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## Heroin and Fentanyl in the United States



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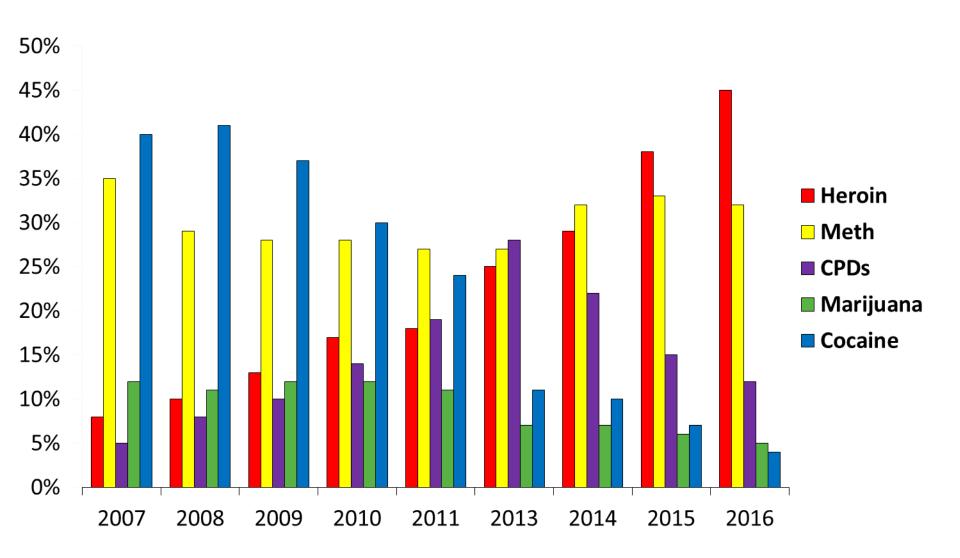
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## Major Causes of Death from Injury



