Pennsylvania State Coroners Association

Heroin Overdose Death Report

2009 – 2013

INTRODUCTION

- **Source of the data is through the Pennsylvania State Coroners Association and the Coroners/Medical Examiners of the providing counties. Forty-three counties provided data for this study.**

- **Data provided is from 2009 through 2013, unless otherwise indicated.**

- **2013 data is complete only through June to August depending on that county's provided statistics.**

- **MULTI DRUG TOXICITY, refers to the combination of Heroin and one or more other opiates, illicit drugs, or prescription drugs found through toxicology. The most common substances found along with Heroin are the following:**

- **Alprazolam, Citalopram, Mirtazapine, Primidone, Cocaine, Phentermine, Hydrocodone, Ethanol/Alcohol, Codeine, Diazepam, Temazepam, Trazadone, Chlordiazepoxide, Venlafaxine, Amitriptyline, Oxycodone, Clonazepam, Nordiazepam, Methadone, Doxepin, Lamotrigine, Flurazepam, Fentanyl, Tramadol, Sertraline, Oxymorphone, Cyclobenzaprine, Morphine, Prozac, Marijuana/THC.**

- **Data from various years and demographics may be missing or flawed from certain counties which will alter the outcome of various totals to a certain degree.**

- **Data obtained by Pennsylvania Coroners Association Solicitor Susan M. Shanaman.**

- **Report generated by Westmoreland County Deputy Coroner Joshua C. Zappone.**

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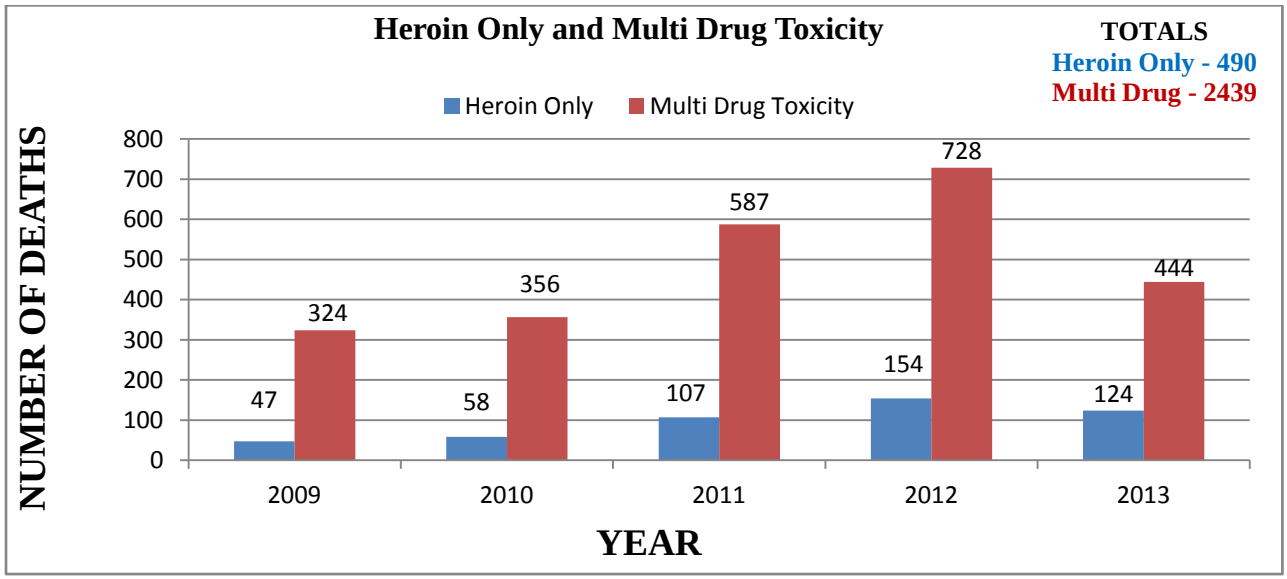

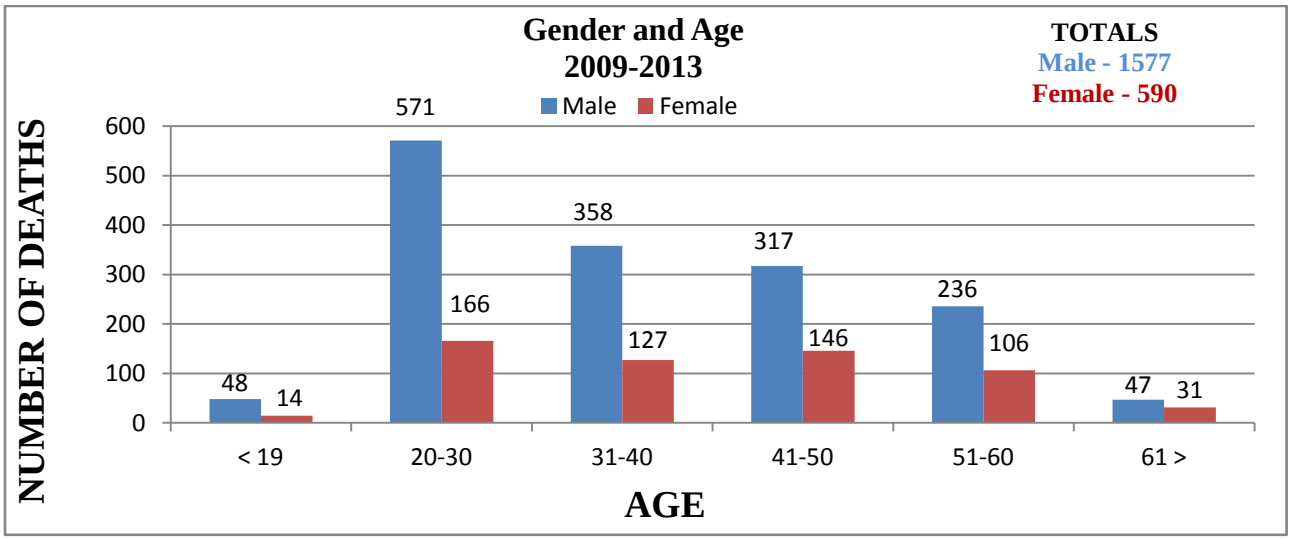

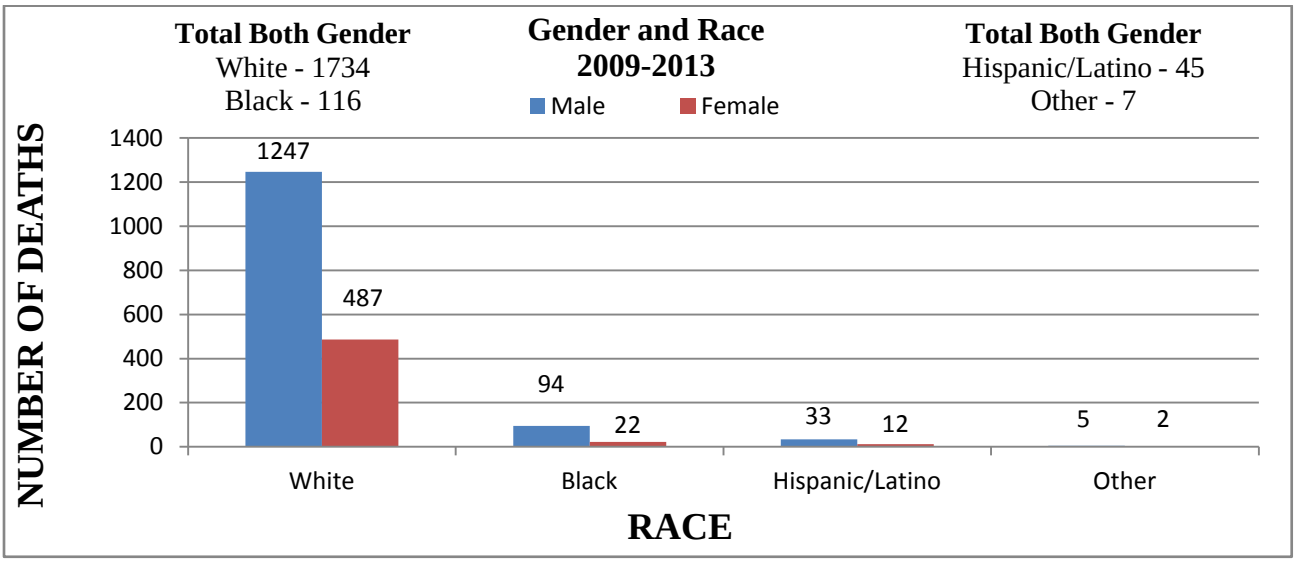

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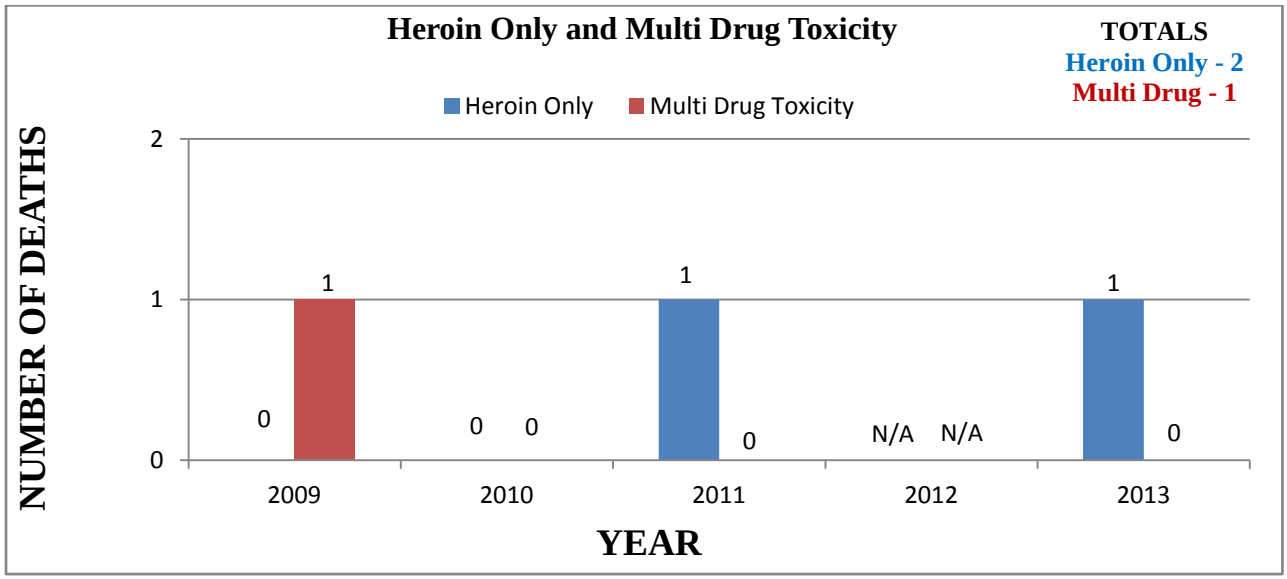

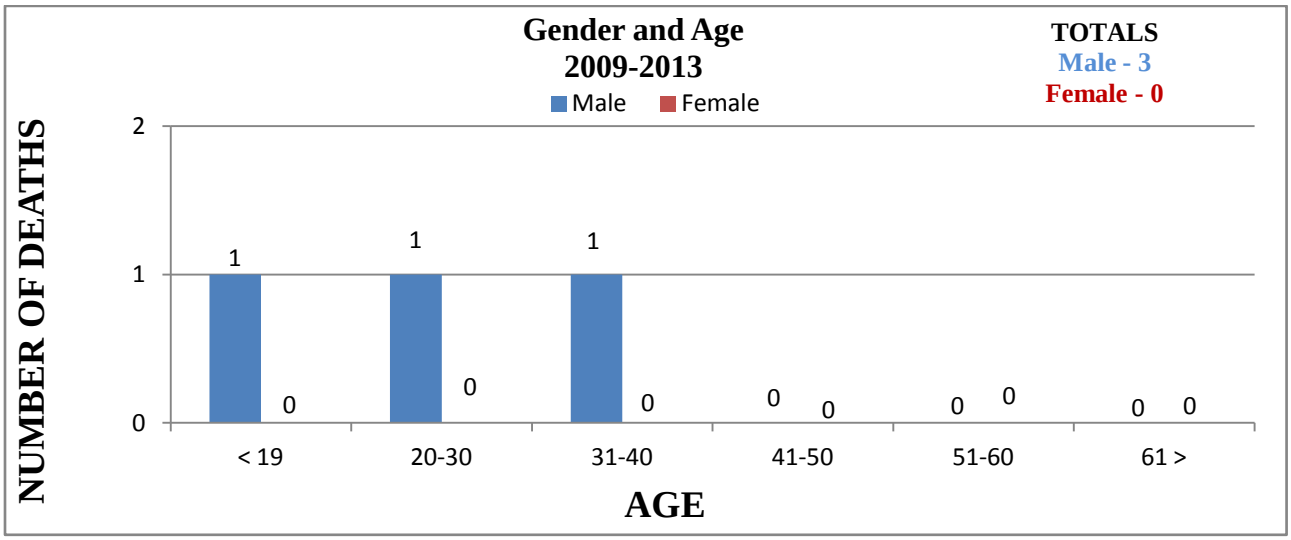

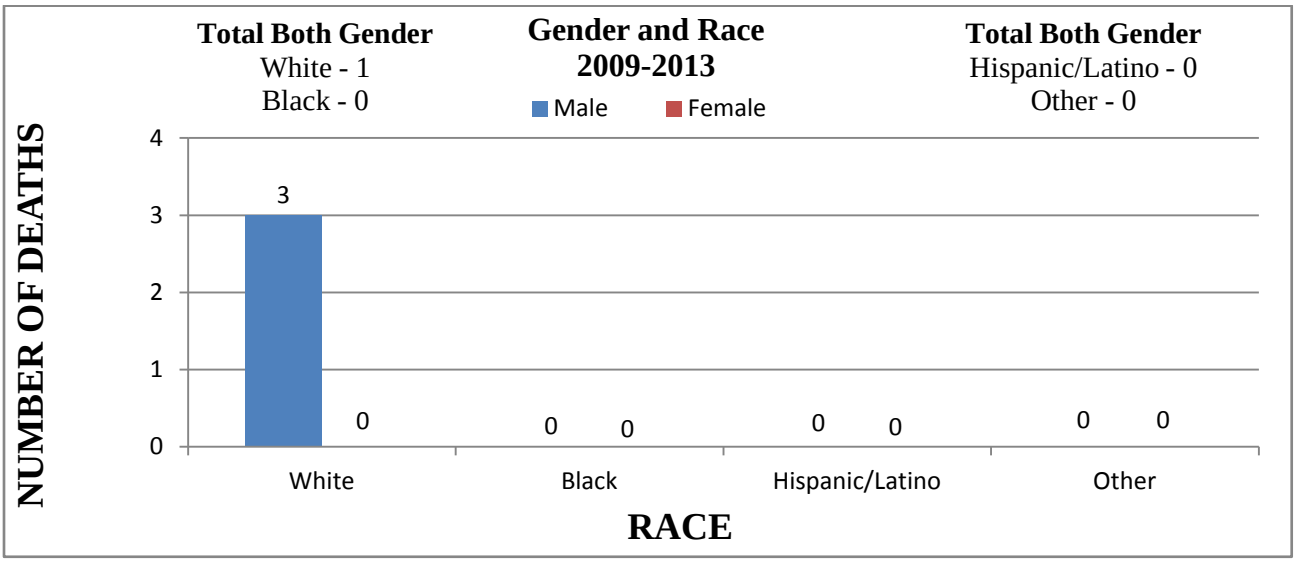

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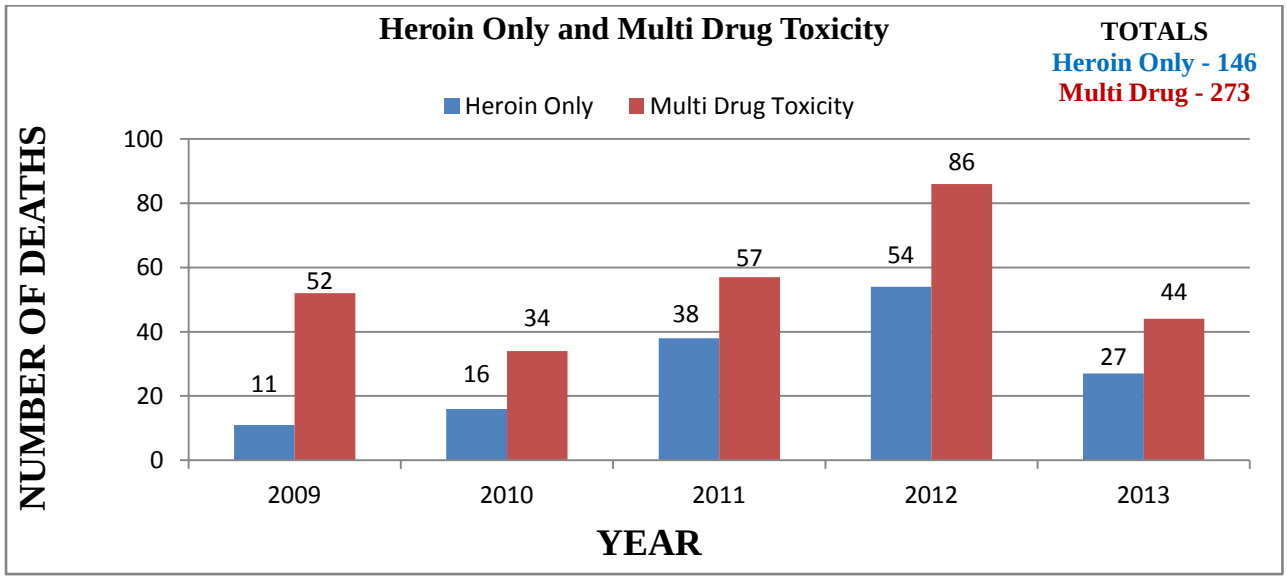

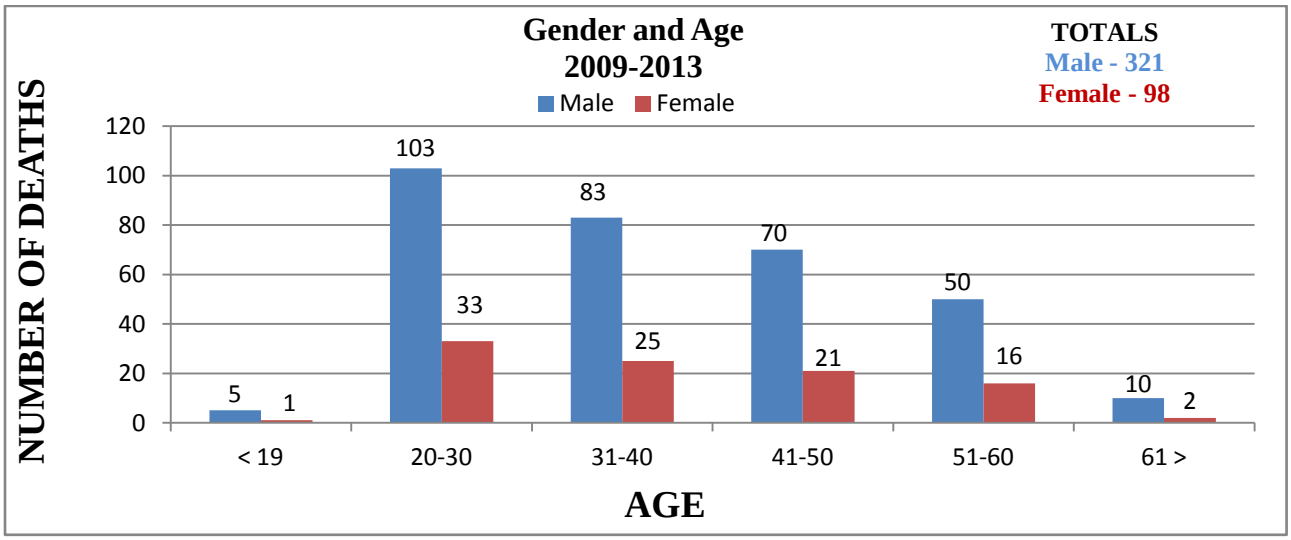

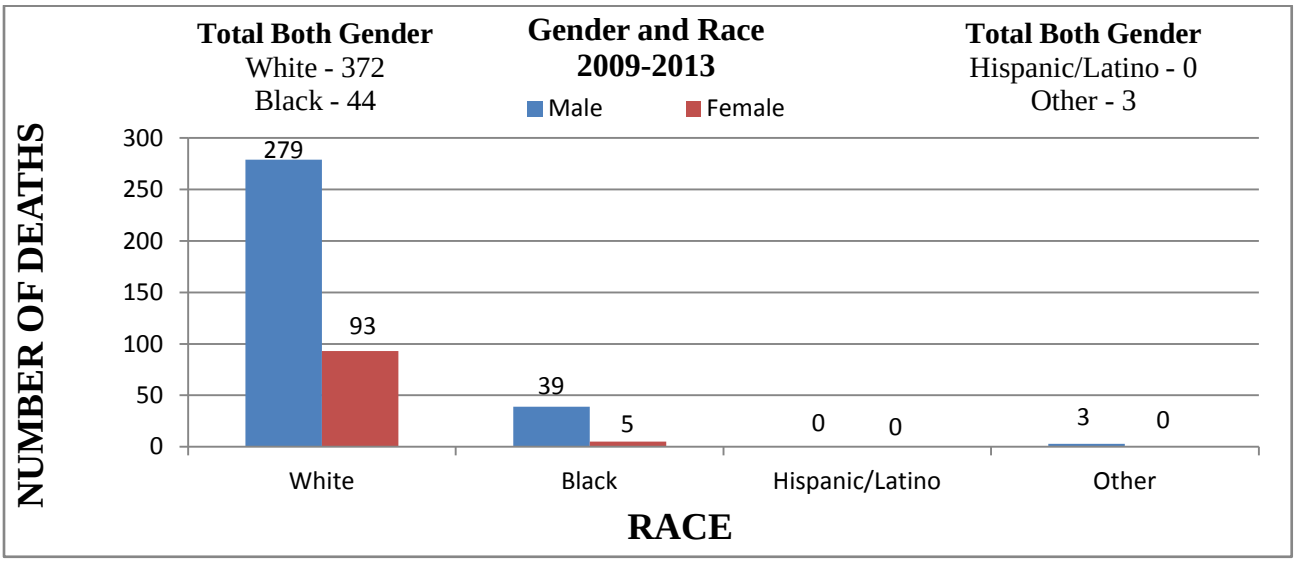

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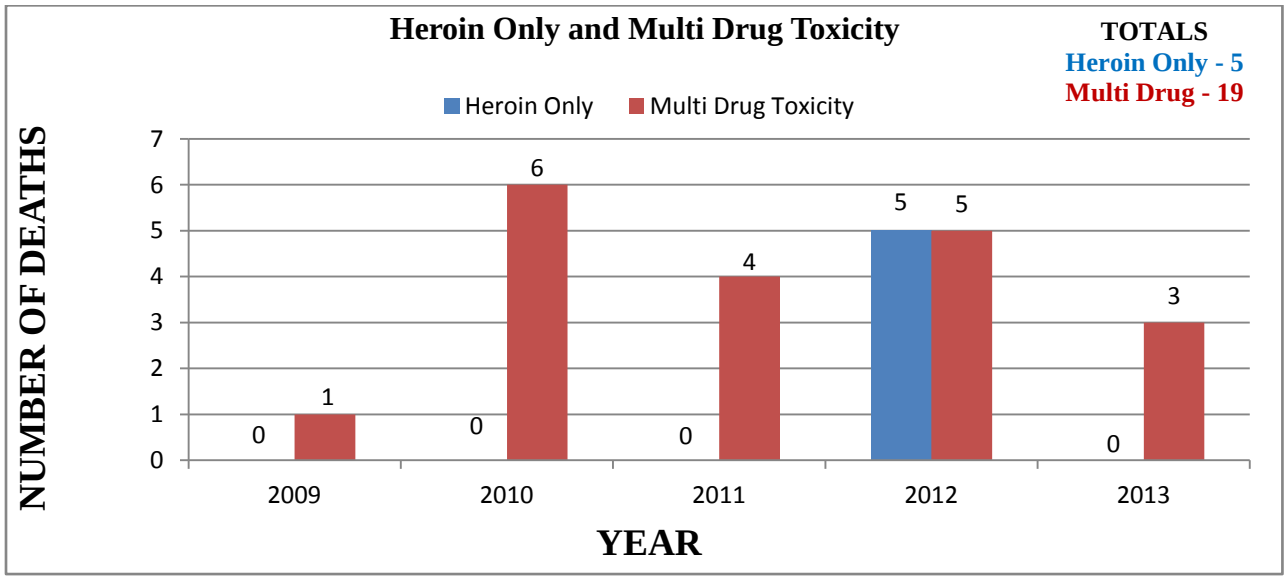

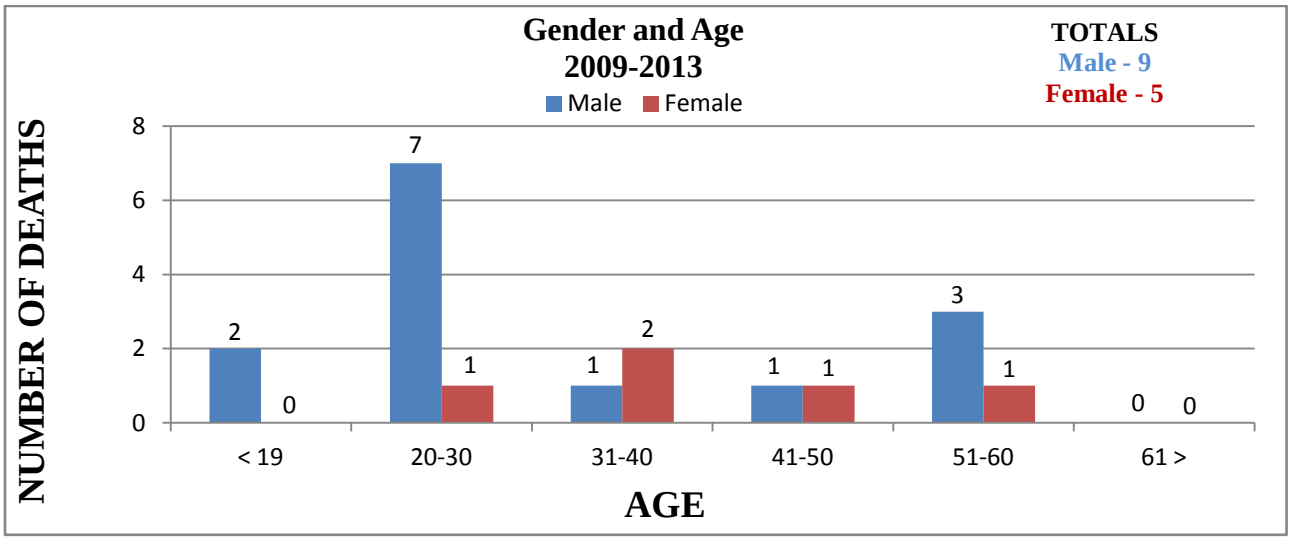

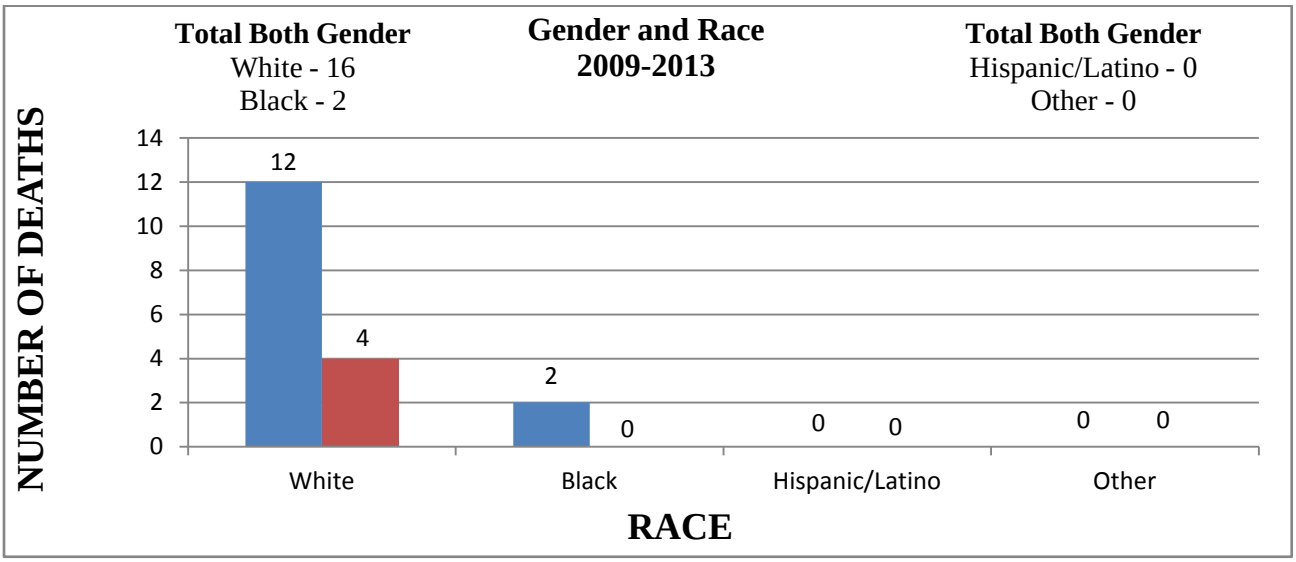

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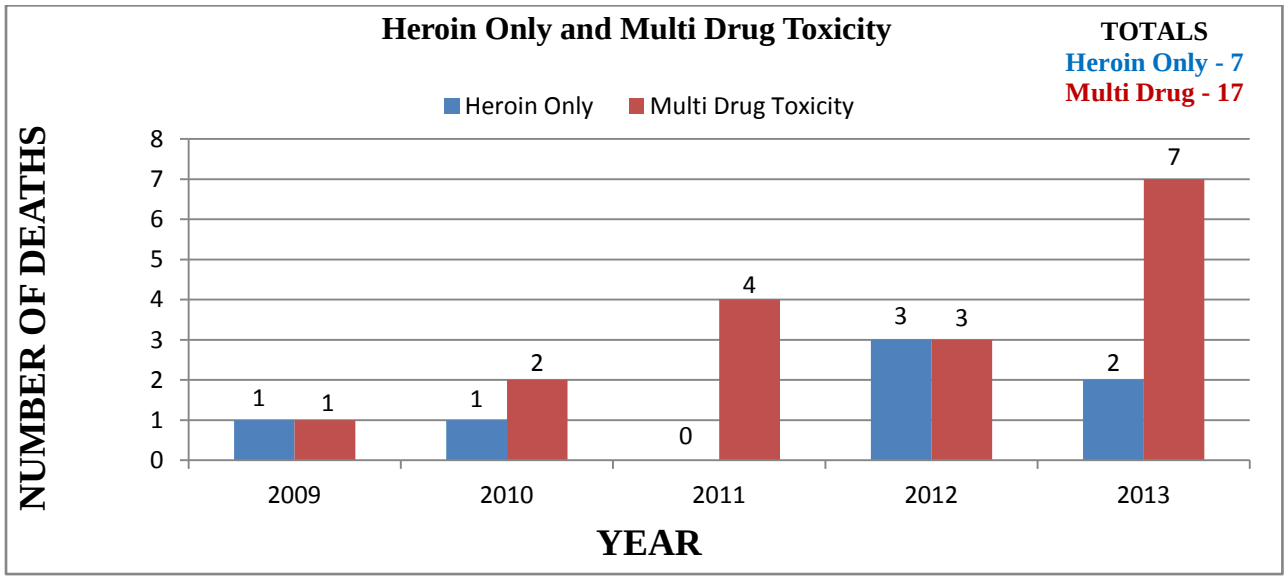

