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County	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Total
	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Alamance	11	12	5	5	4	5	7	4	4	14	71
Alexander	6	11	2	4	1	4	3	5	3	2	41
Alleghany	0	0	2	0	2	1	1	1	2	3	12
Anson	2	0	1	2	1	0	2	0	1	0	9
Ashe	3	2	2	1	2	5	2	1	3	1	22
Avery	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	2	4	0	10
Beaufort	3	2	2	3	2	1	2	2	6	4	27
Bertie	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	7
Bladen	4	3	2	2	2	1	5	4	2	2	27
Brunswick	8	17	14	17	13	14	14	12	12	12	133
Buncombe	11	7	9	13	19	5	9	16	15	29	133
Burke	16	11	10	8	12	13	16	24	16	7	133
Cabarrus	15	12	13	12	7	12	7	5	13	11	107
Caldwell	11	10	5	5	8	5	6	17	13	5	85
Camden	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Carteret	9	7	6	5	2	6	10	9	11	6	71
Caswell	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	3	2	12
Catawba	11	17	9	18	9	10	9	14	14	16	127
Chatham	0	2	2	3	2	1	2	0	0	2	14
Cherokee	5	4	7	14	2	2	2	1	3	2	42
Chowan	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	2	7
Clay	2	0	3	1	0	1	2	0	2	2	13
Cleveland	13	12	11	3	6	5	4	10	7	3	74
Columbus	6	8	7	7	4	3	5	6	8	7	61
Craven	10	3	5	2	2	12	6	7	15	8	70
Cumberland	12	14	18	17	13	10	19	15	19	28	165
Currituck	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	6	13
Dare	2	3	3	2	2	3	3	1	0	3	22



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Davidson	22	12	11	14	11	16	18	12	13	15	144
Davie	3	4	0	1	2	2	4	1	7	3	27
Duplin	0	2	2	3	2	1	0	1	0	2	13
Durham	13	3	6	4	3	7	4	3	7	8	58
Edgecombe	1	2	1	1	1	4	2	5	4	3	24
Forsyth	24	14	10	21	17	15	17	24	12	22	176
Franklin	3	4	0	0	4	3	2	4	5	1	26
Gaston	16	24	28	21	21	18	19	15	19	15	196
Gates	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	4
Graham	1	0	5	1	1	1	0	2	1	1	13
Granville	3	3	1	4	5	2	0	3	4	3	28
Greene	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Guilford	14	17	10	15	20	6	9	16	21	20	148
Halifax	1	1	1	0	3	3	2	2	1	0	14
Harnett	8	3	9	4	7	8	10	6	9	11	75
Haywood	6	6	8	4	12	7	1	7	7	7	65
Henderson	7	8	11	5	5	10	5	7	7	7	72
Hertford	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	3
Hoke	2	2	1	2	1	3	4	1	1	1	18
Hyde	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Iredell	8	16	11	17	10	10	13	4	10	7	106
Jackson	6	3	5	4	1	0	1	3	3	2	28
Johnston	3	9	10	9	5	6	7	12	7	11	79
Jones	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	1	9
Lee	3	3	4	3	6	4	3	3	3	4	36
Lenoir	0	1	3	2	0	0	0	3	2	4	15
Lincoln	8	11	4	10	5	9	5	3	11	2	68
McDowell	7	3	5	3	4	2	3	6	13	4	50



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Macon	3	1	2	1	1	3	3	5	3	3	25
Madison	0	0	4	1	1	0	1	4	0	1	12
Martin	1	0	1	0	2	1	1	1	0	1	8
Mecklenburg	20	17	26	26	24	16	23	22	35	31	240
Mitchell	5	3	1	2	3	1	0	4	3	1	23
Montgomery	2	1	2	0	2	1	0	1	0	3	12
Moore	4	5	3	3	3	1	6	8	7	3	43
Nash	0	2	0	1	3	3	4	4	4	0	21
New Hanover	15	16	15	23	12	14	5	16	11	25	152
Northampton	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	2	0	6
Onslow	7	10	3	8	10	11	9	10	13	10	91
Orange	4	7	1	5	7	1	1	3	5	4	38
Pamlico	1	0	0	1	1	0	2	1	2	1	9
Pasquotank	2	0	0	2	1	1	1	1	1	3	12
Pender	7	4	5	4	5	4	0	6	7	2	44
Perquimans	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Person	5	2	2	5	3	2	2	3	1	3	28
Pitt	9	6	3	2	4	7	12	4	11	14	72
Polk	3	3	3	3	3	0	0	2	3	3	23
Randolph	5	13	12	16	10	12	8	14	13	17	120
Richmond	6	6	4	6	5	4	6	9	3	4	53
Robeson	3	4	3	9	10	10	12	11	6	9	77
Rockingham	13	5	5	9	4	6	4	9	12	9	76
Rowan	22	17	10	20	17	8	14	14	8	16	146
Rutherford	13	6	5	5	3	7	5	10	5	10	69
Sampson	5	5	3	7	2	3	10	2	5	1	43
Scotland	3	0	2	2	2	2	4	5	2	3	25
Stanly	4	4	12	6	6	3	2	6	3	2	48



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Stokes	11	3	3	8	1	3	3	8	6	9	55
Surry	6	11	9	7	10	6	12	4	7	7	79
Swain	4	2	7	1	2	1	1	1	0	3	22
Transylvania	4	5	3	3	4	4	3	2	4	4	36
Tyrrell	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Union	12	6	4	3	3	7	10	8	5	6	64
Vance	2	2	2	1	1	1	2	3	1	4	19
Wake	20	20	25	22	13	17	21	21	38	41	238
Warren	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Washington	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Watauga	3	6	1	2	2	3	2	1	4	0	24
Wayne	5	4	4	6	4	3	1	2	4	8	41
Wilkes	21	25	12	5	9	14	24	20	24	7	161
Wilson	1	1	1	4	2	3	1	1	3	2	19
Yadkin	4	5	6	6	6	5	9	3	3	2	49
Yancey	2	3	5	4	5	0	3	4	3	0	29
STATE	585	547	496	533	473	449	494	560	620	607	5,364

Data Source: North Carolina State Center for Health Statistics, Vital Statistics Death Certificate Data.

Note: Counts by any mention of drug type are not mutually exclusive; if a death involved multiple drugs it could be listed in additional tables.

ICD-10 Codes: An underlying cause (COD1) of X40-X44 Accidental poisonings by drugs; and a contributing cause (COD2-21) of T40.2 Natural and semisynthetic opioids; or T40.3 Methadone.

Version updates:

Previous versions of this table did not include NC residents deaths that occurred out of state for 2012-2015; this table includes NC resident deaths occurring in and out of state for all years.