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Confirmed Poisoning Deaths in North Carolina, 2006 – 2017

Based on provisional data, 76.9% of poisoning deaths involved opioids in 2017, while 63.7% of poisoning deaths involved opioids in 2006.

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**FENTANYL AND HEROIN-RELATED DEATHS IN NORTH CAROLINA**

**Confirmed Poisoning Deaths Involving Heroin in North Carolina, 2010 – 2017**

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**Confirmed Poisoning Deaths Involving Fentanyl and/or Analogues in North Carolina, 2010 – 2017**

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