THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC BY THE NUMBERS

- **130+** People died every day from opioid-related drug overdoses\(^3\) (estimated)
- **11.4 m** People misused prescription opioids\(^1\)
- **47,600** People died from overdosing on opioids\(^2\)
- **2.1 million** People had an opioid use disorder\(^1\)
- **81,000** People used heroin for the first time\(^3\)
- **886,000** People used heroin\(^1\)
- **2 million** People misused prescription opioids for the first time\(^1\)
- **15,482** Deaths attributed to overdosing on heroin\(^2\)
- **28,466** Deaths attributed to overdosing on synthetic opioids other than methadone\(^2\)

**SOURCES**
2. NCHS Data Brief No. 329, November 2018

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