The highest concentration of cases occurred in Mecklenburg, Cumberland, Forsyth, Wake and Durham counties. With the highest rates occurring in Davidson (9.7 per 100,000 residents) and Cumberland (8.6 per 100,000 residents) counties.

Cases were predominantly male (58%), white (84%), and between 25-34 years of age (41%).

Note: Counts based on diagnosis (ICD-9/10-CM code) of an opioid overdose of any intent (accidental, intentional, assault, and undetermined) for North Carolina residents. Opioid overdose cases include poisonings with opium, heroin, opioids, methadone, and other synthetic narcotics. *Emergency department visit data from NC DETECT are provisional and should not be considered final. There may be data quality issues affecting our counts; counties with <10 cases may not be true lack of opioid overdose cases but data quality issues; additionally, some hospitals use non-specific poisoning codes.
Heroin Overdose Emergency Department Visits: North Carolina, February 2018

The highest concentration of cases occurred in Mecklenburg, Cumberland, Forsyth, Davidson, and Wake counties. With the highest rates occurring in Davidson (9.6 per 100,000 residents) and Cabarrus (6.4 per 100,000 residents) counties.

Cases were predominantly male (65%), white (87%), and between 25-34 years of age (51%).

Note: Counts based on diagnosis (ICD-9/10-CM code) of a heroin overdose of any intent (accidental, intentional, assault, and undetermined) for North Carolina residents. *Emergency department visit data from NC DETECT are provisional and should not be considered final. There may be data quality issues affecting our counts: counties with <10 cases may not be true lack of opioid overdose cases but data quality issues; additionally, some hospitals use non-specific poisoning codes rather than specific opioid poisoning codes.

Source: NC DETECT: ED; Syndrome: Overdose: Opioid Overdose (ICD-9/10-CM)