

Interactive Graphic: Explore How Patterns Of Drug Deaths Have Changed

Measuring Overdoses in Surprising Places

Overdose fatality rates in most of the Philadelphia region are well above the national average. Pennsylvania was ranked No. 8 in 2013. New Jersey's death rate was rising faster.

Death rates in Camden and Gloucester Counties now exceed the city's. And they are part of a curious pattern: Mortality rates in every South Jersey county are above the state average, while every North Jersey county is below it.

Hover over the **map at right** to compare counties in 2013. Slide the black dot above the **pie chart below** to see the longterm shift.

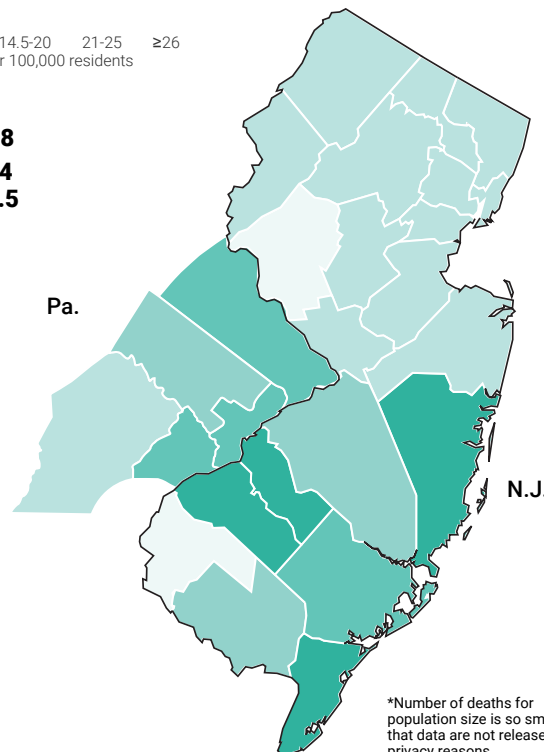
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Deaths per 100,000 residents

2013

U.S. **13.8**

Pa.: **19.4**

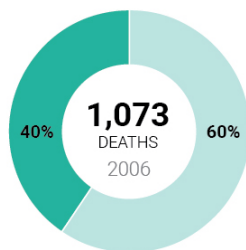
N.J.: **14.5**



*Number of deaths for population size is so small that data are not released for privacy reasons.

Shift from City to Suburbs

CITY SUBURBS
1999 2006 2013

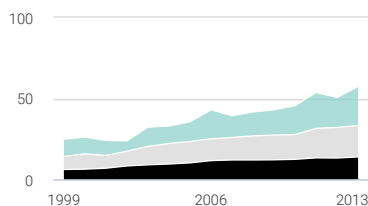


Overdose Death Rates, 1999-2013

Per 100,000 residents

U.S. STATE COUNTY

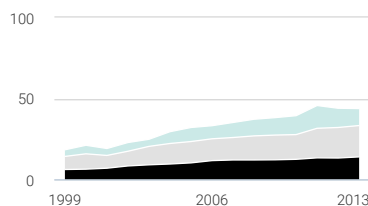
Bucks County



Number of deaths in 2013: **141**

Number of deaths in 2013: **138**

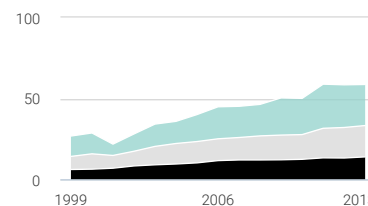
Chester County



Number of deaths in 2013: **51**

Number of deaths in 2013: **402**

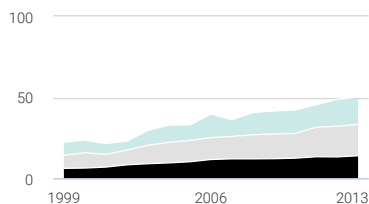
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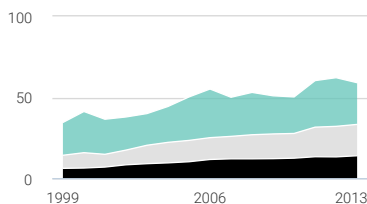
Number of deaths in 2013: **138**

Number of deaths in 2013: **87**

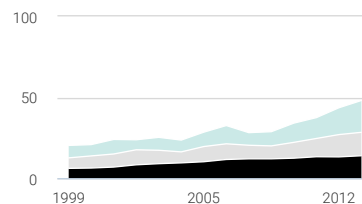
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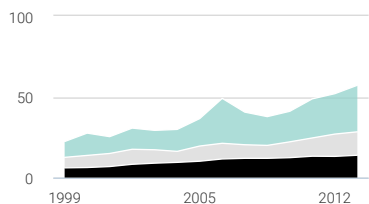
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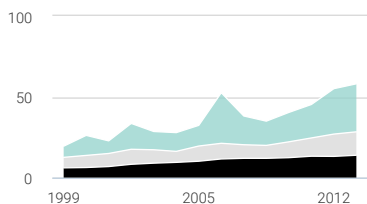
Burlington County**



Camden County**

Number of deaths in 2013: **143**

Gloucester County**

Number of deaths in 2013: **83**

LINK TO GRAPHIC: Locations of 115 overdose reversals by Camden County police last year.

LINK TO STORY: Overdose epidemic surges in suburbia

SOURCE: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics

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