



Substance Use Trends, Response and Initiatives

Housing and Supportive Services Network (*HSSN*)

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Oregon State Ranking

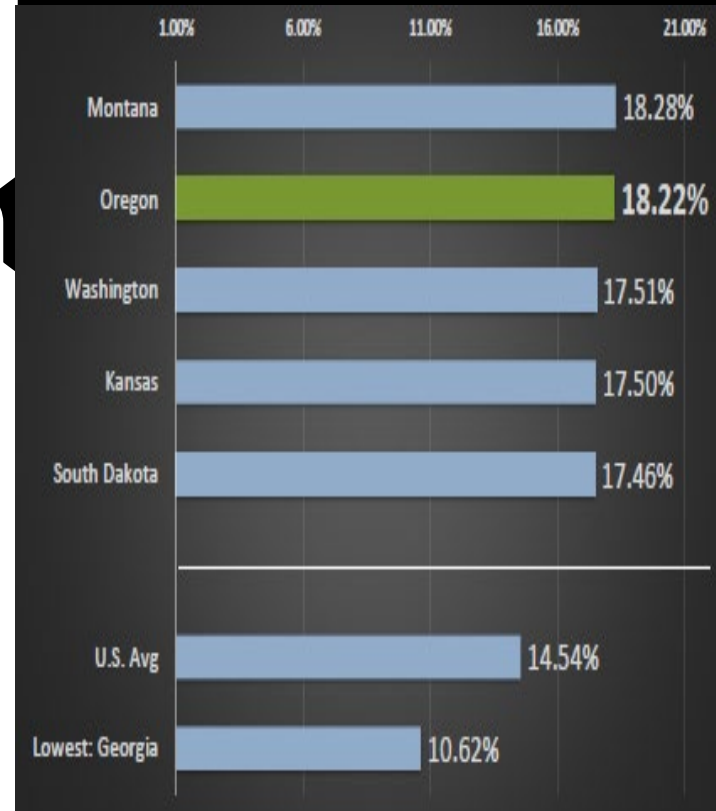
2021 National Survey on Drug Use and Health Report
(2019-2020 data)

Any Mental Illness in the in the past year

- 27% of the population
- 2nd

Any substance use disorder in the past year

- 18% of the population
- 2nd





Hillsboro, Beaverton/Washington County

Homeless Populations Summary

(1/27/2021 Point-In-Time Count)

