Number of Confirmed Unintentional/Undetermined[1] Opioid-related[2] Overdose Deaths by City/Town, MA Residents January 2012[3]- December 2015[4]

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	2012	2013	2014[3]	2015[3]
Abington	1	2	2	7
Acton	2	0	3	3
Acushnet	2	0	0	4
Adams	1	1	2	3
Agawam	1	3	3	5
Alford	0	0	0	0
Amesbury	1	1	1	6
Amherst	0	2	2	1
Andover	1	4	4	5
Aquinnah	0	0	1	1
Arlington	4	3	5	7
Ashburnham	0	0	1	1
Ashby	0	0	0	0
Ashfield	0	0	0	1
Ashland	1	0	1	4
Athol	2	2	2	2
Attleboro	4	11	10	11
Auburn	0	2	1	2
Avon	2	1	2	3
Ayer	0	1	1	1
Barnstable	6	8	12	12
Barre	1	0	0	3
Becket	1	0	0	0
Bedford	2	0	2	0
Belchertown	1	3	2	2
Bellingham	3	1	2	3
Belmont	0	0	4	4
Berkley	2	1	1	0
Berlin	0	0	0	1
Bernardston	2	0	0	0

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Beverly	7	4	8	12
Billerica	1	4	12	12
Blackstone	0	0	2	3
Blandford	0	0	0	0
Bolton	0	0	0	2
Boston	64	82	106	141
Bourne	4	2	5	8
Boxborough	0	0	0	0
Boxford	0	0	0	2
Boylston	0	0	0	2
Braintree	3	4	8	9
Brewster	1	1	1	0
Bridgewater	2	5	4	11
Brimfield	0	0	0	0
Brockton	9	27	24	47
Brookfield	0	1	2	0
Brookline	0	1	1	3
Buckland	0	1	0	1
Burlington	3	3	3	3
Cambridge	5	5	8	13
Canton	1	4	4	6
Carlisle	0	0	0	0
Carver	4	2	5	6
Charlemont	0	0	0	0
Charlton	1	1	1	0
Chatham	0	0	1	1
Chelmsford	0	3	3	5
Chelsea	2	7	7	18
Cheshire	0	0	0	0
Chester	0	0	0	0
Chesterfield	0	0	0	0
Chicopee	9	9	6	19
Chilmark	0	0	1	0
Clarksburg	1	1	0	0
Clinton	3	2	4	6
Cohasset	0	0	3	0
Colrain	0	0	0	0
Concord	0	0	0	0
Conway	0	0	0	0

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	2012	2013	2014[3]	2015[3]
Cummington	0	0	0	0
Dalton	1	0	0	0
Danvers	4	6	4	6
Dartmouth	2	2	7	2
Dedham	2	3	4	4
Deerfield	0	0	0	1
Dennis	2	3	8	2
Dighton	0	1	0	0
Douglas	2	0	0	2
Dover	0	0	0	0
Dracut	3	6	7	8
Dudley	1	3	2	0
Dunstable	1	1	0	0
Duxbury	2	0	2	1
East Bridgewater	0	4	2	1
East Brookfield	0	0	0	0
East Longmeadow	3	5	1	3
Eastham	0	2	4	2
Easthampton	3	6	2	1
Easton	1	2	7	6
Edgartown	0	0	0	0
Egremont	0	0	0	0
Erving	0	1	0	0
Essex	1	0	0	1
Everett	9	5	27	17
Fairhaven	1	4	1	7
Fall River	22	28	34	38
Falmouth	4	6	8	14
Fitchburg	4	6	14	18
Florida	0	0	0	0
Foxborough	0	1	3	0
Framingham	6	3	11	12
Franklin	1	2	4	6
Freetown	2	0	2	3
Gardner	1	4	4	6
Georgetown	0	1	2	2
Gill	0	0	2	0
Gloucester	1	5	5	10
Goshen	0	0	1	0

