

# Suspected Drug Poisoning Emergency Department (ED) Visits in Texas, November 2025

In November 2025, suspected drug poisoning ED visits in Texas increased by 6.69% compared to November 2024.

**4,512**

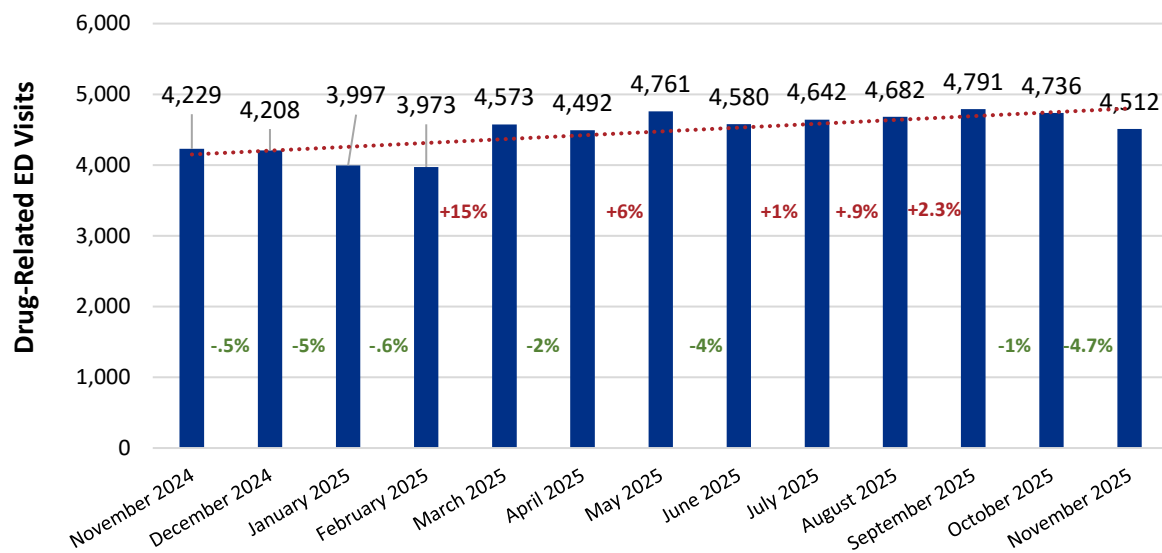
In November 2025

**4,229**

In November 2024

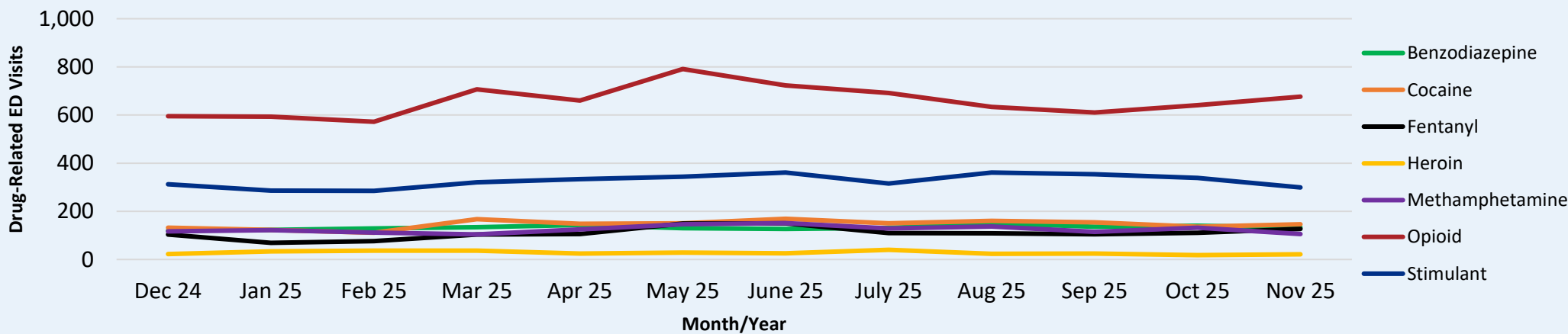
All data collected using the National Syndromic Surveillance Program (NSSP) Electronic Surveillance System of the Early Notification of Community Based Epidemics (ESSENCE) which tracks real time trends from participating Texas hospitals and free-standing emergency and urgent care facilities.

Total Drug-Related ED Visits, November 2024 – November 2025



\*The "+" and "-" indicate the increase or decrease of the ED visits compared to the previous month. Data prepared by Injury Prevention Unit Epidemiologists using NSSP ESSENCE data, November 2025.

