

**NEW JERSEY OFFICE OF THE STATE MEDICAL EXAMINER (OSME)  
DRUG RELATED DEATHS FOR 2015**

COUNTY	TOTAL	HEROIN	MORPHINE	COCAINE	FENTANYL	OXYCODONE	METHADONE
ATLANTIC	85	54	2	23	23	15	6
BERGEN	85	51	2	19	24	17	4
BURLINGTON	87	41	2	22	38	16	5
CAMDEN	191	115	5	66	53	41	11
CAPE MAY	32	18	1	3	10	4	2
CUMBERLAND	38	16	4	12	10	8	2
ESSEX	146	91	2	55	29	14	9
GLOUCESTER	65	37	3	22	17	17	6
HUDSON	107	64	2	36	18	18	9
HUNTERDON	14	8	1	3	2	1	0
MERCER	59	39	0	16	15	13	8
MIDDLESEX	106	60	3	18	30	21	5
MONMOUTH	122	68	0	25	29	30	10
MORRIS	44	33	1	10	17	8	2
OCEAN	157	74	7	25	51	36	10
PASSAIC	83	55	0	31	16	12	3
SALEM	18	11	0	5	3	4	2
SOMERSET	35	18	4	2	5	8	0
SUSSEX	25	12	1	1	5	2	3
UNION	67	44	3	16	13	13	6
WARREN	21	9	0	4	9	4	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1587</b>	<b>918</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>103</b>

\* Please note that the presence of Morphine may or may not represent Heroin use at the time of death. Effective 2014, the OSME established a new procedure for compiling drug related death statistics. An analysis was conducted of the decedent's history, death scene investigation, toxicology results and autopsy report. Any cases positive for Morphine that were found to be likely due to Heroin (e.g., glassine bags at the scene, presence of Codeine in the blood) were classified as Heroin related deaths. Some of the cases on this list were positive for multiple drugs, therefore if a case was positive for Heroin, Cocaine and Fentanyl, each respective column would include a count for each drug. Cases listed under Fentanyl include Fentanyl and Acetyl Fentanyl.