

## New Hanover County NC Fentanyl Involved Fatalities\*^ 2013-2023 (Jan-Mar 2023) Population: 238,800

	Total of All med/drug Fatalities	Number of Fentanyl-Involved^ Fatalities	Number of Non-Fentanyl med/drug Fatalities	Percent Fentanyl-Involved^ Fatalities	Percent Non-Fentanyl med/drug Fatalities
<b>2013</b>	39	6	33	15%	85%
<b>2014</b>	42	8	34	19%	81%
<b>2015</b>	53	18	35	34%	66%
<b>2016</b>	71	27	44	38%	62%
<b>2017</b>	87	47	40	54%	46%
<b>2018</b>	84	51	33	61%	39%
<b>2019</b>	72	54	18	75%	25%
<b>2020</b>	100	79	21	79%	21%
<b>2021</b>	97	79	18	81%	19%
<b>2022*</b>	93	75	18	81%	19%
<b>(Jan - Mar Only) 2023*</b>	30	25	5	83%	17%
<b>Total 2013-2023*</b>	768	469	299	61%	39%
<b>NC STATEWIDE</b>	25931	14971	10960	58%	42%

\* 2023 data January - March only.

^There is no individual code for fentanyl involvement on a death certificate; instead, the code T40.4 - an overdose involving an other synthetic narcotic is used as a proxy for fentanyl-involvement.

Fentanyl gets coded using the other synthetic narcotic code, but there may be other drugs included in this category; however, we know from toxicology data that the majority of deaths receiving this code involved fentanyl.

data source: NC State Center for Health Statistics, Vital Statistics Death Certificate Data (2013-202\*)

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n = 71, 2021 Illicit Opioid Fatalities



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