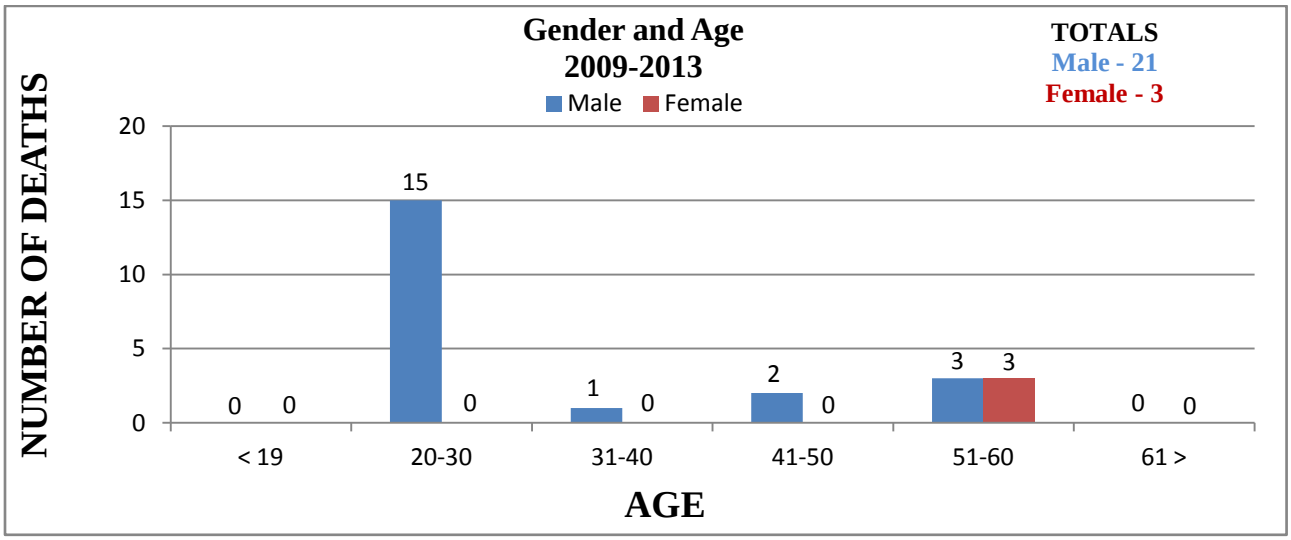

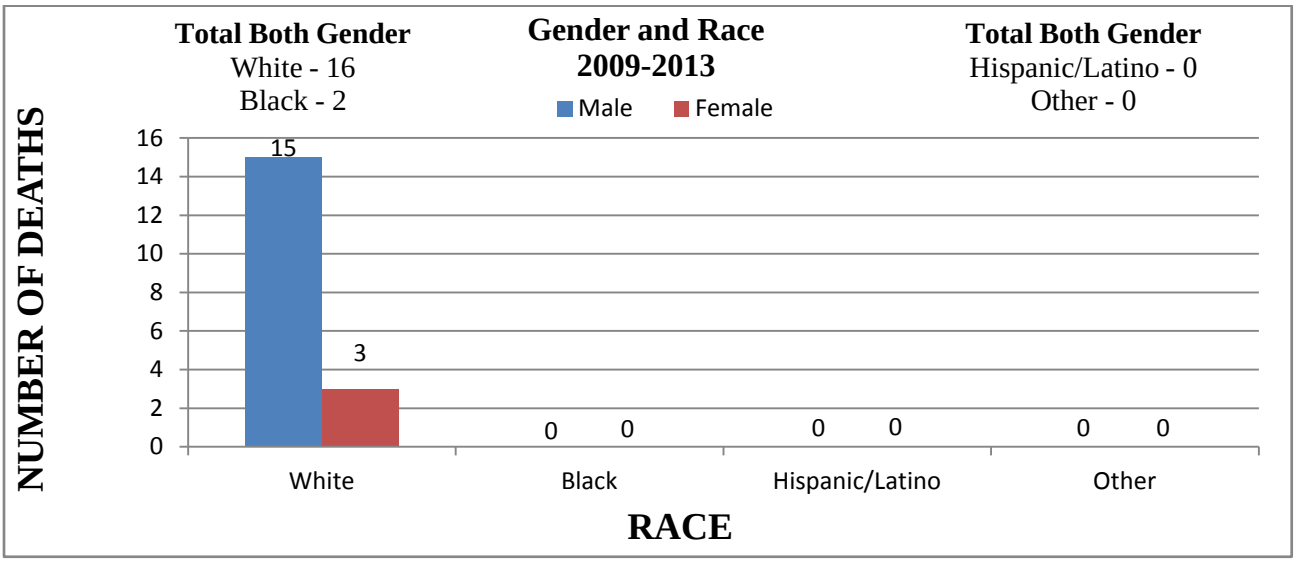

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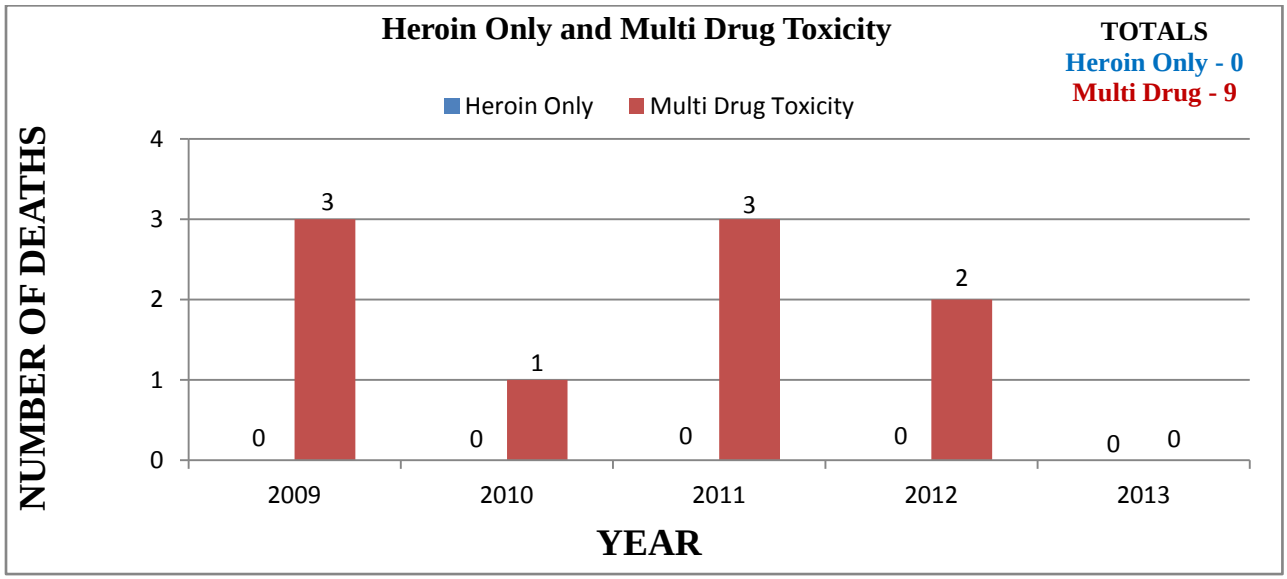

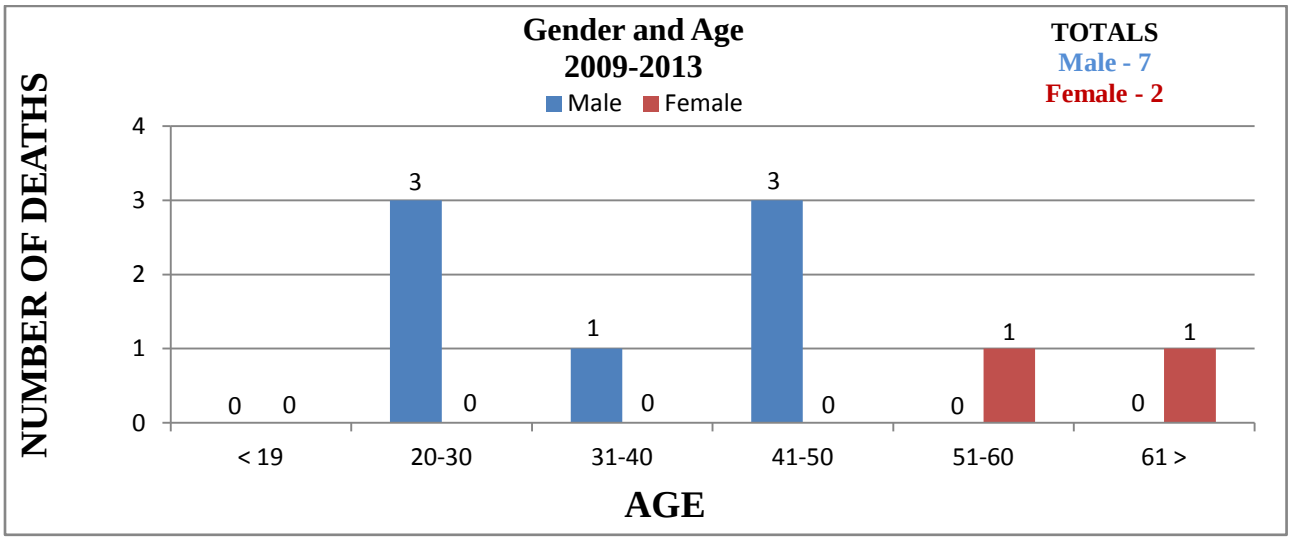

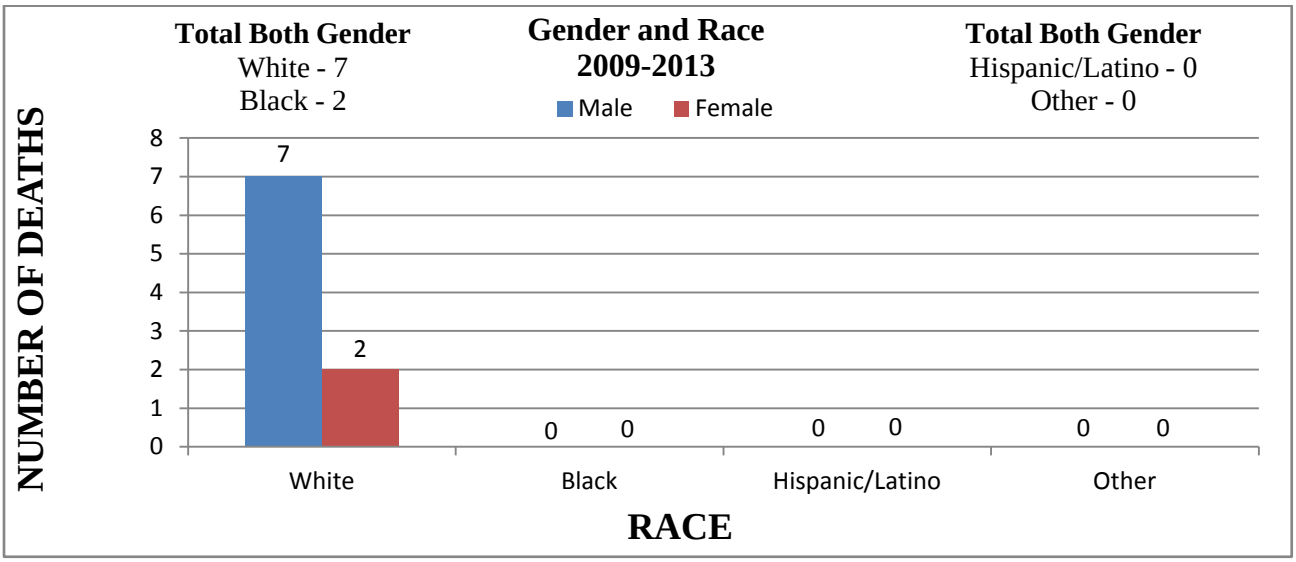

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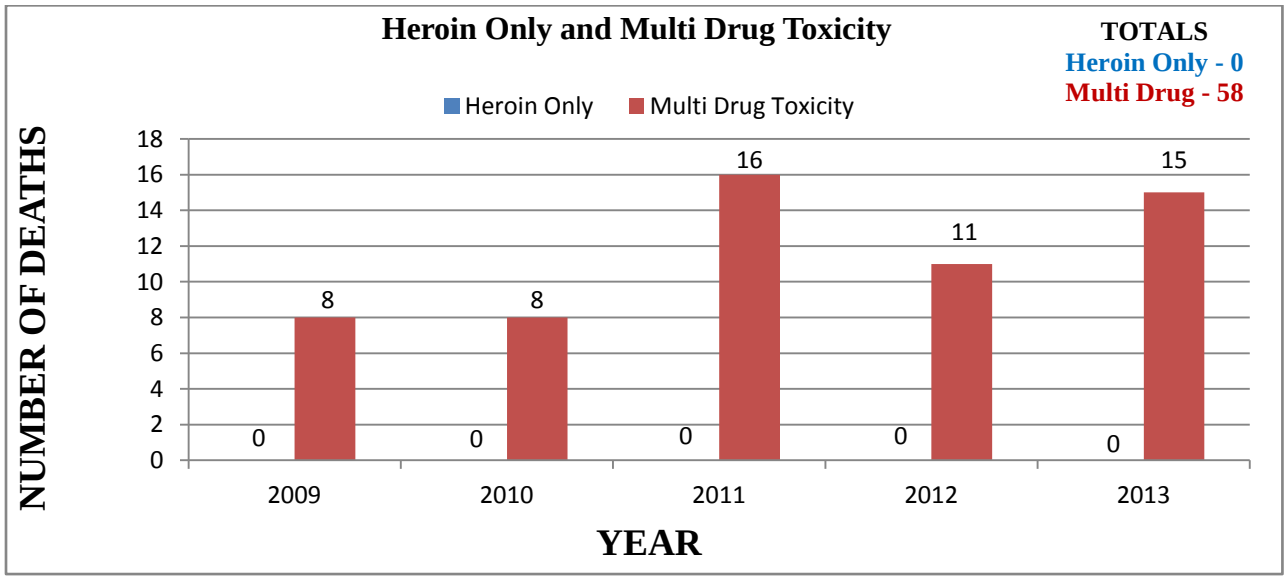

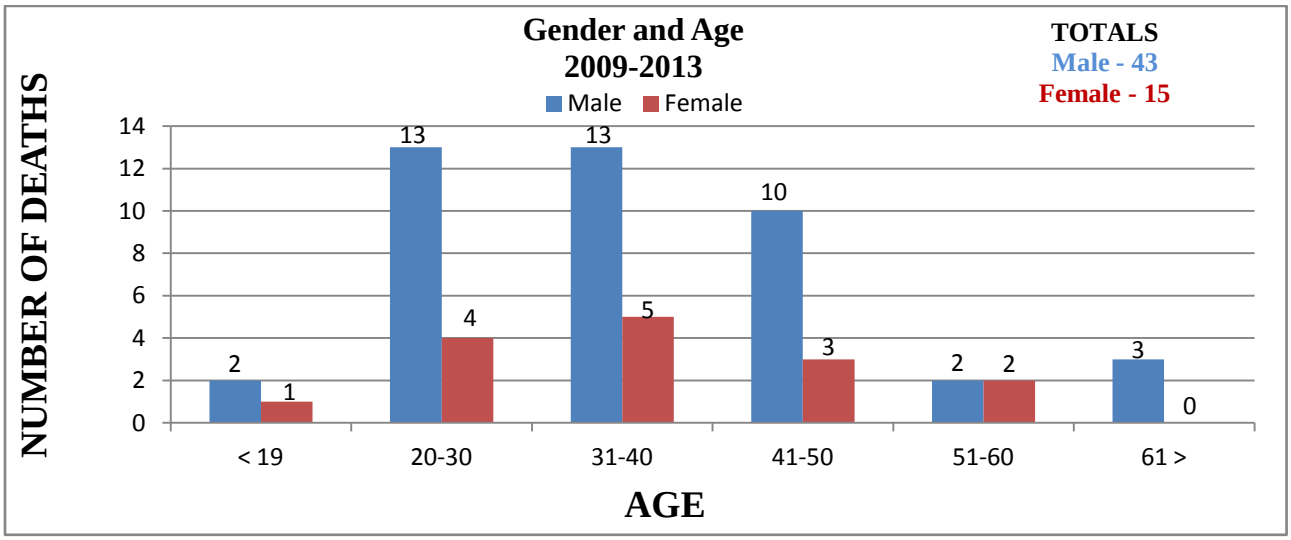

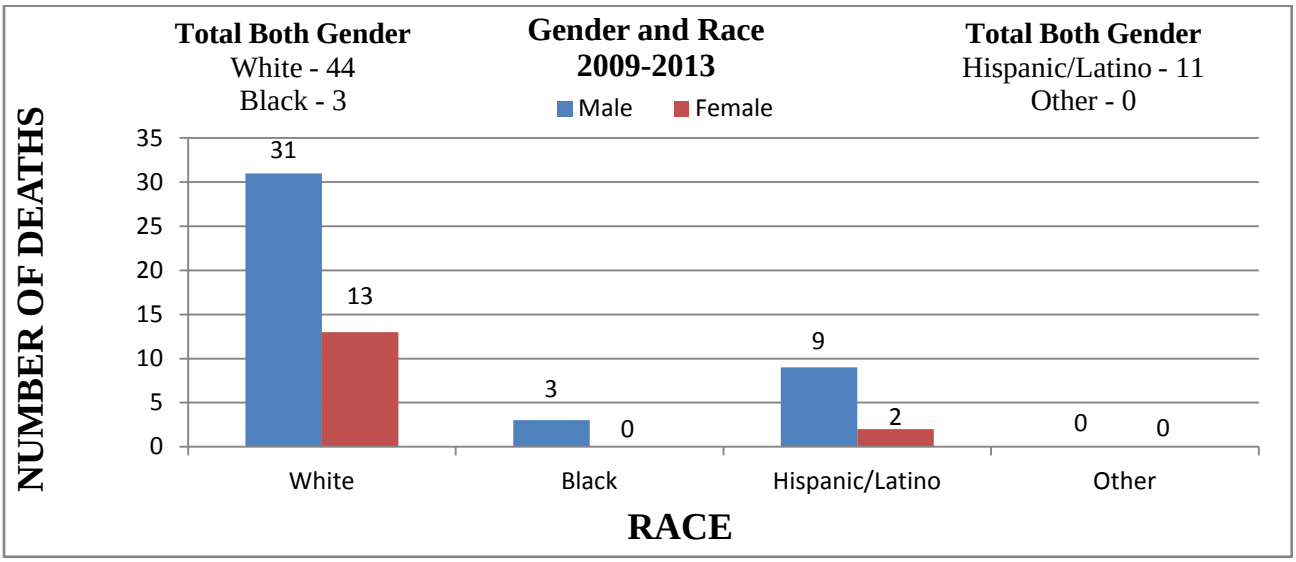

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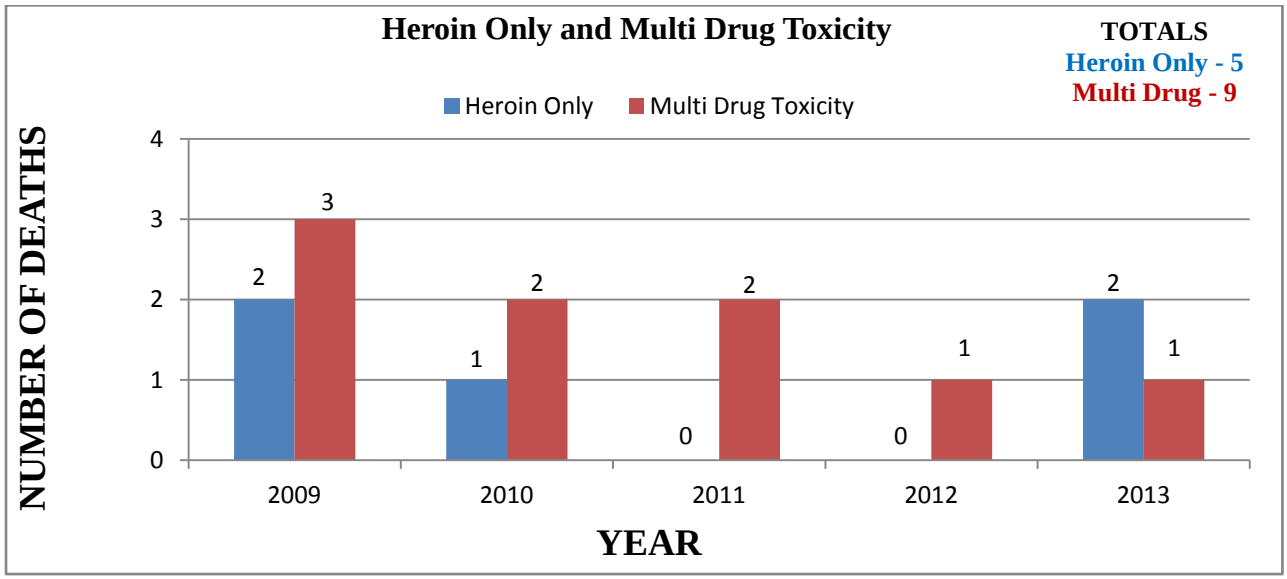
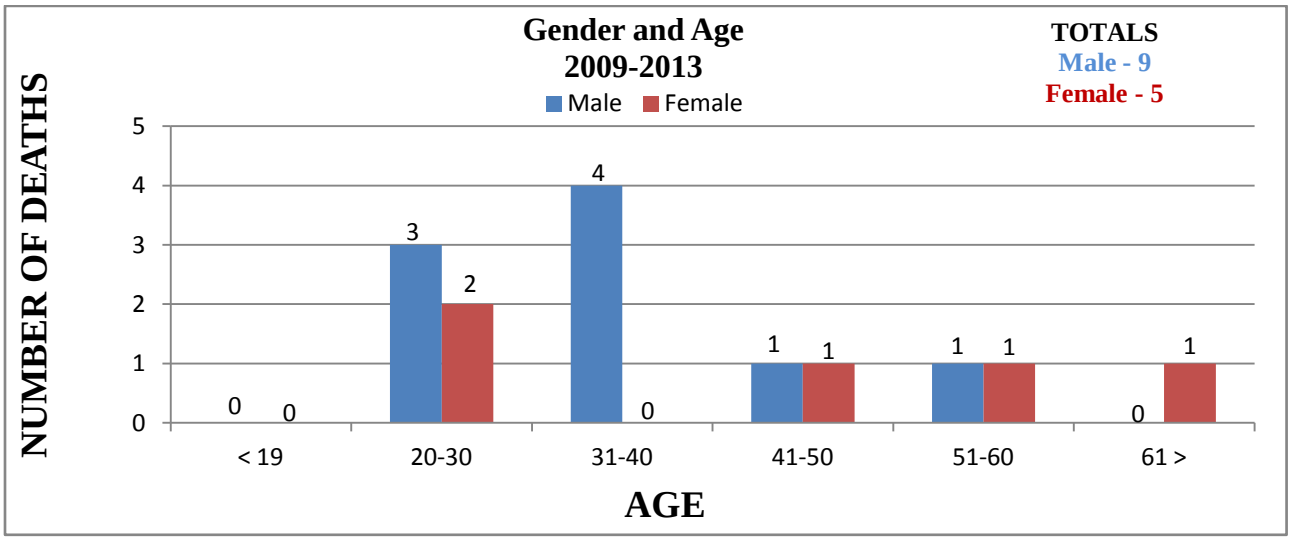


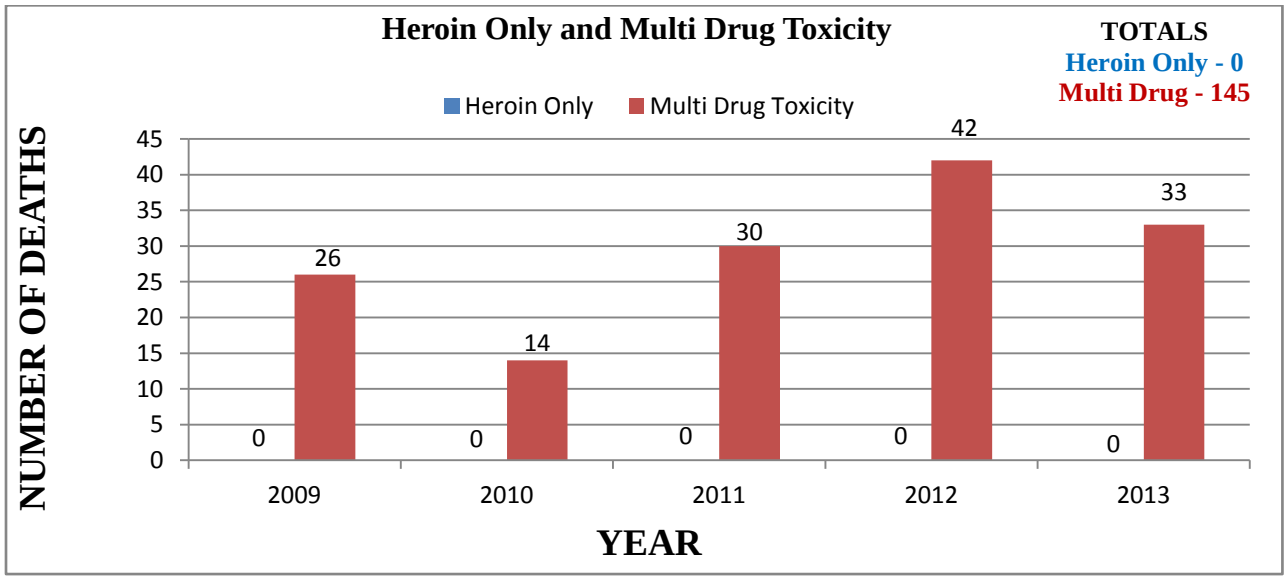


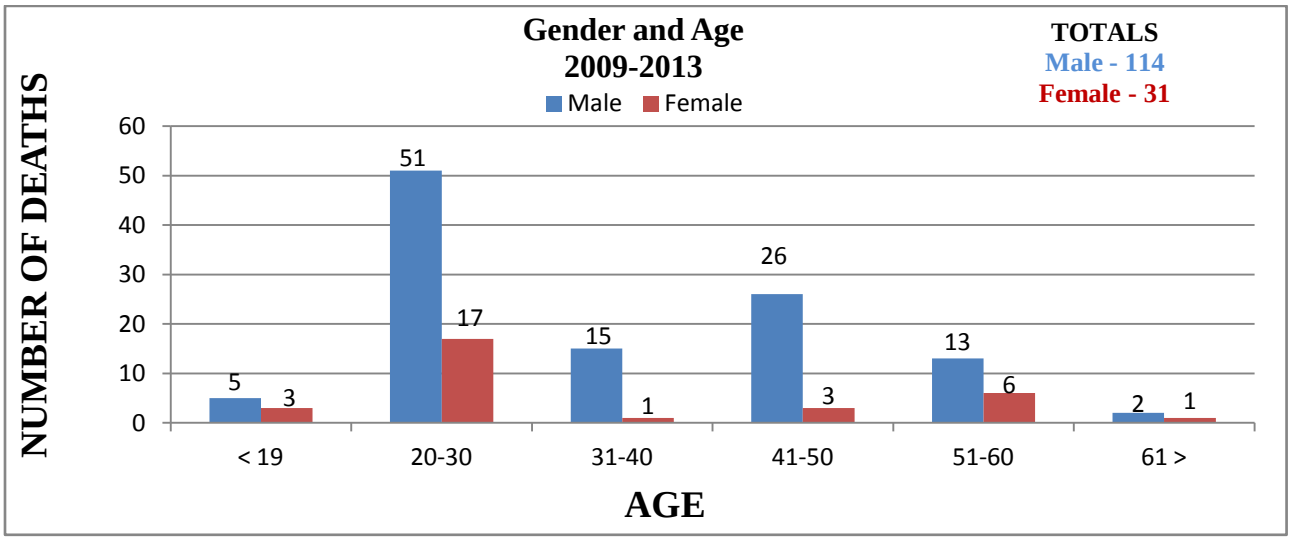
Race data was not provided by Blair County.

Bradford County

- There were no heroin related deaths reported by Bradford County between the years of 2009 - 2013.

