Fentanyl poisoning poses a serious threat to the American public, killing more people last year than suicide, car accidents, or gun violence.

**Point 1**

Fentanyl is now the #1 cause of death for Americans age 18 to 45.

1. **Fentanyl poisoning**
2. **Suicide**
3. **COVID-19**
4. **Car accidents**

Leading Causes of Death: Americans Aged 18 to 45

- Blue: deaths in 2019
- Orange: deaths in 2020

**Point 2 & 3**

Drug "overdose" deaths reached record high

- **100k** in 2021

Fentanyl fatally poisons one person every

- **8.57 minutes**

Fentanyl Deaths Nearly Doubled Since 2019

**Fentanyl Deaths Per Year**

United States

- The chart above highlights the sharp increase of fentanyl fatalities over the past years.

- 175 people die from fentanyl poisoning every day in the U.S.
**Point 4**

Fentanyl fatalities have increased by 49.4% in just 12 months, surpassing 64k deaths as of April 2021.

![Graph showing increase in fentanyl deaths](image)

**Point 5 & 6**

Fentanyl is tied to **64%** of total drug fatalities

Fentanyl is laced into cocaine, heroin, ecstasy, xanax, oxycotin & marijuana sold on the streets

**A Comparison of Fentanyl Fatalities in the U.S**

![Graph illustrating comparison of fentanyl fatalities](image)

This chart illustrates the overall change in the leading causes of death by year.

The chart on the right breaks down the total number of drug deaths this past year by drug type:

- B - fentanyl
- C - opioids other than fentanyl
- A - all other drugs

Illicit fentanyl is shipped into the U.S. and then cut into many street drugs and sold to unsuspecting Americans.

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