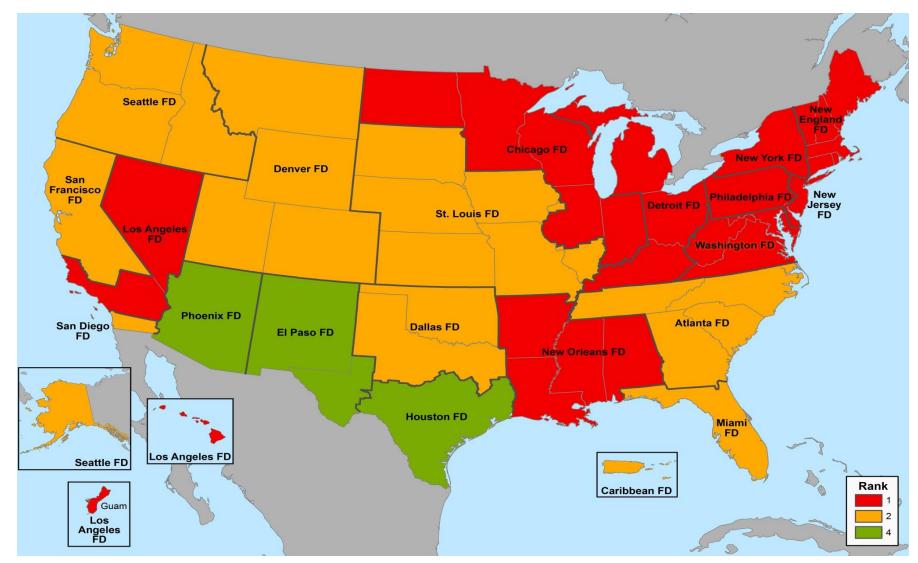


## Heroin Threat Increasing





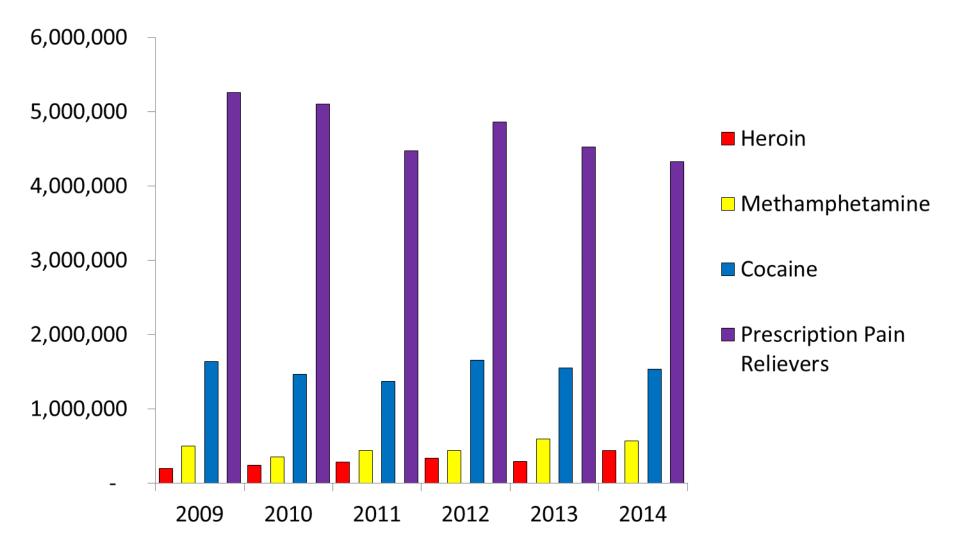
## Heroin Threat Increasing



Source: DEA



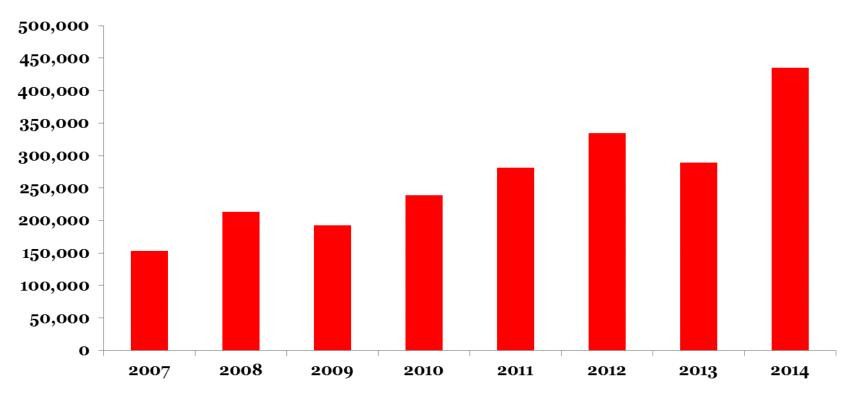
## How does heroin compare to other drugs?