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Gosnold	0	0	0	0
Grafton	0	3	2	2
Granby	0	2	2	2
Granville	0	0	0	0
Great Barrington	0	0	1	0
Greenfield	4	4	3	7
Groton	0	1	0	1
Groveland	0	1	1	0
Hadley	0	0	1	0
Halifax	1	4	0	1
Hamilton	0	1	1	0
Hampden	0	0	2	0
Hancock	0	0	0	0
Hanover	1	1	1	1
Hanson	1	1	0	7
Hardwick	0	0	0	2
Harvard	0	1	0	0
Harwich	2	2	1	4
Hatfield	0	2	0	1
Haverhill	11	8	34	30
Hawley	0	0	0	0
Heath	0	0	0	0
Hingham	2	1	0	0
Hinsdale	0	0	2	1
Holbrook	1	4	4	4
Holden	1	0	5	4
Holland	0	0	0	1
Holliston	0	1	0	3
Holyoke	5	8	10	6
Hopedale	0	0	4	0
Hopkinton	1	0	3	3
Hubbardston	0	0	2	2
Hudson	2	1	1	6
Hull	2	0	3	3
Huntington	0	0	0	0
Ipswich	3	1	4	3
Kingston	0	0	2	1
Lakeville	0	1	1	0
Lancaster	2	0	1	2

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	2012	2013	2014[3]	2015[3]
Lanesborough	0	0	0	1
Lawrence	6	9	25	25
Lee	0	0	2	2
Leicester	0	2	1	2
Lenox	0	1	0	0
Leominster	4	6	9	6
Leverett	0	0	0	0
Lexington	0	1	2	2
Leyden	0	0	0	0
Lincoln	0	0	0	0
Littleton	0	0	0	0
Longmeadow	1	3	0	0
Lowell	9	24	39	56
Ludlow	1	2	2	4
Lunenburg	1	3	2	2
Lynn	22	25	42	45
Lynnfield	0	0	2	2
Malden	9	12	18	21
Manchester	0	0	0	0
Mansfield	0	4	2	3
Marblehead	2	2	0	1
Marion	0	0	0	1
Marlborough	2	2	8	8
Marshfield	4	4	6	3
Mashpee	0	5	2	10
Mattapoisett	0	0	0	2
Maynard	2	0	2	3
Medfield	0	0	0	0
Medford	11	9	13	20
Medway	0	1	0	1
Melrose	1	4	4	1
Mendon	0	2	0	1
Merrimac	0	1	0	2
Methuen	1	6	12	6
Middleborough	4	5	5	10
Middlefield	1	0	0	0
Middleton	0	0	2	4
Milford	4	2	4	3
Millbury	1	2	4	3

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Millis	0	1	1	1
Millville	0	0	0	1
Milton	1	0	4	1
Monroe	0	0	0	0
Monson	1	2	0	0
Montague	0	0	1	1
Monterey	0	0	0	0
Montgomery	0	0	0	0
Mount Washington	0	0	0	0
Nahant	0	0	0	1
Nantucket	0	1	1	1
Natick	0	3	6	4
Needham	0	0	0	1
New Ashford	0	0	0	1
New Bedford	26	27	27	48
New Braintree	0	0	0	0
New Marlborough	0	0	1	0
New Salem	0	0	0	1
Newbury	0	1	1	2
Newburyport	1	2	5	2
Newton	5	1	6	7
Norfolk	1	0	1	1
North Adams	4	1	5	5
North Andover	2	1	3	3
North Attleboro	5	5	6	6
North Brookfield	2	0	1	0
North Reading	0	1	2	1
Northampton	1	3	11	4
Northborough	1	0	0	0
Northbridge	2	1	1	4
Northfield	0	0	0	1
Norton	4	4	5	1
Norwell	1	1	3	3
Norwood	2	1	5	6
Oak Bluffs	0	1	1	3
Oakham	0	0	0	0
Orange	2	2	2	3
Orleans	0	1	0	0
Otis	0	0	0	0

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Oxford	3	1	5	3
Palmer	2	1	1	2
Paxton	2	1	1	1
Peabody	3	12	13	9
Pelham	0	0	0	0
Pembroke	4	1	5	4
Pepperell	3	1	3	3
Peru	0	0	0	0
Petersham	0	1	0	0
Phillipston	1	0	0	0
Pittsfield	8	14	13	17
Plainfield	0	0	0	0
Plainville	2	1	3	0
Plymouth	6	6	17	20
Plympton	0	0	0	1
Princeton	1	1	1	1
Provincetown	0	0	1	0
Quincy	25	26	38	41
Randolph	4	5	7	12
Raynham	1	2	5	4
Reading	1	1	3	4
Rehoboth	0	0	0	2
Revere	12	15	26	15
Richmond	0	1	0	0
Rochester	0	0	1	0
Rockland	1	3	5	10
Rockport	2	0	2	3
Rowe	0	0	0	0
Rowley	1	2	0	0
Royalston	0	1	0	0
Russell	0	0	0	0
Rutland	1	0	2	0
Salem	5	6	12	13
Salisbury	3	1	4	5
Sandisfield	0	0	0	0
Sandwich	1	2	3	2
Saugus	9	7	8	6
Savoy	0	0	0	0
Scituate	1	1	5	4

