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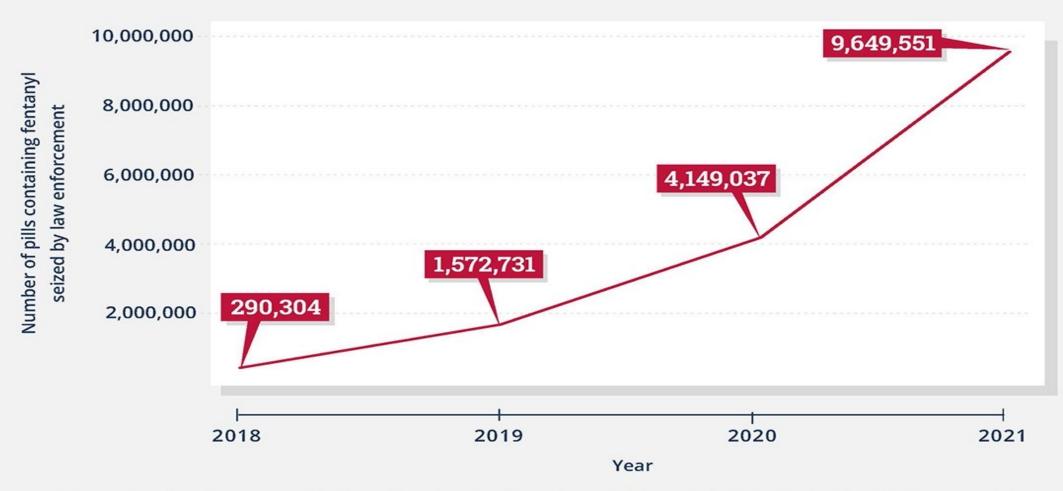








#### Number of Pills Containing Fentanyl Seized by Law Enforcement in the United States, 2018 – 2021



Estimates based on data reported by the Office of National Drug Control Policy's High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas program

Reference: JJ Palamar, et al. Drug and Alcohol Dependence. DOI: 10.1016/j.drugalcdep.2022.109398 (2022)



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### Fentanyl Deaths Among Children Rising Faster Than Any Other Age Group, More Than Tripled in Just Two Years

Suicides Used to Make Up More Than 25% of Fentanyl Deaths, Now Less than 1% are Suicides

Akron, Ohio – A new analysis by Families Against Fentanyl has found that synthetic opioid (fentanyl) deaths among children 14 and under are increasing at a faster rate than any other age group in the United States, and more than tripled in just two years. FAF's new issue brief, entitled "The Changing Faces of Fentanyl Deaths" is based on the non-profit organization's analysis of data from the Center for Disease Control on synthetic opioid (fentanyl) poisoning fatalities.

"These disturbing new findings should serve as a wake-up call to our nation's leaders. Families Against Fentanyl is calling for the Biden Administration to declare fentanyl a weapon of mass destruction and immediately establish a White House task force dedicated to the fentanyl crisis. Americans deserve to know what is being done to save lives, and what is being done to uncover and stop the international manufacturers and traffickers of illicit fentanyl. This is the number one killer of our nation's young adults. It is killing more and more children each year. It's time to treat this threat with the urgency it deserves" said Jim Rauh, founder of Families Against Fentanyl.



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- Synthetic opioid (fentanyl) fatalities among children aged 14 and under are rising faster than any other age group, and more than tripled in just two years.
- Fentanyl deaths among infants increased twice as fast as overall U.S. fentanyl deaths in the two years from 2019 to 2021 (the latest year for which CDC data is available).
- Nationally, fentanyl deaths doubled in the two years from 2019 to 2021. However, in
  the same period, deaths among infants to 1 year olds quadrupled, deaths among 1
  to 4 year olds more than tripled, and deaths among 5 to 14 year olds nearly
  quadrupled.
- Since 2015, synthetic opioid (fentanyl) deaths among infants increased nearly 10 fold, and 15 fold among children ages 1 to 14: an increase of more than 1,400%.

#### Nearly All U.S. Fentanyl Deaths Are Unintentional Poisonings

- In 2000, more than one in four synthetic opioid (fentanyl) fatalities were determined to be suicide (26.5%).
- In 2021, less than one percent of these fatalities were caused by suicide.

#### Synthetic Opioid (Fentanyl) Poisoning is Still the Leading Cause of Death Among Americans 18 to 45.

- In December 2021, Families Against Fentanyl released its groundbreaking finding that fentanyl was the number one cause of death among Americans ages 18 to 45 in 2019, 2020 and the first part of 2021. That continued to be the case throughout 2021 (the latest year for which CDC data is available).
- More than half of all fentanyl deaths in the United States were among Americans aged 25 to 44 in 2021, the latest year available.
- Americans 35 to 44 are more likely to die from synthetic opioid (fentanyl) poisoning than any other ten year age group.

### Fentanyl-Related Deaths

### **Notes About the Data**

- Death data for 2021 and 2022 are provisional.
  - Provisional statistics are tabulated based on data that are not yet edited and may be incomplete.
  - The following numbers are subject to change as these data are finalized.
- Additionally, 2022 data only covers the time period through mid-August.
- Data is presented by place of residence.
  - Residence: deaths where the decedent was a resident of Texas at the time of death but could have died anywhere.