Bucks County





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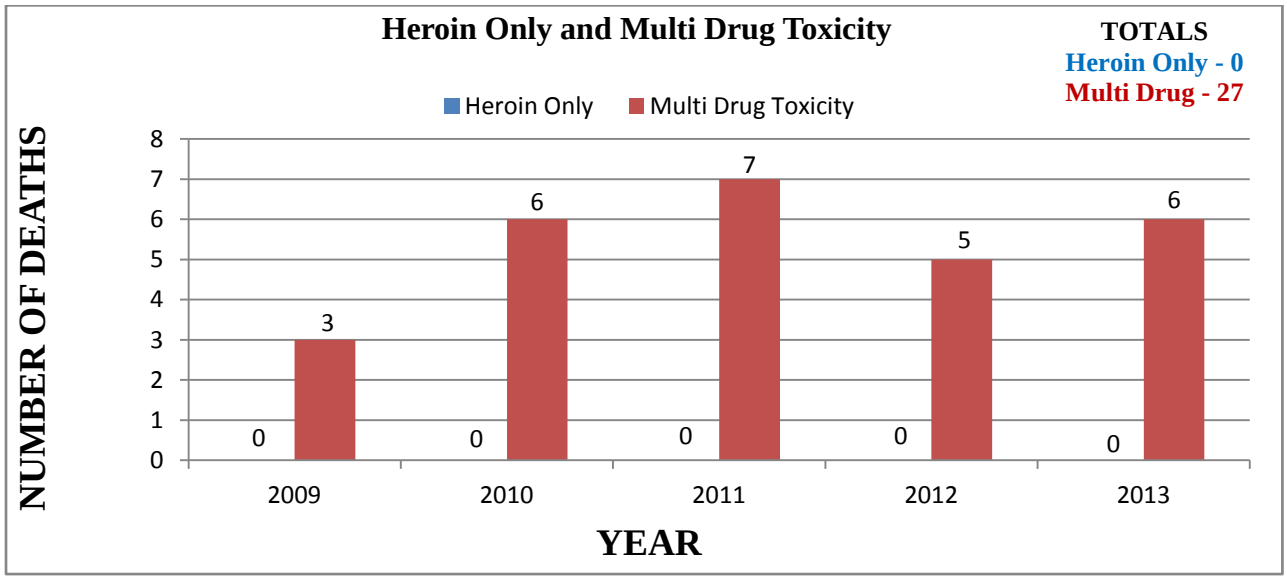

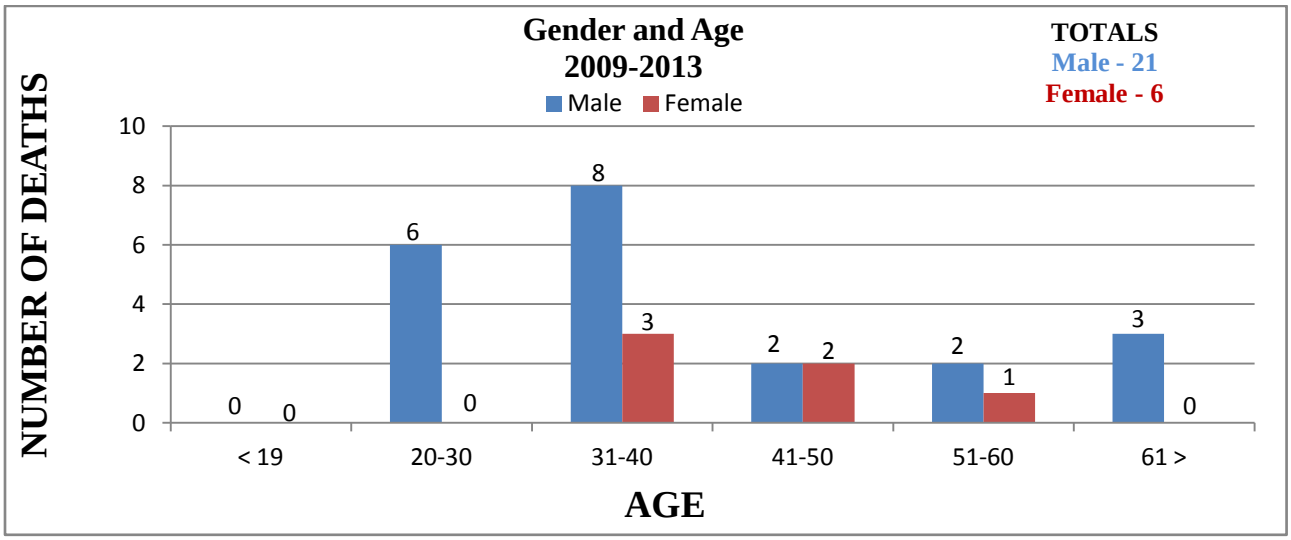

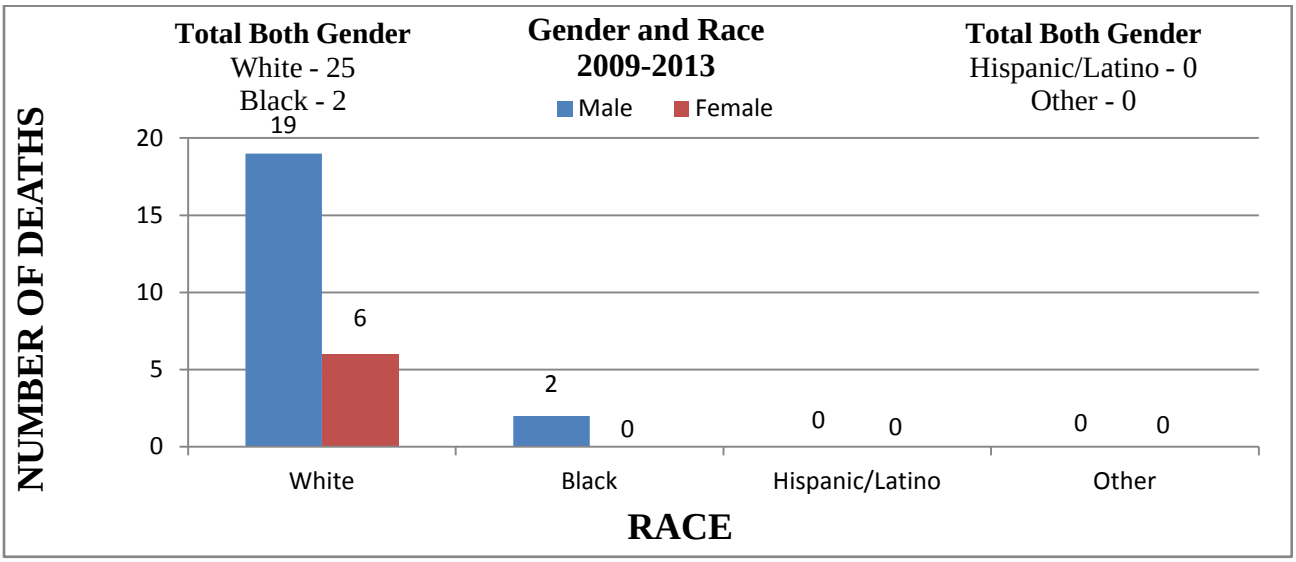

Cambria County

- Cambria County reported they had approximately 10 – 15 heroin related deaths between the years 2009 – 2013. No further information was able to be obtained.

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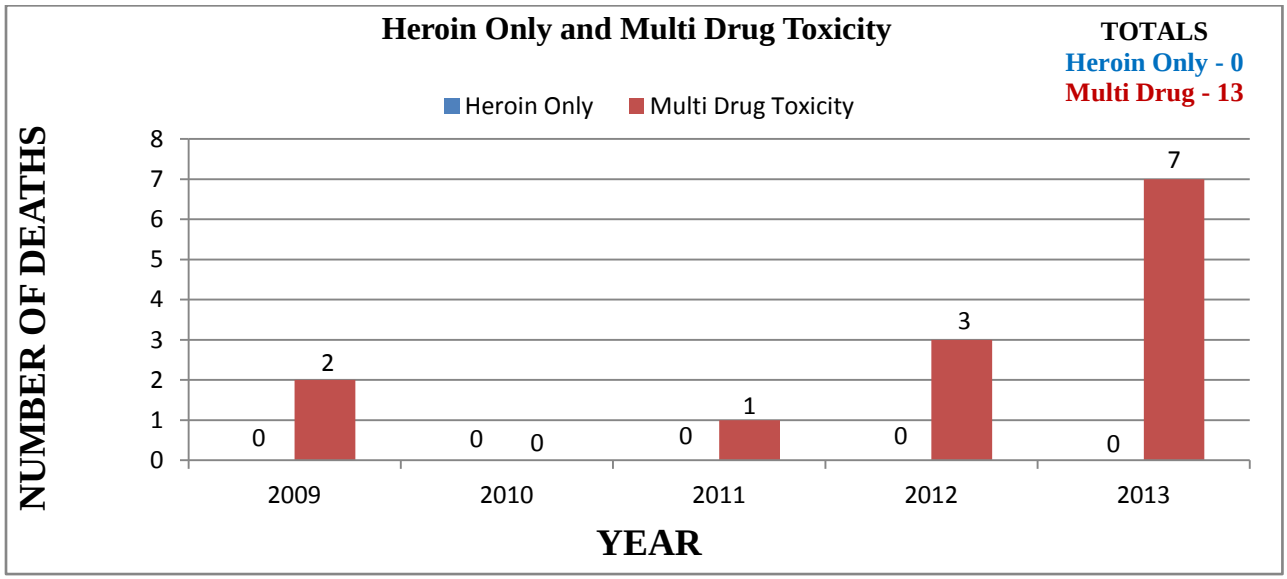

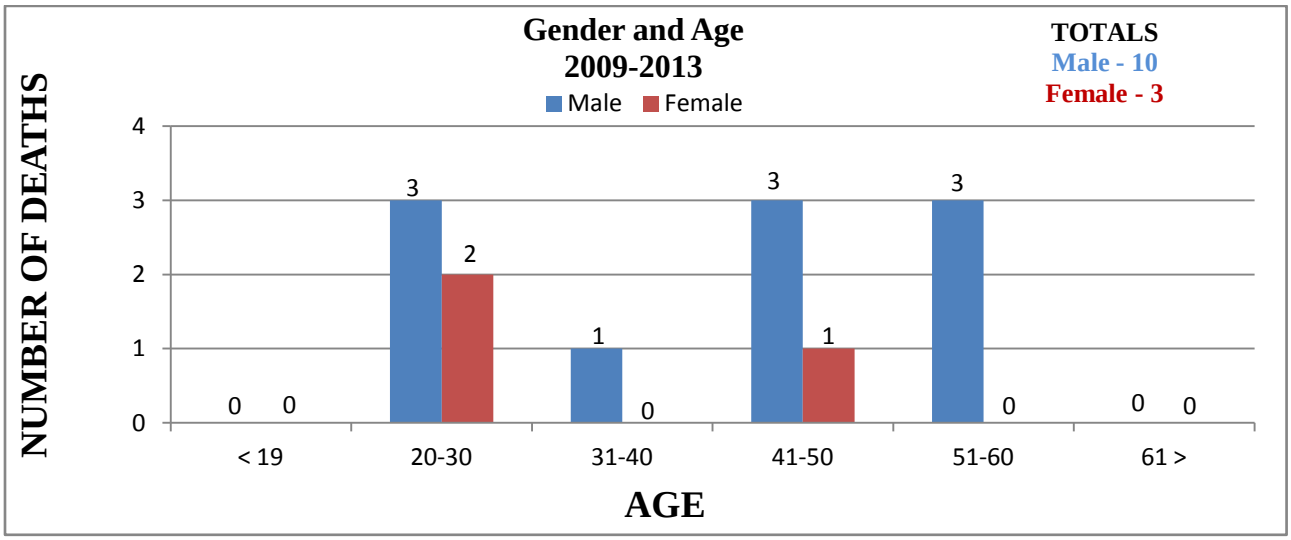

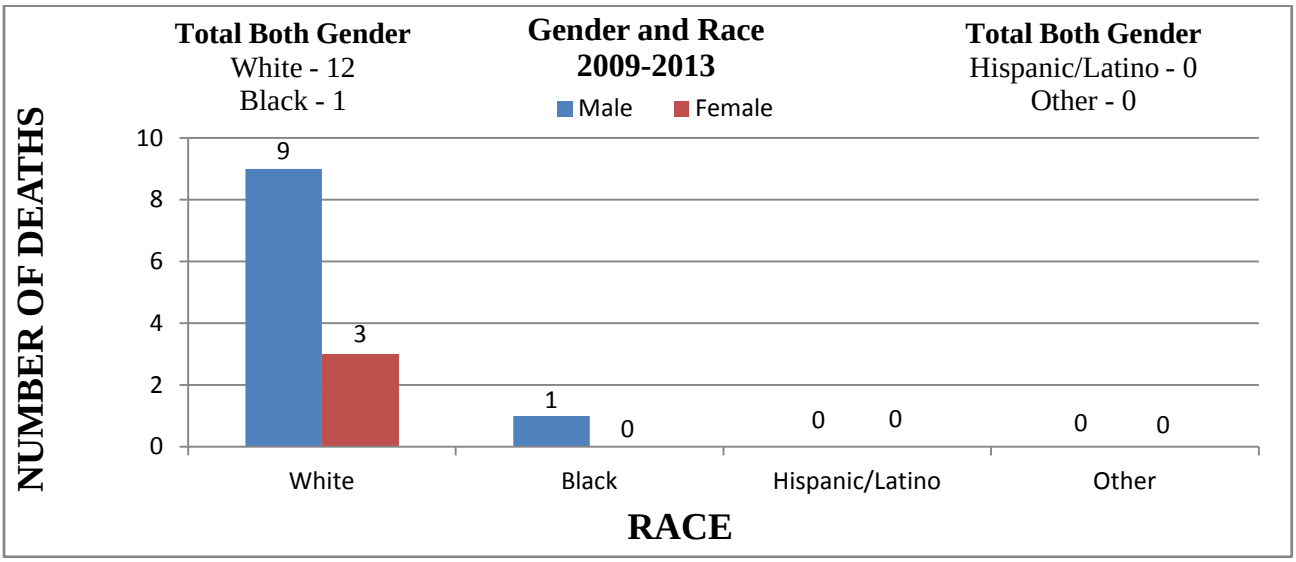

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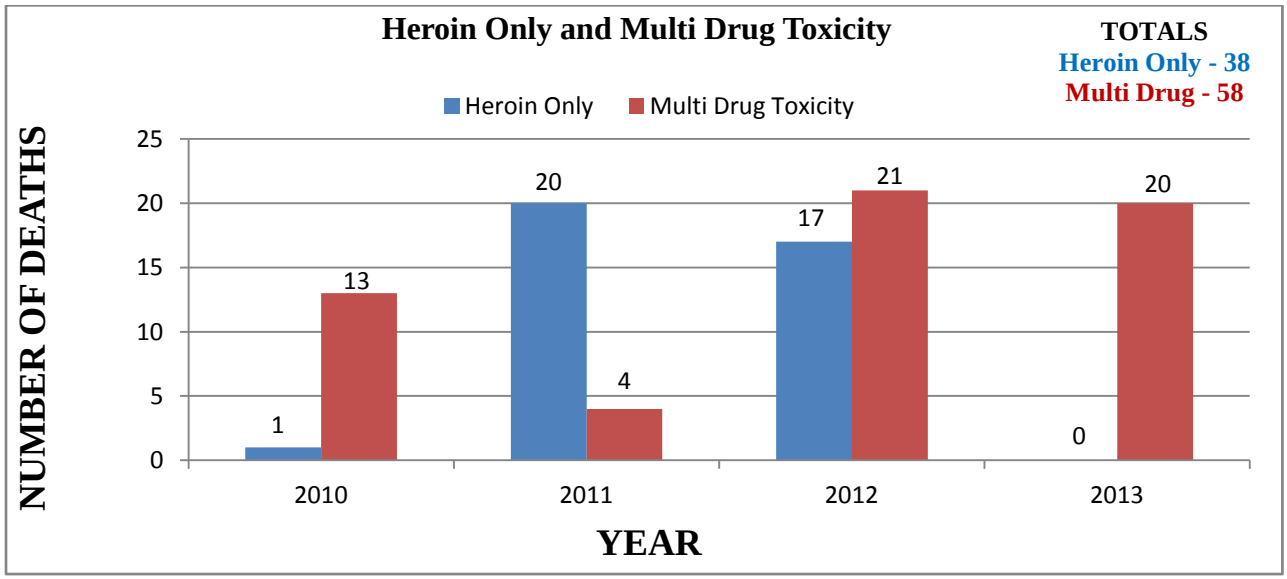

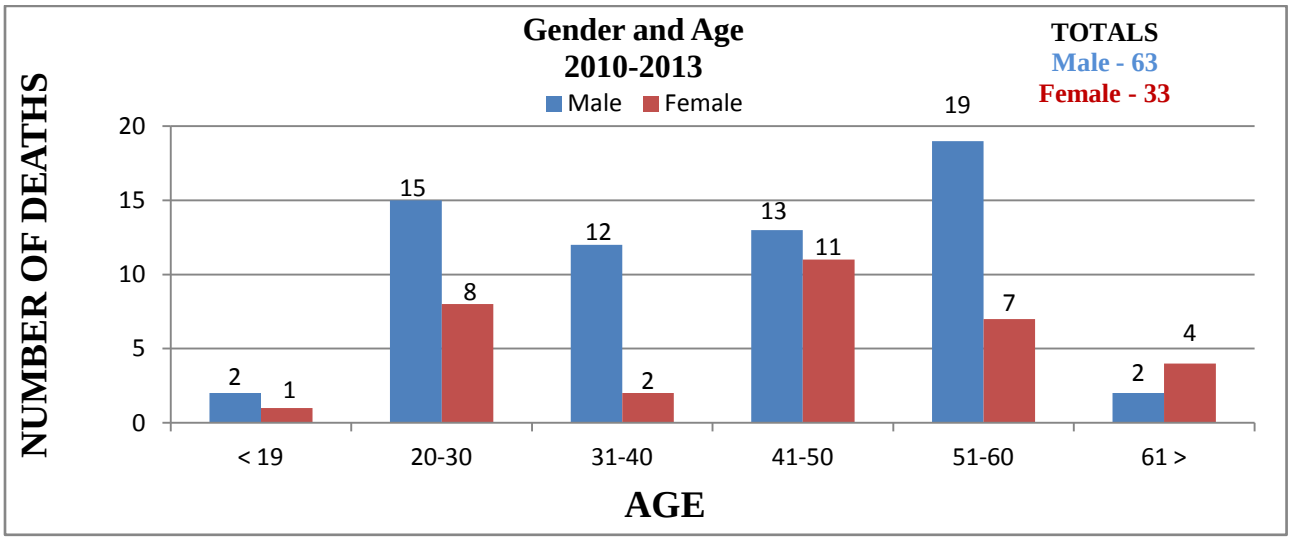

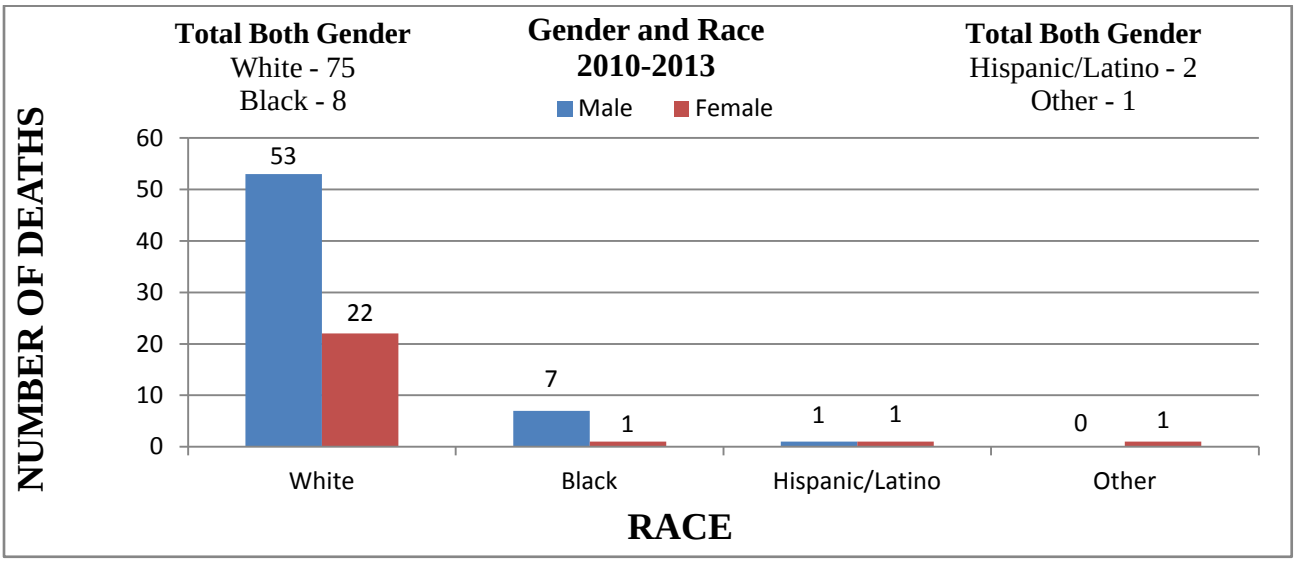

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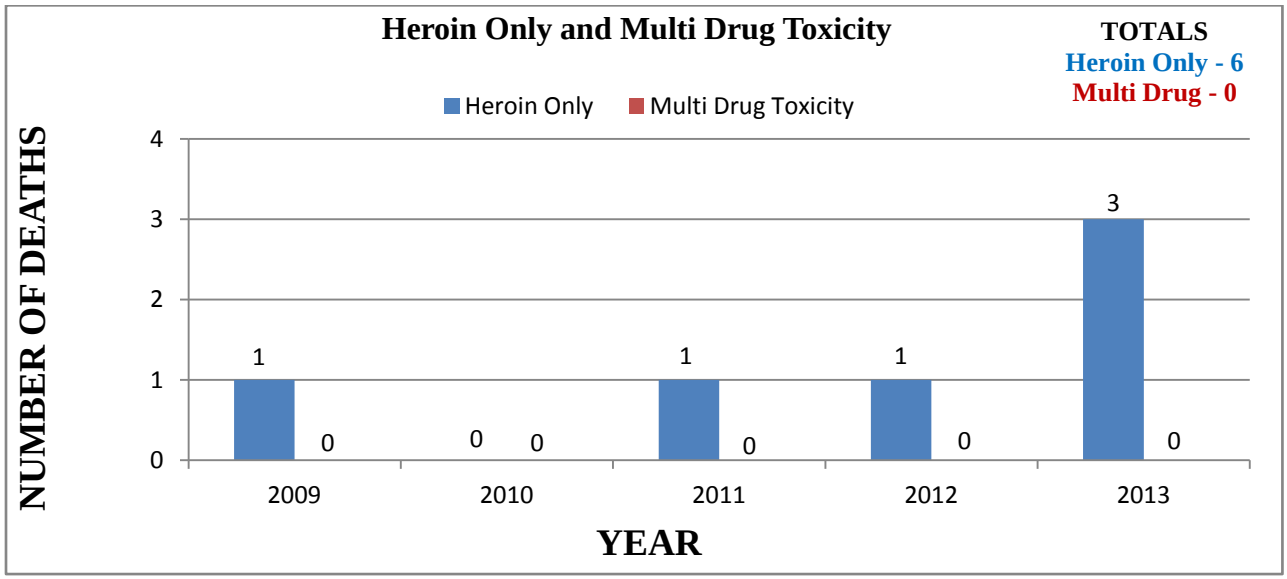

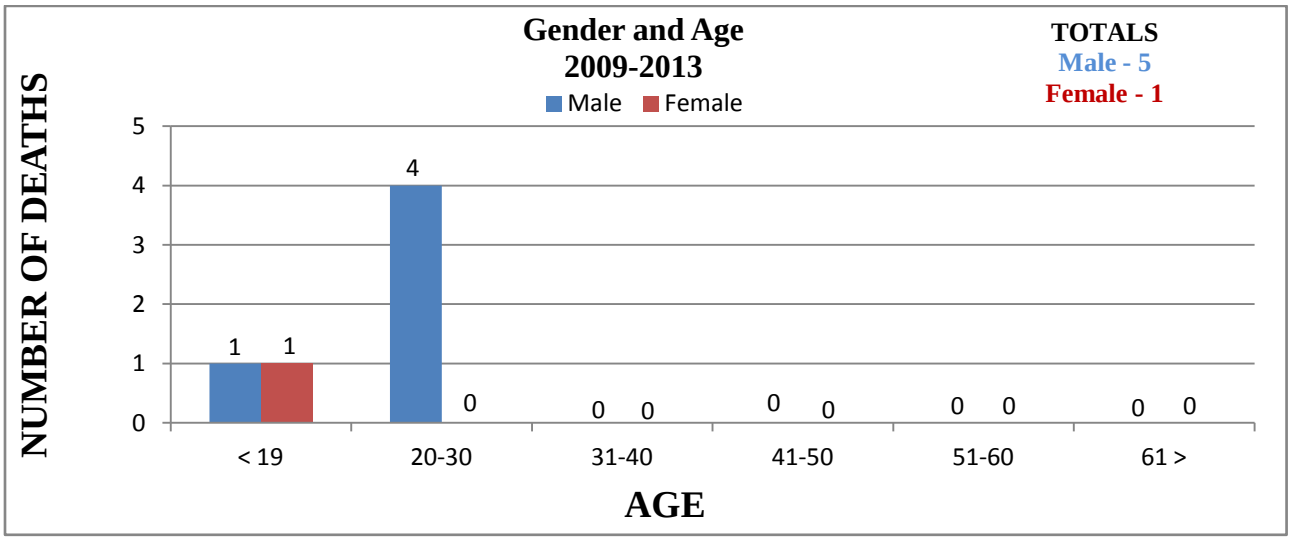

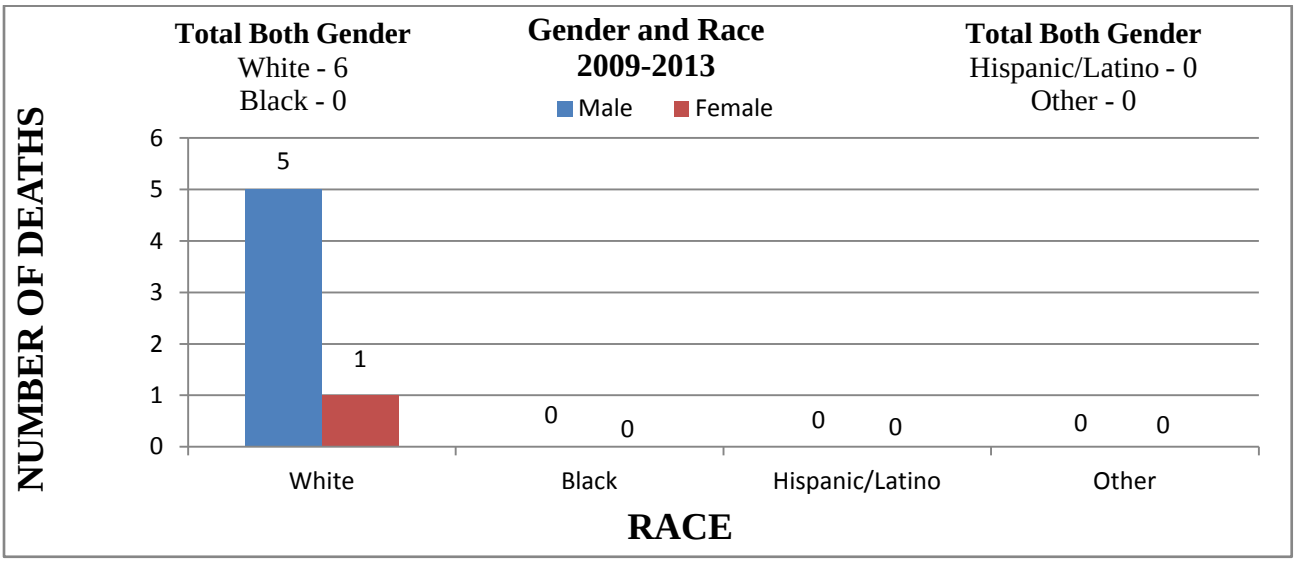

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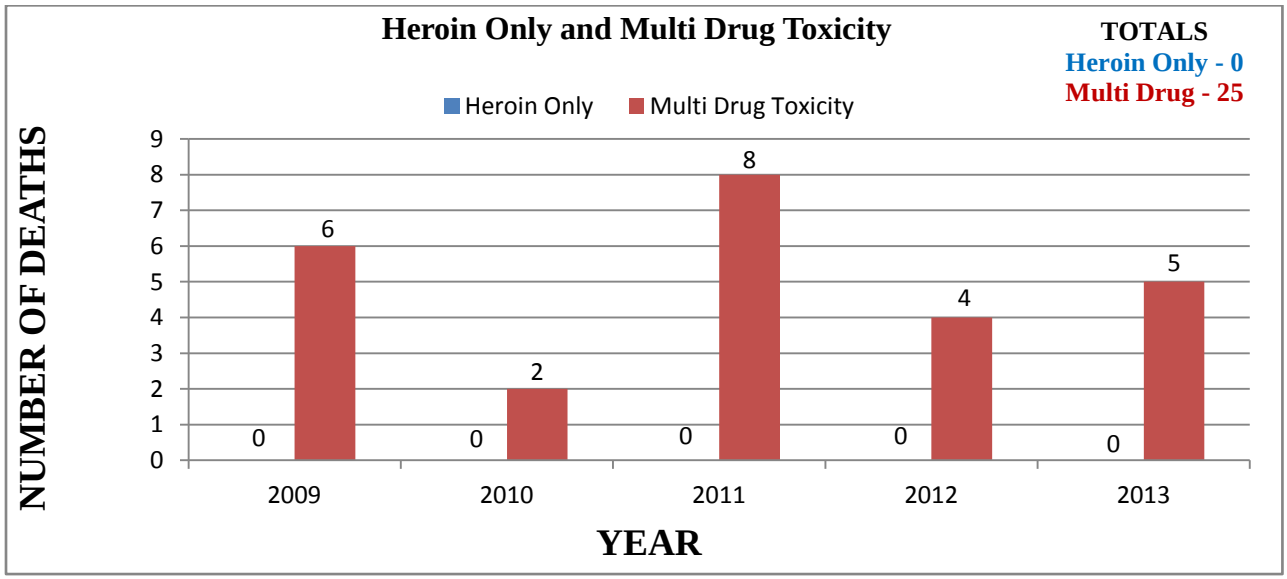
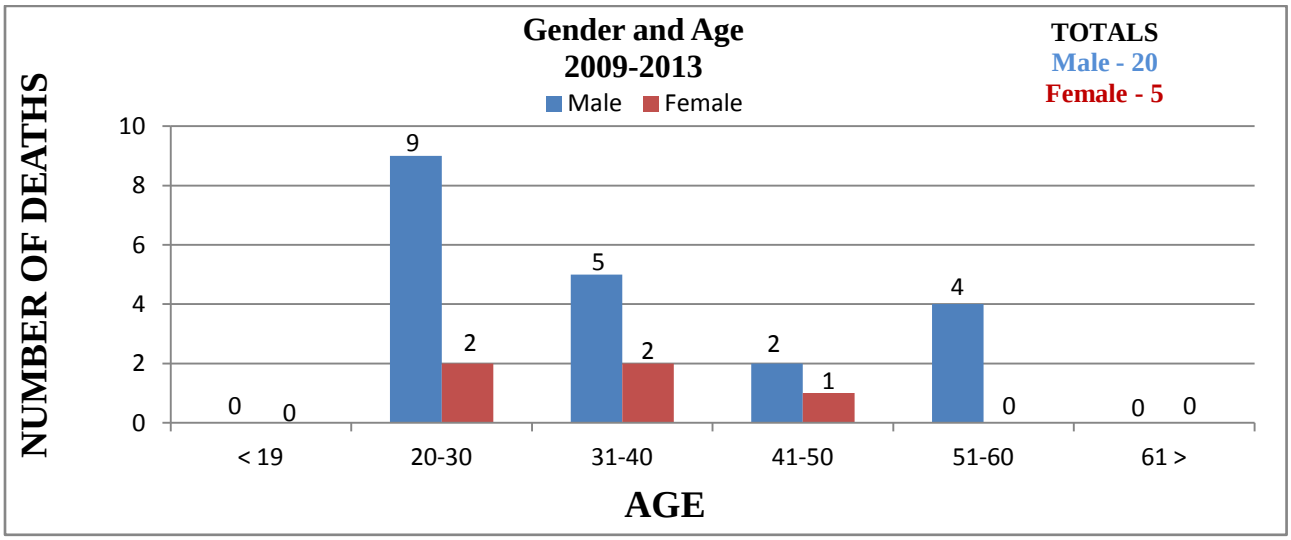
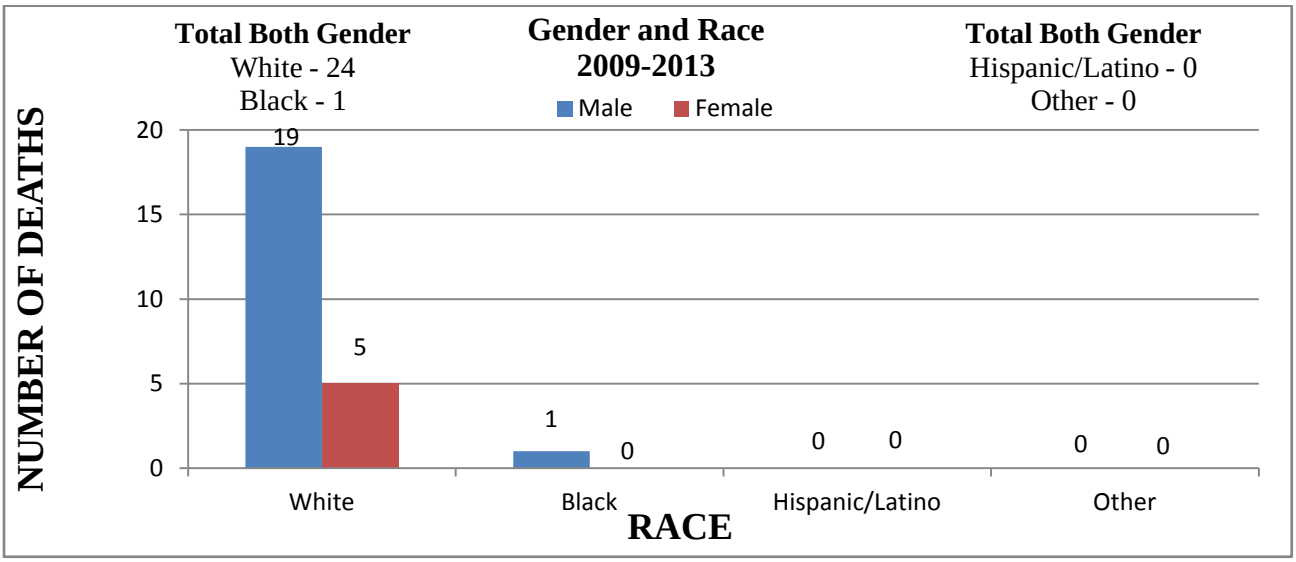
Cumberland County