# User Population Growing Faster

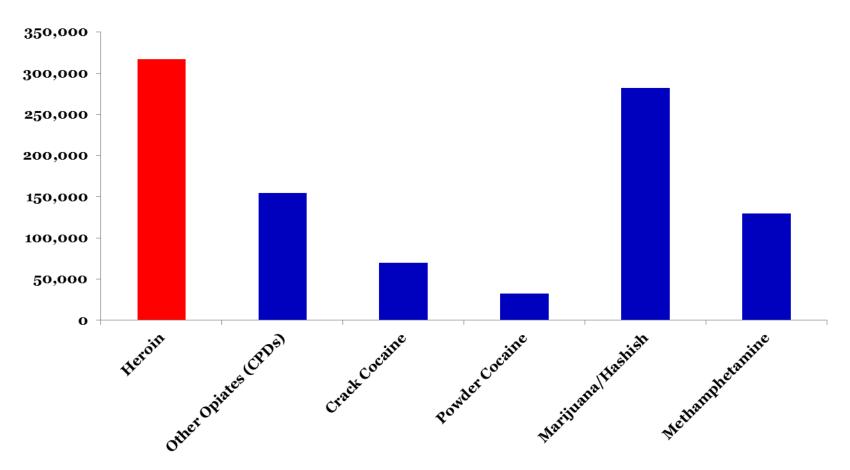
**Current (Past Month) Heroin Users** 





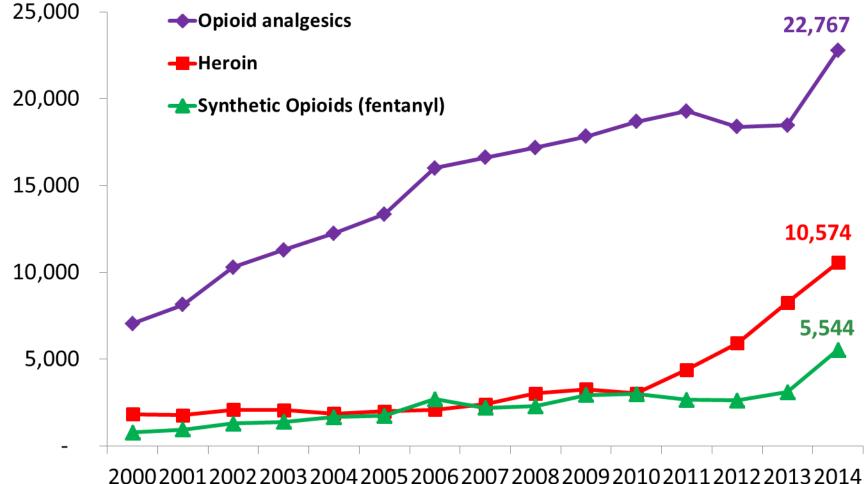
# Higher Rates of Treatment

#### Treatment Admissions to Publicly-Funded Facilities by Primary Drug, 2013



### More Deadly to its Population





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## Prescription Pain Relievers to Heroin

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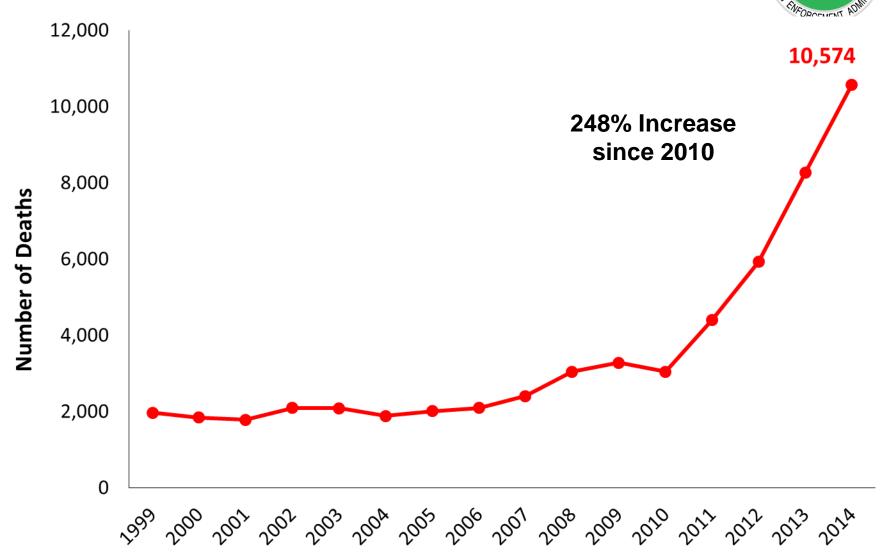
Contributing to increased demand for heroin

- 19x higher among former CPD abusers
- 80% of new heroin abusers were CPD abusers
- Small number of CPD abusers = large influx of heroin users
- CPD abusers at elevated risk

Reasons

- Price
- Availability
- Tolerance

Overdose Deaths



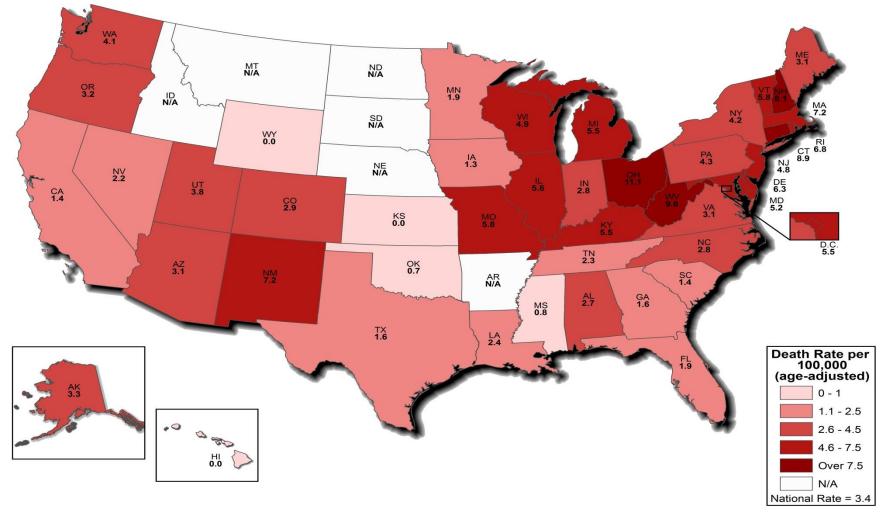
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# Heroin Drug Poisoning Deaths