Adults with a Serious Mental Illness in the
in the past year

- 15% of the population

Adults with a Substance use disorder in the
past year

- 7% of the population

Oregon State Ranking

**Ranked
#1**



Illicit Drug Use

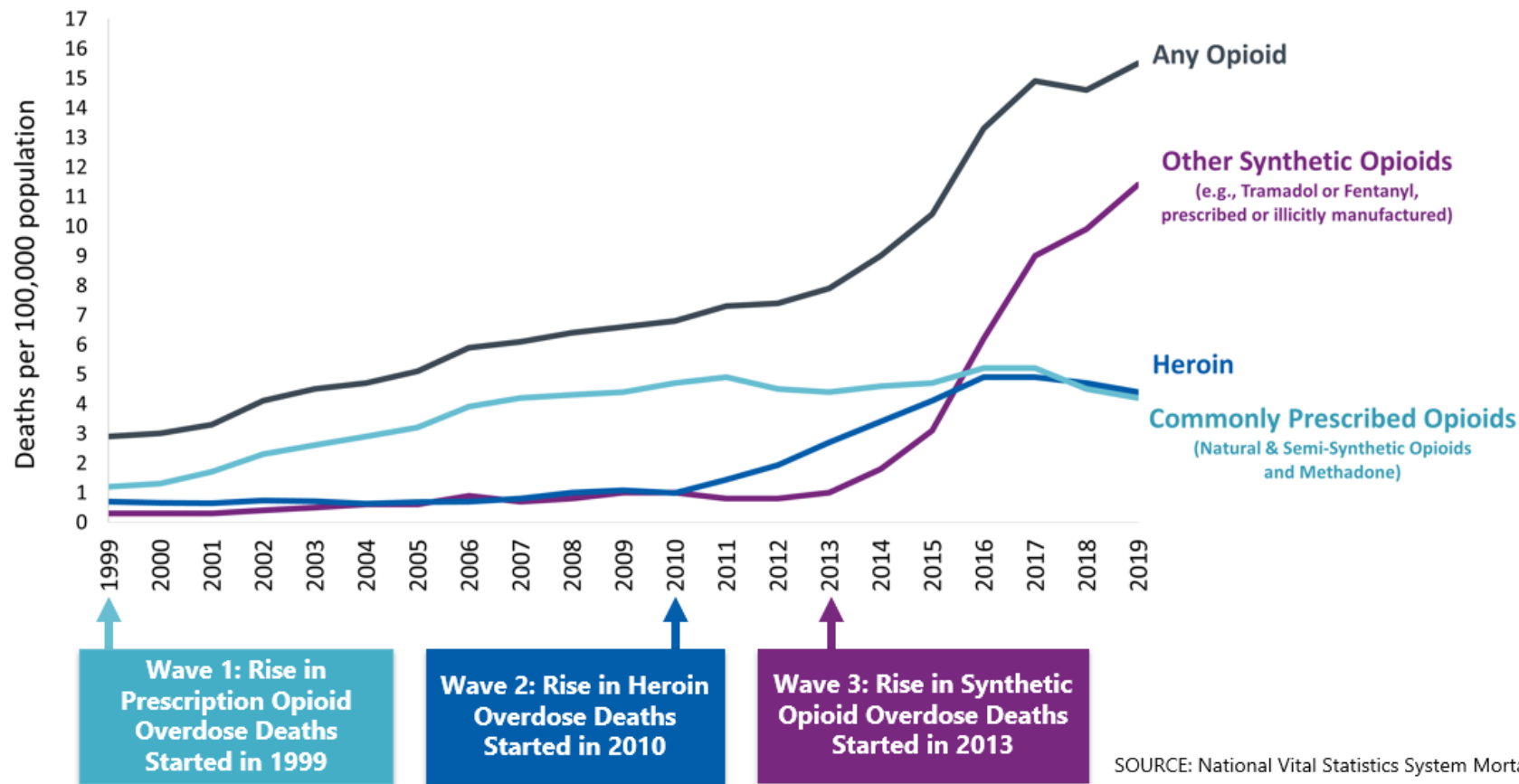


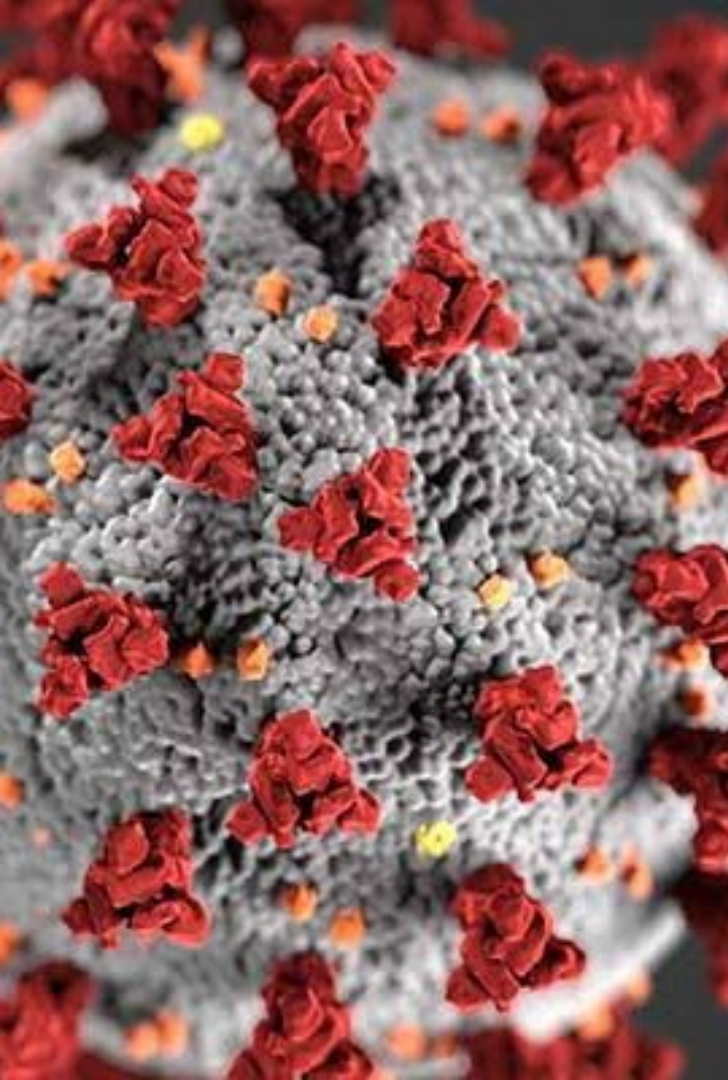
Methamphetamine Use



Prescription Drug Misuse

Three Waves of the Rise in Opioid Overdose Deaths