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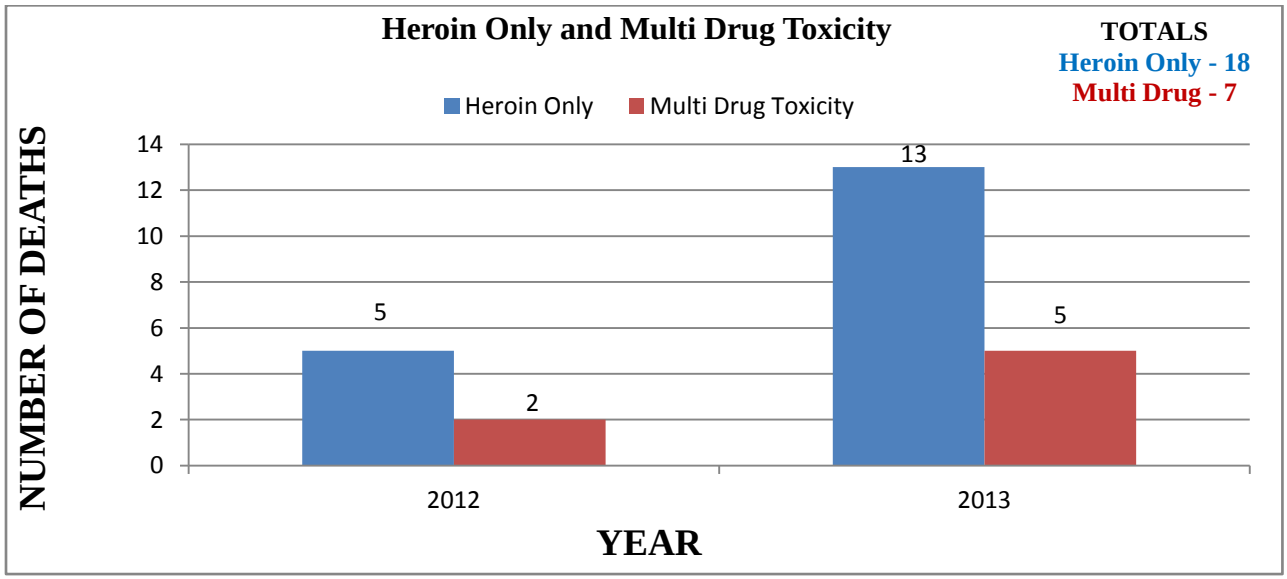

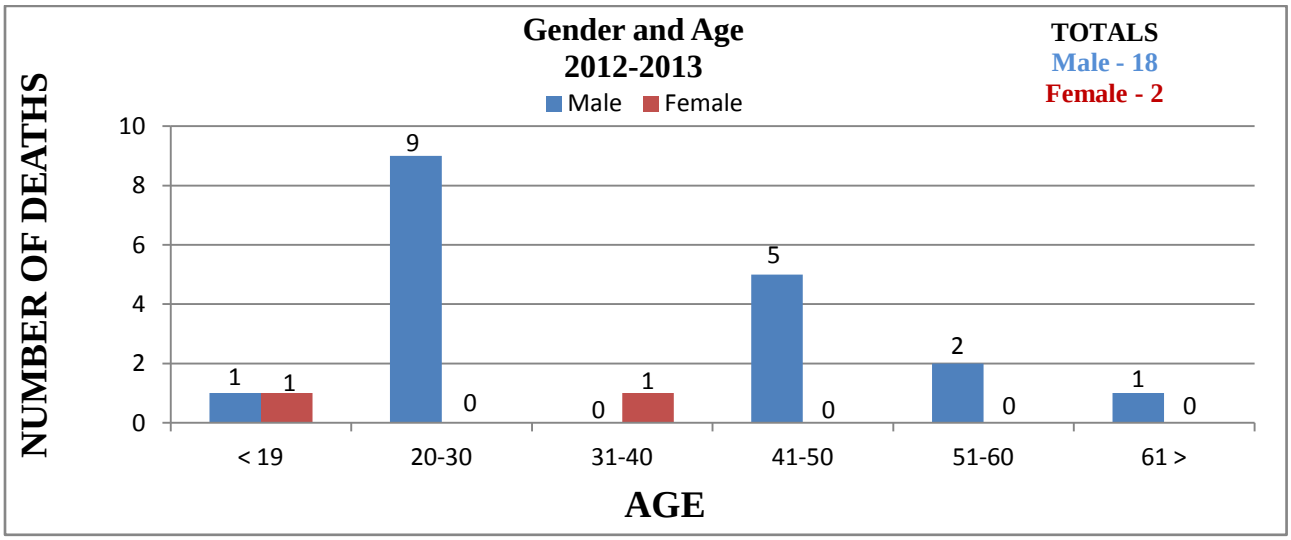

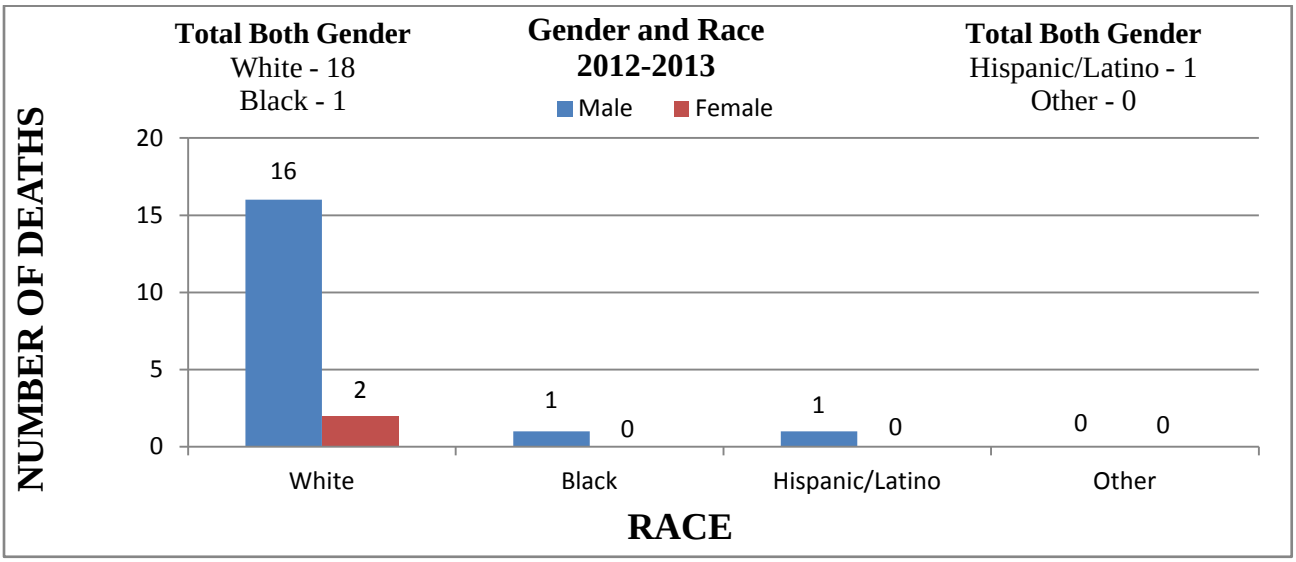

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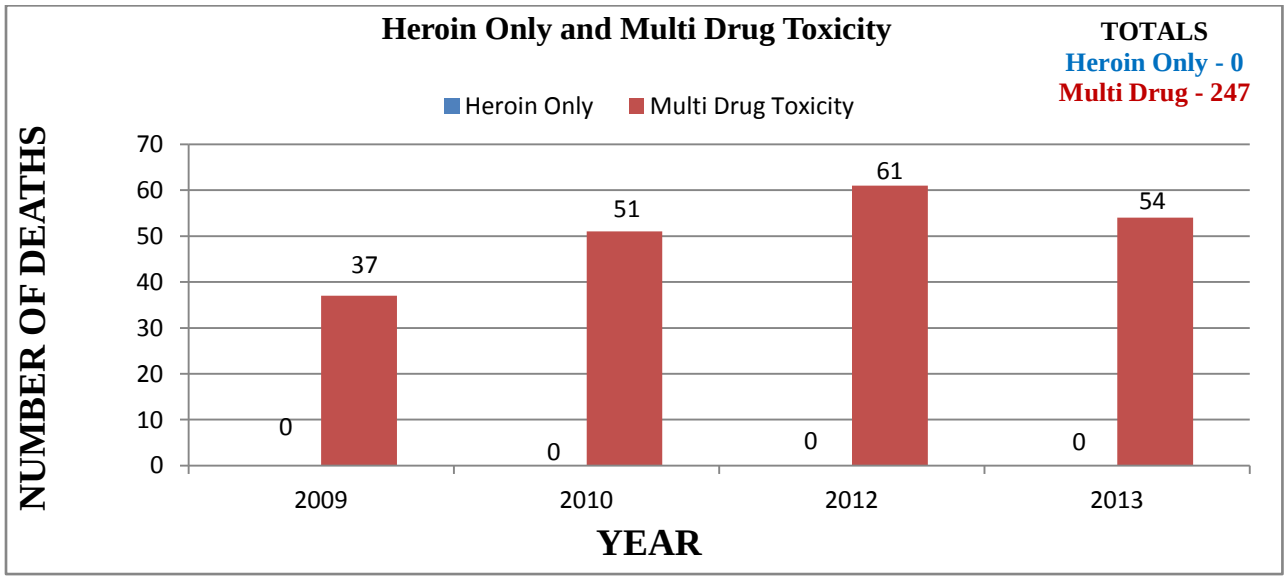

Gender, Age, and Race data was not provided by Delaware County.

Elk County

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Multi Drug Toxicity statistics refer to all drug deaths, not only heroin related.

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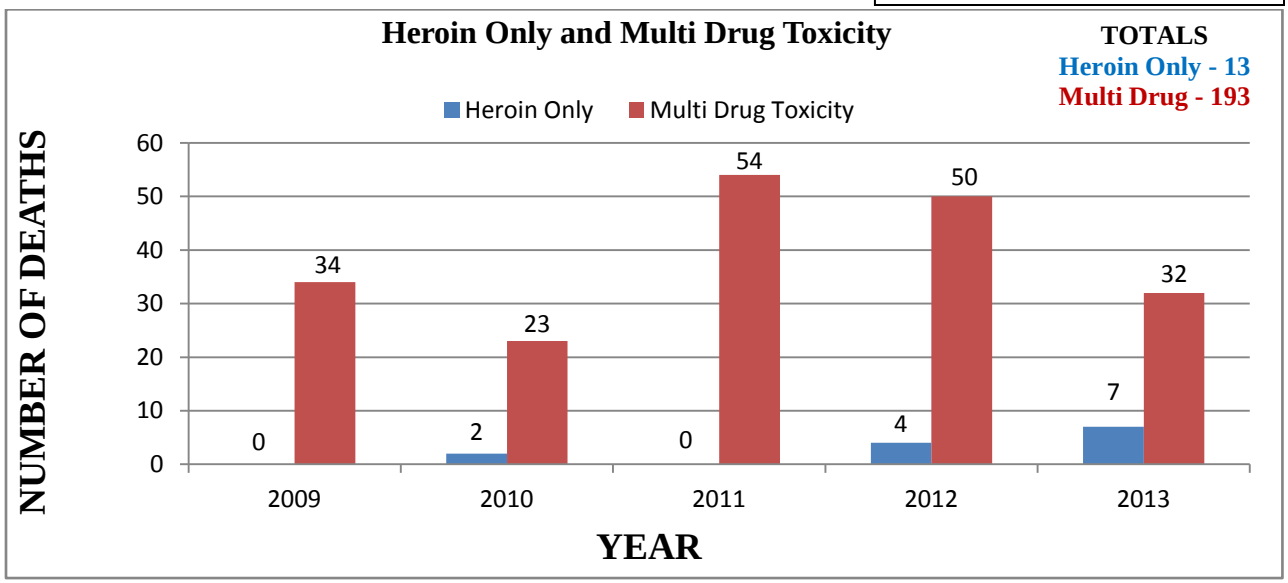

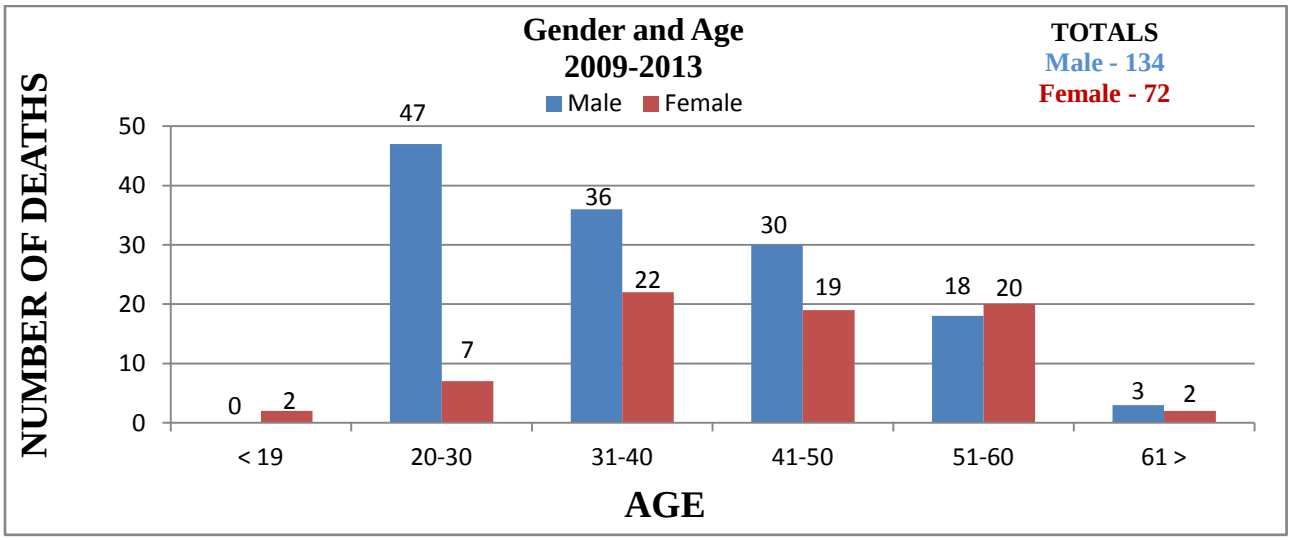

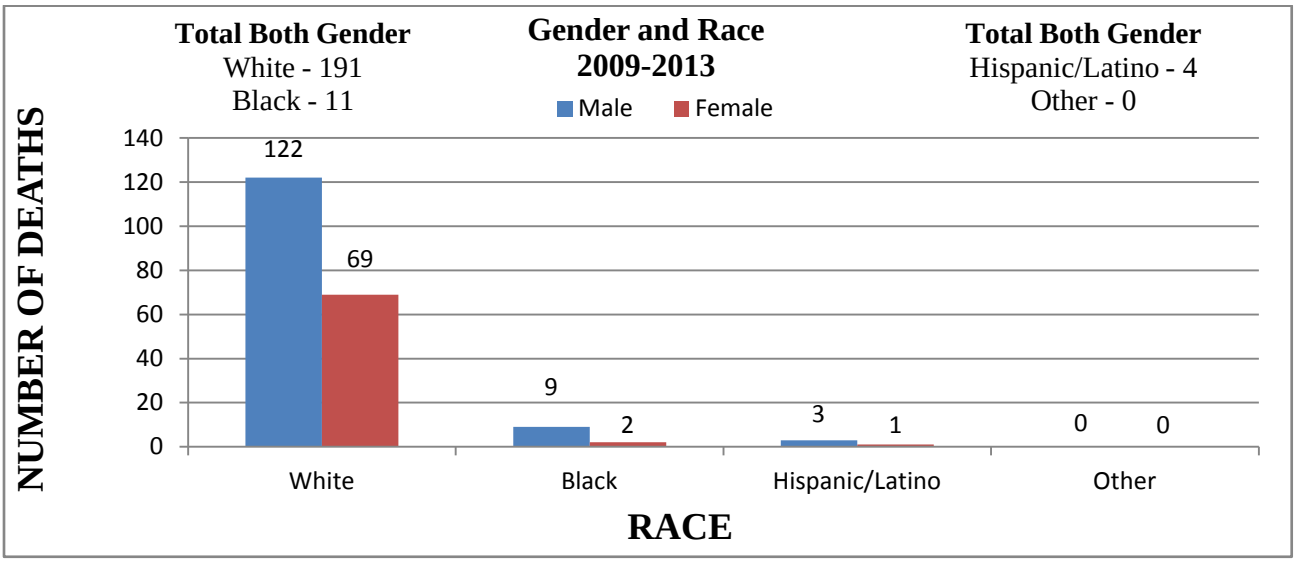

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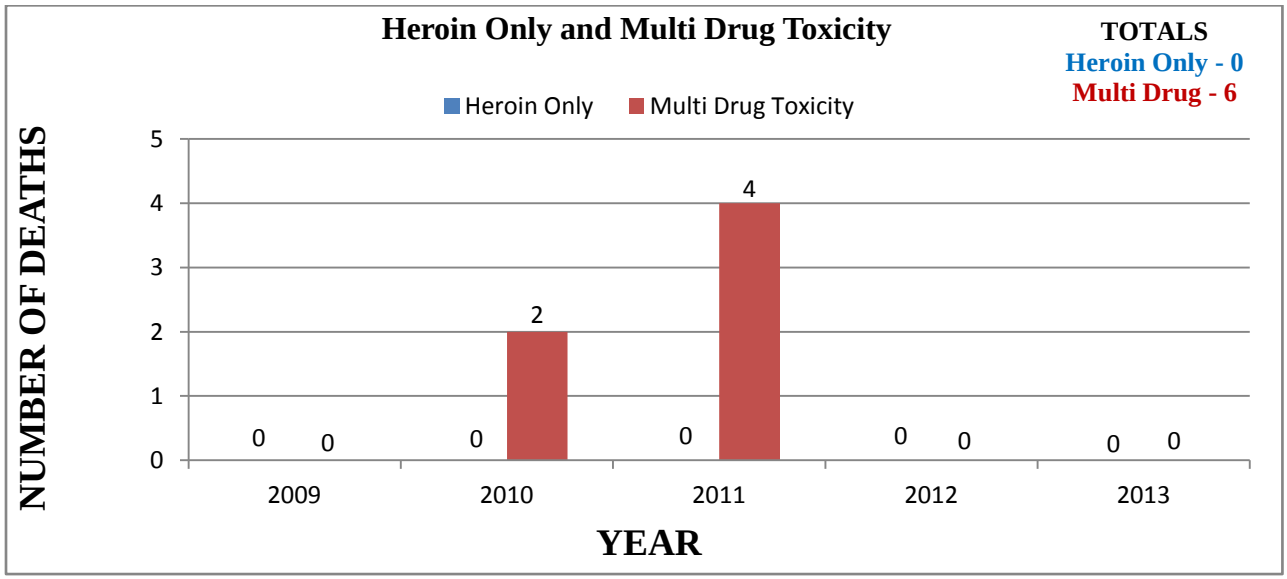

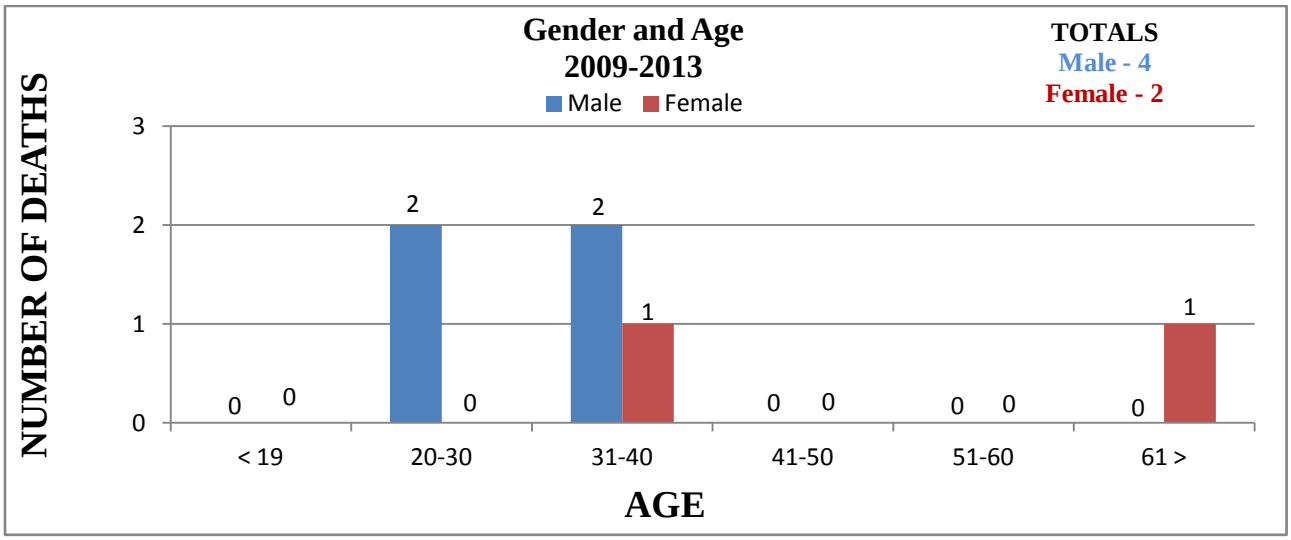

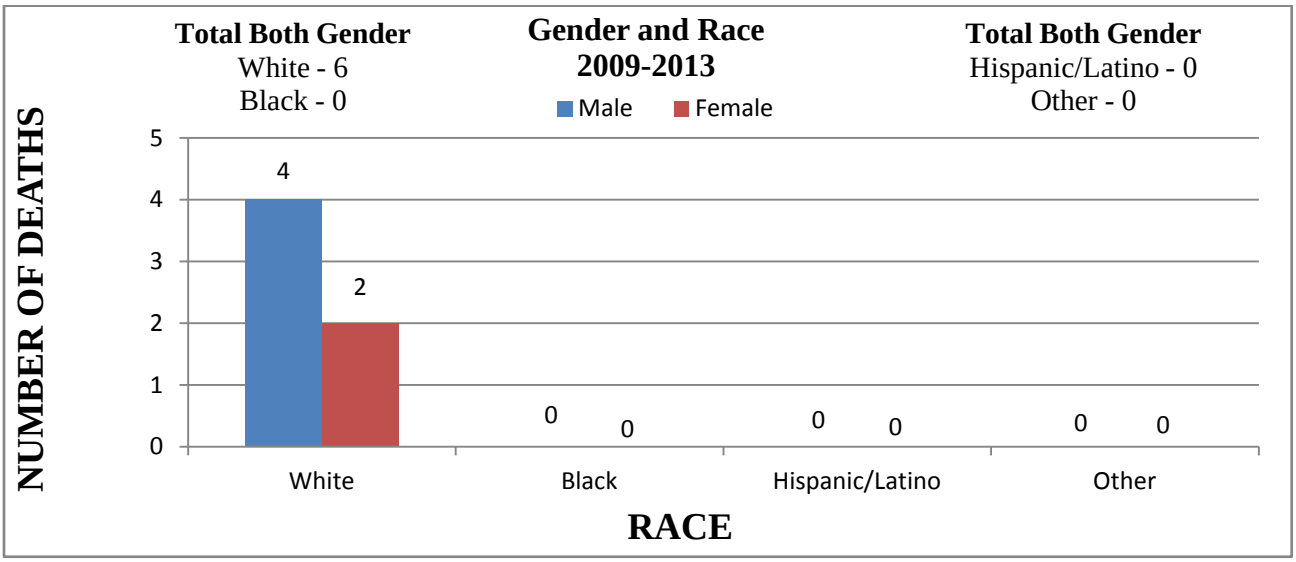

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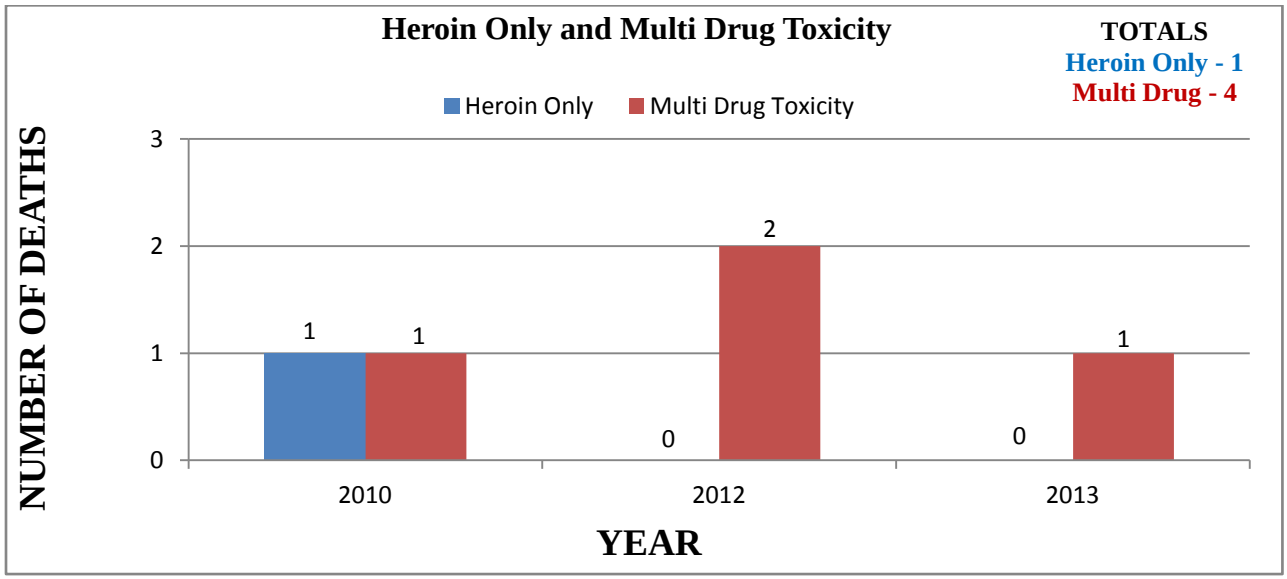