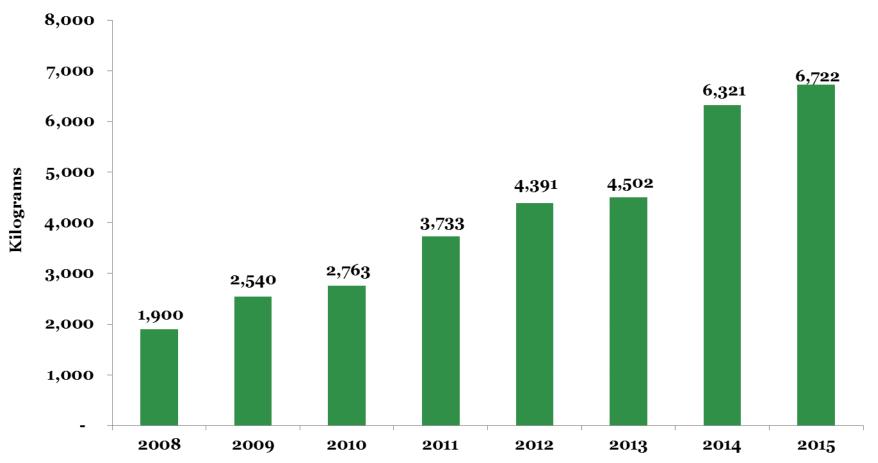
(Rate per 100,000 population)



# Availability Increasing



US Heroin Seizures, 2008 - 2015

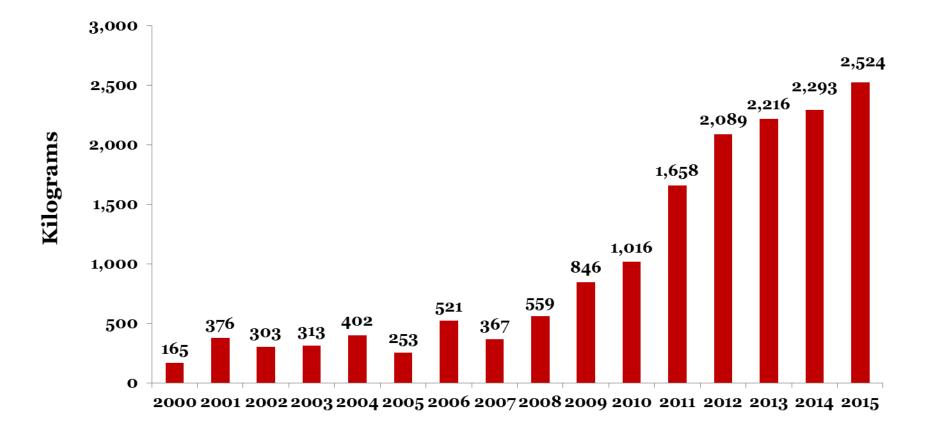


Source: NSS



# Heroin at the Southwest Border

#### Heroin Seizures at the Southwest Border, 2000-2015



# DRIG SWEORCEMENT ADMISS

## Fentanyl

### Schedule II synthetic opioid

• Exponentially more potent than heroin

#### Forms

- White powder
- Counterfeit pills
- Pharmaceutical forms (patches, lozenges)
- Derivatives ("analogs")

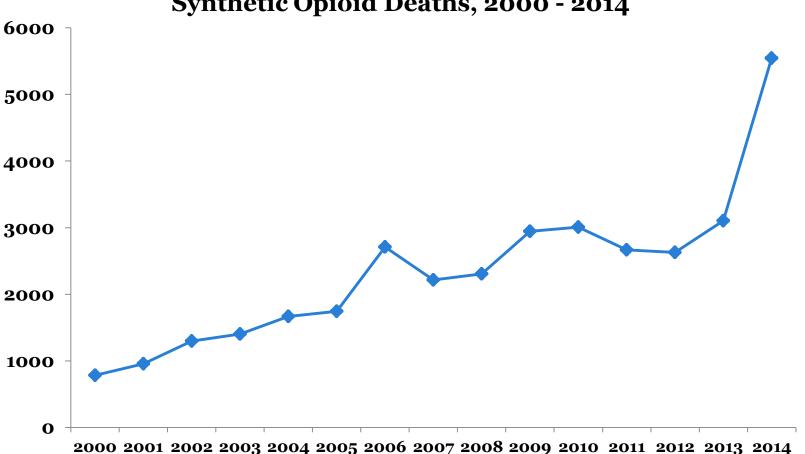
#### Sources

- Through Mexico, also Canada
- Direct from China
- Pharmaceutical Diversion: much smaller scale