COVID-19 Impacts on People with Substance Use Disorders



Fentanyl

- 92%

Cocaine

- 57%

Amphetamines

- 37%

Heroin

- 9%

Washington County

5th

All Drugs

2nd

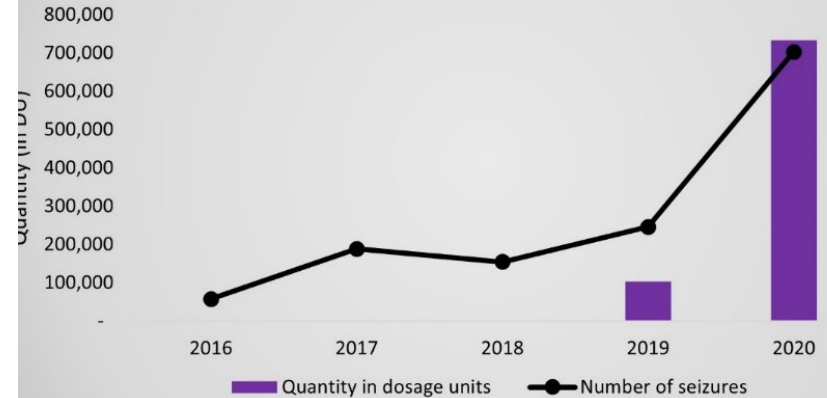
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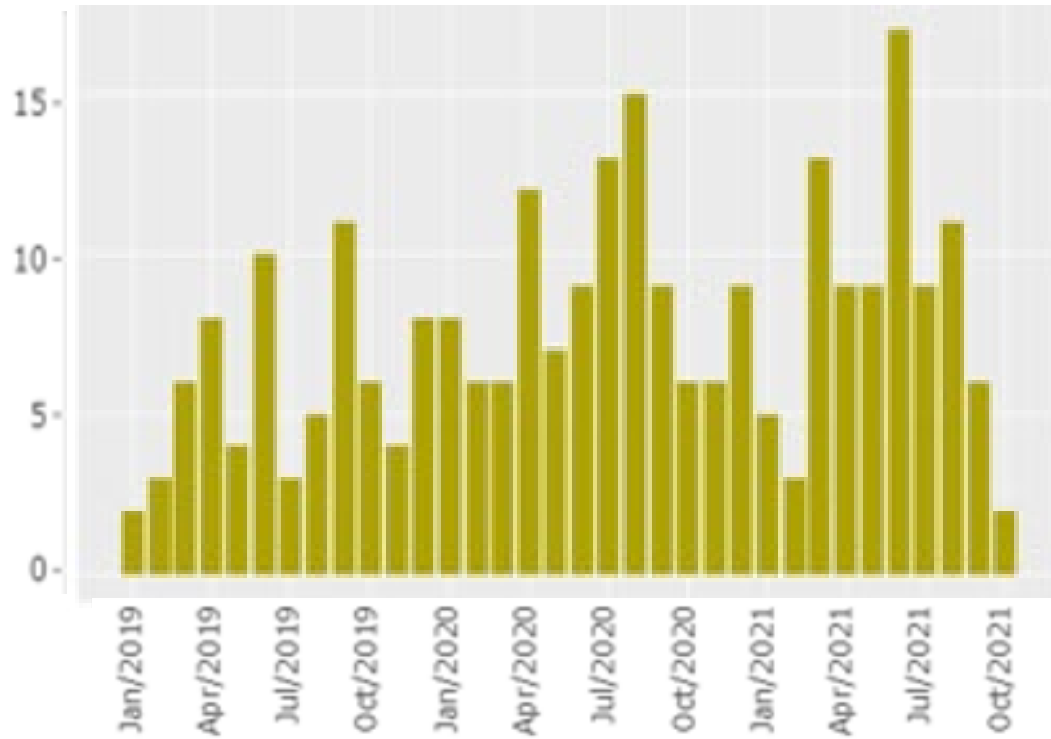
Two milligrams of fentanyl, shown here, is enough to kill someone. Photo courtesy of the DEA.