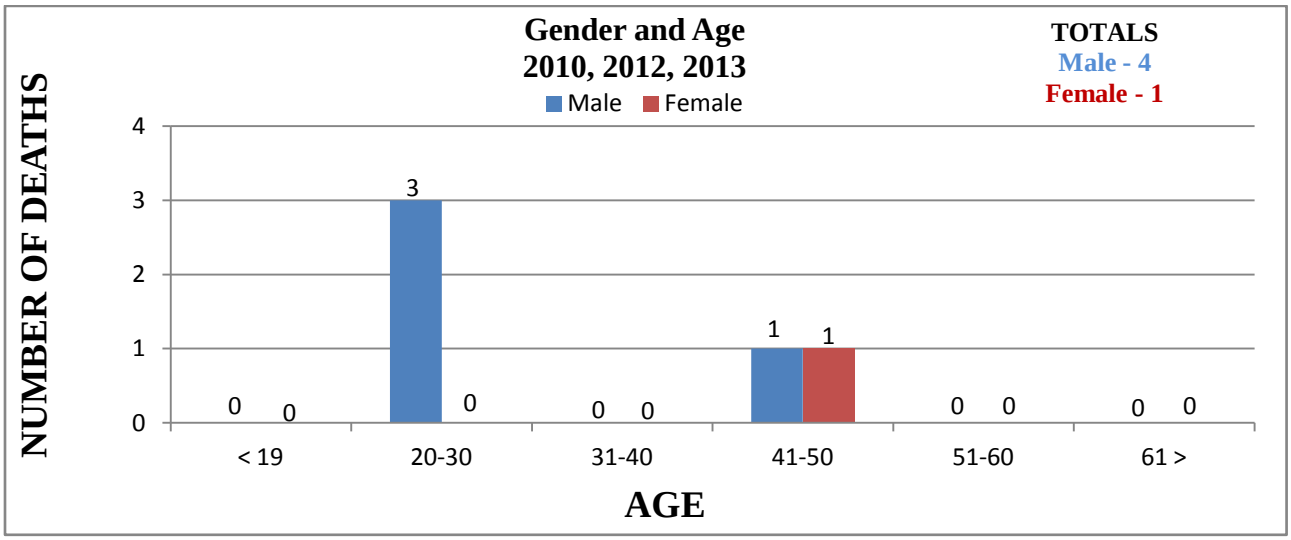

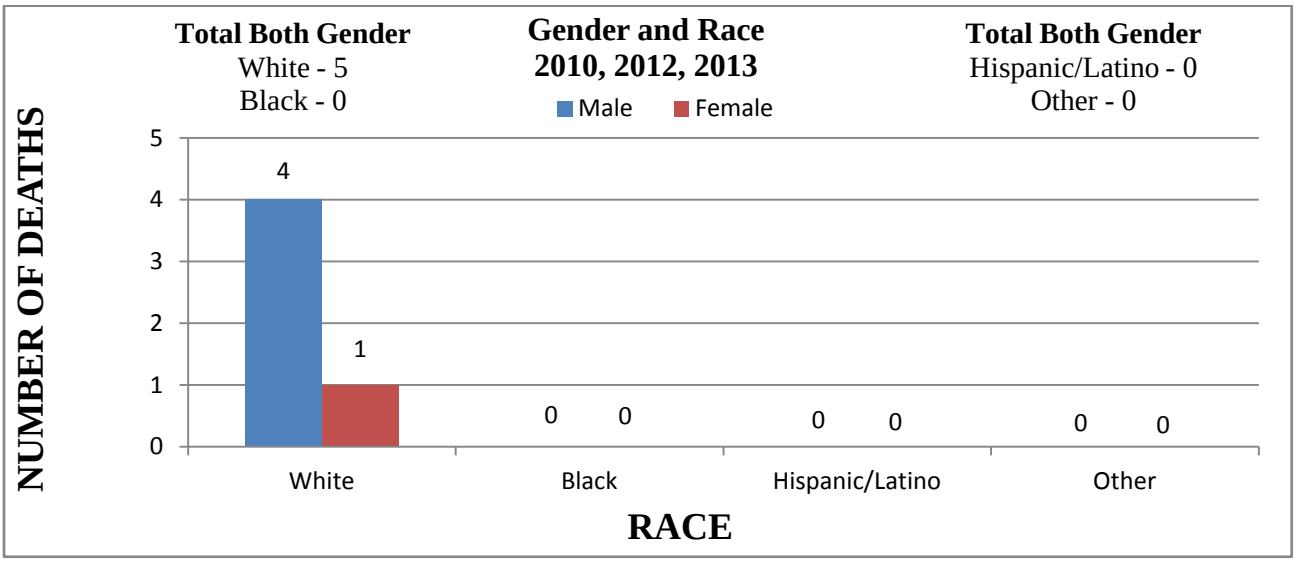

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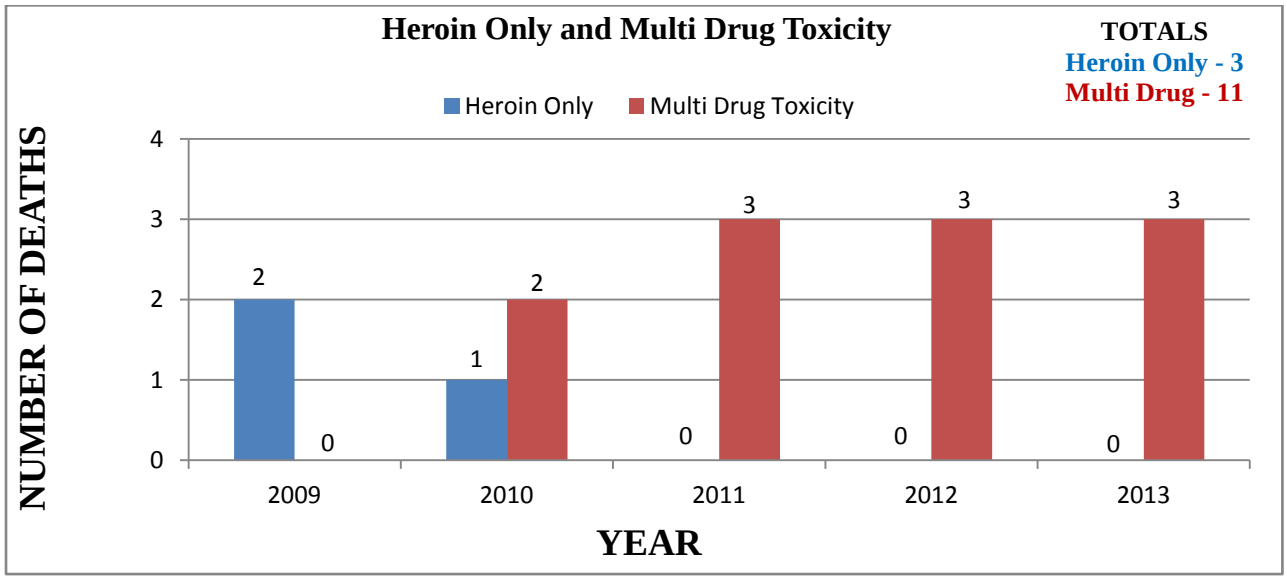

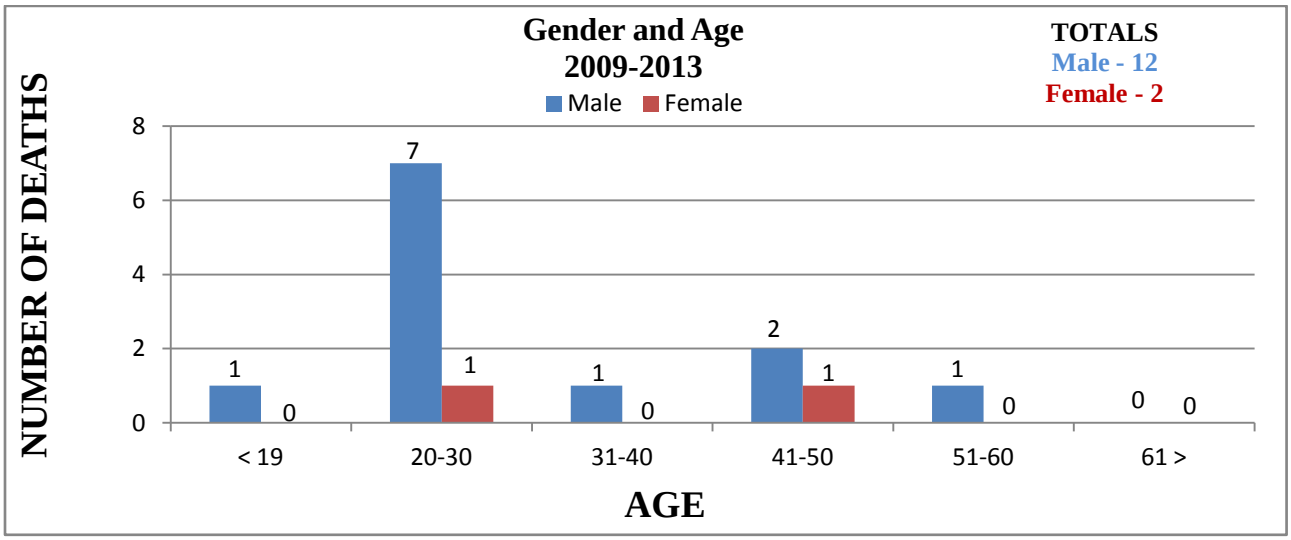

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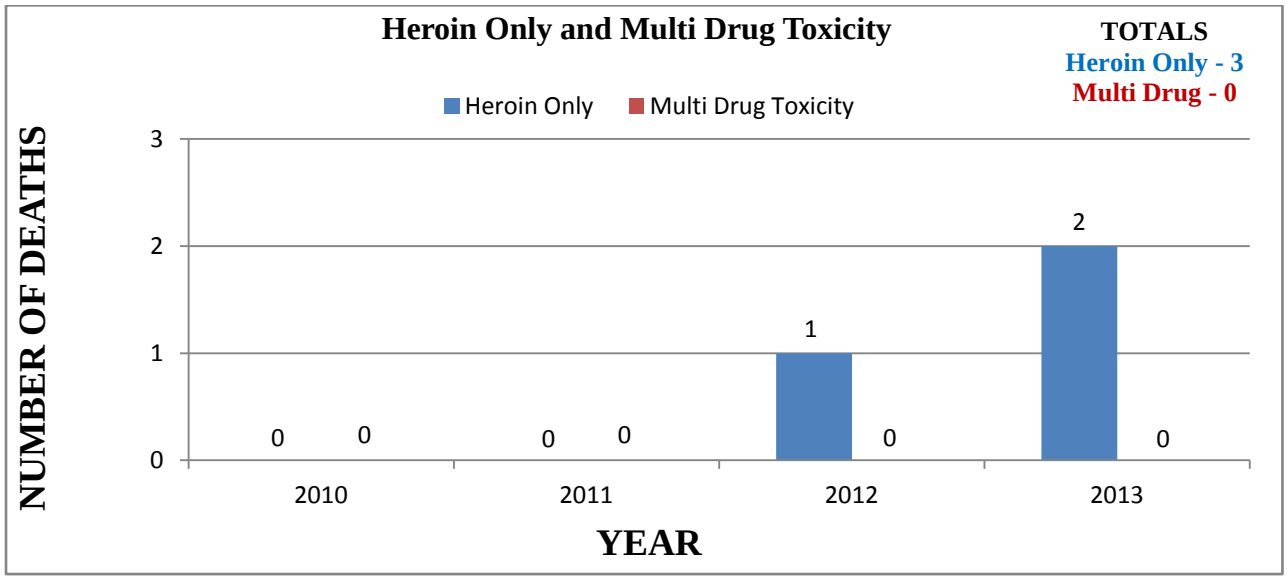
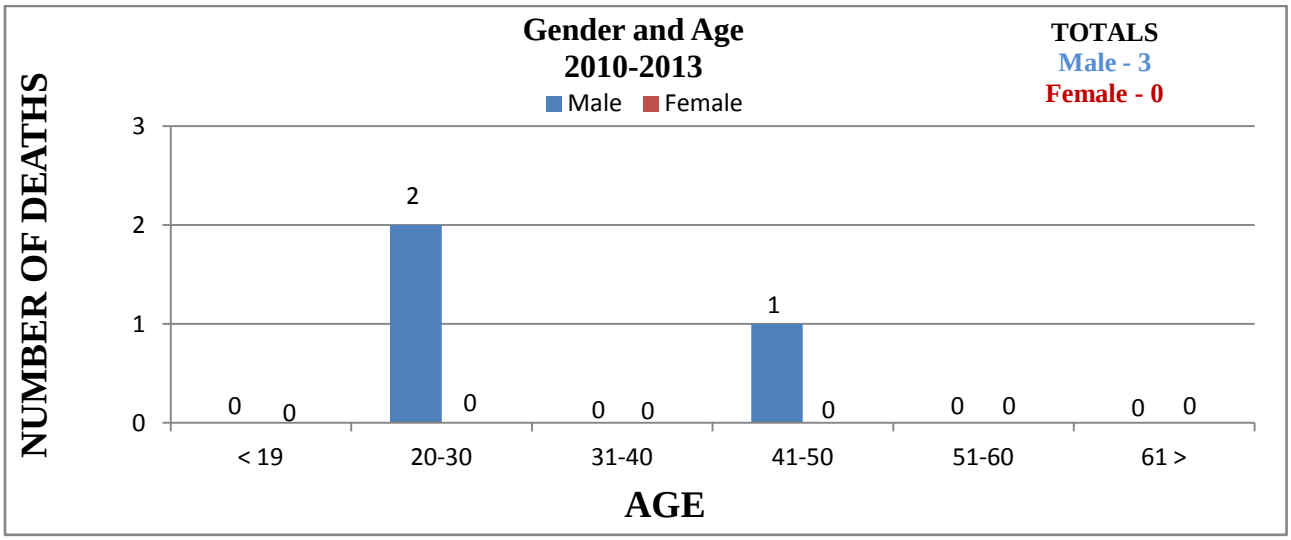
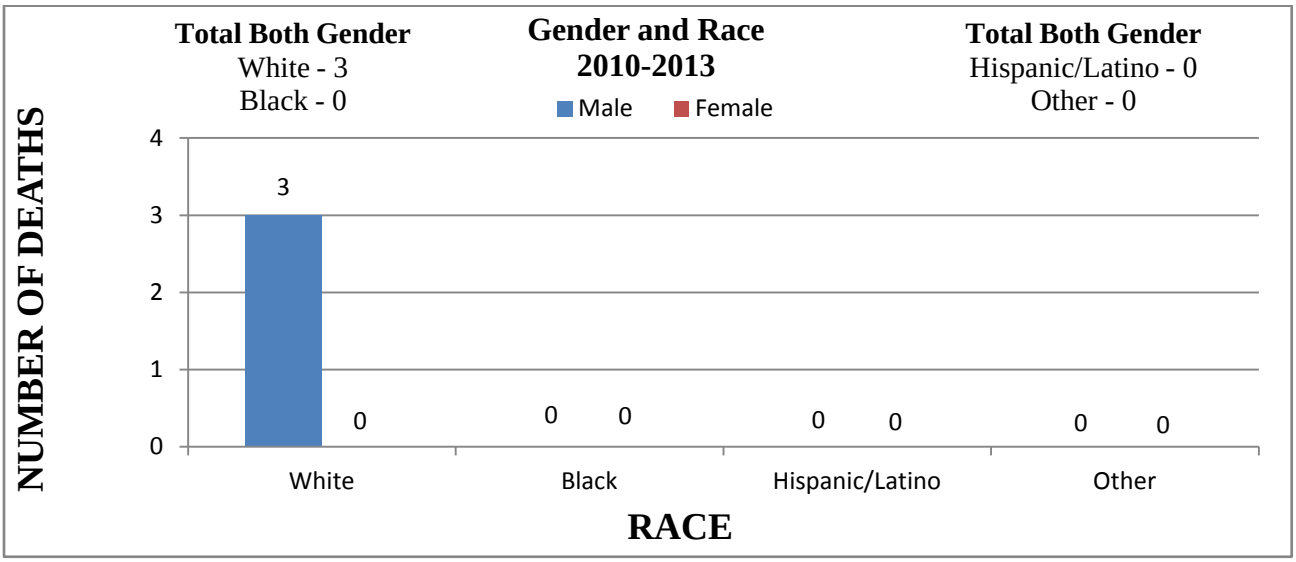
Huntingdon County







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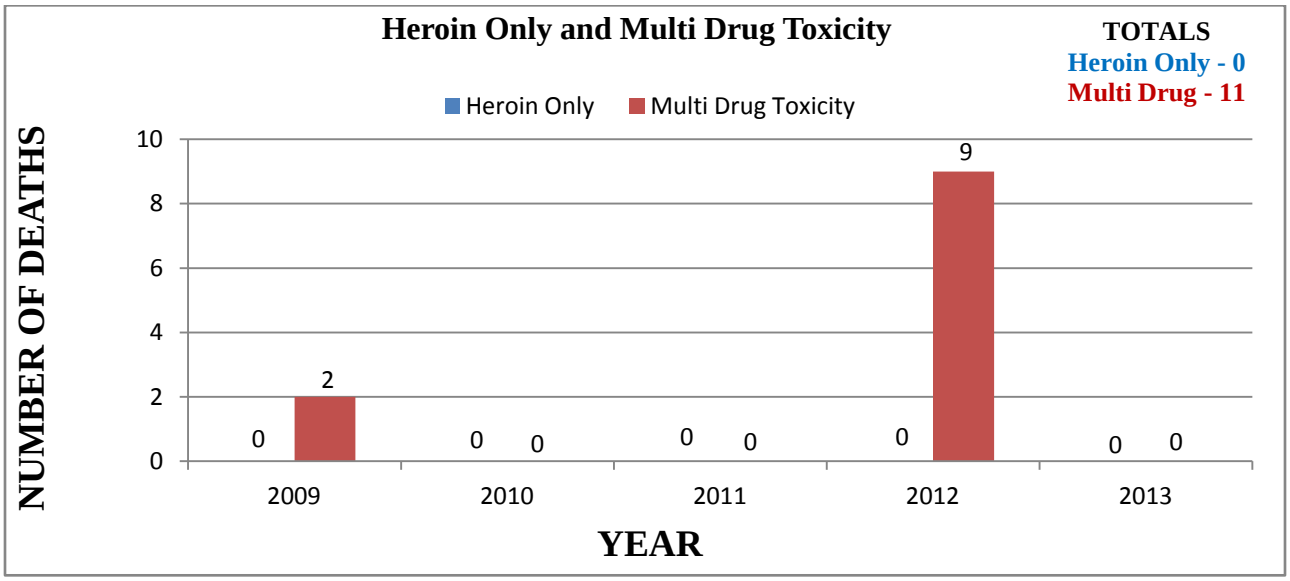

2009-2013
TOTALS
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Female - 2

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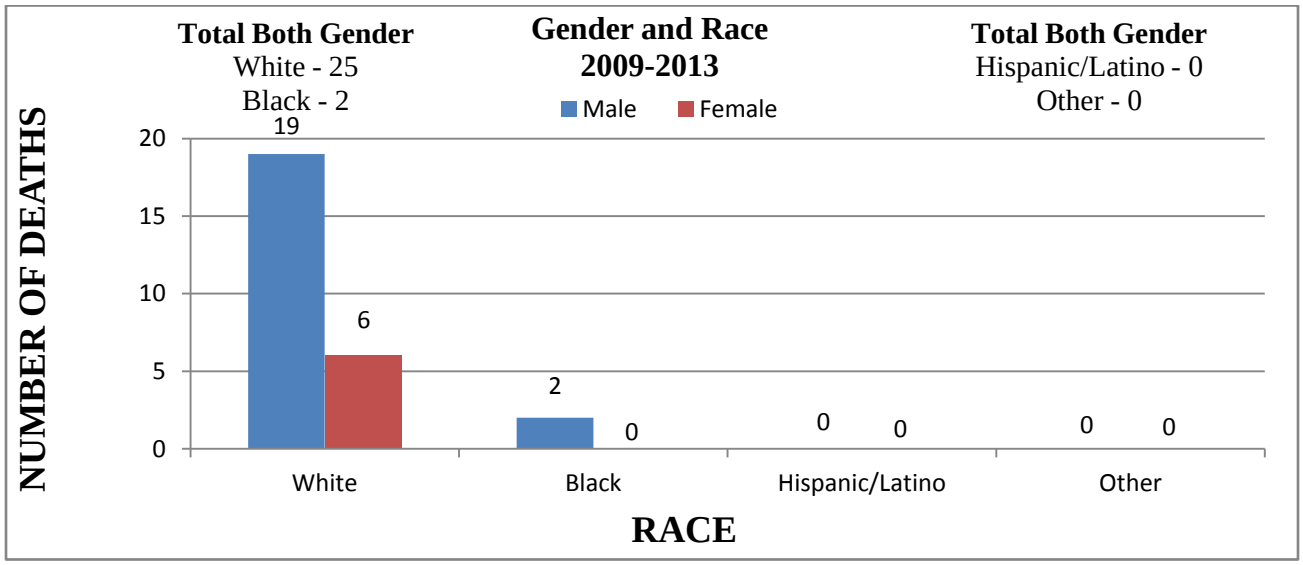

Incomplete Demographic Data.

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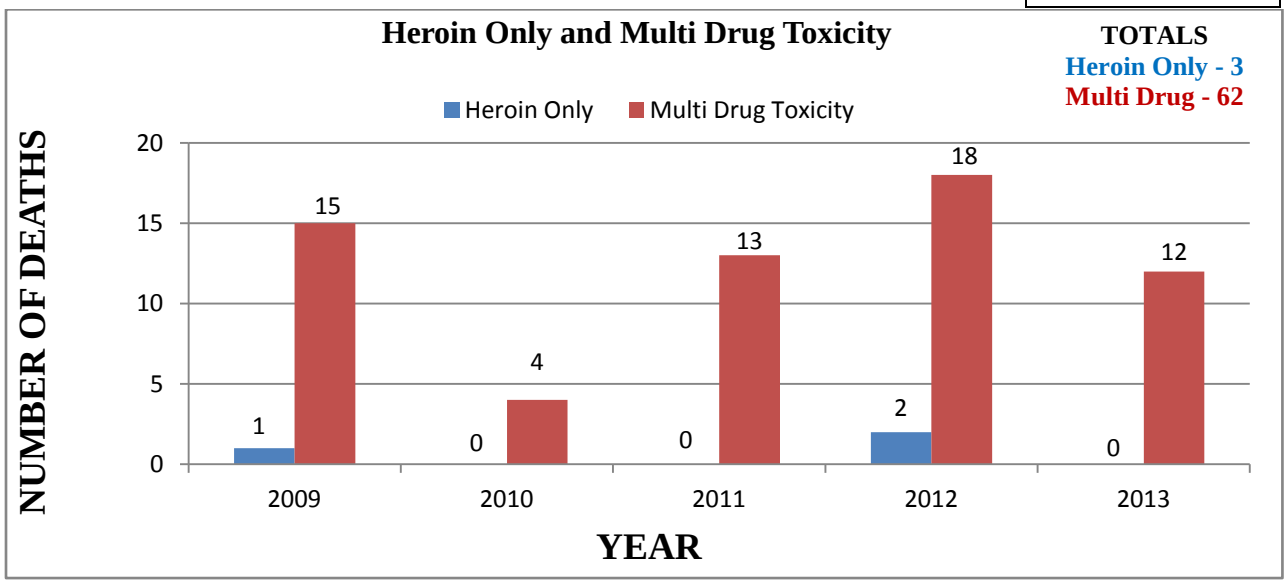

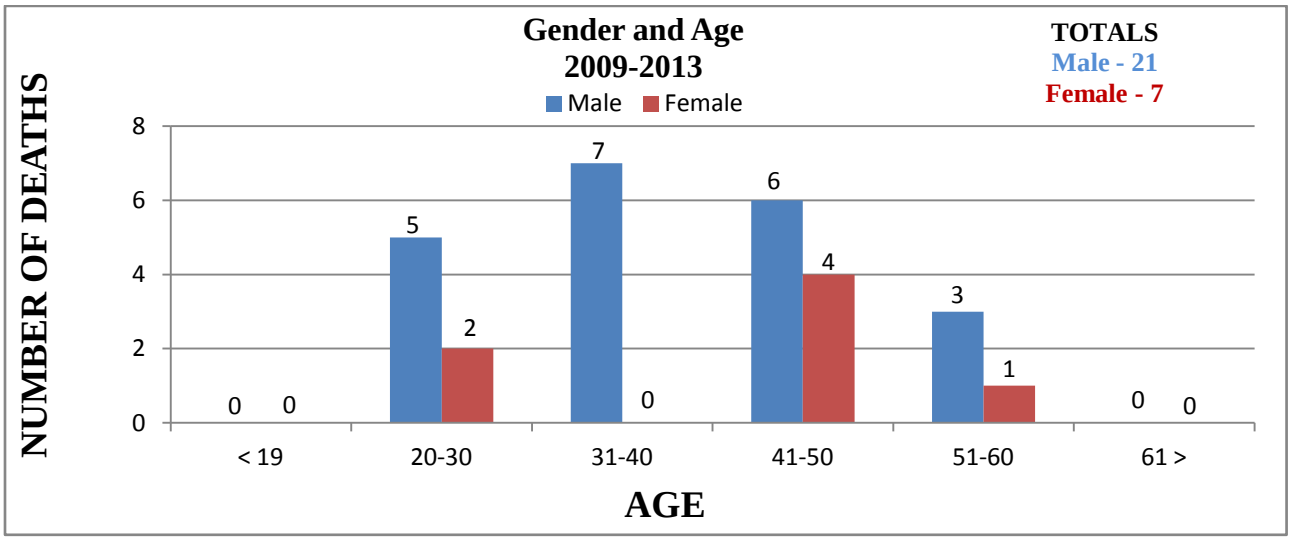

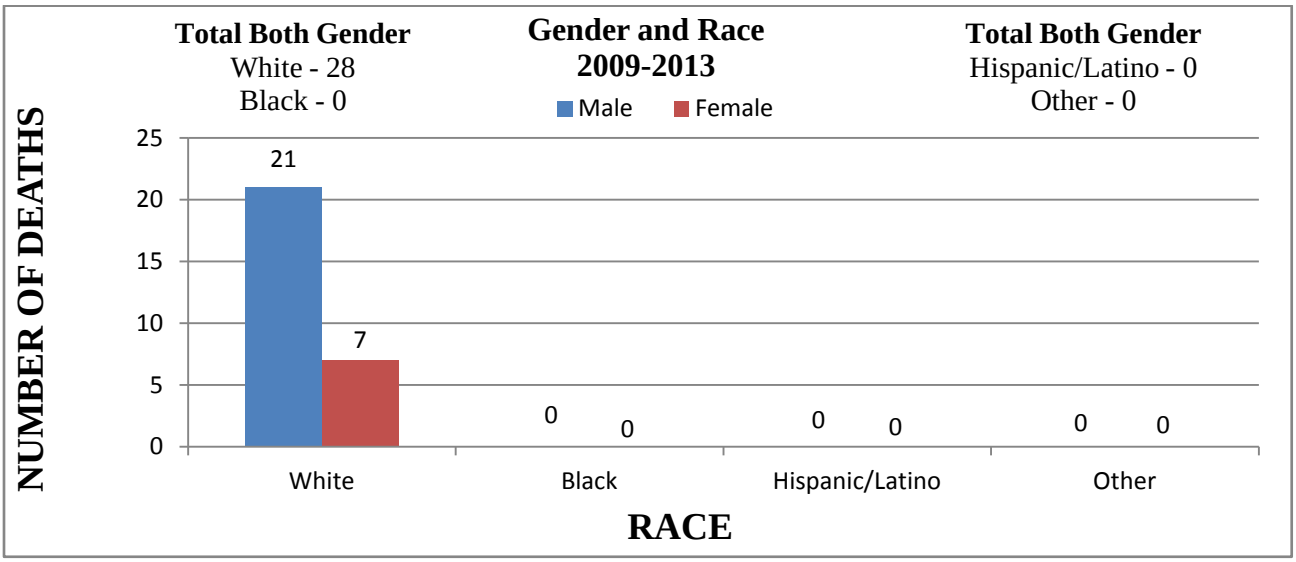

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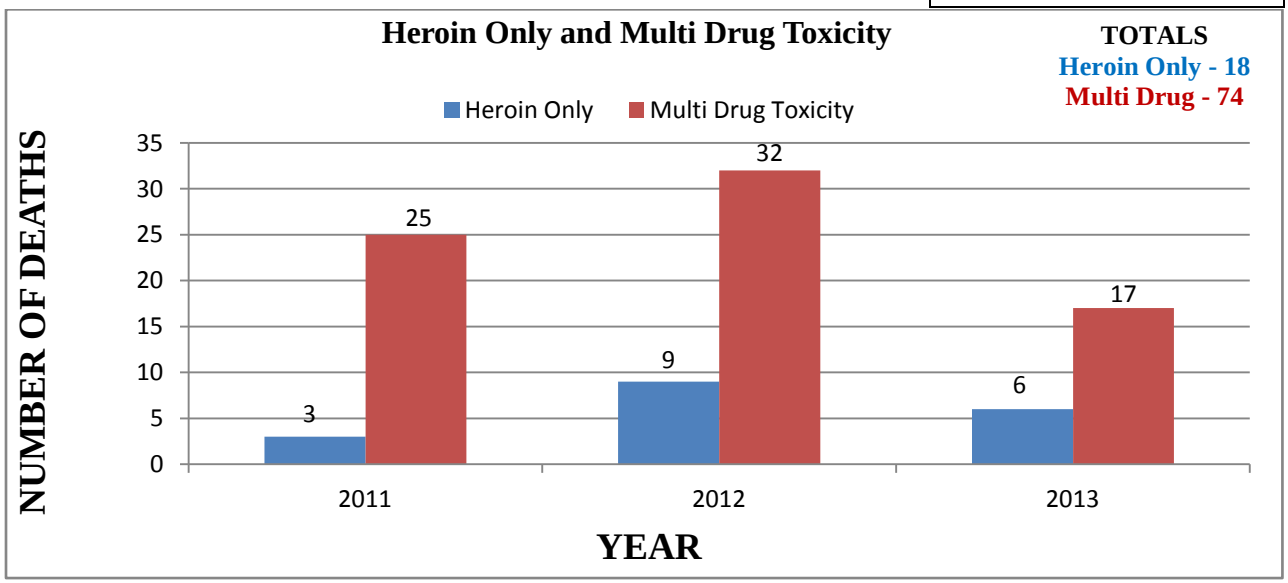

