

**Seventh Annual Report on Homeless Deaths**  
**New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene**  
**Bureau of Vital Statistics**  
**Local Law 63**  
**July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012**

**Summary.** For the seventh annual reporting period of July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, the NYC Department of Homeless Services (DHS), NYC Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD), and the Office of Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) reported a total of 170 homeless deaths. The highest number of deaths (n=47) occurred during the third quarter (January 1- March 30, 2012) of this reporting year (FY 2012). The NYC Human Resources Administration (HRA) reported 26 homeless deaths. Due to confidentiality reasons, HRA data could not be assessed for potential duplication with deaths reported by the other agencies, or matched to death certificates. As a result, findings from the 2 groups of deaths are reported separately.

Among homeless deaths reported by DHS, HPD, and OCME, during the current reporting period, most deaths (88%; n=150) were investigated by OCME, comparable to past annual reports. The majority of decedents were male (79%; n=135). More than half (62%; n=105) of homeless decedents were between the ages of 45 and 64. Fifty-nine percent (n=100) were non-sheltered. Overall, 49% (n=84) of homeless decedents died in hospitals (53% of sheltered decedents and 47% of unsheltered decedents). Fifteen percent (n=25) of decedents died in a homeless shelter (36% of sheltered decedents). Thirteen percent (n=22) of decedents died outdoors (1% of sheltered decedents and 21% of non-sheltered decedents). Twenty-three percent (n=39) of deaths occurred in other places (10% of sheltered decedents and 32% of non-sheltered decedents). Refer to Table 1 for definitions of outdoor and other place deaths.

The leading cause of homeless deaths was heart disease (19%; n=32) followed by drug overdose (17%; n=29), similar to the past four annual reports. The third leading cause of death was accidents (14%; n= 23), followed by alcohol abuse (12%; n=21). The fifth leading cause of death was suicide (5%; n=9).

Among the 26 HRA reported homeless decedents, most were male (69%; n=18) and between the ages of 45 and 64 (58%). All 26 homeless decedents were sheltered within an HRA emergency residence. Most decedents died in shelters (50%; n=13) and hospitals (42%; n=11). Information on OCME investigations of HRA homeless deaths and community board district of death is not available. Cause of death information cannot be extracted from the death certificate or analyzed as HRA does not provide identifying information for cases, due to laws protecting data confidentiality.

**Introduction.** This report has been prepared and submitted pursuant to Local Law 63 (LL63), amending the Administrative Code of the City of New York to track and report deaths of homeless persons in the City of New York. The original Local Law 63 of 2005 was extended on January 30, 2012. This report contains data provided by the NYC Office of Chief Medical Examiner (OCME), the NYC Department of Homeless Services (DHS), the NYC Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD), and the NYC Human Resources Administration (HRA) to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) throughout the annual period of July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012.

DHS, HPD, and HRA maintain records on the homeless individuals for whom they provide temporary housing in New York City. OCME, responsible for investigating NYC deaths that are suspicious, unusual, violent, or criminal in nature, investigates most homeless deaths. Data presented herein were compiled from the agencies and matched against NYC death certificates and analyzed by the DOHMH Office of Vital Statistics.

**Definitions.** LL63 defines, a “homeless person” as “a person who at the time of death did not have a known street address of a residence at which he or she was known or reasonably believed to have resided.” A “homeless shelter resident” is “a person who at the time of death lived in a homeless shelter.” A “homeless shelter” is “(i) a residence operated by or on behalf of the Department of Homeless Services; (ii) an emergency residence operated by or on behalf of the Department of Social Services/Human Resources Administration which is available primarily for homeless persons with HIV or AIDS related illness; or (iii) a residence operated by or on behalf of the Department of Housing Preservation and Development to the extent that such residence houses clients of the Department of Homeless Services; provided, however that such term shall not include any residence that is available primarily for battered women.”

Outdoor and other place location of death categories are given in Table 1.

**Methods.** Based on the definitions above, DHS, HPD, and OCME provided incident reports. These reports were validated and duplicates (i.e. when DHS cases are, also, OCME cases) were removed. HRA did not disclose any identifiable information on HRA homeless residents, per Article 27-F of the New York State Public Health Law, which prohibits disclosure of information that could reasonably identify someone as having an HIV-related illness or AIDS. As a result HRA homeless deaths cannot be distinguished from DHS, HPD and OCME deaths, and total NYC homeless deaths cannot be ascertained.

This report includes cases reported in the four quarterly reports, during the period of July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012. Case reports from DHS, HPD, OCME, and HRA were compiled. Because HRA cases remain anonymous, only DHS, HPD, and OCME case reports were matched against NYC DOHMH Vital Statistics death certificates. DOHMH followed up with agencies to obtain any missing data elements. Some cases may have been determined not to meet the LL63 homeless case definition. Such cases were removed from the annual report.

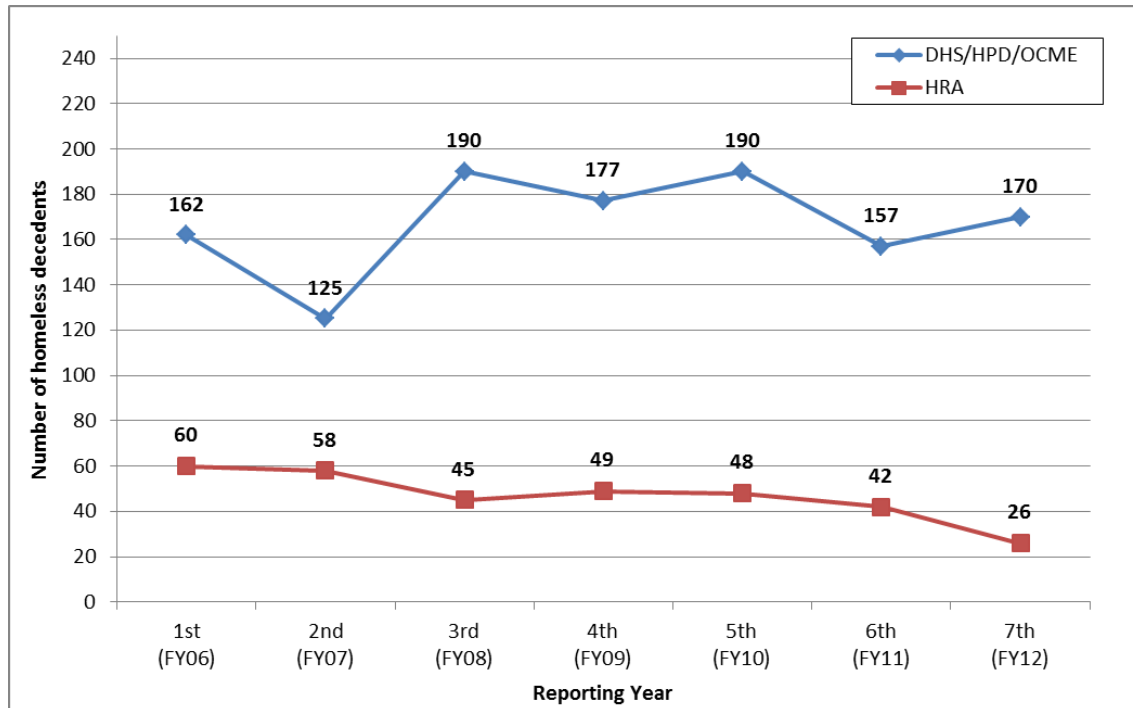
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## DEATHS OF HOMELESS PERSONS

