



Meth Use in Montana

	United States	Montana
Number of deaths by methamphetamine overdose ¹	17,556 2017	23 2017
Percent of substance-related Child and Family Services Division placements listing methamphetamine as primary drug ²	Data Not Available 2017	67%
Number of criminal violations involving methamphetamine ³	104,654 2017	1,841 2017

Key Points:

- In fiscal year 2018, 65% of children removed from their home due to child abuse and neglect had parental drug use or involvement indicated. Methamphetamine was listed as the primary drug in 67% of these cases—up from 33% in 2012.²
- The number of deaths associated with methamphetamine overdose in Montana has increased dramatically in recent years, from an average of 8 deaths per year between 2012-2014, to an average of 24 deaths per year between 2015-2017.¹
- From 2011 to 2017, the number of methamphetamine-related crimes increased by 690%. In that same period, the number of people arrested for methamphetamine-related crime increased by 881%.³



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