

County-Level Benzodiazepine-Involved Overdose Death Data

Table 1: Number of benzodiazepine-involved overdose deaths (non-exclusive of other drug categories), by county of residence and metro area and year, 2013-2022*

County of Residence	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022*	Total
Atkin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
Anoka	6	5	2	6	4	4	3	13	13	9	65
Becker	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Beltrami	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	5
Benton	0	2	0	1	0	2	0	0	2	0	7
Big Stone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blue Earth	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	2	6
Brown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Carlton	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	2	2	2	10
Carver	1	2	0	1	0	2	2	1	0	0	9
Cass	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	4
Chippewa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chisago	0	2	0	1	1	3	0	1	1	0	9
Clay	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2
Clearwater	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cook	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cottonwood	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crow Wing	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
Dakota	7	2	10	3	8	3	10	8	14	6	71
Dodge	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	3

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County of Residence	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022*	Total
Douglas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Faribault	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Fillmore	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2
Freeborn	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
Goodhue	1	0	1	3	1	0	0	1	1	0	8
Grant	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hennepin	18	16	27	49	45	20	31	68	42	52	368
Houston	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	4
Hubbard	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Isanti	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	5
Itasca	0	1	0	0	0	2	2	1	2	2	10
Jackson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kanabec	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Kandiyohi	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
Kittson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Koochiching	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Lac Qui Parle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lake	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Lake of The Woods	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Le Sueur	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Lincoln	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Lyon	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Mahnomen	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Marshall	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Martin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
McLeod	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	1	5
Meeker	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Mille Lacs	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	4
Morrison	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	5

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Mower	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	3
Murray	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nicollet	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nobles	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	3
Norman	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Olmsted	3	7	3	6	2	1	3	3	2	2	32
Otter Tail	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	5
Pennington	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pine	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	1	1	0	6
Pipestone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Polk	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	3
Pope	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ramsey	1	2	6	7	8	3	4	9	10	5	55
Red Lake	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Redwood	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Renville	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4
Rice	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	4
Rock	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Roseau	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Scott	0	1	0	3	3	3	3	3	1	2	19
Sherburne	0	1	2	1	0	2	1	1	0	0	8
Sibley	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
St. Louis	5	6	3	6	3	2	4	6	11	6	52
Stearns	0	1	2	0	0	4	1	6	0	5	19
Steele	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
Stevens	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Swift	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Todd	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
Traverse	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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County of Residence	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022*	Total
Wabasha	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	2	5
Wadena	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
Waseca	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Washington	0	0	1	1	4	3	3	5	2	4	23
Watonwan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Wilkin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Winona	0	3	1	0	1	2	0	1	1	0	9
Wright	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	4	2	11
Yellow Medicine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
7-County Metro	33	28	46	70	72	38	56	107	82	78	610
Greater MN	17	27	25	33	19	31	29	37	37	38	293
Unknown County	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	50	55	71	103	92	69	85	144	119	116	903

Source: Minnesota death certificates, Injury and Violence Prevention Section, Minnesota Department of Health, 2013-2022.

Underlying cause of death includes ICD-10 codes indicating drug overdose (X40-X44, X60-X64, X85, or Y10-Y14); contributing cause of death includes ICD-10 code indicating benzodiazepine use (T42.4). Benzodiazepine overdose deaths are not exclusive of other drug categories.

7-county metro: Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington counties; Greater Minnesota: Not part of the 7-county; Unknown county: County FIPS code is invalid or missing.

*2022 numbers are preliminary

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