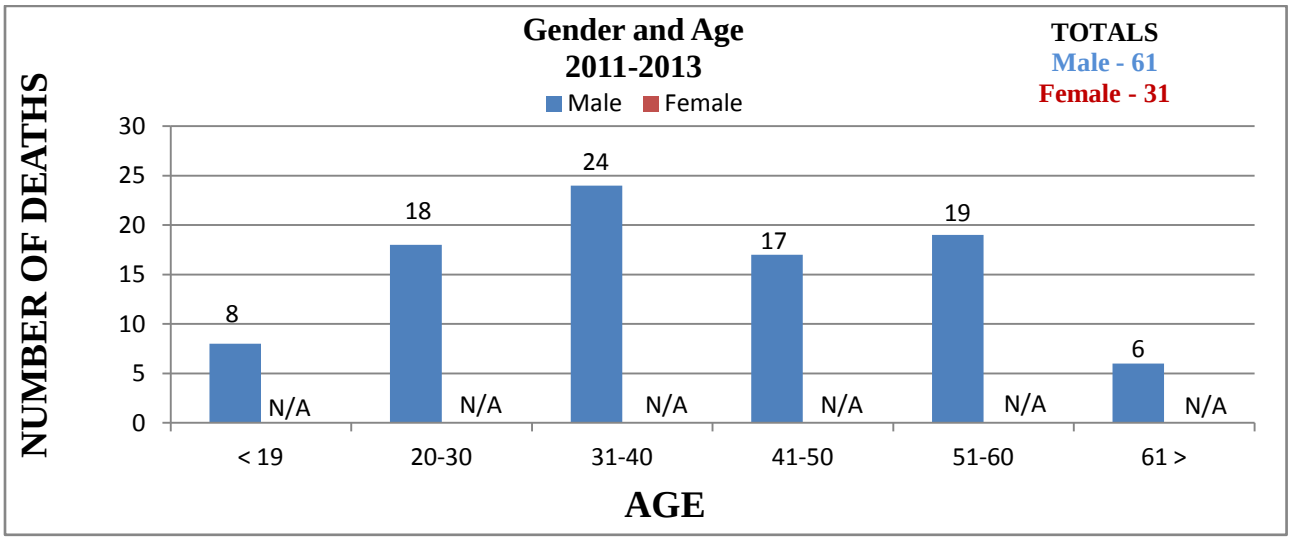

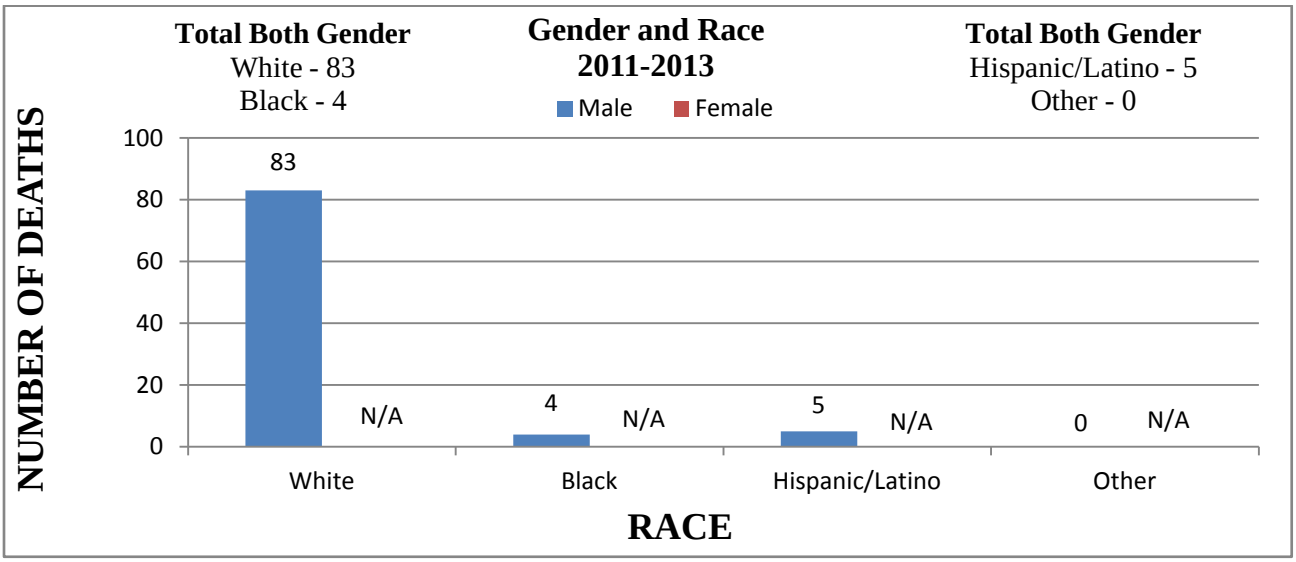

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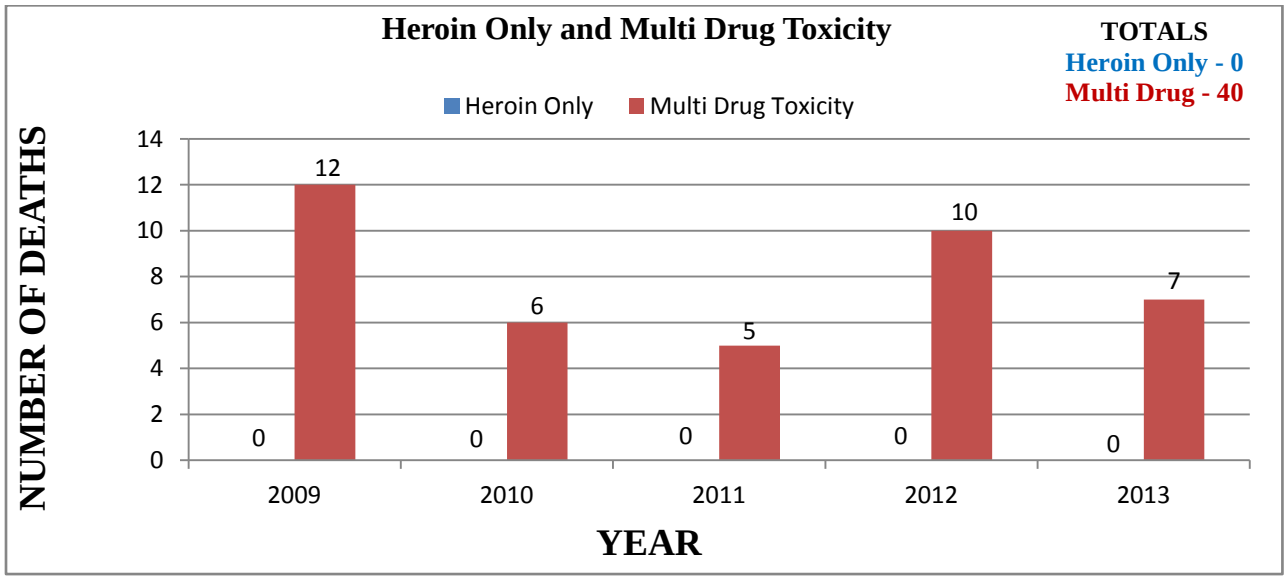

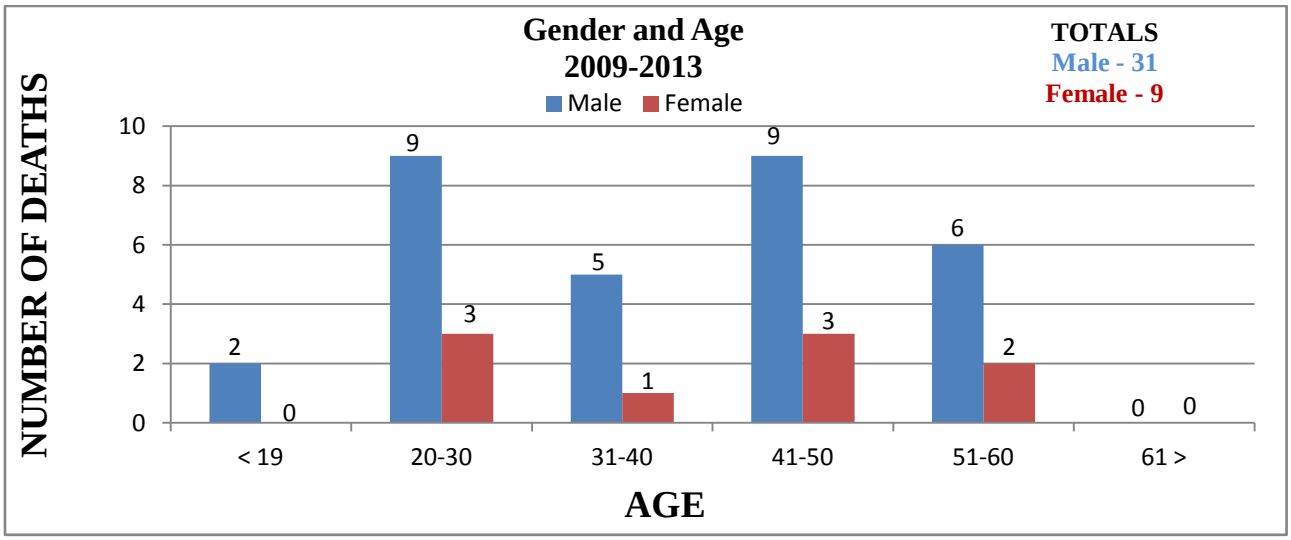

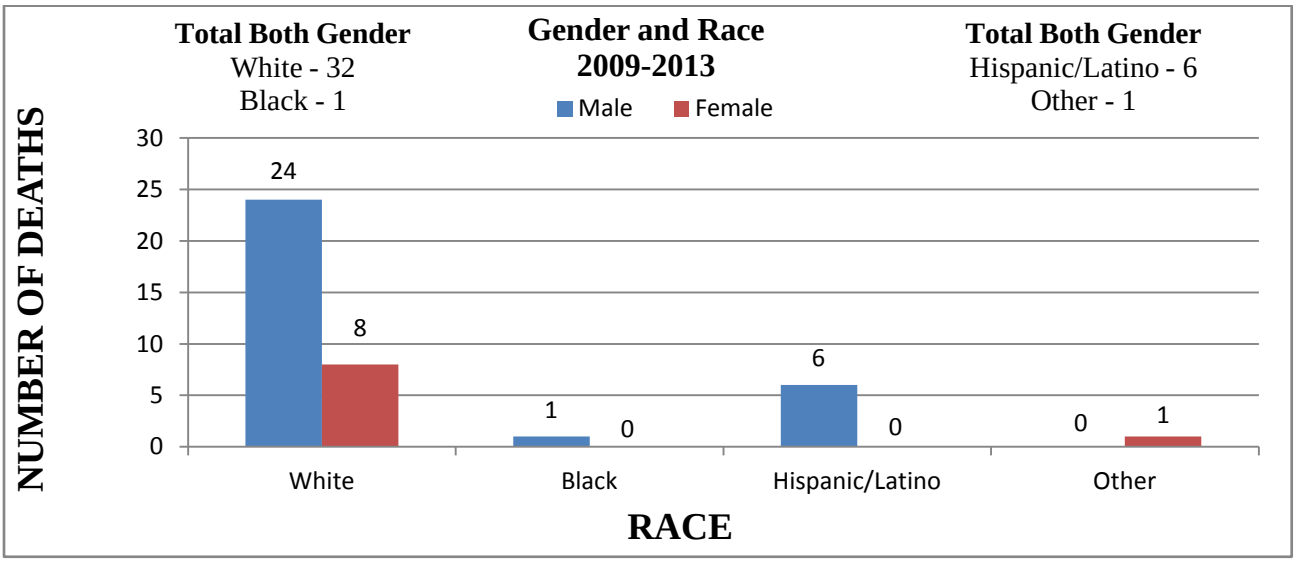

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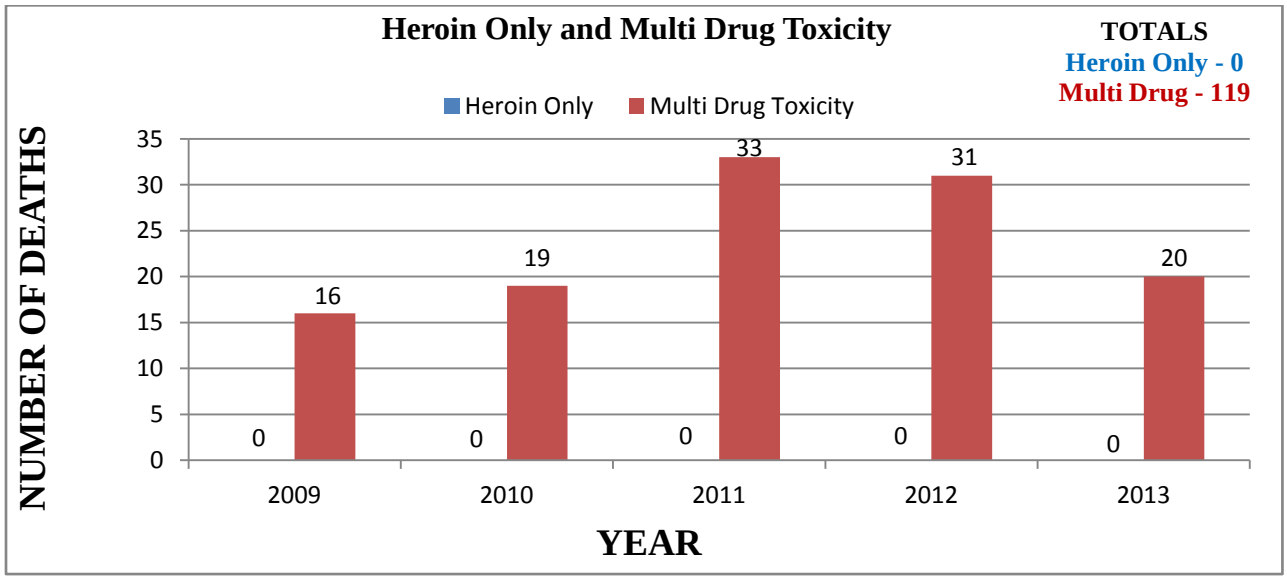

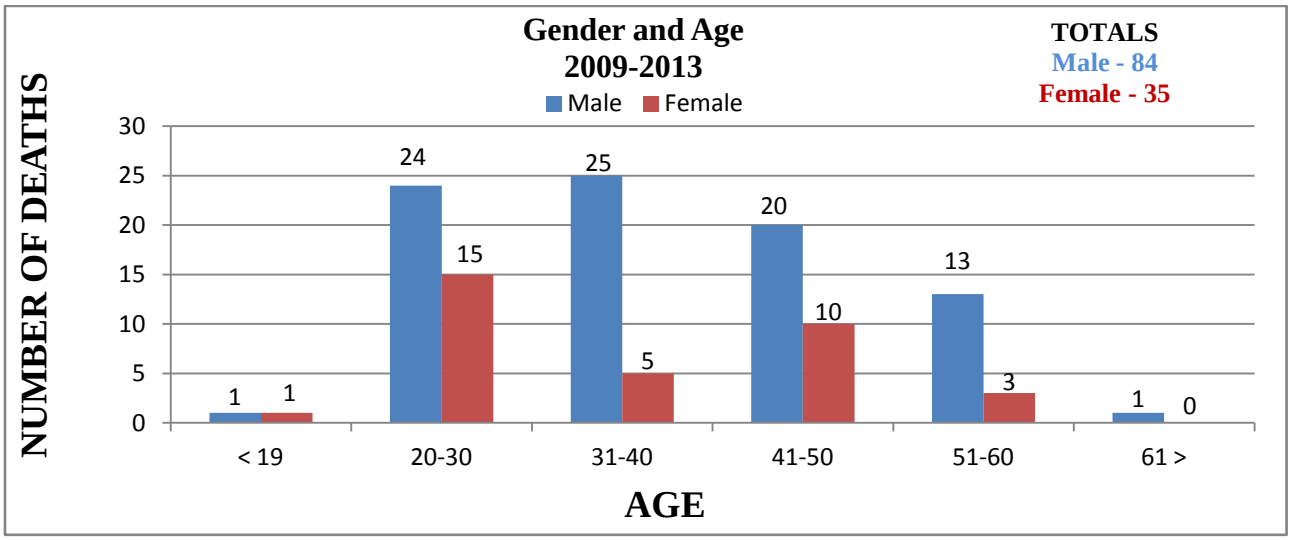

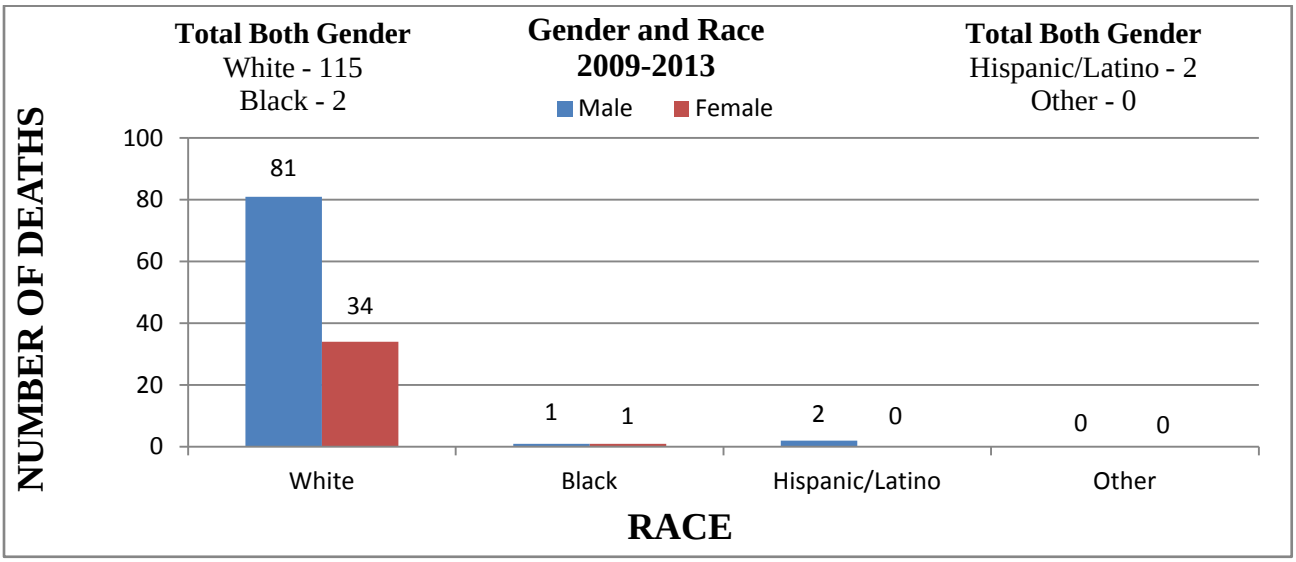

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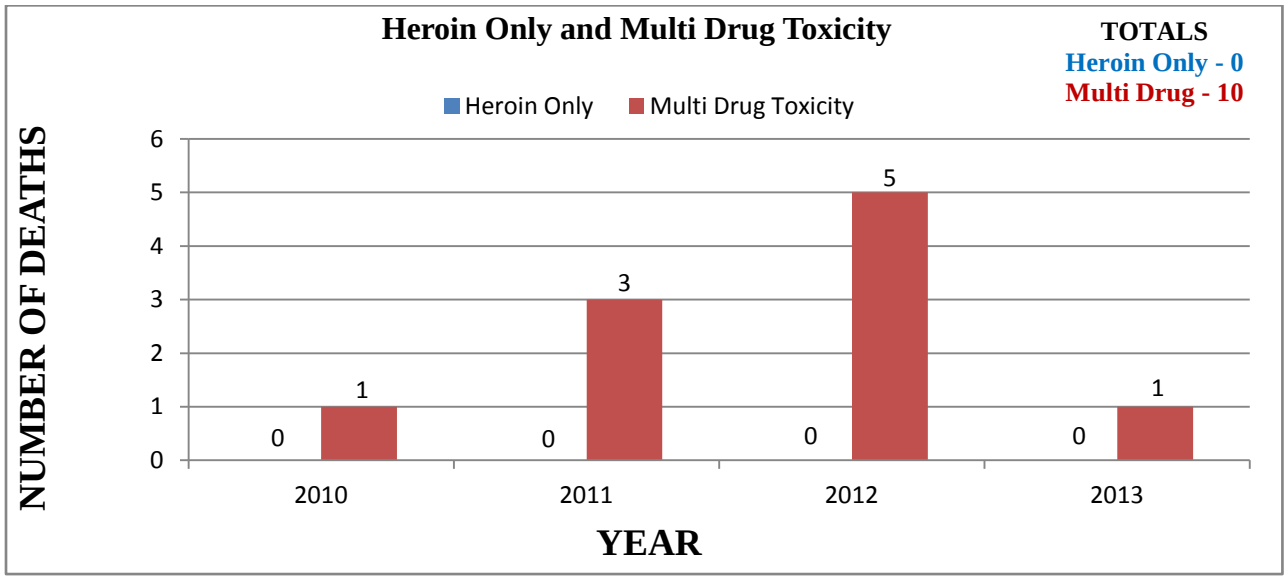
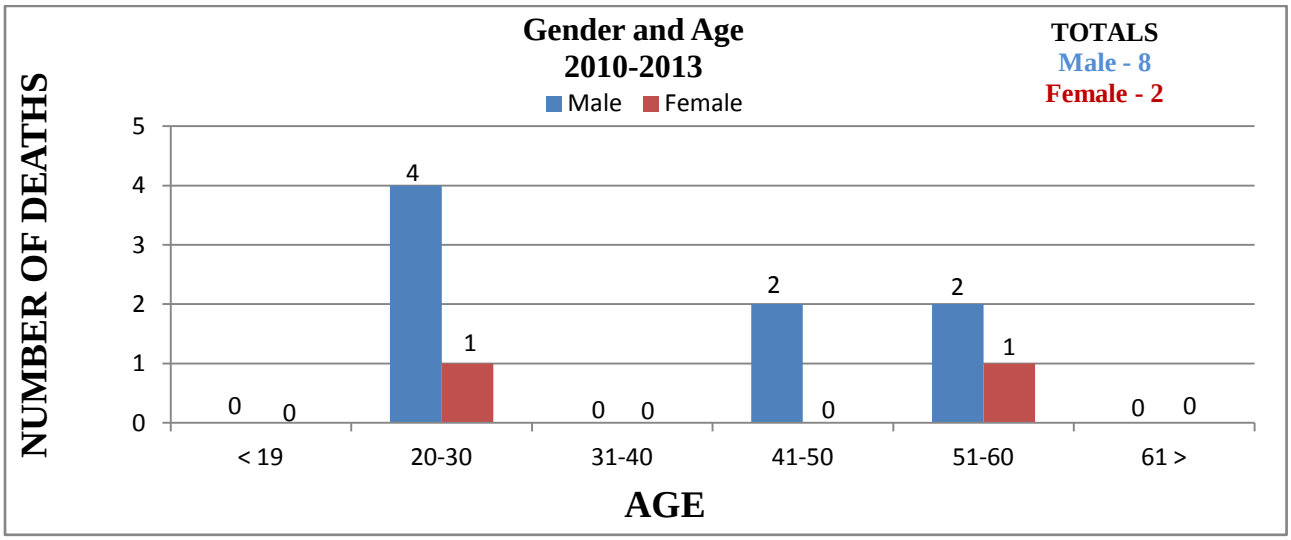
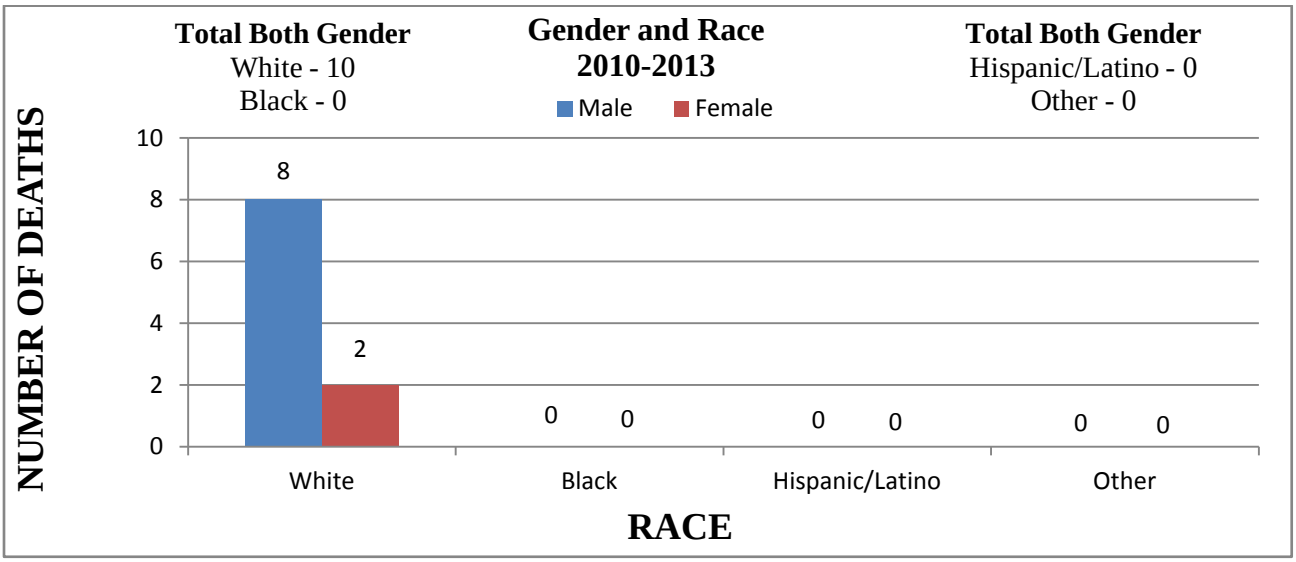
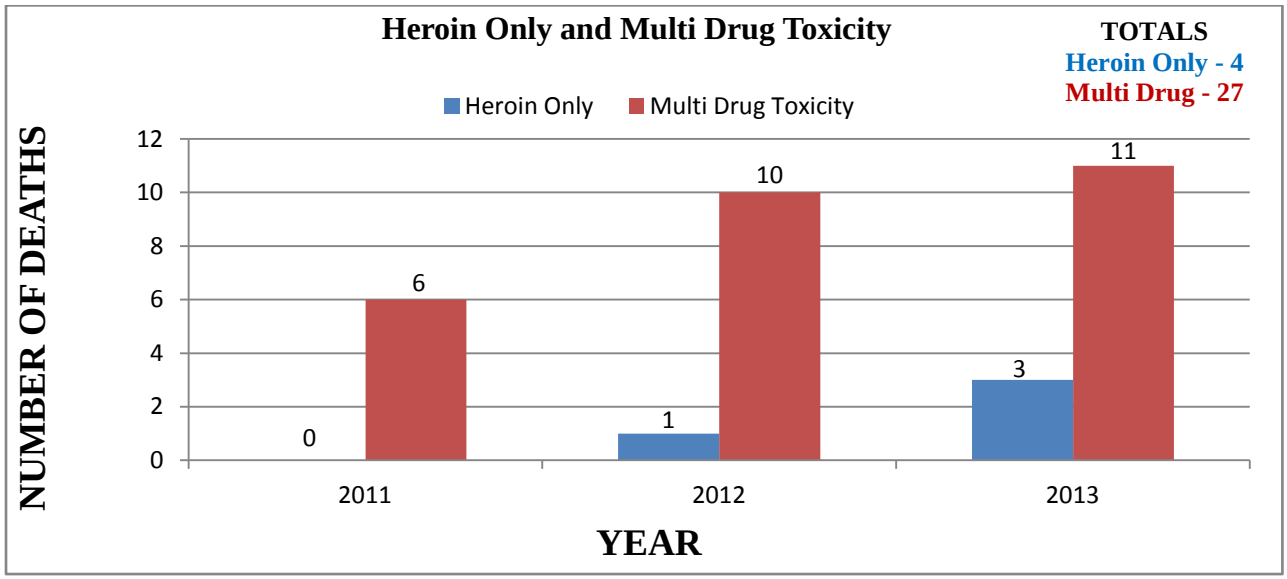
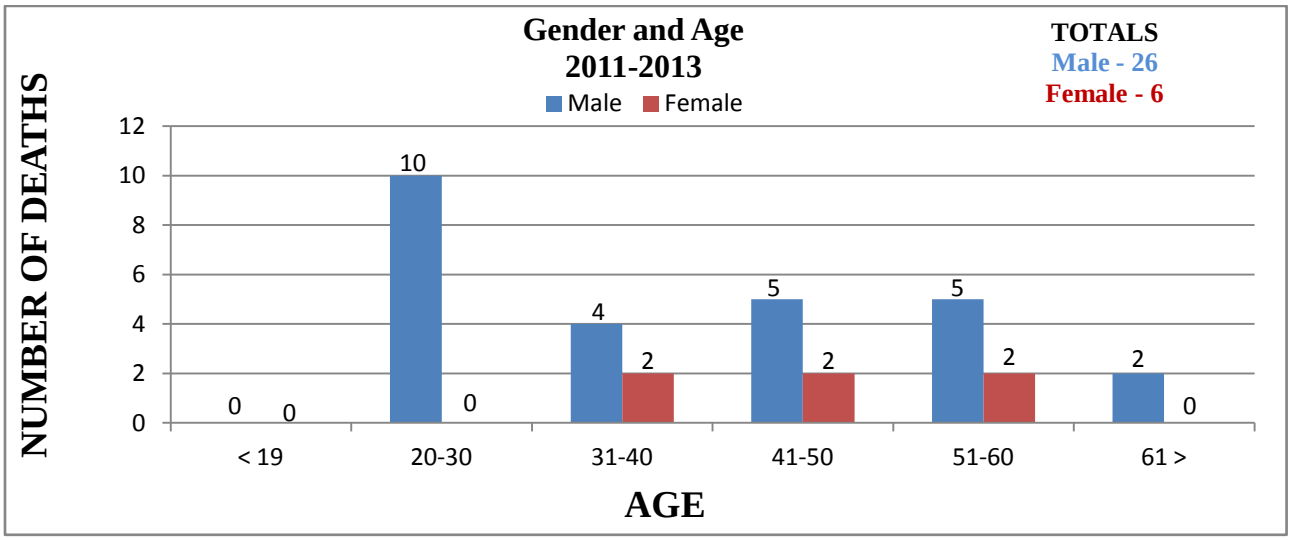






