

Substance Abuse-Related Deaths in Iowa

	Calendar Year 2019		Calendar Year 2020		Calendar	Calendar Year 2021	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
Alcohol	837	26.49	760	23.83	827	25.90	
Drugs	439	13.89	419	13.14	471	14.75	
Tobacco	6,171	195.59	5,734	179.82	5,734	179.58	
Total	7,447	235.97	6,913	216.80	7,032	220.23	

Notes:

1) Tobacco-related deaths decreased -7.1% from 2019 to 2021.

2) Drug-related deaths increased 7.3% from 2019 to 2021.

3) Alcohol-related deaths decreased -1.2% from 2019 to 2021.

4) The data used to identify deaths reflect underlying factors that contribute to the cause of alcohol-, tobacco-, and drug-related deaths. Numbers may be understated due to reporting omissions at time of death. Drug-related deaths reported in the chart include poisoning relating to prescribed drugs.

5) Rate is per 100,000 population.

