Opioid-Related Death in Massachusetts

Simulated Demo

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This project made use of publically available death records of individuals who died in Massachusetts, USA between 2000 and 2017 with an opioid-related ICD10 code assigned to them as a cause of death. The data source presented several challenges, not least among them, errors due to manual entry of information. However, the greatest hurdle were changes to data format (including the addition of over 600 variables) in mid-2014. As death information is publically available, variable names are true to the data source.

Variables for data 2000-mid 2014 names(pre2014)

```
[1] "CERT"
                                 "OCCTOWNCODE"
                                                          "FACCODE"
##
                                 "DOD"
##
    [4] "RES_CITY_CODE"
                                                         "FED_TAPE_DEMO_FLAG"
    [7] "SOC_SEC_FLAG"
                                 "RES_ZIP_4"
                                                         "AUTOPSY"
  [10] "CERT TITLE"
                                 "SEX"
                                                         "MARITAL"
##
   [13] "AGE AT DEATH"
                                 "NATIVITY"
                                                         "OUT_OF_STATE_GEOCODE"
  [16] "RES DISTRICT"
                                 "OCC DISTRICT"
                                                         "OCCUPATION CODE"
## [19] "RES_HSA"
                                 "OCCPLOOK"
                                                         "RES_COUNTY_CODE"
## [22] "OCC_HSA"
                                 "DCOUNTY"
                                                         "OOS_DCERT"
##
  [25] "ALIAS_INDICATOR"
                                 "AKA_1_LNAME"
                                                         "AKA_1_GNAME"
   [28] "AKA_1_MINT"
                                 "ME_CR_CONT"
                                                         "AKA_2_LNAME"
   [31] "AKA_2_GNAME"
                                 "AGEOTHER"
                                                         "DOB_NUMERIC"
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        "RES_ADDR_NUM"
                                 "RES_ADDR1"
                                                         "RES_STREET_DESIG"
   [37]
        "RES_ZIP"
                                 "SPOUSE_GNAME"
                                                         "SPOUSE_LNAME"
##
  [40]
       "BPLACE_CITY"
                                 "BPLACE_ST"
                                                         "OCCUP"
## [43] "INDUST"
                                 "FATHER_BSTATE"
                                                         "MOTHER_BSTATE"
   [46] "INFO NME"
                                 "INFO_LST_NME"
                                                         "INFO ADDR NUM"
##
   [49]
       "INFO_ADDR1"
                                 "INFO_STREET_DESIG"
                                                         "INFO_CITY"
##
                                                         "FDIR_LIC_NUM"
       "INFO STATE"
                                 "INFO ZIP"
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       "DPLACE"
                                 "VET_STAT"
                                                         "DETHNIC_HISPANIC"
##
        "RACE"
                                 "DEDUC"
                                                         "DISPOSITION"
##
  [58]
                                                         "INJRY WORK"
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       "AUTOPSY F USED"
                                 "MANNER"
  Γ64]
       "INJRY PLACE"
                                 "RN PRONOUNCE"
                                                         "DNAME CITY"
        "DSTATEL"
                                                         "RES_STATE"
## [67]
                                 "RES CITY"
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       "INFO RELATION"
                                 "TRX_CAUSE_ACME"
                                                         "TRX_REC_AXIS_CD"
                                 "DFIRSTNAME"
                                                         "DMIDDLENAME"
## [73] "DLASTNAME"
  [76] "DCENSUSTRACT"
                                 "DMAIDENNAME"
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Variables for data late 2014-2017 names(post2014)

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##
     [1] "VRV FILED LOCATION ID"
                                             "VRV REC INIT USER ID"
                                             "VRV_ORIGINATING_REC_ID"
##
     [3] "VRV_SECONDARY_REC_ID"
##
     [5] "VRV_REC_REPLACE_NBR"
                                             "SFN NUM"
##
     [7] "DOB"
                                             "DOI"
##
     [9] "CERT_SIGN_DATE"
                                             "DETHNIC1"
    [11] "DETHNIC2"
                                             "DETHNIC3"
##
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[13] "DETHNIC4"
##
                                             "DETHNIC5"
##
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                                             "RACE1"
                                             "RACE3"
##
    [17] "RACE2"
    [19] "RACE16"
                                             "RACE17"
##
##
    [21] "RACE4"
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##
    [23] "RACE6"
                                             "RACE7"
    [25] "RACE8"
                                             "RACE9"
##
    [27] "RACE10"
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##
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    [33] "RACE14"
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##
    [35] "RACE21"
                                             "RACE15"
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                                             "RACE23"
##
    [39] "INDUST"
                                             "ME_CR_CONT"
##
##
    [41] "CODIA"
                                             "INTIA"
##
    [43] "OCCUP"
                                             "CODIB"
##
    [45] "INTIB"
                                             "CODIC"
##
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                                             "CONDII"
##
##
    [51] "AUTOPSY"
                                             "AUTOPSY F AVAIL"
##
    [53] "TOBAC"
                                             "PREG"
##
    [55] "MANNER"
                                             "INJRY PLACEL"
    [57] "INJRY_WORK"
                                             "INJRY_CITY"