## Drug-Related ED Visits by Drug Type, December 2024 – November 2025



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# Comparison of Drug-Related ED Visits, October 2025 and November 2025

In November 2025, **methamphetamine-related ED visits decreased by 19.7%** when compared to methamphetamine-related ED visits in October 2025.



In November 2025, **heroin-related ED visits increased 16.7%** when compared to heroin-related ED visits in October 2025.

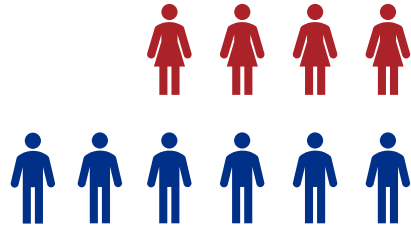
Drug Type	October 2025	November 2025	Percent change
All Drugs	4,736	4,512	-4.7% 
Opioids	641	676	+5.5% 
Heroin	18	21	+16.7% 
Fentanyl	111	127	+14.4% 
Stimulant	339	299	-11.8% 
Cocaine	136	146	+7.4% 
Methamphetamine	132	106	-19.7% 
Benzodiazepine	140	133	-5.0% 

# Demographics: Drug-Related ED Visits in Texas

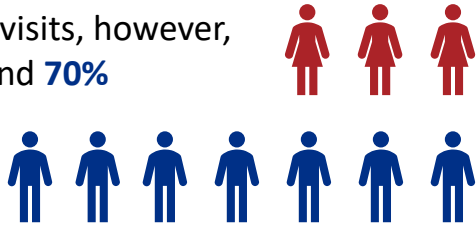
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### Opioid and Stimulant-Related ED Visits by Sex

In **opioid-related** ED visits, **43% involved females** and **57% involved males**.

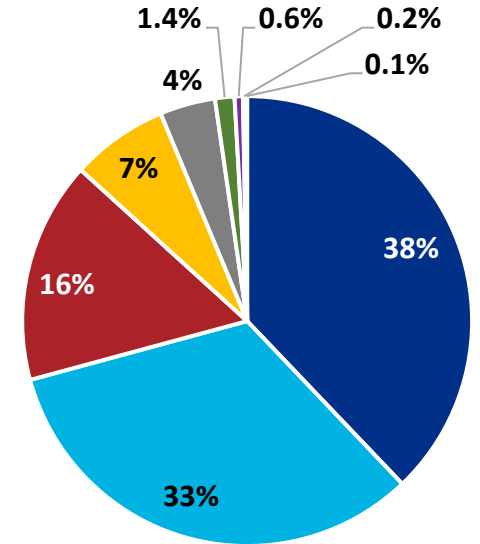


In **stimulant-related** ED visits, however, **30% involved females** and **70% involved males**.



### All Drug-Related ED Visits by Race/Ethnicity

- White → 1,699
- Hispanic → 1,510
- Black → 704
- Unknown Race or Ethnicity → 308
- Other Race → 187
- Asian → 64
- Multiple Race → 27
- American Indian or Alaska Native → 8
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander → 5

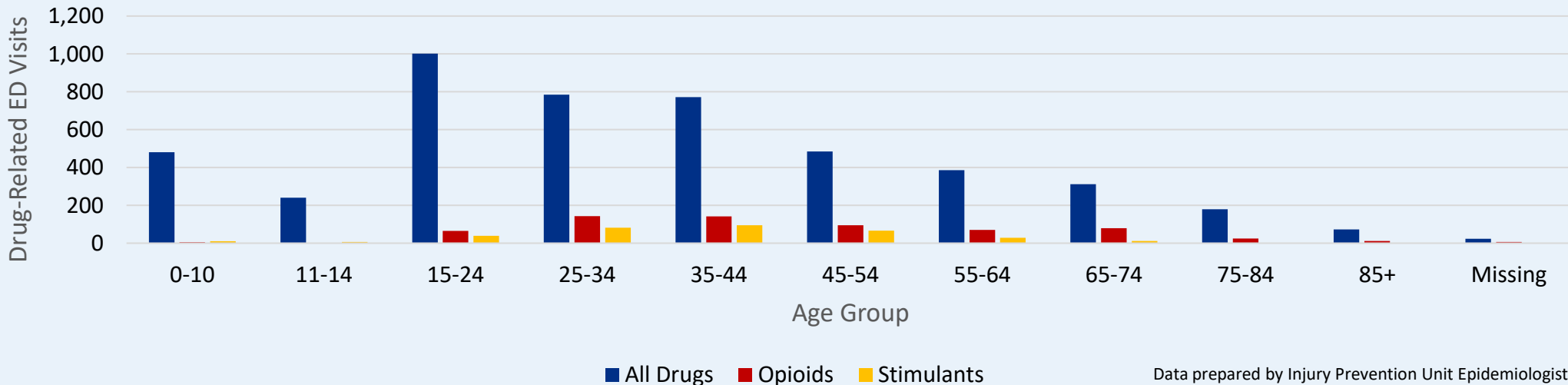


\* = Counts less than five were suppressed.

