



American Association of Poison Control Centers

Opioid Data
August 31, 2019

These numbers reflect the closed human exposures to opioids reported to poison centers as of August 31, 2019. The numbers may change as cases are closed and additional information is received.

Year	Number of Cases
2011	88,404
2012	85,762
2013	79,722
2014	76,620
2015	74,084
2016	74,728
2017	69,234
2018	61,129
2019	38,714

2019 by Month	Number of Cases
January 2019	4,737
February 2019	4,390
March 2019	4,823
April 2019	4,714
May 2019	5,018
June 2019	5,145
July 2019	4,931
August 2019	4,956
September 2019	
October 2019	
November 2019	
December 2019	
Total	38,714

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Month	Number of Cases			
	2019	2018	2017	2016
January	4,737	5,287	6,458	6,156
February	4,390	4,861	5,855	6,108
March	4,823	5,405	6,160	6,280
April	4,714	4,883	5,776	6,192
May	5,018	5,227	5,865	6,281
June	5,145	5,396	5,695	6,194
July	4,931	5,023	5,609	6,198
August	4,956	5,257	5,961	6,259
September		4,956	5,443	6,130
October		4,941	5,555	6,360
November		4,804	5,190	6,334
December		5,089	5,667	6,236
Total	38,714	61,129	69,234	74,728

Month	Number of Cases				
	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
January	6,422	6,681	6,897	7,617	7,627
February	5,680	5,947	6,485	7,143	6,945
March	6,345	6,515	6,990	7,503	7,874
April	6,346	6,305	6,649	7,139	7,428
May	6,447	6,482	6,821	7,346	7,560
June	5,886	6,295	6,579	6,910	6,985
July	6,232	6,558	6,773	7,040	7,365
August	6,308	6,744	6,722	7,156	7,466
September	6,293	6,321	6,494	6,967	7,306
October	6,205	6,366	6,641	7,037	7,379
November	5,864	6,208	6,388	6,872	7,319
December	6,056	6,198	6,283	7,032	7,150
Total	74,084	76,620	79,722	85,762	88,404

Please note: American Association of Poison Control Center data for this year and last is considered preliminary because it is possible that a poison center may update a case anytime during the year if new information is obtained. In the fall of each year, the data for the previous year is locked, and no additional changes are made.

The term “exposure” means someone has had contact with the substance in some way; for example, ingested, inhaled, absorbed by the skin or eyes, etc. Not all exposures are poisonings or overdoses.