Comparing cases through Quarter 2 of 2018 to 2019, accidental deaths have increased 6%, homicides were down by 4%, suicides decreased 2% and natural deaths falling under the jurisdiction of the Medical Examiner went up 6%.

### MANNER OF DEATH

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#### Accidents

Unintentional Drug, Medication, and Alcohol related deaths remained high, representing 38% of all accidental deaths through Quarter 2 of 2019; Falls accounted for 33% and Motor Vehicle related accidental deaths were at 18%.

- Unintentional deaths due to drug, medication, and/or alcohol toxicity increased by 7% (298 to 319)
- The average age was 46, the youngest was 16, and oldest was 77; 80% were male
- Methamphetamine was a causative factor in 62% of all unintentional overdose cases and saw a 24% increase (154 to 191)
- Deaths where Fentanyl was a causative factor increased by 68% (41 to 69)

Note: Counts listed for Methamphetamine and Fentanyl include deaths where the drug either alone or with other drugs, medication and/or alcohol was a causative factor in death, these counts are not mutually exclusive and may include cases where both Fentanyl and Methamphetamine were a causative factor in death.

- Falls increased 12.5% (248 to 279), remaining a significant cause of accidental deaths, representing 33% of all such cases
- Blunt Head Trauma, including subdural hematoma, remains the leading cause of fall-related deaths, accounting for 48% (133) of these cases
- Deaths resulting from a Spinal Fracture climbed 77% (13 to 23)

- Motor Vehicle related deaths saw an overall decrease of 4% (145 to 151)
- Fatalities involving Auto vs Auto accidents increased 26% (27 to 34)
- Motor Vehicle cases resulting in pedestrian death saw a 15% decline (52 to 44)
- Motorcycle related deaths, including both solo and those involving another motor vehicle, saw a 28% increase (18 to 23)

#### Homicides

In 56% of cases the method was a firearm

- There was a 2% decrease in suicides compared to 2018
- During this time period, firearms continued to be the leading method of suicide, accounting for 39% of all such cases, followed by Asphyxia at 30%
- There were 11 Coronado Bridge deaths through Q2 of 2019 compared to 9 in 2018