



RESPONDING TO THE OPIOID CRISIS AND OTHER SUBSTANCE MISUSE: SUPPORTING CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES

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AGENDA

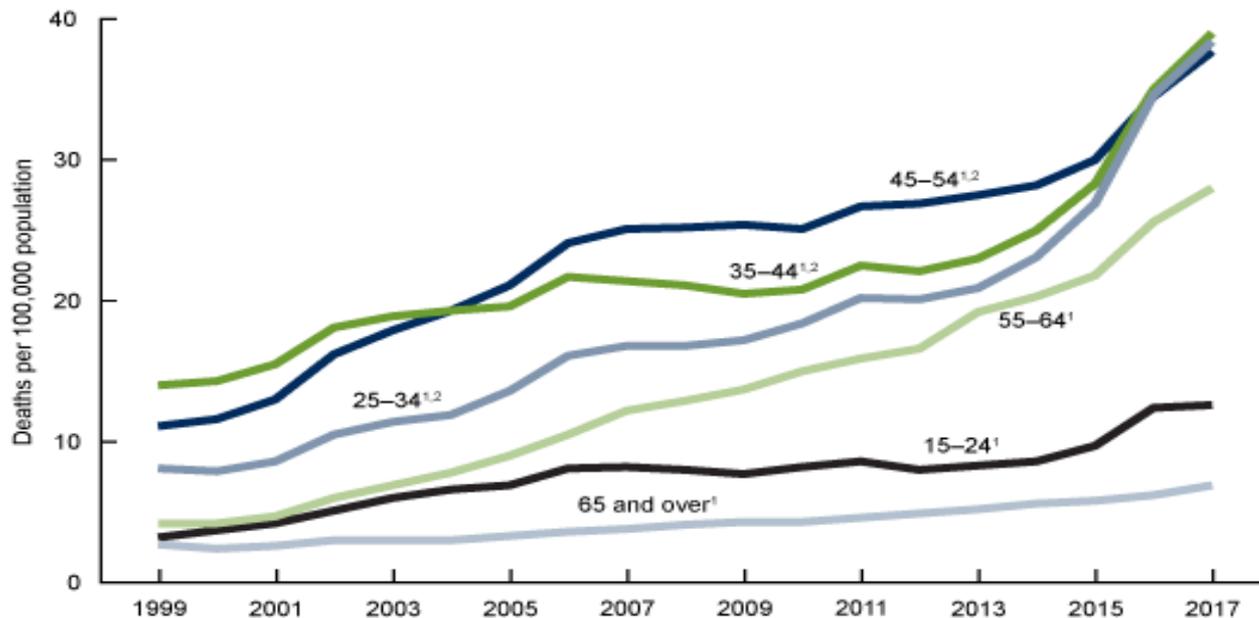
- Review latest data on the scope of the opioid crisis and other substance misuse among youth
- U.S. Department of Education's response to the opioid crisis and preventing youth substance use
- U.S. Department of Education and other Federal resources to address and prevent youth substance use



Outlining the Problem

OVERDOSE DEATHS: AGE

Drug overdose death rates, by selected age group: United States, 1999–2017



¹Significant increasing trend from 1999 through 2017 with different rates of change over time, $p < 0.05$.

²2017 rates were significantly higher for age groups 25–34, 35–44, and 45–54 than for age groups 15–24, 55–64, and 65 and over, $p < 0.05$. The rate for age group 35–44 was significantly higher than the rate for age group 45–54 and statistically the same as the rate for age group 25–34.

NOTES: Deaths are classified using the *International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision*. Drug-poisoning (overdose) deaths are identified using underlying cause-of-death codes X40–X44, X60–X64, X85, and Y10–Y14. [Access data table for Figure 2\(https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/databriefs/db329_tables-508.pdf#page=2\)](https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/databriefs/db329_tables-508.pdf#page=2).

