMINE SUPPLY CLOSELY CORRELATED WITH METHAMPHETAMINE-RELATED TREATMENT ADMISSIONS



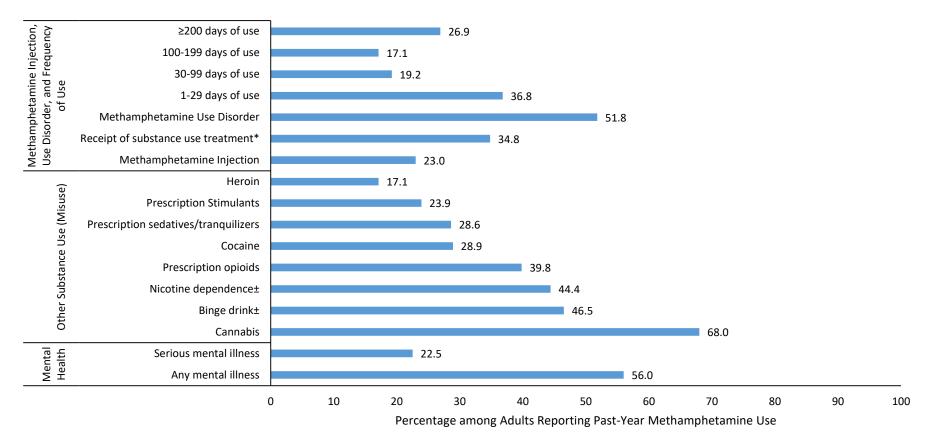
INCREASES IN METHAMPHETAMINE TREATMENT ADMISSIONS OCCURRING AMONG PEOPLE INJECTING METHAMPHETAMINE



HEROIN AND PRESCRIPTION OPIOIDS INCREASINGLY COMMON AMONG METHAMPHETAMINE TREATMENT ADMISSIONS



Use Patterns and Co-occurring Substance Use and Mental Illness Among People Reporting Past-Year Use of Methamphetamine



Conclusions

- Overdose crisis in the U.S. continues to evolve
- Provisional data through early 2019 indicate synthetic opioid and psychostimulant-related overdose deaths continue to increase
- Cocaine and heroin-related overdose deaths relatively stable
- Decreases in prescription opioid-related overdose deaths
- Demographic differences for cocaine and psychostimulant-related overdose deaths as well as opioid involvement in these deaths
- Focus on implementing strategies that address prevention, treatment, and recovery in conjunction with supply reduction are needed

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