Substance Use

700,000+ overdose deaths from 1999 to 2017\(^1\)

68% of the more than 70,200 drug overdose deaths in 2017 involved an opioid.\(^1\)

6x higher

the number of overdose deaths involving opioids in 2017 versus 1999\(^1\)

Alcohol use among youth

Among people ages 12 to 20 in 2017, 11.9 percent were binge drinkers, and 2.5 percent were heavy drinkers.\(^2\)

Substance use

Approximately 2 million adolescents ages 12 to 17 in 2017 were current users of illicit drugs.\(^2\)

Sources