Race and ethnicity percentages do not equal 100% due to rounding.

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### Drug-Related ED Visits by Age Group

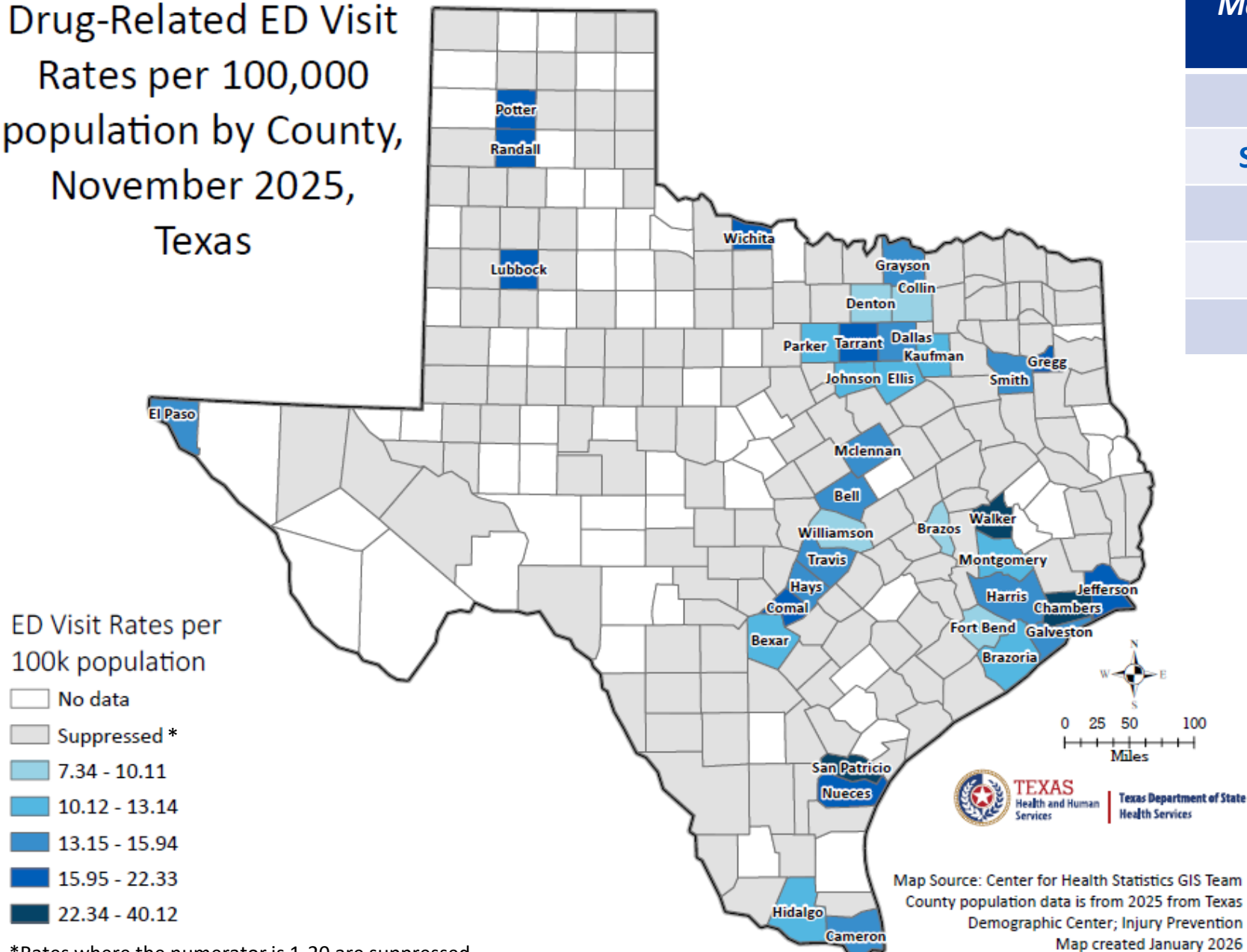


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# County Map: Drug-Related ED Visits in Texas

## November 2025

Drug-Related ED Visit Rates per 100,000 population by County, November 2025, Texas



\*Rates where the numerator is 1-20 are suppressed because rates based on small numbers are unreliable.