SOURCE: NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality

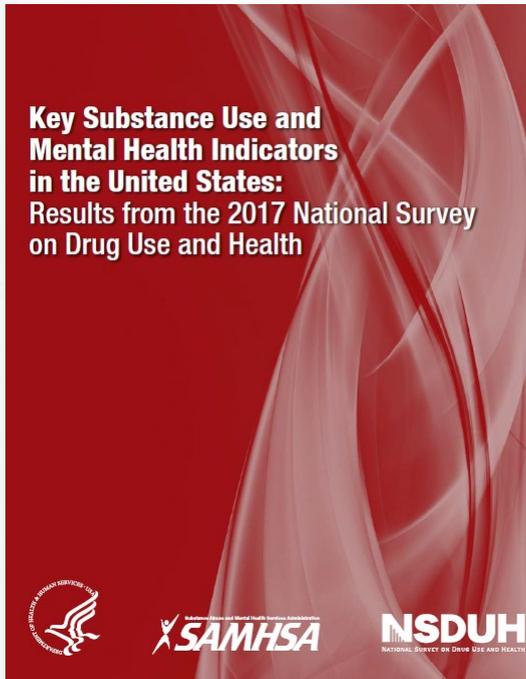


PAST YEAR INITIATES: YOUTH AGED 12-17

Table A.16A Past Year Initiation of Specific Substance Use among Youths Aged 12 to 17: 2002-2017

Substance	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
TOBACCO					
Cigarettes	932* (41)	838* (44)	823* (43)	723* (42)	604 (37)
Daily Cigarette Use	209* (19)	165* (19)	119 (15)	105 (14)	86 (13)
Smokeless Tobacco	nc	nc	460 (29)	353 (28)	397 (29)
Cigars	730* (36)	797* (41)	671 (37)	575 (34)	599 (35)
ALCOHOL	2,417 (67)	2,335 (67)	2,358 (75)	2,293 (71)	2,332 (66)
ILLICIT DRUGS					
Marijuana	1,200 (46)	1,203 (52)	1,169 (50)	1,197 (50)	1,204 (52)
Cocaine	94 (13)	117 (20)	112 (16)	107 (16)	98 (14)
Crack	10 (4)	11 (5)	** (**)	6 (3)	9 (4)
Heroin	21 (6)	13 (7)	11 (4)	8 (3)	9 (4)
Hallucinogens	nc	nc	340 (31)	319 (26)	344 (28)
LSD	122* (14)	165 (22)	206 (24)	160 (18)	188 (20)
PCP	19 (6)	17 (6)	34 (11)	12 (4)	13 (5)
Ecstasy	nc	nc	168 (22)	143 (19)	146 (20)
Inhalants	nc	nc	349 (27)	262 (23)	289 (25)
Methamphetamine	nc	nc	24 (8)	16 (5)	27 (7)
Misuse of Psychotherapeutics					
Pain Relievers	nc	nc	415* (32)	423* (30)	316 (29)
Tranquilizers	nc	nc	210 (23)	228 (22)	223 (23)
Stimulants	nc	nc	276 (27)	244 (28)	217 (25)
Sedatives	nc	nc	46 (11)	55 (11)	34 (9)

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. (2018). *Key substance use and mental health indicators in the United States: Results from the 2017 National Survey on Drug Use and Health* (HHS Publication No. SMA 18-5068, NSDUH Series H-53). Rockville, MD: Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. Retrieved from <https://www.samhsa.gov/data/>



NSDUH RESULTS CONTINUED...

In 2017-

- About 96,000 adolescents aged 12 to 17 smoked cigarettes **every day** in the past month.
- Approximately, 2.5 million adolescents **drank alcohol in the past month**; 1.3 million were past month **binge drinkers**
- Approximately 2.0 million adolescents aged 12 to 17 were current **users of illicit drugs** (outlined in report)
- Estimated 992,000 adolescents aged 12 to 17 had a **substance use disorder**.



The U.S. Department of Education's Response to Preventing Youth Substance Use

THE DEPARTMENT'S APPROACH

- The Department is taking a two-pronged approach to addressing the opioid crisis and preventing youth substance misuse:
 - Helping to educate students, families and educators about the dangers of misuse and about ways to prevent and overcome opioid addiction.
 - Supporting State and local education agency efforts to prevent and reduce opioid misuse.

THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE



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Student Loans

Grants

Laws

Data

Combating the Opioid Crisis and Other Substance Misuse: Schools, Students, Families

In October 2017, President Donald J. Trump declared the opioid crisis a national public health emergency. The U.S. Department of Education (the Department) is joining other Federal agencies in combating the opioid crisis that is killing Americans at unprecedented rates and plaguing families and communities. While the causes of opioid misuse are complex and determined by multiple factors, the goals of prevention and recovery focus on reducing risk and promoting factors that increase resiliency. Schools play an important role in reaching these goals.

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What are opioids, how are they having an impact and what is the Federal government doing?

