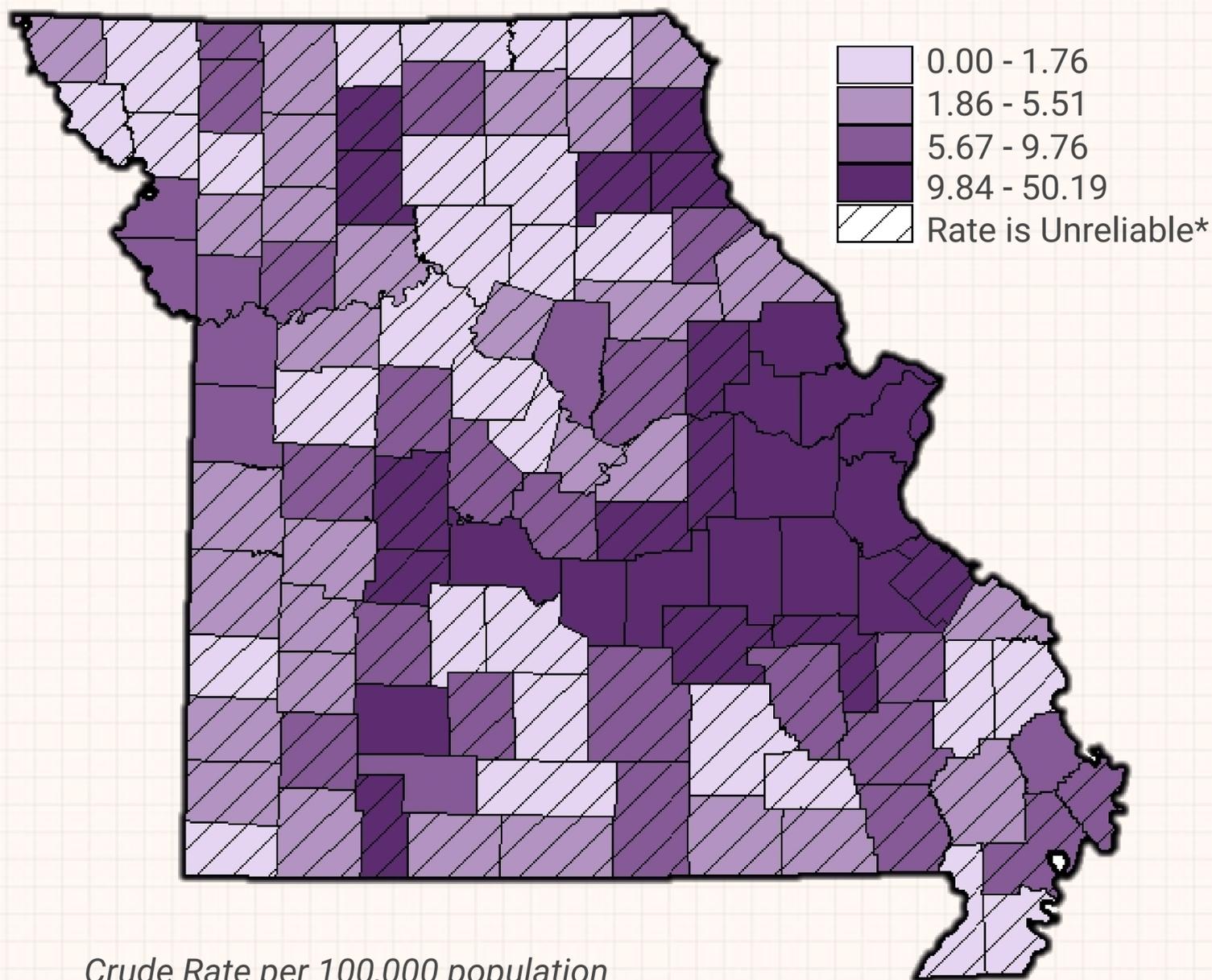




# DEATHS DUE TO OPIOID OVERDOSES

## 2014 - 2018



The majority of counties with high opioid-involved mortality rates are clustered around the St. Louis metropolitan region moving south and eastward, though some additional counties with high opioid-involved death rates can be found across the state. Missouri's metropolitan areas have consistently high rates of opioid-involved overdose mortality. It should be noted that many counties' death rates are based on fewer than 20 deaths and should be interpreted cautiously as mortality rates based on low counts can be unstable. Opioid-involved emergency room discharge rates follow a similar statewide distribution with the greatest rates in the St. Louis area.

Crude Rate per 100,000 population  
\*Numerator is less than 20

Source: Bureau of Health Care Analysis and Data Dissemination  
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