## Fentanyl Deaths



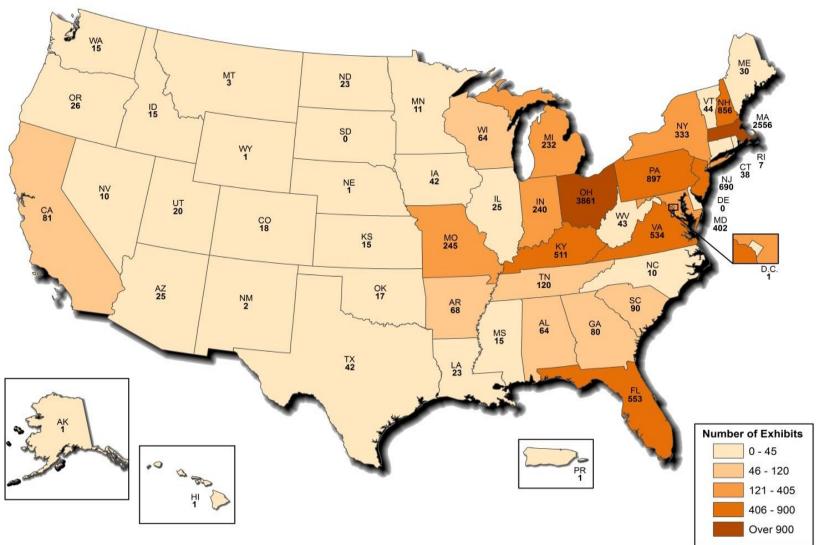


#### Synthetic Opioid Deaths, 2000 - 2014

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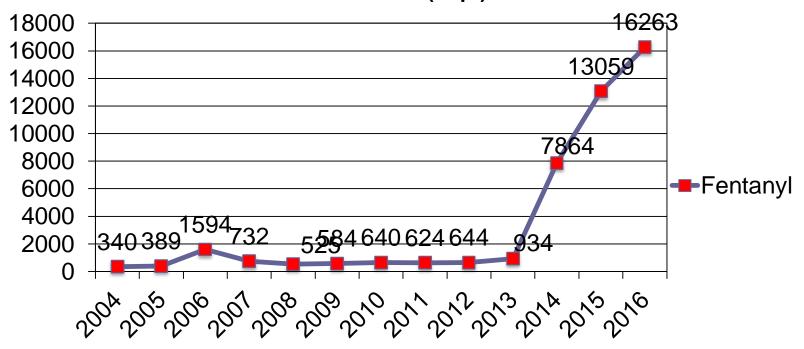
## Fentanyl Lab Exhibits by State





## Fentanyl Threat Increasing

Number of Fentanyl and Acetyl Fentanyl Exhibits in NFLIS, 2009-2016(Sept)





#### Potential Profit With *Minimal* Investment Fentanyl Generates <u>Greater</u> Profits Than Heroin

Drug	Cost Per 1 Kg to DTO	Approximate Number of Kgs Produced	Wholesale Price per Kg in USA	Revenue to DTO from 1 Kg
Heroin	\$6,000 - 7,000	1 kg	\$80,000	\$80,000
Pure Fentanyl (99%)	\$4,200 - 6,000	16–24 kg (4%-6%)	\$80,000	\$1,280,000 - 1,920,000



## Potential Revenue Generated from Fentanyl Pill Sales Using One Kilogram of Fentanyl

Amount of fentanyl per pill	Price per pill	Price per pill	Price per pill
	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$20.00
1.5 milligrams (666,666 pills)	\$6.6 million	\$9.9 million	\$13 million
1 milligram (1 million pills)	\$10 million	\$15 million	\$20 million



# CARFENTANIL

- Available from web or dark net
- \$600 per 100 grams (as of June)

Relative

- 1kg of Fentanyl HCl = 500,000 fatal doses
- 1kg of Carfentanil HCl= 50,000 ,000 fatal doses



Source: DEA-MIA-BUL-159-16 (June 2016)



# We will not arrest/legislate our way out of this problem!!!!!

>Enforcement/Regulation is just as important as....

>Prevention/Education

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TO IMPACT THE HEROIN/FENTANYL THREAT