Kentucky Drug Overdose Fatality Surveillance System
Quarterly Update, Q1/2018

Figures 1 and 2: Drug Overdose Fatalities for Selected Drugs\(^1\) by Quarter Using Death Certificates, Q1/2016-Q1/2018; Drugs Involved\(^2\) in Opioid Overdose Fatalities by Quarter Using Death Certificates, Q1/2016-Q1/2018

**Figure 1**

1. Heroin involvement determined by presence of ICD−10 code T40.1 on Kentucky Death certificates; fentanyl involvement determined by presence of ICD−10 code T40.4 and word fentanyl in literal text of Kentucky Death certificates; methamphetamine involvement determined by presence of the word methamphetamine in literal text of Kentucky Death Certificates.

**Figure 2**

2. Fentanyl analog involvement determined by the presence of a fentanyl analog in the literal text of Kentucky Death Certificates; prescription opioid involvement determined by the presence of ICD−10 codes T40.2, T40.3, or T40.4 and absence of fentanyl involvement on Kentucky Death Certificates.

**Figure 3:** Change in Kentucky Resident Drug Overdose Deaths, Q4/2017-Q1/2018

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