Monroe County





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Montgomery County

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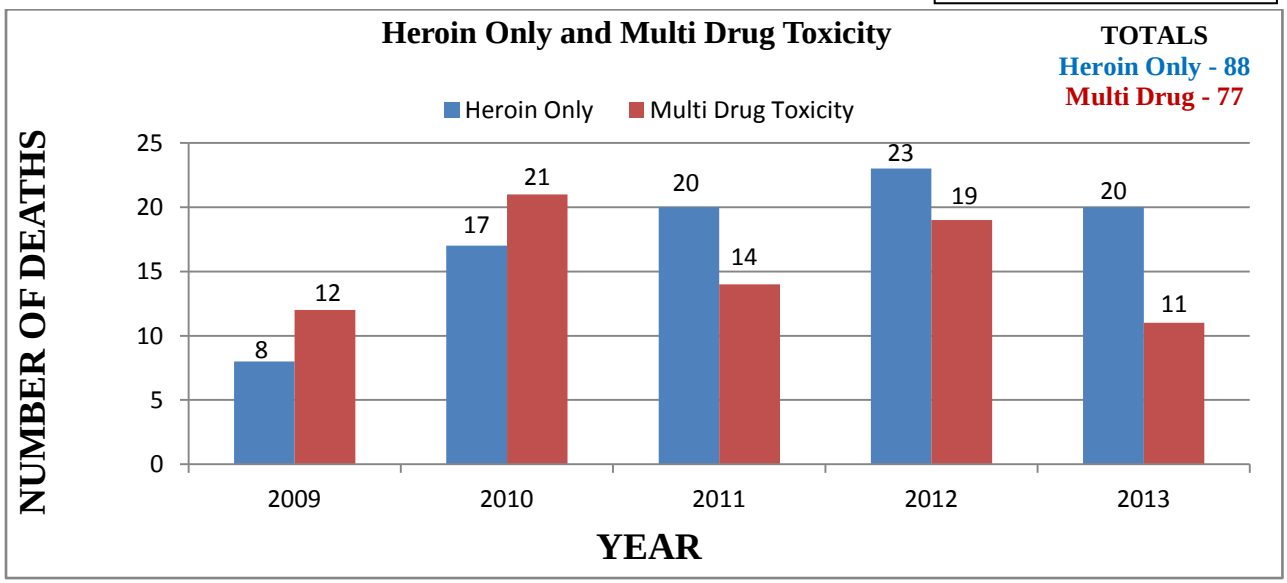
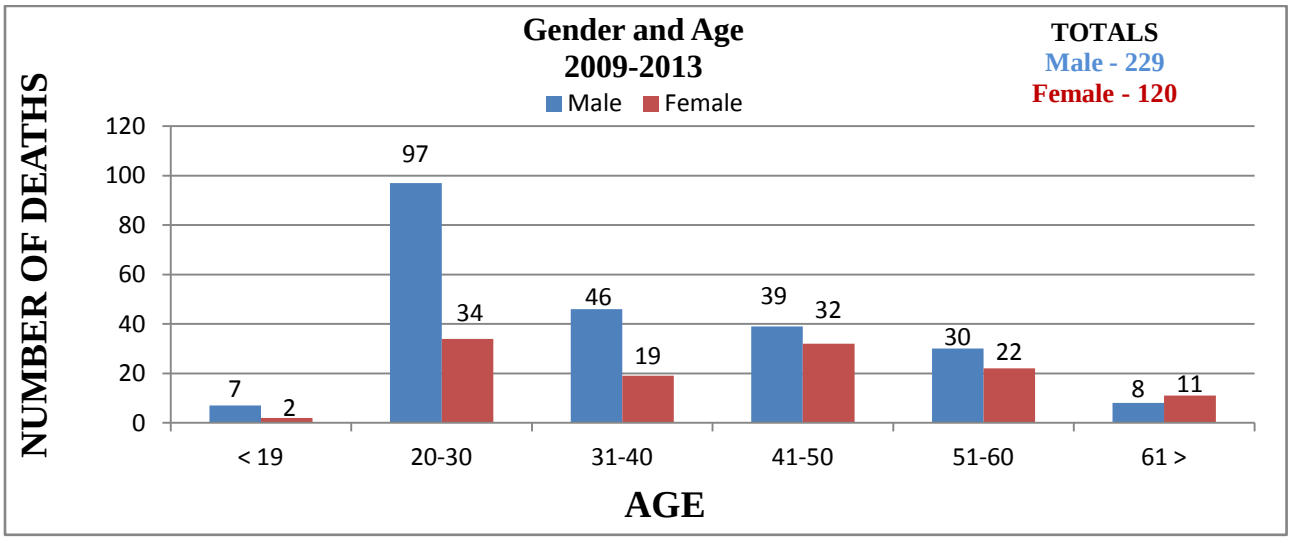
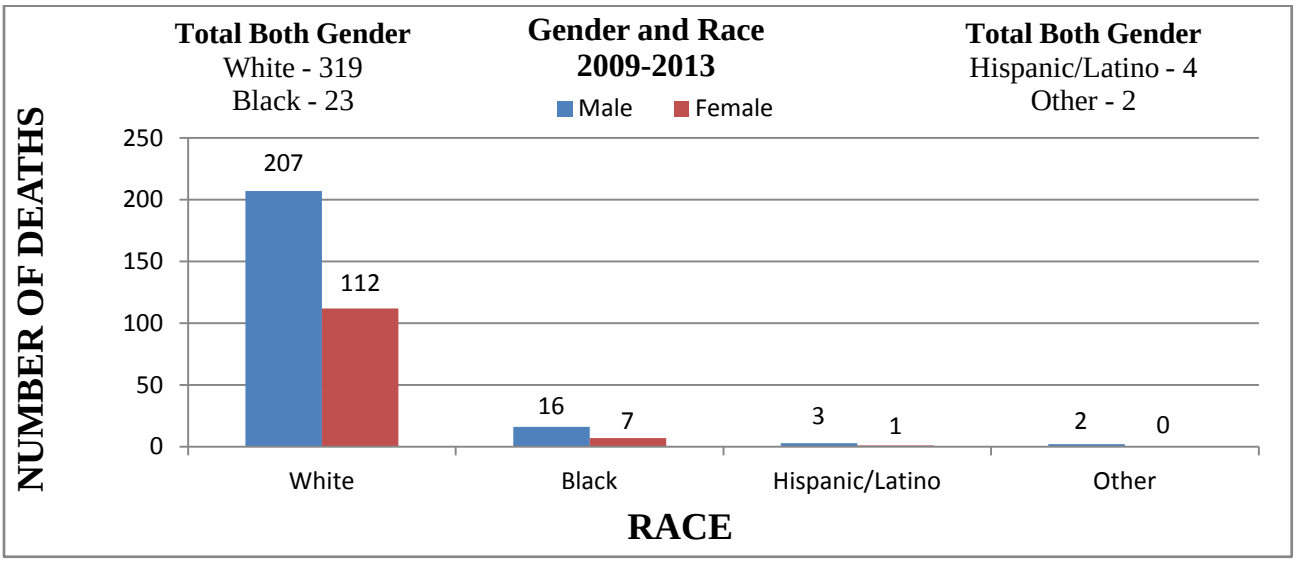
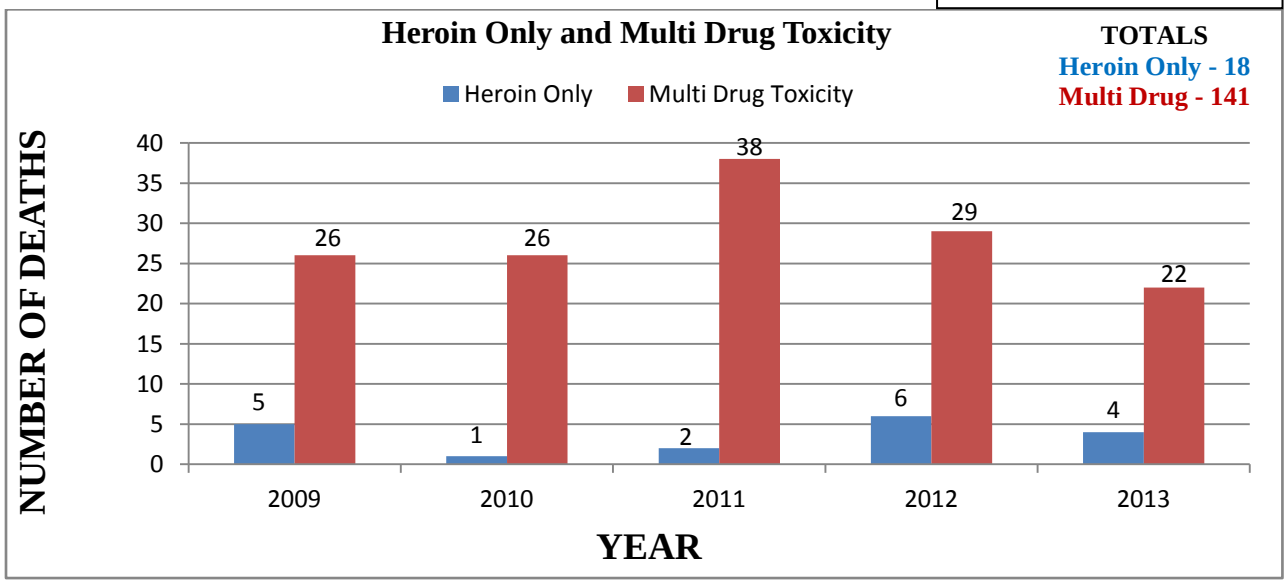


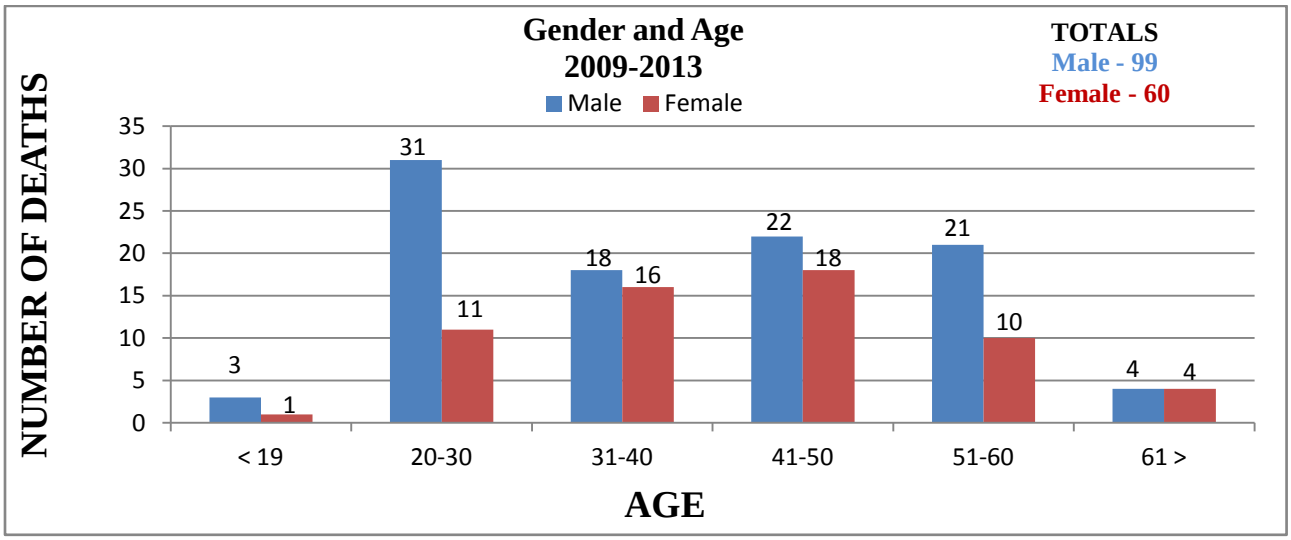


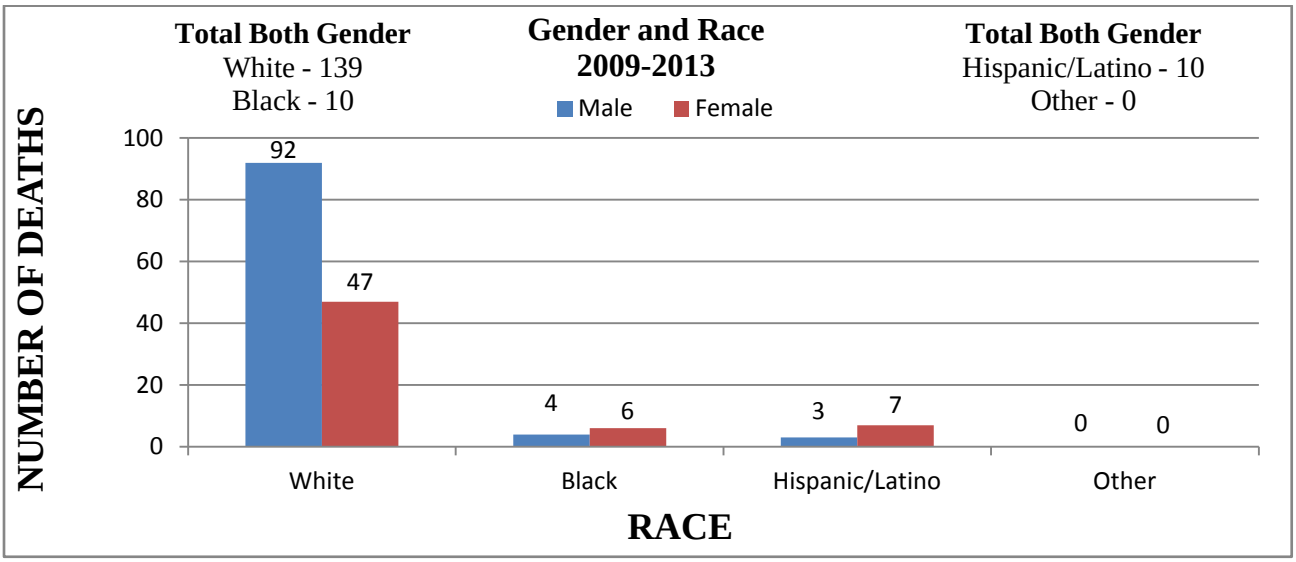


Northampton County

Multi Drug Toxicity statistics refer to all drug deaths, not only heroin related.







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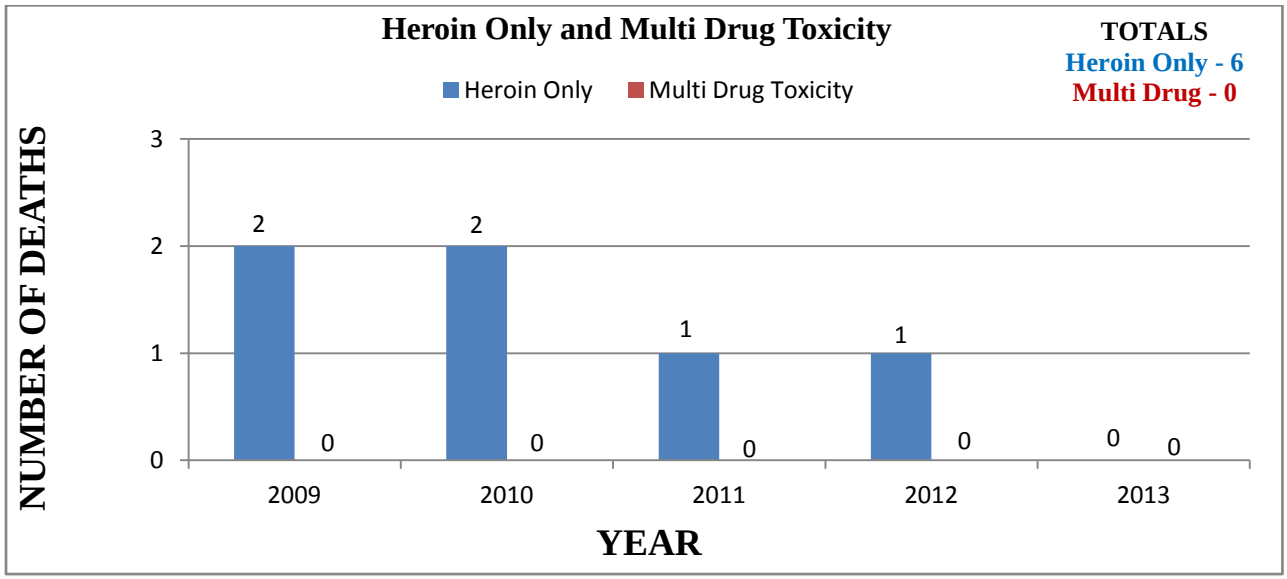
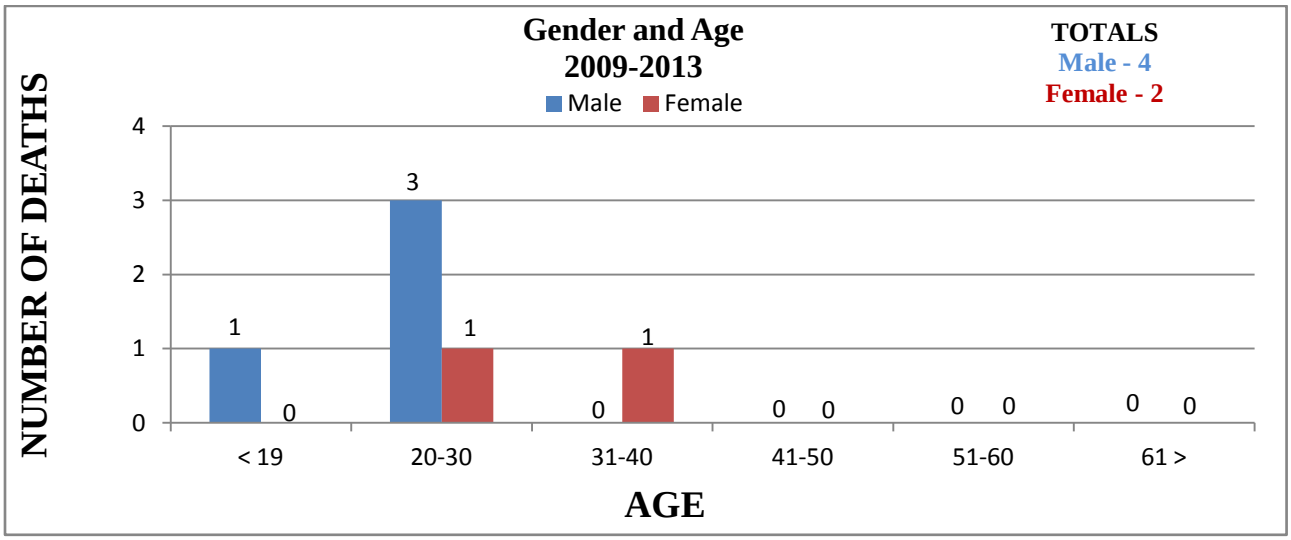
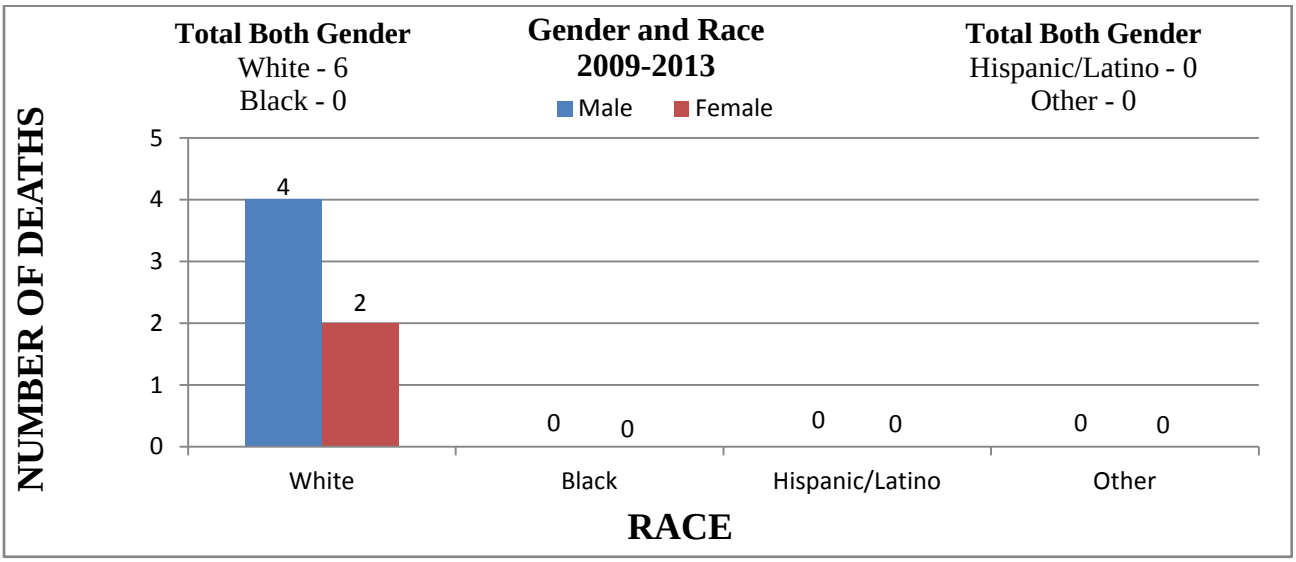
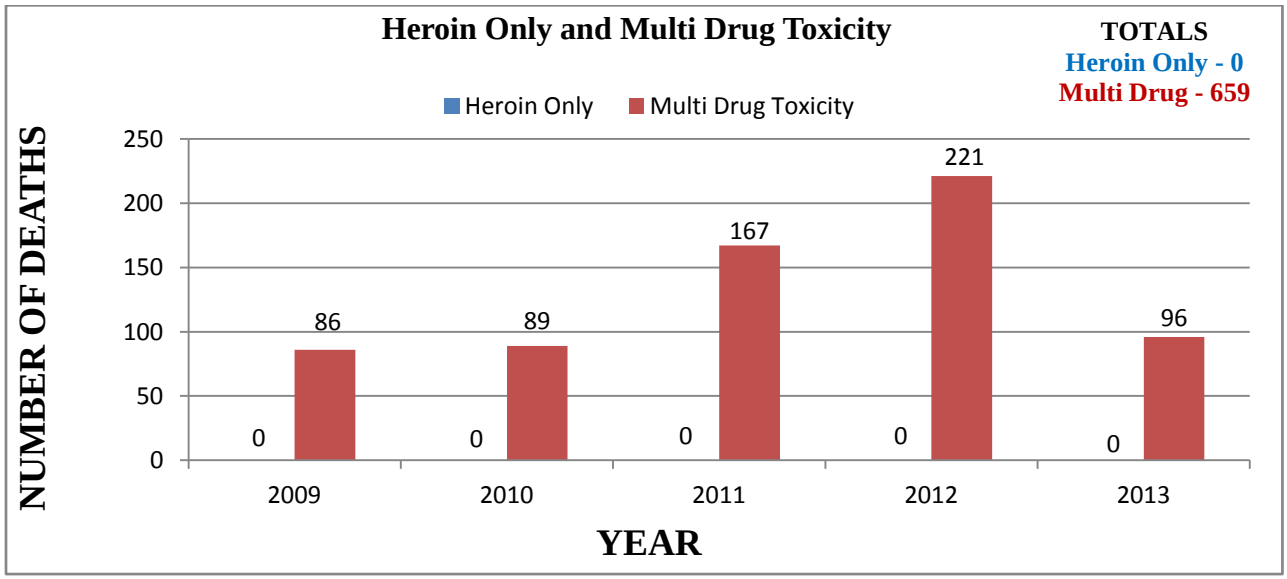






Philadelphia County



2009-2013
TOTALS
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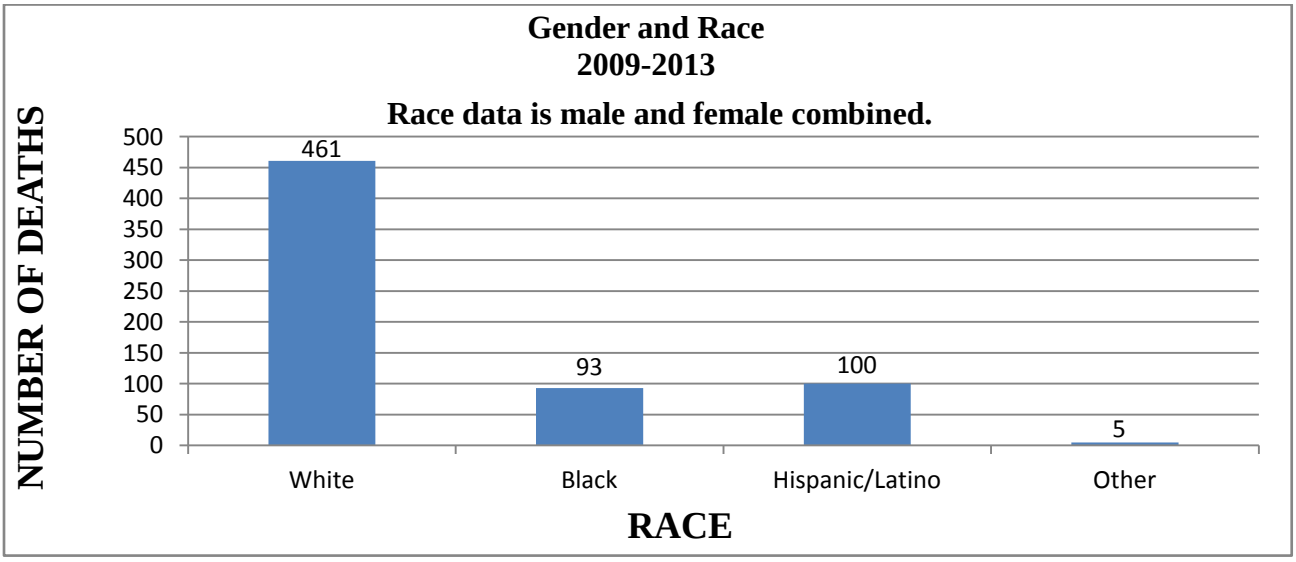
Female – 142

Age range data was not provided by Philadelphia County.