Number and Quantity of Fentanyl Seizures, Oregon-Idaho HIDTA Task Forces, 2016-2020

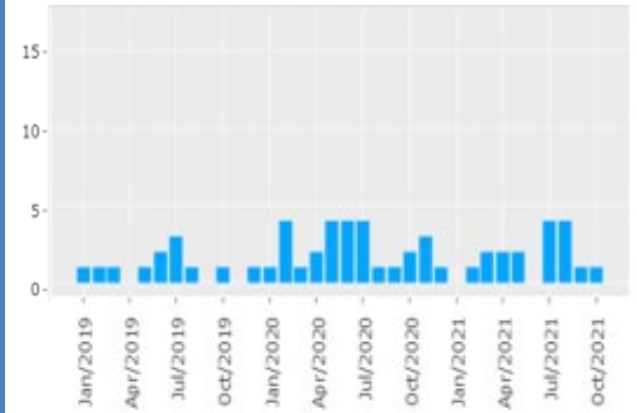


Source: HIDTA Performance Management Process Database, 3/30/21.

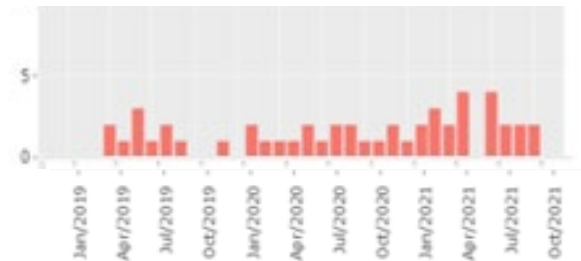
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Public Area/ Street