### Reported Homeless Deaths

Collectively, DHS, HPD, and OCME reported 170 homeless deaths, between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012. HRA reported 26 homeless deaths (Table 2). Figure 1 displays deaths reported by year since the LL63 reporting period began (July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2012).

**Figure 1. Deaths of Homeless Decedents by Reporting Agency and Reporting Year, July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2012**



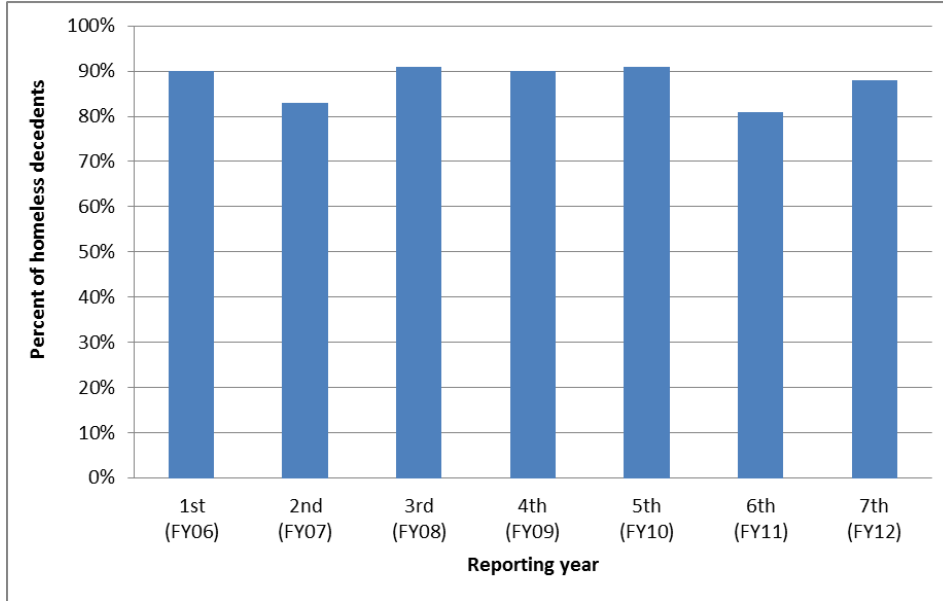
## OVERALL FINDINGS FOR THE SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORTING PERIOD

The number of homeless decedents reported annually has ranged between 125 and 190, during 7 years of reporting (Figure 1). Of the 170 deaths, reported by DHS, HPD, or OCME, 41% (70) of decedents were sheltered and 59% (100) were non-sheltered (Table 2). The highest number of deaths occurred during the months of February and April 2012, with 18 deaths each. The highest number of deaths during a quarter occurred from January 1 – March 30, 2012 (n=47) (Figure 1).

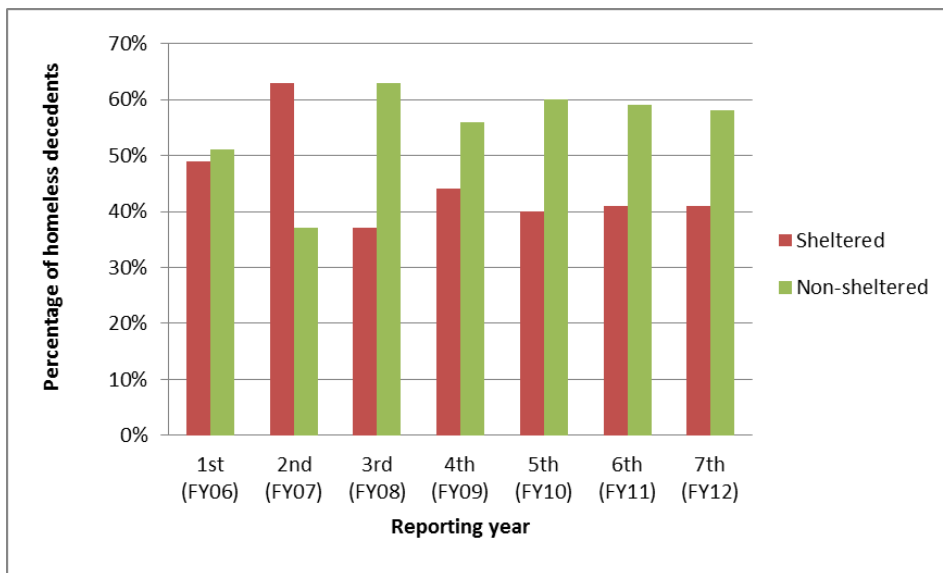
Among sheltered decedents, 36% (n=25) were sheltered in Manhattan, 29% (n=20) in the Bronx, 24% (n=17) in Brooklyn, 10% (n=7) in Queens, and 1% (n=1) in Staten Island (Table 3).

OCME investigates the majority of homeless deaths: 88% (n=150) in the current report compared to 81-91% in previous reports (Figure 2). Among the 70 sheltered decedents, 73% (n=51) were investigated by OCME, and among the 100 non-sheltered decedents, 99% (n=99) were investigated by OCME (Figure 3, Table 2).

**Figure 2. Percent of Homeless Decedents in NYC, Investigated by OCME, July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2012**



**Figure 3. Percent of Homeless Decedents in NYC, by Shelter Residency Status, July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2012\***



**LOCATION OF DEATH**

The locations (i.e., in a shelter, in a hospital, outdoors, or other place) of DHS, HPD, and OCME reported deaths, stratified by borough, community district, and shelter residency status are shown in Table 4a. Categories of outdoor and other place deaths are provided in Table 1. HRA-reported homeless deaths, stratified by location of death, are presented, separately, in Table 4b, by borough, only, as community district is not available for these deaths.

