21,003
Fentanyl Involved Fatalities
North Carolina Residents
2013 - September 2026*

Year	# of fentanyl involved fatalities	difference from previous year	% change from previous year
2013	111		1st year of records
2014	212	101	91%
2015	300	88	42%
2016	442	142	47%
2017	936	494	112%
2018	1229	293	31%
2019	1490	261	21%
2020	2426	936	63%
2021	3164	738	30%
2022	3362	198	6%
2023	3055	-307	-9%
2024	1961	-1094	-36%
2025*	1509	-452	-23%
2026*	806	January-September 2026 only	
TOTAL	21003		

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data source: North Carolina Office of Chief Medical Examiner (NC OCME) Toxicology

*data are provisional and subject to change

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