Business

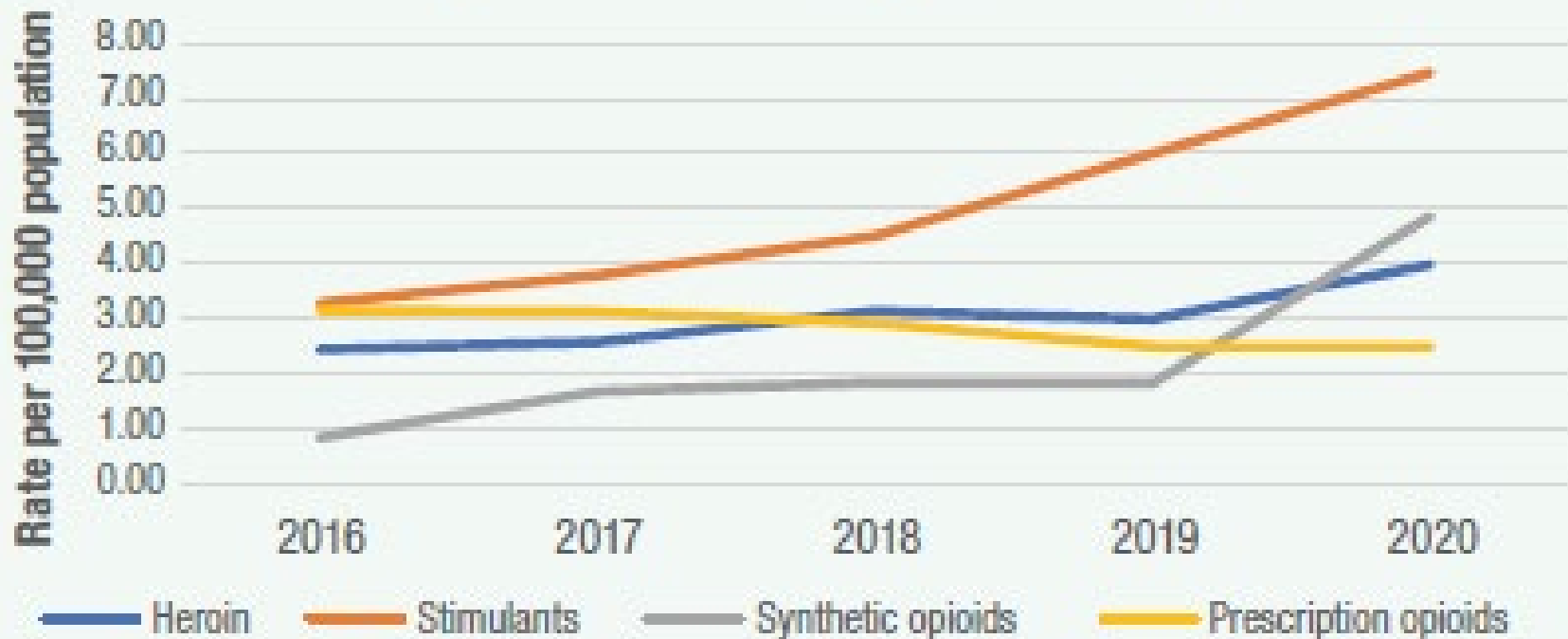




Naloxone



Figure 1: Unintentional drug overdose death rate, Oregon, 2016–2020 (1)



Source: Oregon Vital Records (Deaths), Center for Health Statistics, OHA

Response Actions

Status	Definition	Primary Activity
Green	Stable: Stable rates of opioid overdose based on routine surveillance data.	Monitor
Yellow	Potential or Suspected Increase: Multiple data sources suggest potential increase.	Investigate and Prepare
Red	Confirmed Increase: Increase in number of overdoses corroborated by multiple data sources or additional confirmatory evidence is available.	Active Response

- Improved data collection and monitoring
- Tri-County Overdose status moved to Yellow level
- [Tri-County press release](#) and [press conference](#)
- Alert notifications
- Washington County Sheriff [“One Pill Can Kill”](#) campaign
- Beaverton School District [Fake and Fatal - Beaverton School District](#)
- Trainings, messaging, and resources provided to school districts and prevention partners
- Overdose Response Plan and Team
- Naloxone administration & distribution
- Fentanyl Test strips
- Oregon Drug Take-Back program

Drug Take-Back



Washington County drug takeback ordinance 848 passed on May 7, 2019



Statewide Drug Take-Back programs began July 1st, 2021



Free drop-off sites and mail-back services


[Drug Take-Back Program](#)

The Center for Addiction Triage and Treatment

A center for treatment and support that offers rapid access to multiple types of substance use treatment. Services would include:

- Sobering
- Withdrawal management (detox)
- Residential treatment
- Stabilization
- Assessment and triage
- Co-located supports

May 2021

 Center for Addictions Triage and Treatment
A Feasibility Study

The CATT Connection

The Center for Addictions Triage and Treatment (CATT) is Washington County's concept to develop a comprehensive substance use treatment center.

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Change In Plans!

Previous issues of the CATT Connection noted that staff would be presenting the CATT concept to the Board of Commissioners in April and May. The presentation has been rescheduled for July 13, 2021, but this is subject to change. Keep an eye on the [CATT webpage](#) for more information.

WHAT'S NEW?

Q and A With The CATT Project Manager

Kristin Burke, Washington County's project manager for the CATT, provides answers to some questions we thought would be of interest to many readers. Kristin has been developing the concept for an addictions triage and treatment center since 2019, when the project was just an idea being floated around. She is the primary author of the feasibility study that the Board of Commissioners will review in July.



Question: I thought drug and alcohol use was a choice. Do we really have that many people in our county who need treatment?

Kristin: Yes, we do. And while someone may choose to drink or use drugs, continued use can lead to brain changes that make it tough to stop. Addiction is a medical disease that requires treatment, just like diabetes or heart disease. No matter how it begins, once a person can't stop on their own and it begins to impact their lives, help is needed.

Questions?

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