*Location of Death among Sheltered Individuals*

More than half (53%; n=37) of sheltered decedents died in hospitals (Figure 4, Table 4a). Twenty-five decedents (36%) died in a shelter, 7 (10%) decedents died in other places, and 1 (1%) died outdoors. The

sheltered decedents, who died in other places, were found in the apartment of friends or family or on subway tracks or in a subway station.

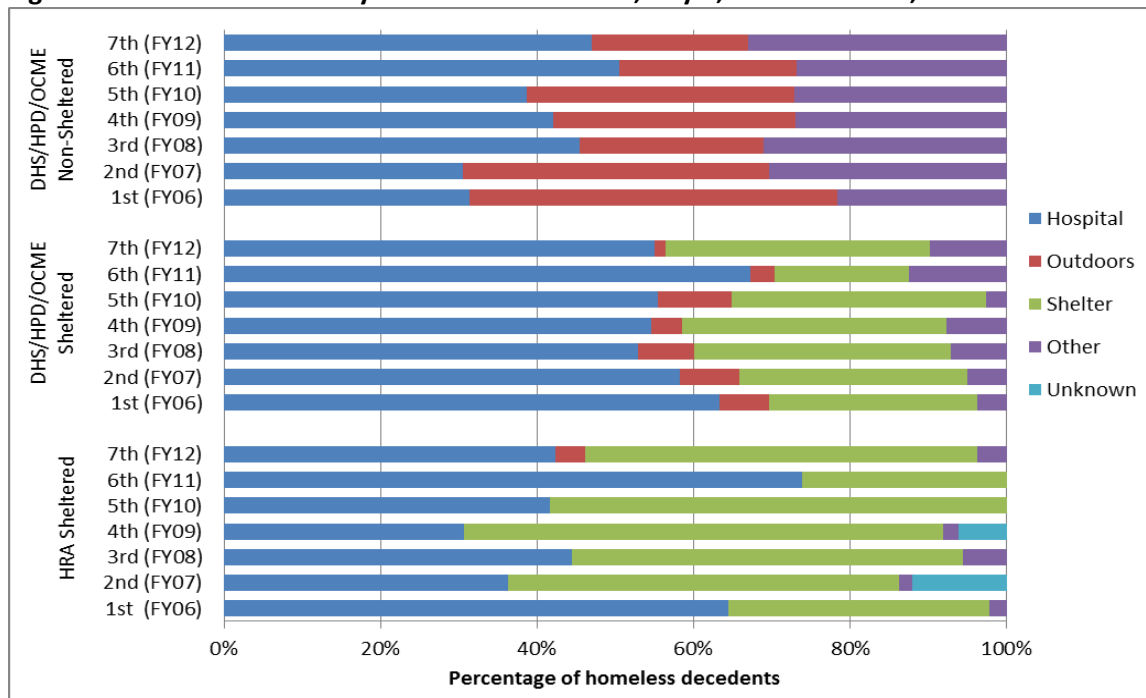
*Location of Death among Non-Sheltered Individuals*

Similar to sheltered decedents, many (47%; n=47) non-sheltered decedents died in hospitals (Figure 4, Table 4a). The proportion of non-sheltered decedents dying in hospitals has increased over the past seven surveillance years, up from 31% in the first annual report. Non-sheltered individuals also died in other places (32%; n=32), and outdoors (21%, n=21). The proportion of outdoor deaths among non-sheltered individuals has decreased from 47% in the first reporting year to 21% in the current reporting year.

Non-sheltered decedents, who died outdoors, were found in park areas, in vehicles, on the sidewalk or street, on or near expressways, outside of buildings, in encampments, or at a construction site. Non-sheltered homeless decedents, who died in other places, were found in abandoned buildings, public spaces in buildings, apartments of friends or family, on subway tracks or in subway stations, in storage facilities, in motel or hotel rooms, at a hair salon, in a rehab facility, and in a DHS temporary housing site for street homeless individuals.

The 26 HRA reported homeless decedents died in shelters (50%; n=13), in hospitals (42%; n=11), outdoors (4%; n=1), and in an “other” place (4%, n=1) (Table 4b). The majority of deaths among HRA decedents occurred in Manhattan (58%; n=15), followed by the Bronx (31%; n=8). Three deaths (11%) occurred in Brooklyn and Queens. None died in Queens or Staten Island (Table 4b).

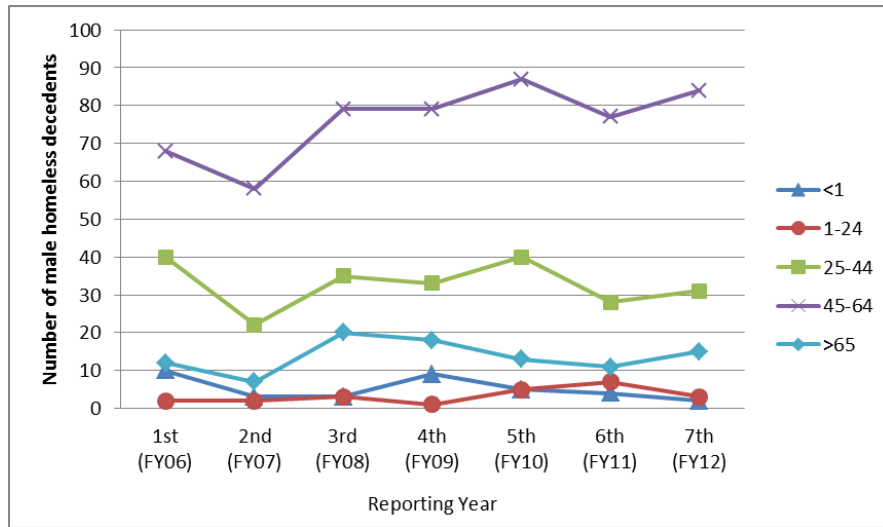
**Figure 4. Location of Death by Shelter Status in NYC, July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2012**



