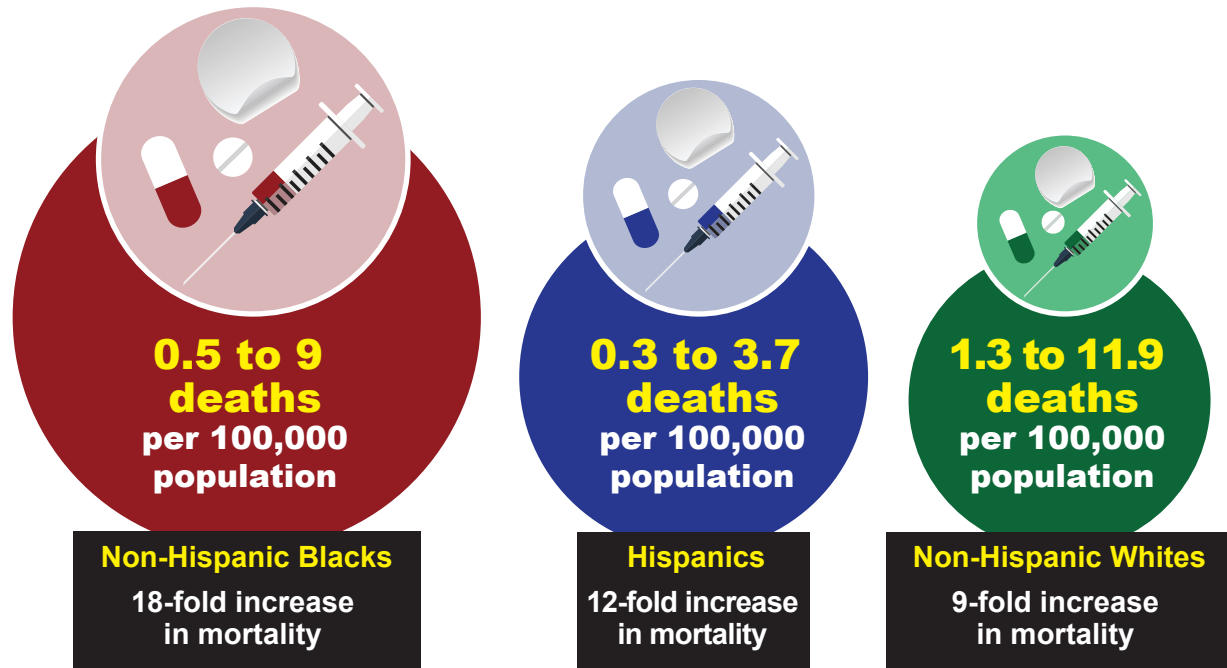


Dramatic Rise in Opioid-Related Deaths, Especially Among Blacks

Drug overdose deaths involving **synthetic opioids other than methadone** per 100,000 population, by ethnicity, 2013-2017



Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics, National Vital Statistics System – Mortality, 2013-2017.

Note: For this measure, lower rates are better.

From 2013 to 2017, non-Hispanic Blacks had an 18-fold increase in mortality due to synthetic opioids other than methadone. Non-Hispanic Whites had a 9-fold increase, and Hispanics had a 12-fold increase.

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