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Seekonk	0	0	1	2
Sharon	2	3	3	1
Sheffield	0	0	1	0
Shelburne	0	0	2	1
Sherborn	0	0	1	1
Shirley	1	0	3	1
Shrewsbury	0	6	1	2
Shutesbury	0	0	0	0
Somerset	2	1	2	4
Somerville	5	8	14	19
South Hadley	1	4	0	2
Southampton	0	1	0	1
Southborough	0	0	0	0
Southbridge	2	2	3	6
Southwick	1	0	2	1
Spencer	0	1	3	8
Springfield	22	22	20	41
Sterling	1	1	0	0
Stockbridge	0	1	0	0
Stoneham	2	2	5	6
Stoughton	4	7	10	10
Stow	0	0	0	1
Sturbridge	0	1	1	1
Sudbury	1	0	0	0
Sunderland	0	1	0	0
Sutton	0	0	0	1
Swampscott	0	3	3	1
Swansea	4	4	5	0
Taunton	14	13	19	14
Templeton	1	1	2	2
Tewksbury	2	1	7	8
Tisbury	0	0	1	2
Tolland	0	0	0	0
Topsfield	1	1	1	0
Townsend	1	4	2	1
Truro	0	0	0	0
Tyngsborough	2	1	1	5
Tyringham	0	0	0	1
Upton	1	1	0	0

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Uxbridge	3	2	1	4
Wakefield	1	7	5	6
Wales	0	0	0	0
Walpole	1	2	1	4
Waltham	3	8	10	10
Ware	3	4	4	2
Wareham	2	9	9	8
Warren	1	1	2	2
Warwick	0	0	0	1
Washington	0	0	0	0
Watertown	1	7	3	7
Wayland	1	0	1	1
Webster	4	3	4	5
Wellesley	0	0	0	2
Wellfleet	0	1	1	0
Wendell	0	0	0	0
Wenham	0	1	1	1
West Boylston	1	1	3	0
West Bridgewater	3	2	4	0
West Brookfield	0	1	2	0
West Newbury	0	0	0	0
West Springfield	0	7	6	6
West Stockbridge	0	0	0	1
West Tisbury	0	0	1	0
Westborough	0	0	1	3
Westfield	5	7	6	8
Westford	0	0	2	0
Westhampton	0	0	0	0
Westminster	0	0	1	0
Weston	0	1	1	0
Westport	2	2	4	2
Westwood	0	0	2	2
Weymouth	13	12	14	24
Whately	0	0	0	0
Whitman	4	3	2	6
Wilbraham	1	0	1	1
Williamsburg	0	1	0	0
Williamstown	0	1	1	0
Wilmington	2	3	4	8

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Winchendon	3	1	2	2
Winchester	0	0	4	1
Windsor	0	0	0	0
Winthrop	7	2	3	7
Woburn	7	6	5	6
Worcester	28	43	56	76
Worthington	0	0	0	0
Wrentham	1	0	1	2
Yarmouth	3	7	6	9
Unknown	1	0	1	0
Total	**698**	**918**	**1,321**	**1,597**

[1]Unintentional poisoning/overdose deaths combine unintentional and undetermined intents to account for a change in death coding that occurred in 2005. Suicides are excluded from this analysis.

[2]Opioids include heroin, opioid-based prescription painkillers, and other unspecified opioids.

[3]Please note that 2014 and 2015 death data are preliminary and subject to updates. Case reviews of deaths are evaluated and updated on an ongoing basis. A large number of death certificates have yet to be assigned final cause-of-death codes. The information presented in this report only includes confirmed cases. Data updated on 01/12/2017.

Technical Notes

1. Cases were defined using the International Classification of Disease (ICD-10) codes for mortality. The following codes were selected from the underlying cause of death field to identify poisonings/overdoses: X40-X49, Y10-Y19. All multiple cause of death fields were then used to identify an opioid-related death: T40.0, T40.1, T40.2, T40.3, T40.4, and T40.6.
2. This report tracks all opioid-related overdoses due to difficulties in reporting heroin-associated overdoses separately. Many deaths related to heroin are not specifically coded as such due to the fast metabolism of heroin into morphine.
3. To maintain consistency with NCHS reporting, we do not include the ICD-10 code F11.1, which may include opioid-related overdose deaths.

Source: Registry of Vital Records and Statistics, MDPH