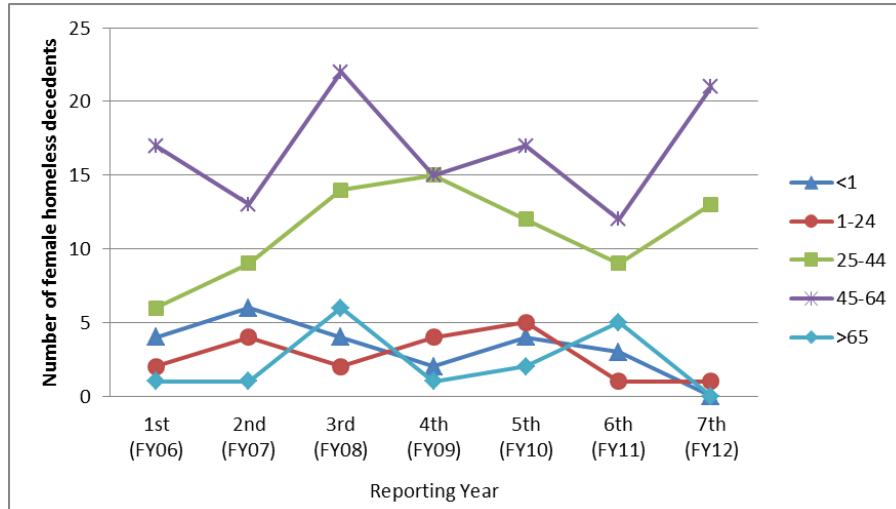
## AGE AND GENDER

Throughout all 7 years of reporting, males, between the ages of 45 and 64 years, followed by males, between the ages of 25 and 44 years, have ranked as the first and second largest age-gender classes of homeless decedents. In the current report, males between the ages of 45 and 64 years make up almost half of homeless decedents (49%; n=84) followed by males, age 25 – 44 years (18%; n=31), males, 65 years of age and older (9%; n=15), females, ages 45 – 64 years (12%; n=21), and females, ages 25 – 44 years (8%; n=13) (Figure 5a, 5b, Table 5). Decedents between the ages of 1 and 24 years account for 2% (n=4) of deaths, and children, under the age of 1, account for 1% (n=2) of deaths. This is the lowest number of deaths among infants since reporting began. Previously, 9-14 deaths among infants were reported. There were no deaths among females under the age of 1 year, or 65 years of age and older.

**Figure 5a. Age among Male Homeless Decedents in NYC, July 5, 2005 - June 30, 2012**



**Figure 5b. Age among Female Homeless Decedents in NYC, July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2012**



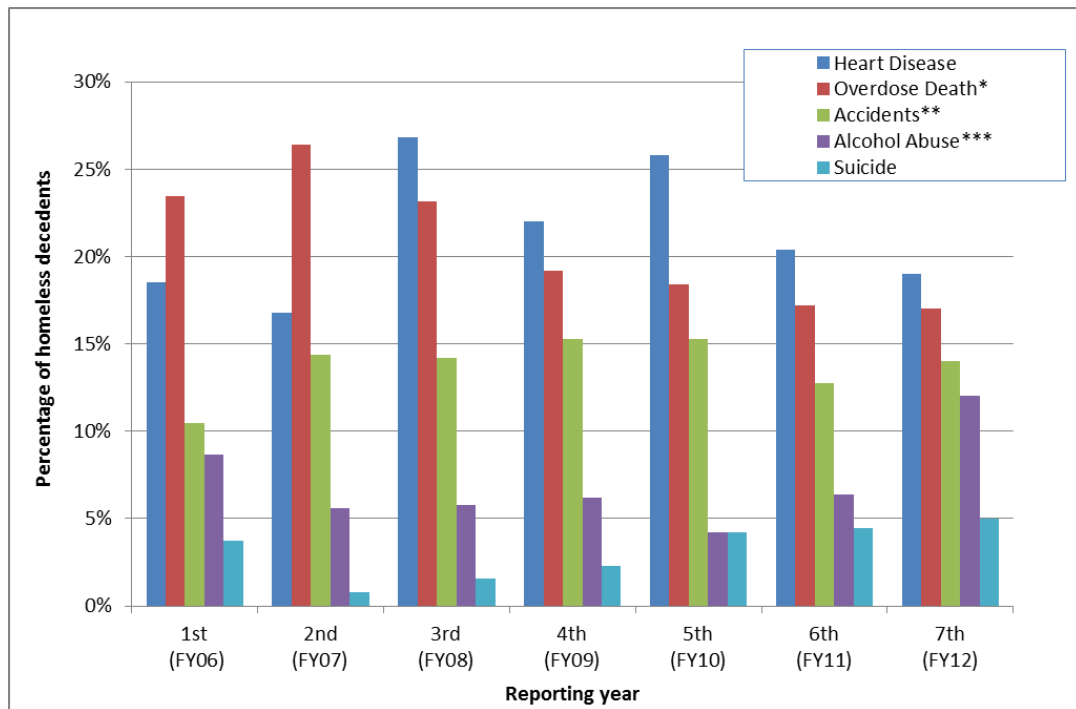
Among the 26 HRA homeless deaths, 69% (n=18) were male and 31% (n=8) were female. More than half (58%; n=15) were between 45 and 64 years of age. Nineteen percent (n=5) were between 25 and 44 years, and only 1 decedent (4%) was 65 and older (Table 5). These distributions have remained comparable over the seven years of reporting.

**LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH**

Heart disease was the leading cause of homeless deaths, accounting for 19% (n=33) (Table 6a). Drug overdose accounted for 17% (n=29) of deaths; non-drug related accidents accounted for 14% (n=22) of deaths; alcohol abuse accounted for 12% (n=21); and intentional self-harm (suicide) accounted for 5% (n=9) of deaths. The drug overdose category includes accidental and intentional overuse, or abuse of, illicit and/or therapeutic drugs. Additionally, the drug overdose and alcohol abuse categories include mental and behavioral disorders, which encompass acute intoxication, harmful use, dependence syndrome, and withdrawal state (Table 6a).

The leading causes of death among homeless continue to differ from the leading causes of death in NYC overall. From July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012, heart disease (32%) was the overall leading cause in NYC followed by malignant neoplasms (26%), influenza and pneumonia (4%), diabetes mellitus (3%), and chronic lower respiratory diseases (3%).

**Figure 6. Trends in Causes of Death among Homeless Decedents in NYC, by Leading Causes of Current Reporting Year , July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2012<sup>†</sup>**



\* Mental and Behavior Disorders Due to the Use of, or Accidental Poisoning by, Psychoactive Substances Excluding Alcohol and Tobacco

