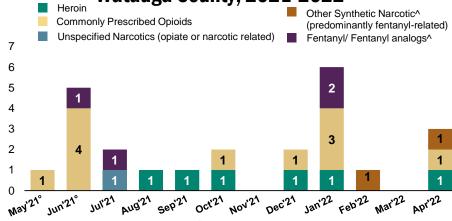




# Watauga County

# **10** OPIOID OVERDOSE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT VISITS

## Opioid Overdose ED Visits Last 12 Months: Watauga County, 2021-2022\*



## <sup>o</sup>There are known data quality gaps for May-June 2021 that may be impacting the shown trends. Interpret the data for these months with caution.

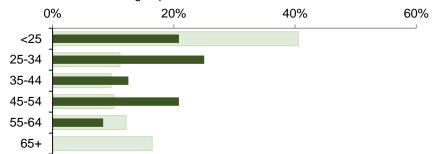
YTD: Year to date; \*Provisional Data: 2020-2021 ED Visits

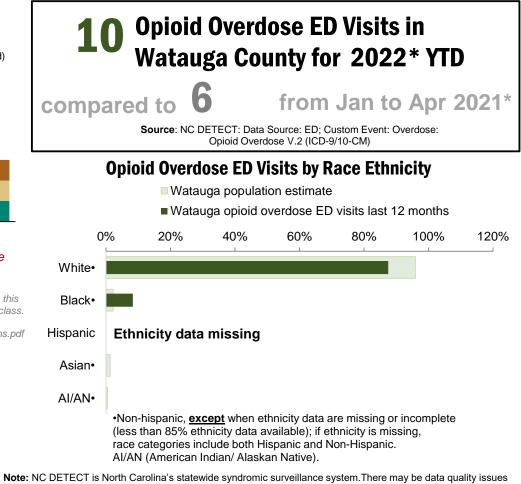
^Fentanyl/fentanyl analogs drug class is a new ICD10CM diagnosis code as of October 2020, prior to this month, this category was predominately captured in the non-specific "Other Synthetic Narcotic" drug class. **Note:** 2020-2021 ED visit data is provisional; For case definitions, go to

https://www.inuryfreenc.ncdhhs.gov/DataSurveillance/poisoning/SummaryTableforPoisoningDefinitions.pdf

### **Opioid Overdose ED Visits by Age Group**

- Watauga population estimate
- Watauga opioid overdose ED visits last 12 months





**Note:** NC DETECT is North Carolina's statewide syndromic surveillance system. There may be data quality issues affecting our counts: counties with <10 cases may not be true lack of opioid overdose cases but data quality issues; additionally, some hospitals use non-specific poisoning codes rather than specific opioid poisoning codes. For training on NCDETECT, contact Amy Ising, ising@ad.unc.edu.

Counts based on ICD-10-CM diagnosis code of an opioid overdose: **T40.0** (Opium), **T40.1** (Heroin), **T40.2** (Other Opioids), **T40.3** (Methadone), and **T40.4** (Other Synthetic Narcotics), and **T40.6** (Other and Unspecified Narcotics).

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