##
    [59] "INJRY_STATE"
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##
    [61] "INJRY ZIP9"
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##
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                                             "CERT LIC NUM"
##
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                                             "FATHER_LNAME"
##
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##
                                             "MOTHER_LNAME"
##
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##
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                                             "INFO_CITY"
    [77] "INFO_ZIP"
                                             "INFO_STATE"
##
    [79] "INFO_COUNTRY"
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##
                                             "DHOSPITALL"
##
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##
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                                             "DNAME CITY"
##
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                                             "DSTATEL"
##
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##
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##
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                                             "DISP_ST"
    [93] "DISP CNTRY"
                                             "EMB LIC NUM"
    [95] "GNAME"
##
                                             "MNAME"
    [97] "LNAME"
                                             "SUFF"
##
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##
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## [115] "ARMED"
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## [117] "TOD IN"
                                             "PRO DATE"
## [119] "PRO_TIME_IN"
                                             "SPOUSE GNAME"
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## [121] "SPOUSE MNAME"
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## [123] "SPOUSE_SUFFIX"
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## [129] "FDIR_FRST_NME"
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                                           "DCOUNTY_FIPS_CD"
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                                            "DNAME FIPS CD"
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## [165] "BPLACE_CNT_FIPS_CD"
## [167] "BPLACE_ST_NCHS_CD"
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## [183] "IND_RELEASE_2_STATE"
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## [233] "SEQ19"
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## [277] "RES ADDR2"
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## [287] "TRX_SYS_REJECT_CD"
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## [289] "TRX_CAUSE_MANUAL"
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                                           "FL_RECOVERED"
## [297] "DOD 4 FD"
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## [299] "TOI"
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## [301] "DISP CREMATION"
                                           "DISP DONATION"
## [303] "DISP_ENTOMBMENT"
                                           "DISP_REMOVAL"
## [305] "DISP OTHER"
                                           "TIME QUAL DOD"
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## [309] "INJRY TRANSPRT OTHER"
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## [313] "CERT OTHER"
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## [321] "ME GNAME"
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  [327] "INJRY_ADDR_UNK"
                                           "FL_START_CASE"
## [329] "LNAME_SAME_AS_MAIDEN"
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## [331] "CERT_CONTACT_INFO"
                                           "FL PH ME ASSIGNED"
## [333] "INFO_RELATION_OTHER"
                                           "FNRL NME OOS"
## [335] "FNRL_CNTRY_OOS"
                                           "FNRL STATE OOS"
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## [337] "FNRL CITY OOS"
                                           "DISP CNTRY CREM"
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                                           "DISP NME CREM"
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                                           "RACE_NOT_OBT"
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                                           "HISTORY"
## [347] "FL REGIS ACCEPTS DEMO EXCPTNS"
                                           "FL REGIS ACCEPTS MED EXCPTNS"
## [349] "FL UNSIGN RECORD"
                                           "FL UNCERTIFY RECORD"
## [351] "FL_READY_2_CERTIFY_PH"
                                           "FL READY 2 CERTIFY ME"
## [353] "FL_DECLINE_2_SIGN"
                                           "FL DECLINE 2 CERT"
  [355] "FL_REFER_2_ME"
                                           "FL_REFERRAL_DECLINED"
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                                           "IND_DEMOGRAPHIC_EXCEPTIONS"
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                                           "IND_MED_INFO_STATUS"
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                                           "FL_ASSIGN_FH_2_OSDH"
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## [387] "FL_AGE_DOB_DOD_DISCREP4"
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## [391] "REGISTRAR_SIGN_NAME"
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                                           "TRX_INJRY_L"
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## [403] "RACE_NCHS_CD"
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## [405] "CERT CASE ACCESS"
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## [443] "APPLICANT RELATIONSHIP"
                                           "DO NOT ISSUE COMMENT"
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## [449] "PAGE NO"
                                           "DOB NUMERIC"
## [451] "FL_UPDATE_PENDING"
                                           "FL_PRINT_LANDSCAPE"
## [453] "START_RECORD_LOC_ID"
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## [455] "OCCUR CITY LOC ID"
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In order to fit any sort of temporal model, we needed a unified data set. Additionally, while we were interested in several individual-level covariates, much of these data were irrelevant to us. I developed the following functions as a mechanism to extract specific information from the raw vitals, recode it, and populate a data frame much more suited to the project's needs.