\*\* Excluding Accidental Drug Overdose

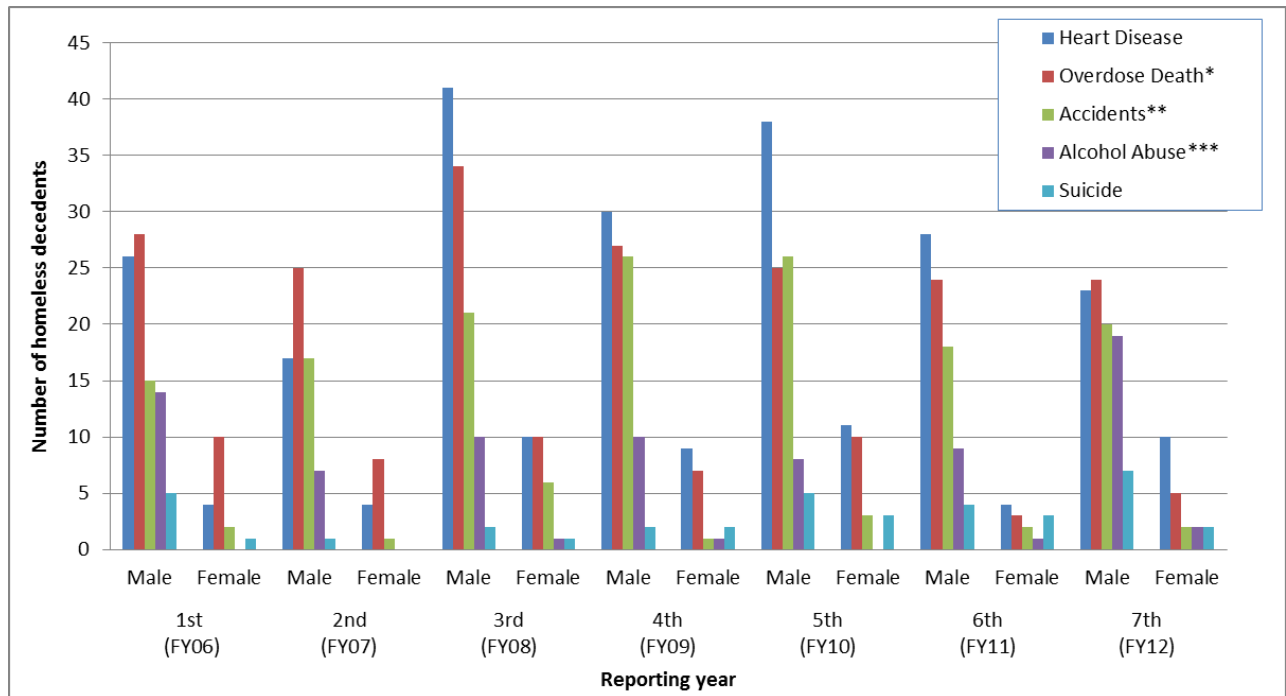
\*\*\*Mental and Behavioral Disorders due to the Use of Alcohol

<sup>†</sup>Leading causes of death for each reporting year have been altered to reflect the current reporting year’s five leading causes.

*Leading Causes of Death and Gender*

During the current reporting year, the leading cause of death among males was drug overdose (n=24) rather than heart disease (Figure 6b, Table 6a). Unlike previous years, the rank order of leading causes of death of female homeless decedents reflects the order of leading causes of death among all homeless decedents (Figure 6b, Table 6a).

**Figure 6b. Trends in Causes of Death by Gender among Homeless Decedents in NYC, by Leading Causes of Current Reporting Year, July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2012<sup>†</sup>**



\* Mental and Behavior Disorders Due to the Use of, or Accidental Poisoning by, Psychoactive Substances Excluding Alcohol and Tobacco

\*\* Excluding Accidental Drug Overdose

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### *Leading Causes of Death and Shelter Residency Status*

The leading causes of death differ by decedent shelter residency status (Table 6b). Among sheltered homeless decedents, the leading cause of death was drug overdose (n=14), followed by heart disease (n=10), malignant neoplasms (n=6), alcohol abuse, and suicide (n=5 each) (Table 6b). Among non-sheltered homeless, the leading cause of death was heart disease (n=23), followed by accidents (n=20), alcohol abuse (n=16), drug overdose (n=15), and suicide (n=4)

Non-sheltered outdoor deaths were due to accidents, alcohol abuse (n=4 each), heart disease (n=3), drug overdose, suicide (n=2 each), and homicide (n=1). One non-sheltered outdoor death was due to undetermined intent: both cause and intent (or manner) of death is unknown.

Non-sheltered other place deaths were due to drug overdose (n=8), accidents, heart disease, alcohol abuse (n=6 each), suicide (n=2), chronic lower respiratory disease (n=1), and peripheral vascular disease (n=1). One non-sheltered other place death was due to an unspecified or ill-defined cause. Two non-sheltered other place deaths were due to undetermined intent.

The 1 sheltered outdoor death was due to undetermined intent. Sheltered other place deaths were due to suicide, (n=3), drug overdose, and accidents (n=1 each). Two sheltered, other place deaths were due to undetermined intent; both decedents were struck by subway trains.



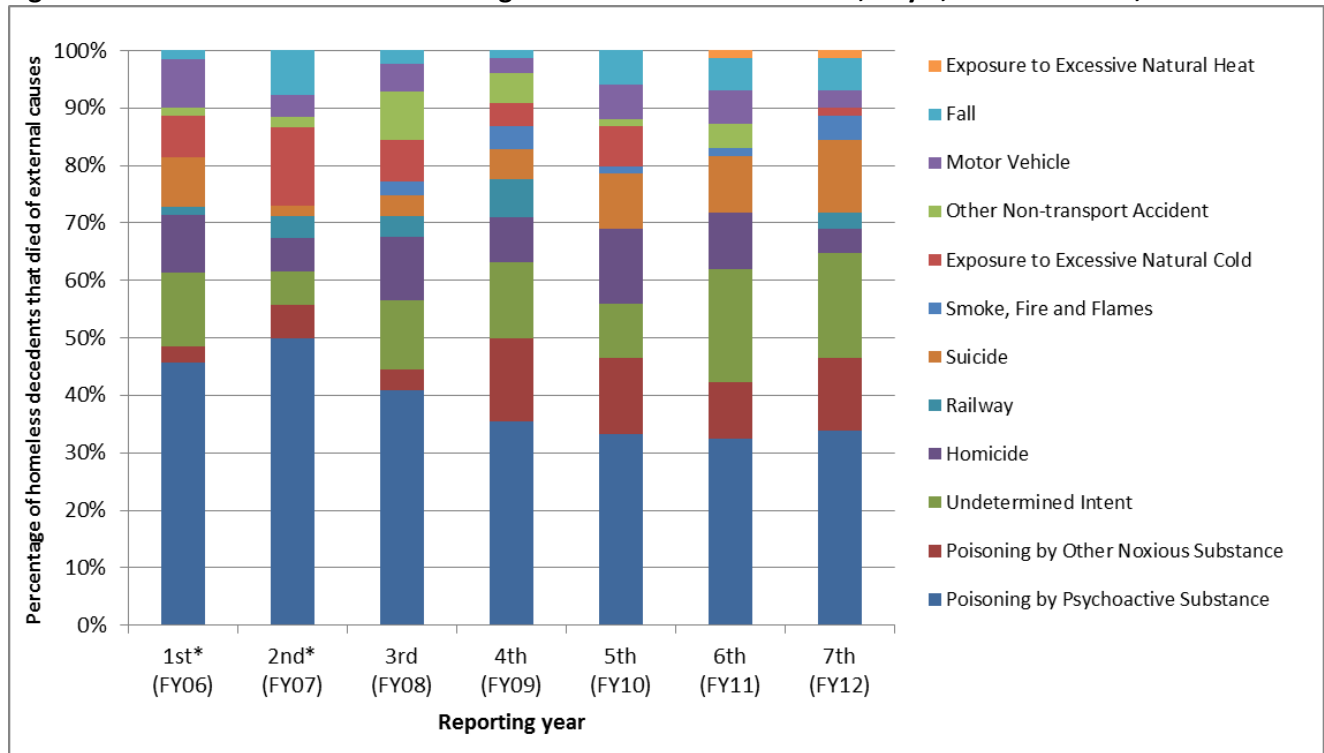
**Leading Causes of Death among Homeless Infants**