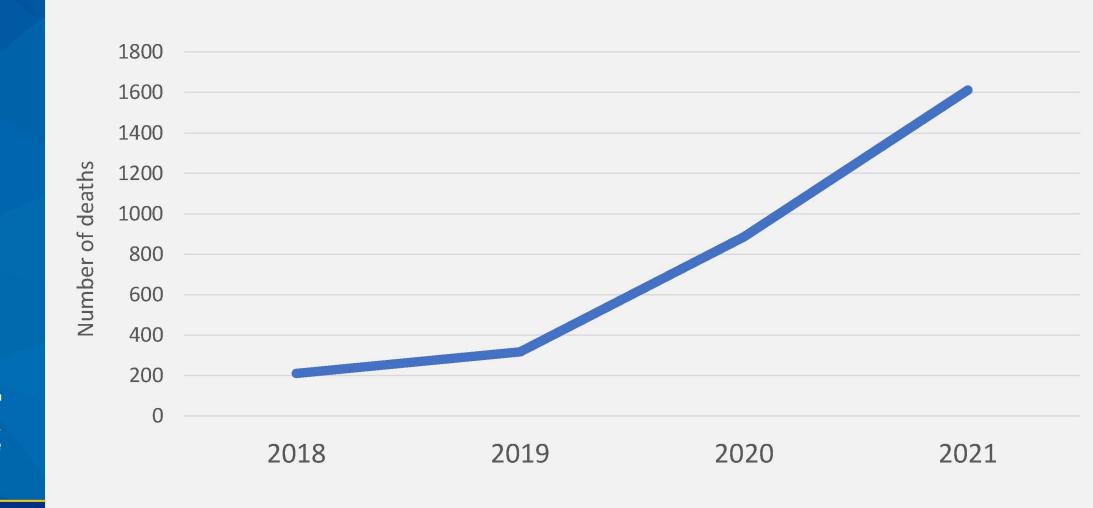
### Percentage of Unintentional Synthetic Opioid Deaths Related to Fentanyl, 2018 through August 2022

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Fentanyl	210	317	886	1612	842
related	(69%)	(83%)	(90%)	(95%)	(97%)
Fentanyl not related	94	64	95	80	28
	(31%)	(17%)	(10%)	(5%)	(3%)
Total deaths	304	381	981	1692	870



Texas Department of State Health Services

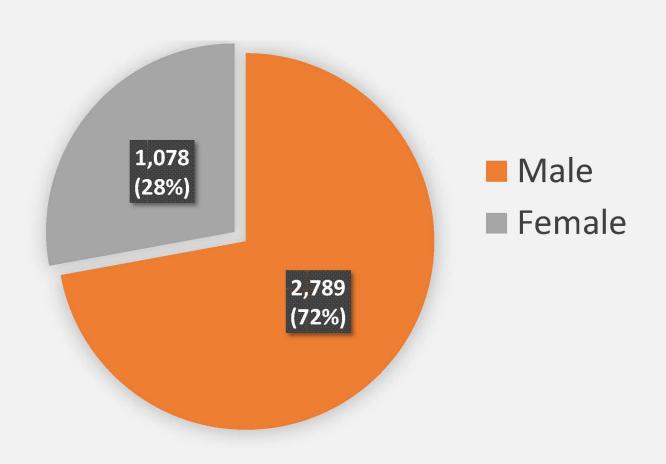
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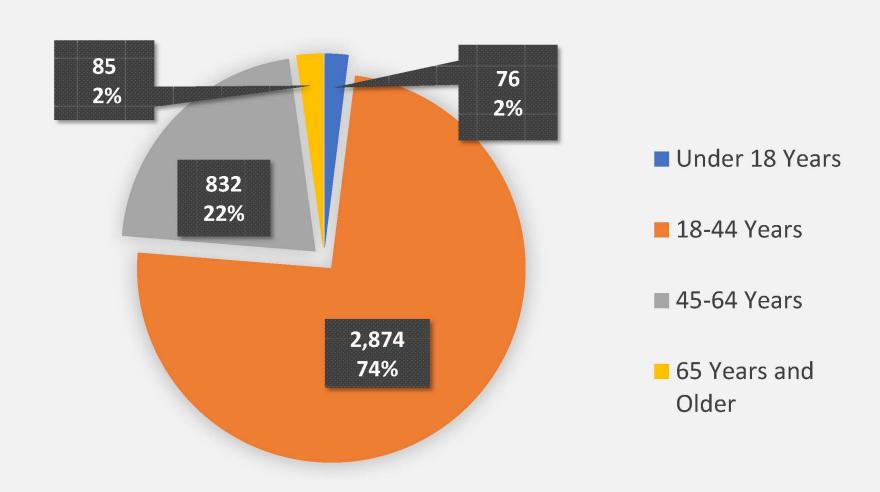
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# Unintentional Fentanyl-Related Deaths, 2018 - August 2022 by Sex





## Unintentional Fentanyl-Related Deaths, 2018 - August 2022 by Age Group







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#### For Immediate Release:

On February 17, 2023, members of the North Texas Sheriff's Criminal Interdiction Unit, a multi-agency initiative between Collin, Grayson, Hunt, Parker, Rockwall, Smith, Tarrant, and Wise Counties, conducted a traffic stop on Interstate 20 within Smith County.

The operator of a motor vehicle, Erik Marin Islas Angeles of Mexico, gave voluntary consent for a search of his motor vehicle. During the search of the vehicle, members discovered anomalies within the vehicle. Within a false compartment, members discovered **9 pounds or approximately 42,000 fentanyl pills**. Angles is being held at the Smith County Sheriff's Office on a \$2,000,000 bond.

Collin County Sheriff Jim Skinner stated, "This large seizure of fentanyl by NTXCIU deputies will make communities across East and North Texas that much safer. The eight Sheriff's offices that comprise the NTXCIU will continue their close inter-agency cooperation to push back and fight the deadly scourge of fentanyl. These efforts save lives."

Smith County Sheriff Larry Smith stated, "I am proud of the inter-agency cooperation between this multi-agency task force. I am also proud of our K-9 and Narcotics Unit who, in short notice, responded to this incident. This influx of deadly fentanyl into our state and communities has to be stopped."



