THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC BY THE NUMBERS



130+

People died every day from opioid-related drug overdoses³ (estimated)



11.4 m People misused prescription opioids¹

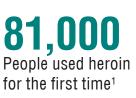


47,600 People died from overdosing on opioids²



2.1 million People had an opioid use disorder¹







886,000 People used heroin¹



2 million People misused prescription opioids for the first time¹



15,482 Deaths attributed to overdosing on heroin²



28,466 Deaths attributed to overdosing on synthetic opioids other than methadone²

SOURCES

- 1. 2017 National Survey on Drug Use and Health, Mortality in the United States, 2016
- 2. NCHS Data Brief No. 293, December 2017
- 3. NCHS, National Vital Statistics System. Estimates for 2017 and 2018 are based on provisional data.

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