Since reporting began, in 2005, 59 homeless infant deaths were reported. All, but 8, deemed natural deaths, were investigated by OCME. Among the 2 infant deaths reported in this current reporting period, 1 was due to an unspecified or ill-defined cause, and 1 was due to undetermined intent. There were no positional asphyxia cases.

**External Causes of Death among DHS, HPD, and OCME Homeless Persons**

The number of external cause deaths has ranged between 52 and 84, during 7 years of reporting. Among the 71 external deaths reported in this annual report, 33% (n=24) were due to poisoning by psychoactive substance (overdose)(Figure 7, Table 6c, 6d).

**Figure 7. External Causes of Death among Homeless Decedents in NYC, July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2012**



\*Prior to 2007, the manner of some overdose deaths were coded as natural rather than external, underestimating those due to external causes. As a result, we have used cause of death codes provided by the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) to correct the first and second reporting year data for this change in coding. See Special Section: New York City Changes from Manual to Automated Cause-of-Death Coding: <http://www.nyc.gov/html/doh/downloads/pdf/vs/2007sum.pdf> for more information.

Poisoning by other noxious substance and suicide tied as the second leading external causes of death, each accounting for 13% (n=9) of external deaths. Poisoning by other noxious substance deaths includes accidental poisoning by and exposure to alcohol, as well as other substances. Four deaths (6%) were due to falls. Three deaths each were due to smoke, fire, and flames and homicide (4% each). Among the 13 (18%) cases where the intent or manner of death was undetermined, 4 causes of death were known: one death was due drowning and submersion, one was due to poisoning by and exposure to opioids, and two were due to falling, lying or running before or into a moving object. One death was due to complications from a excessive exposure to natural cold (gangrene due to complications of frostbite). There were no hypothermia deaths. This is the second reporting year in which there were no hypothermia deaths.

**TABLES**

**Table 1: LL63 Categories for Classifying Deaths**

<b>Outdoor Deaths</b>	<b>Other Deaths</b>
Sidewalk/Street	Friend or Family Member's Apartment
Expressway	Subway Car/ Subway Platform/Train Station
Outside of Building Entrance	Abandoned Building
Park Area	Public Space in a Building†
Encampment	Motel/Hotel Room
Vehicle	Drop-in Center
Vacant Lot	Building Vestibule
Bank/Shore of in Body of Water	Place of Employment
Construction Site	Storage Facility
Roof of Building	Other, not otherwise specified

\* In the 1st annual report, subway and train deaths were categorized as outdoor; this was changed in the 2nd annual report based on discussions between agencies reporting these deaths

†Public spaces in buildings include lobbies, stairwells, elevators, and roofs.

**Table 2: Deaths of Homeless Persons by Shelter Residency Status and Month of Death, July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012**

Month of Death	Deaths Reported by OCME, DHS, and HPD									Deaths Reported by HRA*		
	Total			Shelter Residency Status						Total	Shelter Residency Status	
	All	OCME	Non-OCME	Sheltered			Non-Sheltered				Sheltered	Non-Sheltered
	All	OCME	Non-OCME	All	OCME	Non-OCME	All	OCME	Non-OCME			
All Months	170	150	20	70	51	19	100	99	1	26	26	0
July '11	17	16	1	6	5	1	11	11	0	2	2	0
August '11	11	10	1	2	1	1	9	9	0	5	5	0
September '11	15	12	3	6	3	3	9	9	0	3	3	0
October '11	16	13	3	8	6	2	8	7	1	1	1	0
November '11	15	14	1	5	4	1	10	10	0	1	1	0
December '11	11	11	0	3	3	0	8	8	0	2	2	0
January '12	15	14	1	4	3	1	11	11	0	2	2	0
February '12	18	16	2	10	8	2	8	8	0	1	1	0
March '12	14	11	3	6	3	3	8	8	0	2	2	0
April '12	18	15	3	7	4	3	11	11	0	1	1	0
May '12	10	8	2	7	5	2	3	3	0	3	3	0
June '12	10	10	0	6	6	0	4	4	0	3	3	0

\* All HRA deaths occurred to homeless placed in Single Room Occupancy (SRO). SROs are not considered homeless shelters by HRA, but they are included in this report because they are homeless shelter residents according to Local Law No. 63 of 2005 (codified at New York City Administrative Code Section 17-190) definitions #2 Homeless shelter resident and #3 Homeless shelter were classified as homeless sheltered residents. See: <http://webdocs.nycouncil.info/attachments/66681.htm>

HRA homeless sheltered deaths are reported separately and should not be added to other homeless sheltered deaths as there may be duplication. To comply with Article 27-F of the New York state Public Health Law which prohibits disclosure of any information that could reasonably identify someone having an HIV related illness or AIDS, personal identifiers on HRA homeless deaths were not provided; hence corresponding death certificates could not be reviewed to determine whether deaths were also reported by OCME.

**Table 3: Sheltered Homeless Decedents by Shelter Location, July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012**

Borough	Community District	Deaths of Sheltered Homeless Persons Reported by OCME, DHS, and HPD
All Boroughs		70
Manhattan	Total	25
	Battery Park, Tribeca (01)	0
	Greenwich Village, SOHO (02)	0
	Lower East Side (03)	5
	Chelsea, Clinton (04)	3
	Midtown Business District (05)	0
	Murray Hill (06)	8
	Upper West Side (07)	2
	Upper East Side (08)	0
	Manhattanville (09)	0
	Central Harlem (10)	2
	East Harlem (11)	4
	Washington Heights (12)	1
Bronx	Total	20
	Mott Haven (01)	5
	Hunts Point (02)	5
	Morrisania (03)	2
	Concourse, Highbridge (04)	3
	University/Morris Heights (05)	2
	East Tremont (06)	1
	Fordham (07)	0
	Riverdale (08)	0
	Unionport, Soundview (09)	2
	Throgs Neck (10)	0
	Pelham Parkway (11)	0
	Williamsbridge (12)	0
Brooklyn	Total	17
	Williamsburg, Greenpoint (01)	0
	Fort Greene, Brooklyn Heights (02)	1
	Bedford Stuyvesant (03)	1
	Bushwick (04)	3
	East New York (05)	4
	Park Slope (06)	0
	Sunset Park (07)	0
	Crown Heights North (08)	0
	Crown Heights South (09)	2
	Bay Ridge (10)	0
	Bensonhurst (11)	0
	Borough Park (12)	0
	Coney Island (13)	0
	Flatbush, Midwood (14)	1
	Sheepshead Bay (15)	0
	Brownsville (16)	3
	East Flatbush (17)	1
Canarsie (18)	1	

