

# 2018 Tennessee Drug Overdose Deaths Annual Report

## Key Findings:

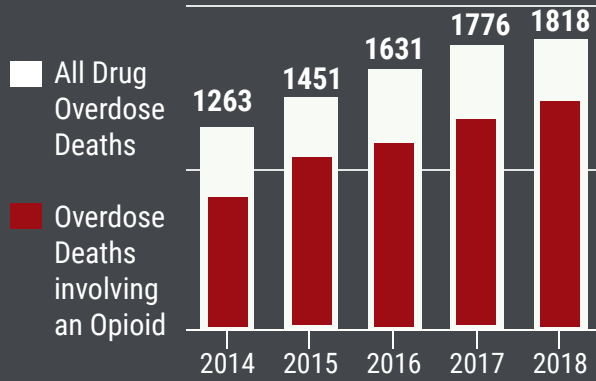
- ▶ Over the past 5 years, drug overdose deaths in Tennessee have consistently increased.
- ▶ Tennesseans who died of a drug overdose were more likely to be white and male.
- ▶ Deaths involving opioids identified as "pain relievers" (those typically obtained through a prescription) have decreased for the past two years, while deaths involving illicit drugs (like heroin, fentanyl, and methamphetamine) have increased.



## Drug overdose deaths in Tennessee are at an all time high.

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Tennesseans were lost to drug overdose in 2018

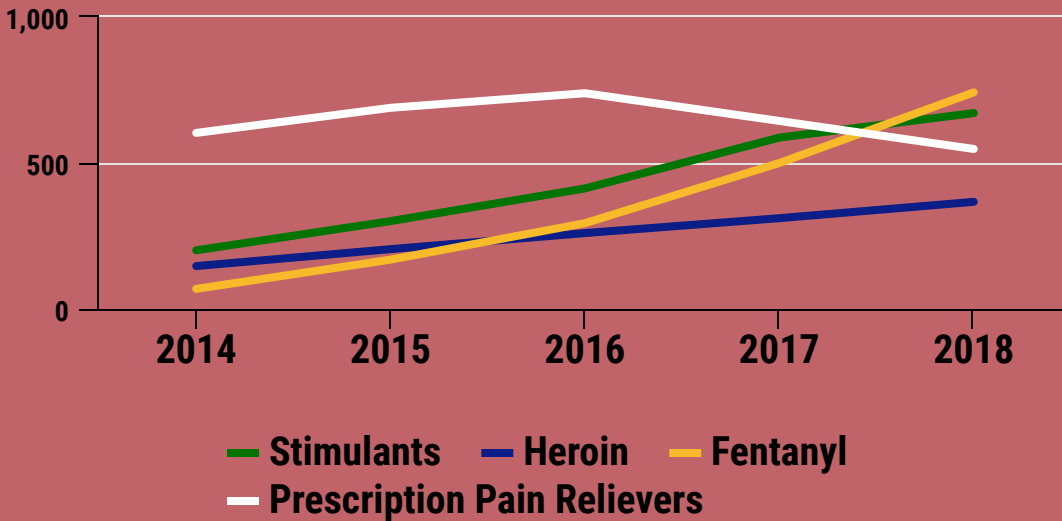


All drug overdose deaths and deaths involving an opioid continued to increase in 2018.

### Opioids include:

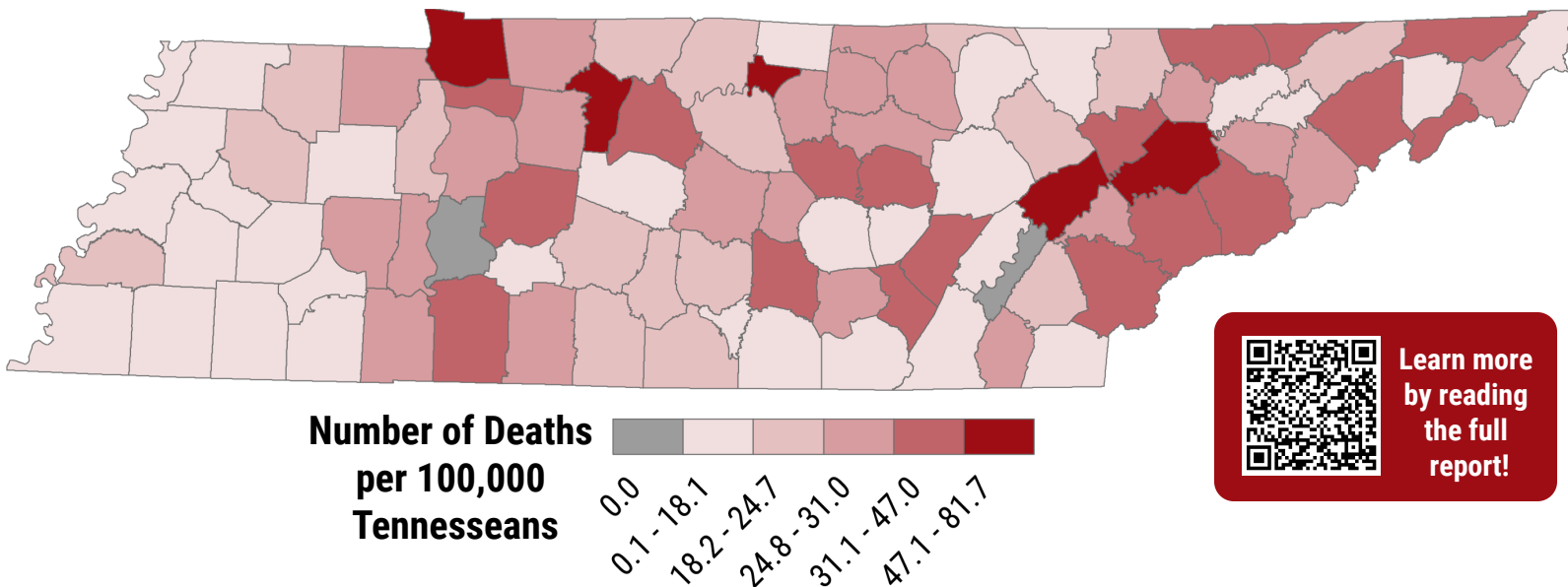


## Deaths involving illicit drugs are on the rise.



- ▶ Common stimulants include cocaine and methamphetamine.
- ▶ These trends reflect the shift from prescription pain relievers to illicit opioids in the epidemic of overdose deaths.

## Drug Overdose Death Rates across Tennessee



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