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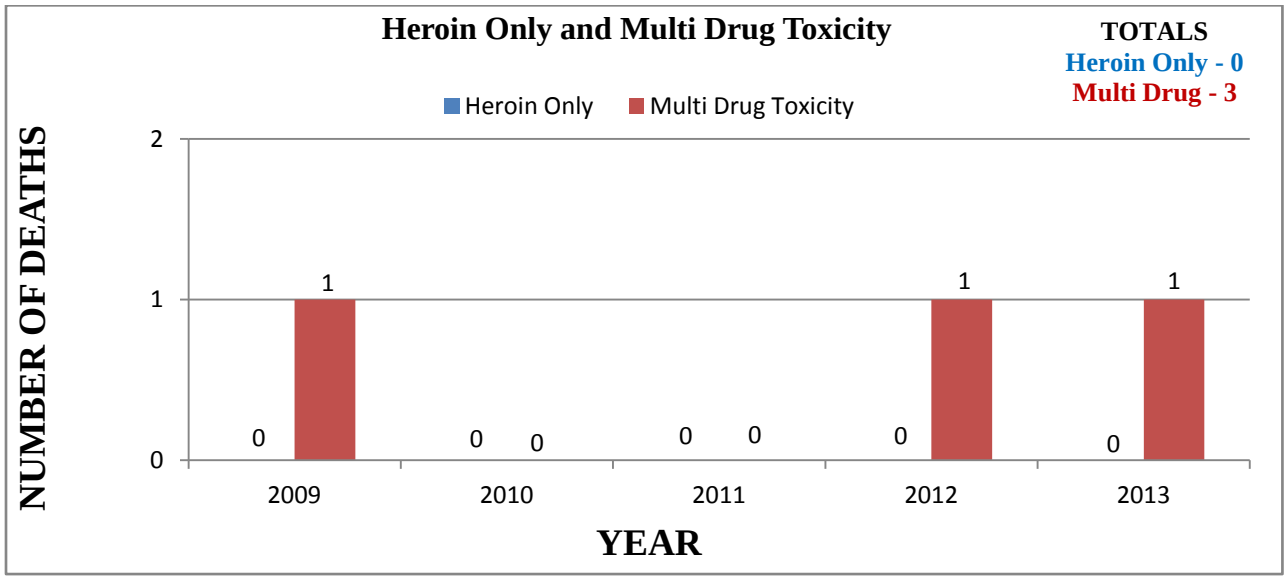
Heroin Only and Multi Drug Toxicity
TOTALS
Heroin Only - 0
Multi Drug - 3
Heroin Only
Multi Drug Toxicity
NUMBER OF DEATHS
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2009
2010
2011
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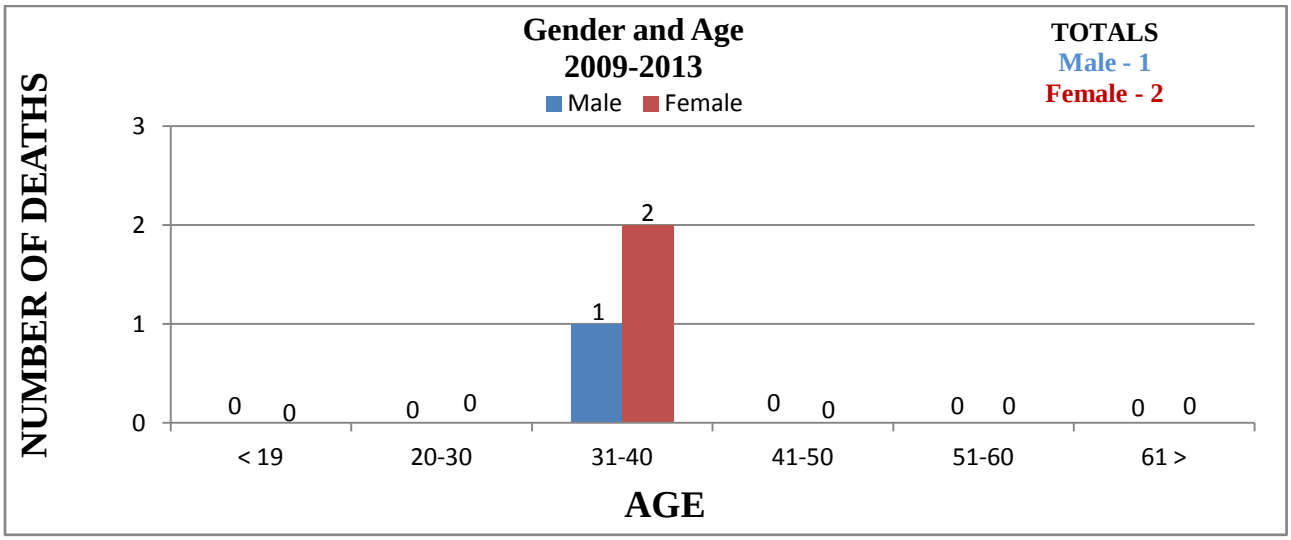
YEAR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2009-2013
TOTALS
Male - 1
Female - 2
Male
Female
NUMBER OF DEATHS
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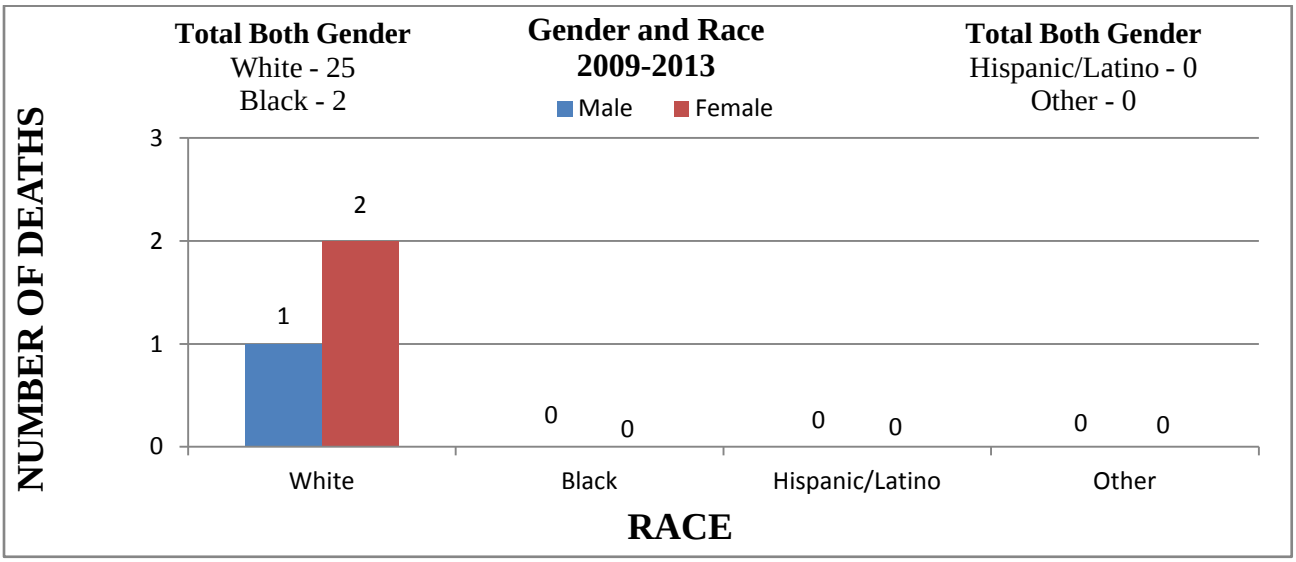
Total Both Gender
White - 25
Black - 2
Gender and Race
2009-2013
Total Both Gender
Hispanic/Latino - 0
Other - 0
Male
Female
NUMBER OF DEATHS
3
2
1
0
1
2
0
0
0
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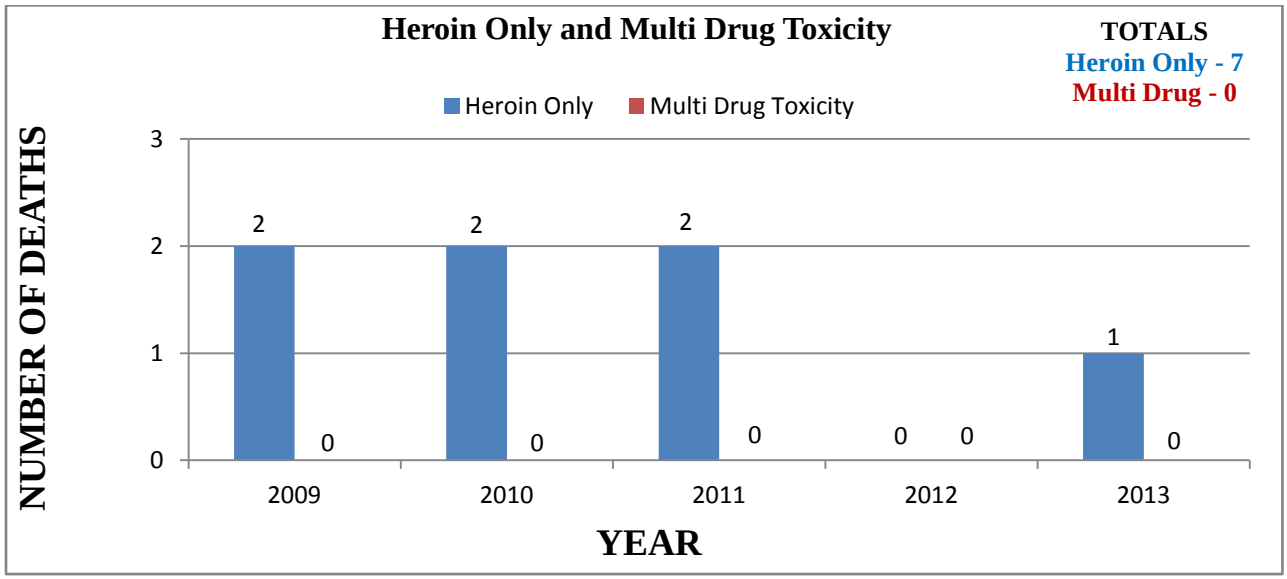
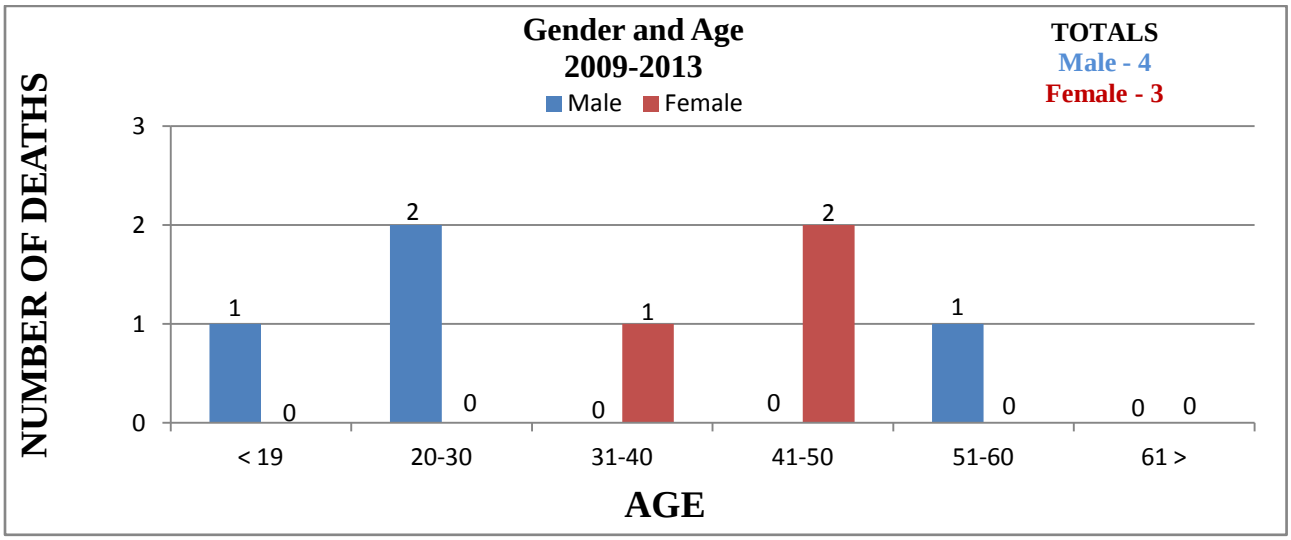
Other
RACE

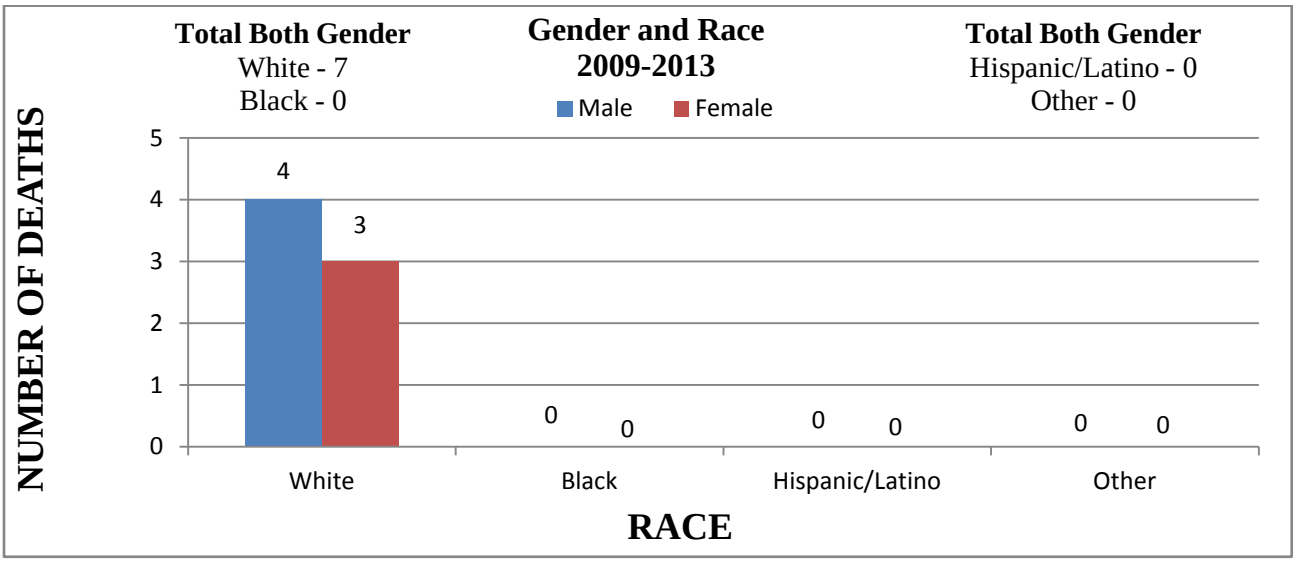
Sullivan County

- There were no heroin related deaths reported by Sullivan County between the years of 2009 – 2013.

Susquehana County



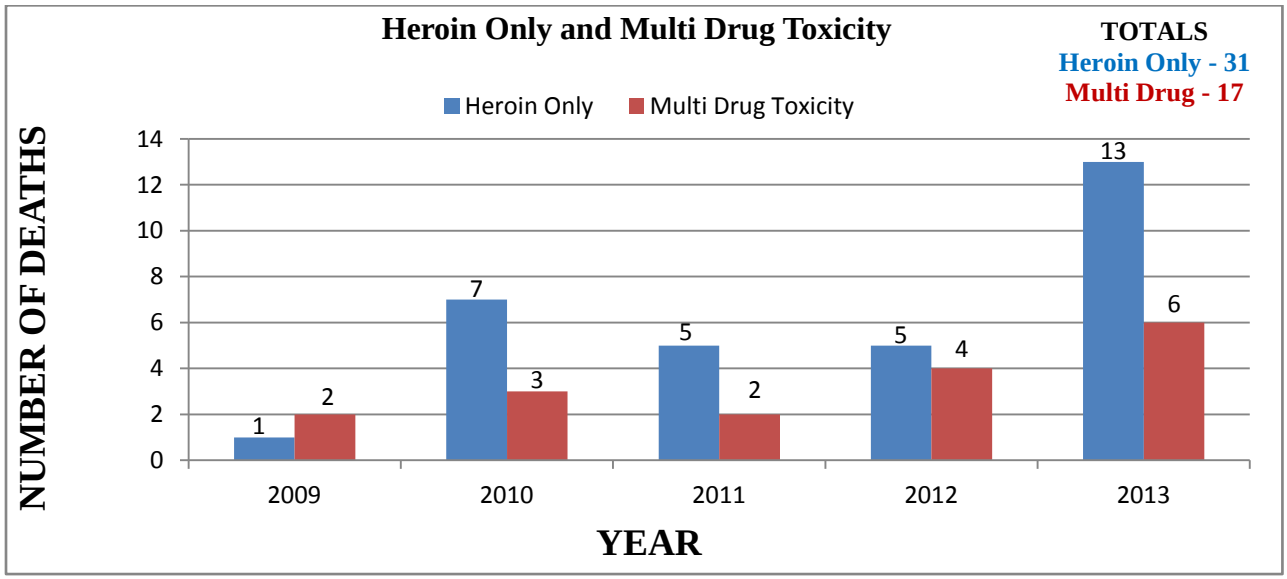


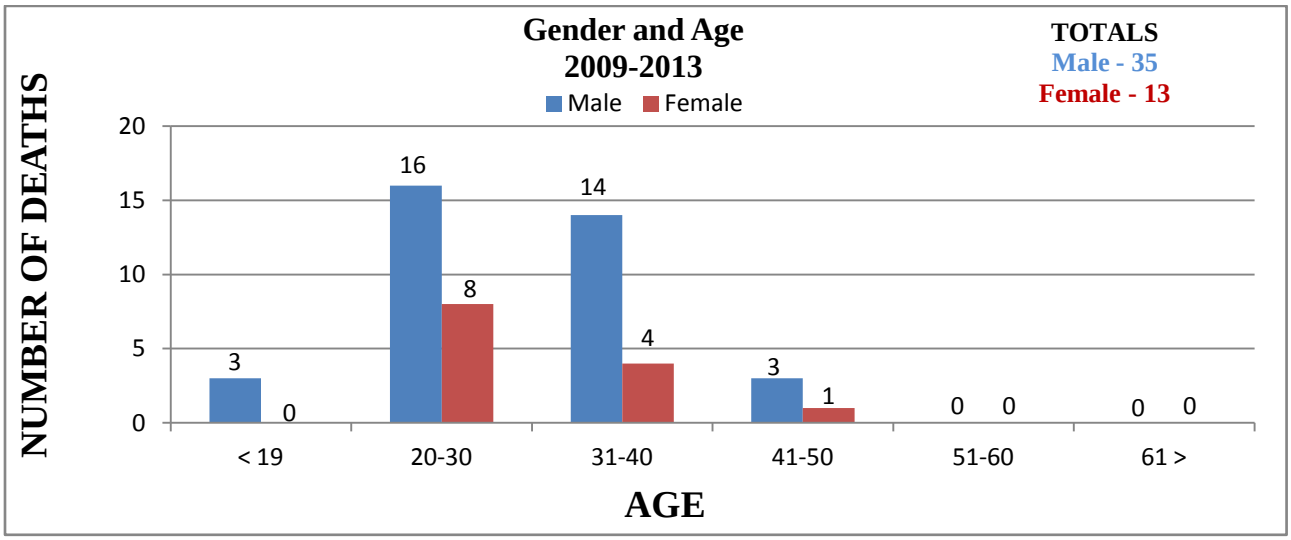


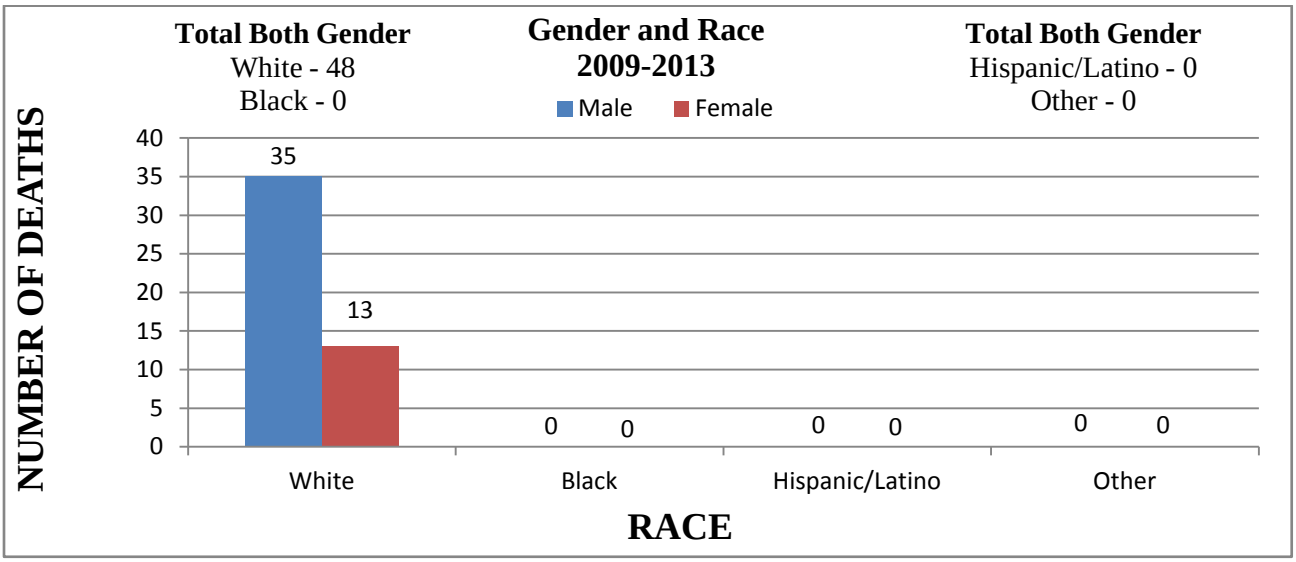
Warren County

- There were no heroin related deaths reported by Warren County between the years of 2009 – 2013.

Washington County







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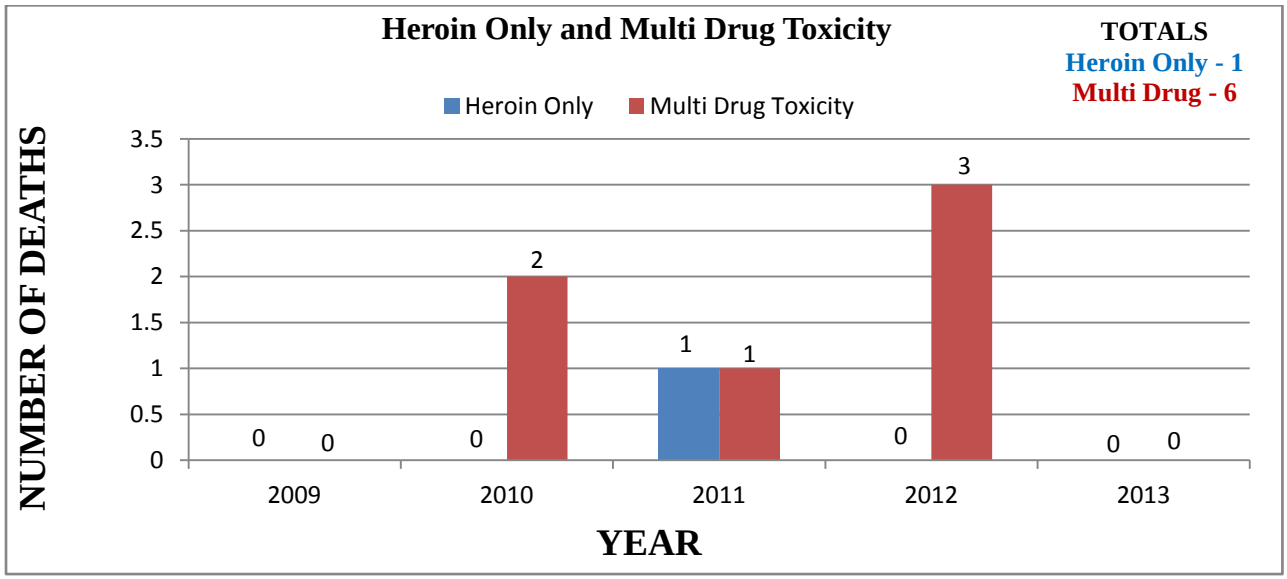

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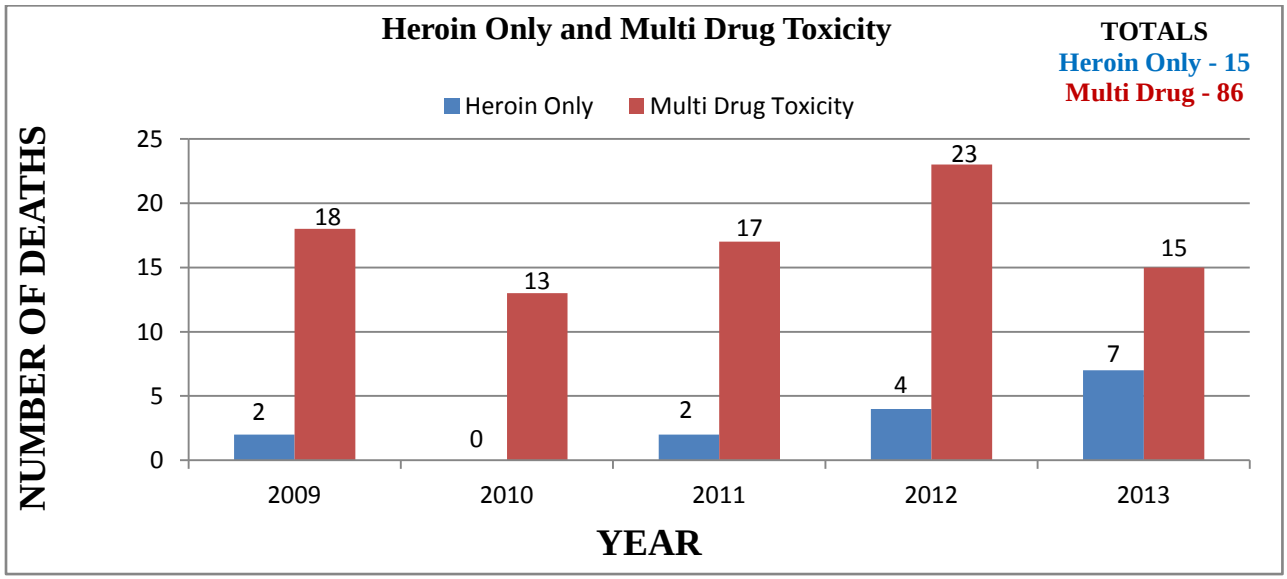
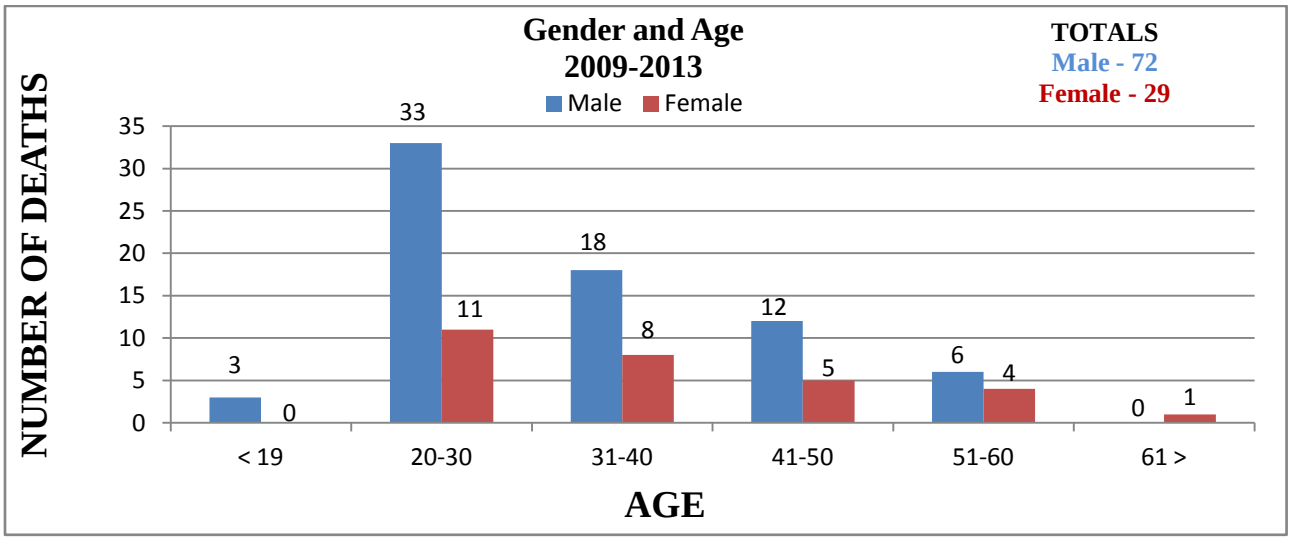
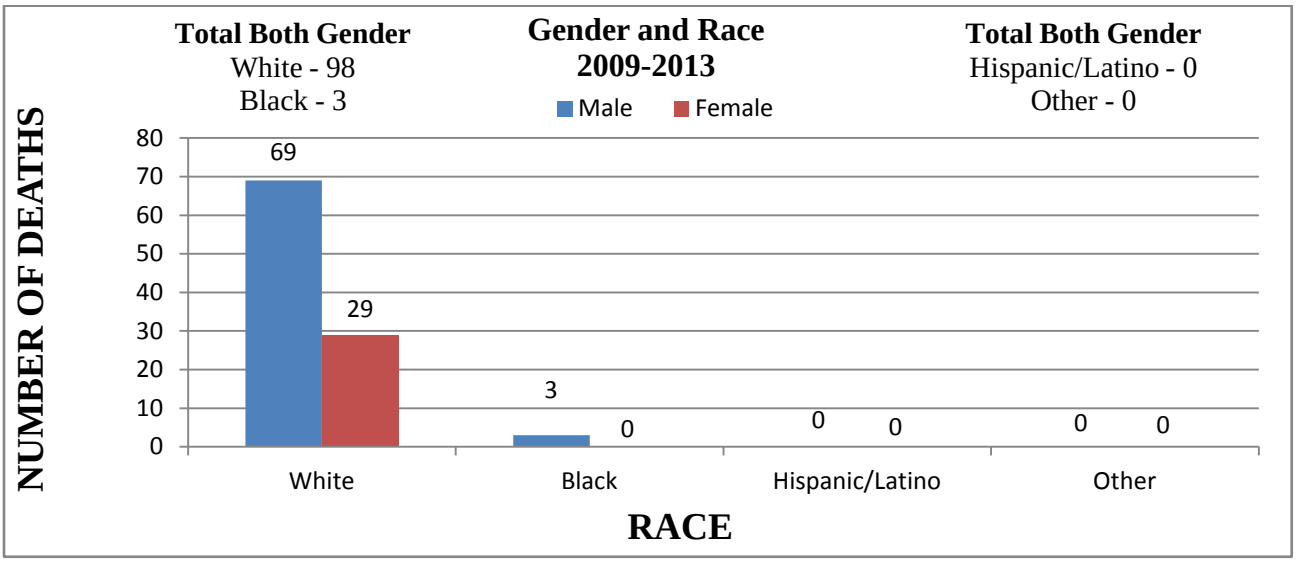
Westmoreland County







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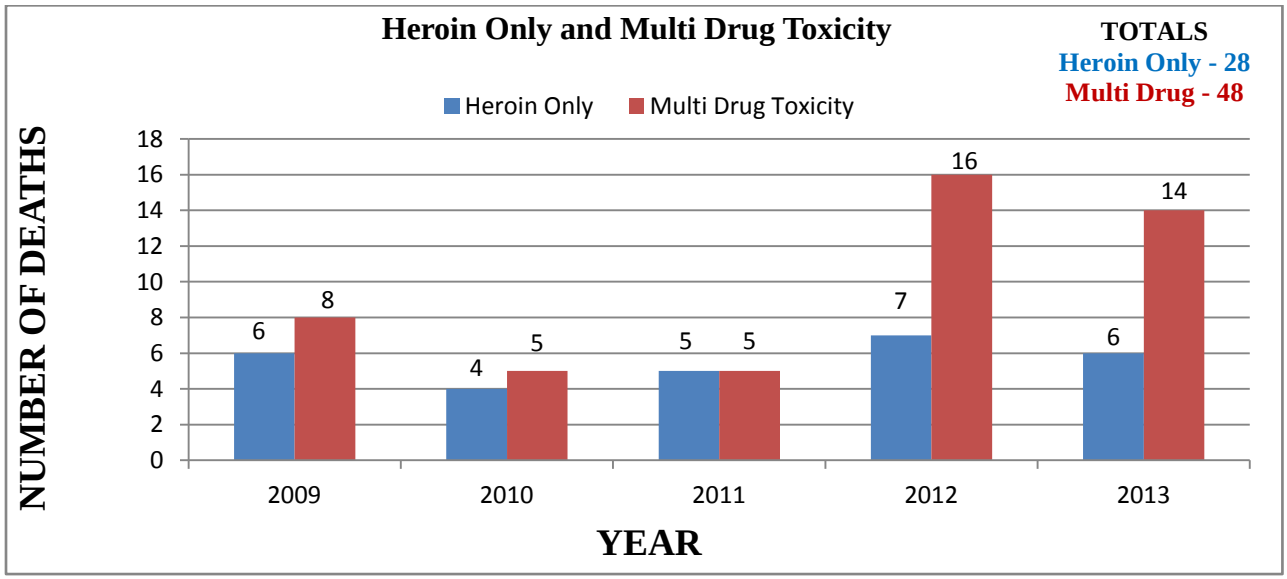

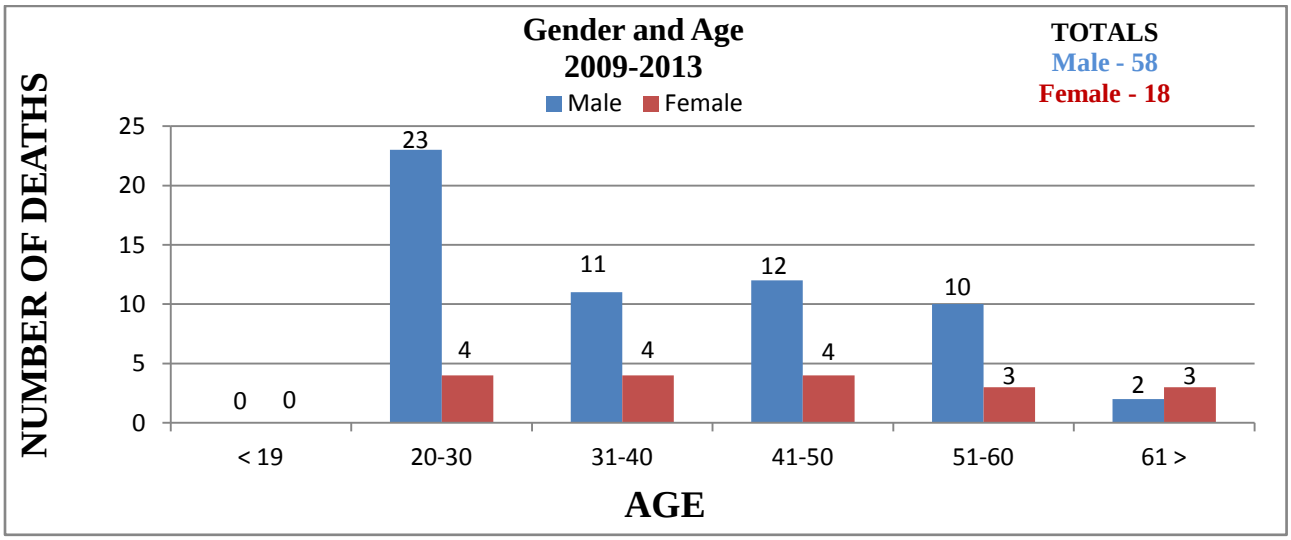

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