**Table 3: Sheltered Homeless Decedents by Community District of Shelter, July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012**

Borough	Community District	Deaths of Sheltered Homeless Persons Reported by OCME, DHS, and HPD
Queens	Total	7
	Astoria, Long Island City (01)	0
	Sunnyside, Woodside (02)	1
	Jackson Heights (03)	1
	Elmhurst, Corona (04)	0
	Ridgewood, Glendale (05)	0
	Rego Park, Forest Hills (06)	0
	Flushing (07)	0
	Fresh Meadows, Briarwood (08)	0
	Woodhaven (09)	0
	Howard Beach (10)	0
	Bayside (11)	0
	Jamaica, St. Albans (12)	5
	Queens Village (13)	0
The Rockaways (14)	0	
Staten Island	Total	1
	Port Richmond (01)	1
	Willowbrook, South Beach (02)	0
	Tottenville (03)	0

Tables 4a and 4b: Homeless Decedents by Location of Death: Shelter, Hospital, Outdoors, or Other place, July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012

Table 4a

Borough	Community District	Deaths Reported by OCME, DHS, and HPD																
		Total					Shelter Residency Status											
		Total	Location of Death				Total	Sheltered					Total	Non-Sheltered				
			Shelter	Hospital	Outdoors	Other		Shelter	Hospital	Outdoors	Other	Shelter		Hospital	Outdoors	Other		
All Boroughs		170	25	84	22	39	70	25	37	1	7	100	0	47	21	32		
Manhattan	Total	64	9	34	6	15	23	9	11	0	3	41	0	23	6	12		
	Battery Park, Tribeca (01)	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	0		
	Greenwich Village, SOHO (02)	6	0	0	1	5	1	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	1	4		
	Lower East Side (03)	5	2	0	1	2	2	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	2		
	Chelsea, Clinton (04)	7	1	4	1	1	2	1	0	0	1	5	0	4	1	0		
	Midtown Business District (05)	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0		
	Murray Hill (06)	20	2	17	0	1	8	2	6	0	0	12	0	11	0	1		
	Upper West Side (07)	4	2	0	2	0	2	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0		
	Upper East Side (08)	5	0	3	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	4	0	2	0	2		
	Manhattanville (09)	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1		
	Central Harlem (10)	3	1	2	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0		
	East Harlem (11)	7	1	5	0	1	4	1	3	0	0	3	0	2	0	1		
Washington Heights (12)	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	2	0	1			
Bronx	Total	32	7	17	1	7	19	7	11	0	1	13	0	6	1	6		
	Mott Haven (01)	5	2	2	1	0	3	2	1	0	0	2	0	1	1	0		
	Hunts Point (02)	8	2	6	0	0	5	2	3	0	0	3	0	3	0	0		
	Morrisania (03)	3	1	1	0	1	3	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0		
	Concourse, Highbridge (04)	2	0	2	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	University/Morris Heights (05)	3	1	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2		
	East Tremont (06)	3	0	2	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	1		
	Fordham (07)	3	0	3	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0		
	Riverdale (08)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	Unionport, Soundview (09)	2	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1		
	Throgs Neck (10)	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1		
	Pelham Parkway (11)	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Williamsbridge (12)	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1			

Table 4a

Borough	Community District	Deaths Reported by OCME, DHS, and HPD														
		Total					Shelter Residency Status									
		Total	Location of Death				Total	Sheltered				Total	Non-Sheltered			
			Shelter	Hospital	Outdoors	Other		Shelter	Hospital	Outdoors	Other		Shelter	Hospital	Outdoors	Other
Brooklyn	Total	42	4	20	6	12	19	4	12	1	2	23	0	8	5	10
	Fordham (07)	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
	Williamsburg, Greenpoint (01)	4	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	2	2
	Fort Greene, Brooklyn Heights (02)	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
	Bedford Stuyvesant (03)	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Bushwick (04)	6	1	3	1	1	3	1	2	0	0	3	0	1	1	1
	East New York (05)	4	1	0	0	3	2	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	2
	Park Slope (06)	2	0	2	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Sunset Park (07)	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Crown Heights North (08)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Crown Heights South (09)	4	1	2	0	1	3	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
	Bay Ridge (10)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Bensonhurst (11)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Borough Park (12)	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	2	0	1
	Coney Island (13)	4	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	2	1	1
	Flatbush, Midwood (14)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Sheepshead Bay (15)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Brownsville (16)	2	1	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
East Flatbush (17)	8	0	7	0	1	5	0	5	0	0	3	0	2	0	1	
Canarsie (18)	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	
Queens	Total	31	4	13	9	5	8	4	3	0	1	23	0	10	9	4
	Astoria, Long Island City (01)	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
	Sunnyside, Woodside (02)	4	1	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0
	Jackson Heights (03)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Elmhurst, Corona (04)	9	0	5	1	3	2	0	1	0	1	7	0	4	1	2
	Ridgewood, Glendale (05)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Rego Park, Forest Hills (06)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Flushing (07)	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
	Fresh Meadows, Briarwood (08)	5	0	4	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	4	0	3	1	0
	Woodhaven (09)	4	0	3	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	3	0	2	1	0
	Howard Beach (10)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Bayside (11)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Jamaica, St. Albans (12)	6	3	0	2	1	3	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	2	1
	Queens Village (13)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
The Rockaways (14)	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	
Staten Island	Total	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Port Richmond (01)	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Willowbrook, South Beach (02)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Tottenville (03)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Table 4b**

Borough	Deaths Reported by HRA*				
	Sheltered				
	Total	Location of Death			
		Shelter	Hospital	Outdoors	Other
All Boroughs	26	13	11	1	1
Manhattan	15	7	7	1	0
Bronx	8	4	3	0	1
Brooklyn	3	2	1	0	0
Queens	0	0	0	0	0
Staten Island	0	0	0	0	0

**Tables 5: Homeless Decedents by Age and Sex, July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012**

Age	Deaths Reported by OCME, DHS, and HPD			Deaths Reported by HRA*		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Age Category	170	135	35	26	18	8
<1	2	2	0	0	0	0
1-24	4	3	1	0	0	0
25-44	44	31	13	10	5	5
45-64	105	84	21	15	13	2
>=65	15	15	0	1	0	1

\* All HRA deaths occurred to homeless placed in Single Room Occupancy (SRO). SROs are not considered homeless shelters by HRA, but they are included in this report because they are homeless shelter residents according to Local Law No. 63 of 2005 (codified at New York City Administrative Code Section 17-190) definitions #2 Homeless shelter resident and #3 Homeless shelter were classified as homeless sheltered residents. See: <http://webdocs.nycouncil.info/attachments/66681.htm> HRA homeless sheltered deaths are reported separately and should not be added to other homeless sheltered deaths as there may be duplication. To comply with Article 27-F of the New York state Public Health Law which prohibits disclosure of any information that could reasonably identify someone having an HIV related illness or AIDS, personal identifiers on HRA homeless deaths were not provided, including community district of death.