- Opioids are natural or synthetic chemicals that reduce feelings of pain.
- Opioids are a class of drugs that include pain relievers available legally by prescription such as oxycodone, hydrocodone (Vicodin), codeine and morphine, as well as heroin and synthetic opioids such as fentanyl.
- **Anyone** who takes prescription opioids can become addicted to them or develop tolerance of physical dependence.
- In 2016, more Americans died due to opioid overdoses than car crashes. From cities and suburbs to rural America, opioid addiction and overdose is "the crisis next door".

Resources

- [National Prescription Drug Take Back Day](#) is an event lead by the Drug Enforcement Agency to provide a safe, convenient, and anonymous way of disposing of prescription drugs.

How Do I Find...?

- Student loans, forgiveness
- College accreditation
- Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)
- FERPA
- FAFSA
- 1098, tax forms
- More...

Information About...

- Transforming Teaching
- Family and Community Engagement
- Early Learning

<https://www.ed.gov/opioids/>



FY19 DEPARTMENT GRANT PROGRAMS

Grant Program	Drug Prevention Activities	Contact Info.
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants (Formula)	LEAs may use funds for activities to support safe and healthy students, which may include activities related to drug prevention.	OESE.OSHS.TITLEIV-A@ed.gov
School Climate Transformation Grants (Discretionary)	<p>LEA recipients to develop systems of support to improve school climate.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Competitive preference for applications that implement high quality opioid abuse prevention and mitigation strategies. 	LEA.SCTG@ed.gov
21 st Century Community Learning Center (Formula)	Community learning centers that provide academic enrichment opportunities during non-school hours for children, may include guest speakers and counselors related to drug, mental health, and violence prevention, among other activities.	21stCCLC@ed.gov



THE DEPARTMENT'S TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Technical Assistance Center	Contact Information
Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support (PBIS) Technical Assistance Center	https://www.pbis.org/
The National Center on Safe Supportive Learning Environments (NCSSLE) Technical Assistance Center	https://safesupportivelearning.ed.gov
Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools (REMS) Technical Assistance Center	https://rems.ed.gov/
Center to Improve Social and Emotional Learning and School Safety	https://selcenter.wested.org/
Title IV-A Technical Assistance Center	Stay Tuned!



Federal Resources

THE DEPARTMENT'S RESOURCES

- Webinar Series
 - The Opioid Crisis and K-12 Schools: [Impact and Response](#)
 - The Opioid Crisis and K-12 Schools: [Supporting Students at School](#)
 - Supporting Recovery and Building Resilience on Campus: [The Role of Collegiate Recovery Programs](#)
- National Center for Education Statistics
 - [The Condition of Education 2019](#)
 - [The Indicators of School Crime and Safety 2018](#)
- Federal Partnership Resources
 - [Growing up Drug-Free: A Parent's Guide to Prevention](#), a joint publication with the Department of Justice
 - ONDCP Work Group- [Federal Resource for Rural Communities](#)
 - ONDCP Work Group- [Substance Use Prevention: A Guide for School Staff](#)



OTHER FEDERAL RESOURCES

- Drug Enforcement Administration
 - [Get Smart About Drugs](#)- Resource Portal for Parents, Educators, and Caregivers.
 - [Just Think Twice](#)- website with information and resources geared for students (middle to high school).
 - [Operation Prevention](#)- website that educates students about the impacts of opioids through activities at home and in the classroom.
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
 - [Division for Adolescent Health](#)- website that helps to promote environments where youth can gain fundamental health knowledge and skills, establish healthy behaviors for a lifetime, and connect to health services.
- Youth.Gov
 - [Substance Abuse Prevention](#)- website with useful information across federal government to support and improve student health.



OTHER FEDERAL RESOURCES

- Health and Human Services
 - [Prevention, Treatment and Recovery](#)- website with information to help educate and support individuals impacted by opioids or other substance use disorders.
 - Office of Adolescent Health- [Think, Act, Grow](#)- provides educators and other professionals, parents, and adolescents with resources and ideas to support and improve teen health.
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration
 - [Opioid Prevention Toolkit](#)- toolkit offers strategies for developing practices and policies to help prevent opioid-related overdoses and deaths.
- National Institute on Drug Abuse
 - [Teen, Teachers, and Parents](#)- website with information and resources to educate about the realities of substance misuse.



WHITE HOUSE RESOURCES

- [Opioids.gov](#)- illustrates the magnitude of the opioid crisis and actions the Trump Administration is taking to address it..
- [Crisis Next Door](#)- website where individuals can share their story.
- [Truth Initiative](#)- website for youth to learn more about the realities of substance misuse and learn where to find a treatment center.
- [Drug-Free Community](#)- Nation's leading effort to mobilize communities to prevent youth substance use.

