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Atlanta, November 19 (RHC)-- The Centers for Disease Control reports the United States saw more than 100,000 drug overdose deaths over a 12-month period ending in April, a nearly 30-percent increase over the previous year.

Reports say it is the first time annual U.S. overdose deaths reached six figures. Advocates say that isolation and stress brought on by the pandemic led to higher rates of drug abuse.

Opioids, including the powerful drug fentanyl, accounted for about three-quarters of all overdose deaths.

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