

# New Bedford firefighters drug overdose response up 10% in 2018

According to New Bedford Fire Department records, firefighters responded to 602 overdoses in New Bedford in 2018 – up 10% over 2017. In 2017, firefighters responded to 548 overdoses and **689 drug overdoses in 2016.**

New Bedford Guide has a request in with the New Bedford Police Department for their official overdose numbers.