Tables 6a and 6b: Leading Causes of Death by Gender and Shelter Residency Status, July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012

Table 6a

Cause of Death		Gender					
		Total		Male		Female	
		All	Percent*	All	Percent*	All	Percent*
<b>Rank</b>	<b>Total</b>	170	100	135	79	35	21
1	DISEASES OF HEART	33	19	23	70	10	30
2	PSYCH. SUBSTANCE USE & ACCIDENTAL DRUG POISONING	29	17	24	83	5	17
3	ACCIDENTS EXCEPT DRUG POISONING	22	14	20	91	2	9
4	MENTAL DISORDERS DUE TO USE OF ALCOHOL	21	12	19	90	2	10
5	INTENTIONAL SELF-HARM (SUICIDE)	9	5	7	78	2	22
6	MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS	7	4	5	71	2	29
7	DIABETES MELLITUS	4	2	2	50	2	50
8	ASSAULT (HOMICIDE)	3	2	3	100	0	0
9	INFLUENZA AND PNEUMONIA	2	1	1	50	1	50
	ESSENTIAL HYPERTENSION AND RENAL DISEASES	2	1	2	100	0	0
	VIRAL HEPATITIS	2	1	2	100	0	0
	PREGNANCY, CHILDBIRTH AND THE PUERPERIUM	2	1	0	0	2	100
	CHRONIC LIVER DISEASE AND CIRRHOSIS	2	1	2	100	0	0
	PEPTIC ULCER	2	1	2	100	0	0
15	LEGAL INTERVENTION	1	1	0	0	1	100
	SEPTICEMIA	1	1	1	100	0	0
	CEREBROVASCULAR DISEASE	1	1	0	0	1	100
	CHRONIC LOWER RESPIRATORY DISEASES	1	1	1	100	0	0
	ATHEROSCLEROSIS	1	1	1	100	0	0
-	UNDETERMINED INTENT	13	8	12	92	1	8
-	All Other Causes	12	7	8	67	4	33

\*All percentages were rounded to the nearest whole number. Causes of death are ranked based on total count.



**Table 6b**

Cause of Death		Shelter Residency Status					
		Total		Sheltered		Non-sheltered	
		All	Percent*	All	Percent*	All	Percent*
<b>Rank</b>	<b>Total</b>	170	100	70	41	100	59
1	DISEASES OF HEART	33	19	10	30	23	70
2	PSYCH. SUBSTANCE USE & ACCIDENTAL DRUG POISONING	29	17	14	48	15	52
3	ACCIDENTS EXCEPT DRUG POISONING	22	14	2	9	20	91
4	MENTAL DISORDERS DUE TO USE OF ALCOHOL	21	12	5	24	16	76
5	INTENTIONAL SELF-HARM (SUICIDE)	9	5	5	56	4	44
6	MALIGNANT NEOPLASMS	7	4	6	86	1	14
7	DIABETES MELLITUS	4	2	4	100	0	0
8	ASSAULT (HOMICIDE)	3	2	0	0	3	100
9	INFLUENZA AND PNEUMONIA	2	1	2	100	0	0
	ESSENTIAL HYPERTENSION AND RENAL DISEASES	2	1	2	100	0	0
	VIRAL HEPATITIS	2	1	1	50	1	50
	PREGNANCY, CHILDBIRTH AND THE PUERPERIUM	2	1	2	100	0	0
	CHRONIC LIVER DISEASE AND CIRRHOSIS	2	1	2	100	0	0
	PEPTIC ULCER	2	1	0	0	2	100
15	LEGAL INTERVENTION	1	1	1	100	0	0
	SEPTICEMIA	1	1	0	0	1	100
	CEREBROVASCULAR DISEASE	1	1	1	100	0	0
	CHRONIC LOWER RESPIRATORY DISEASES	1	1	0	0	1	100
	ATHEROSCLEROSIS	1	1	0	0	1	100
-	UNDETERMINED INTENT	13	8	6	46	7	54
-	All Other Causes	12	7	7	58	5	42

\*All percentages were rounded to the nearest whole number. Causes of death are ranked based on total count.

**Tables 6c and 6d: External Causes of Death by Gender and Shelter Residency Status, July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010**

**Table 6c**

Cause of Death		All	Gender	
			Male	Female
<b>Rank</b>	<b>Total</b>	71	63	8
1	POISONING BY PSYCHOACTIVE SUBSTANCE	24	21	3
2	POISONING BY OTHER NOXIOUS SUBSTANCE	9	8	1
	SUICIDE	9	7	2
3	FALL	4	4	0
4	SMOKE, FIRE AND FLAMES	3	2	1
	HOMICIDE	3	3	0
6	MOTOR VEHICLE	2	2	0
	RAILWAY	2	2	0
8	EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE NATURAL COLD	1	1	0
	EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE NATURAL HEAT	1	1	0
-	UNDETERMINED INTENT	13	12	1

Causes of death are ranked based on total count.

**Table 6d**

Cause of Death		All	Shelter Residency Status	
			Sheltered	Non-Sheltered
<b>Rank</b>	<b>Total</b>	71	24	47
1	POISONING BY PSYCHOACTIVE SUBSTANCE	24	11	13
2	POISONING BY OTHER NOXIOUS SUBSTANCE	9	1	8
	SUICIDE	9	5	4
4	FALL	4	1	3
5	SMOKE, FIRE AND FLAMES	3	0	3
	HOMICIDE	3	0	3
6	MOTOR VEHICLE	2	0	2
	RAILWAY	2	0	2
8	EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE NATURAL COLD	1	0	1
	EXPOSURE TO EXCESSIVE NATURAL HEAT	1	0	1
-	UNDETERMINED INTENT	13	6	7

Causes of death are ranked based on total count.