

# WE ARE THE ANSWER TO ENDING AMERICA'S ADDICTION CRISIS

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## BY THE NUMBERS

An estimated **1.7 million** people suffer from substance misuse related to opioids.

Roughly **21 - 29 percent** of patients prescribed opioids for chronic pain misuse them.

About **80 percent** of people who use heroin first misused prescription opioids.

Opioid overdoses increased **30 percent** from 2016 to 2017.

Overdoses increased over **200 percent** over the last decade.

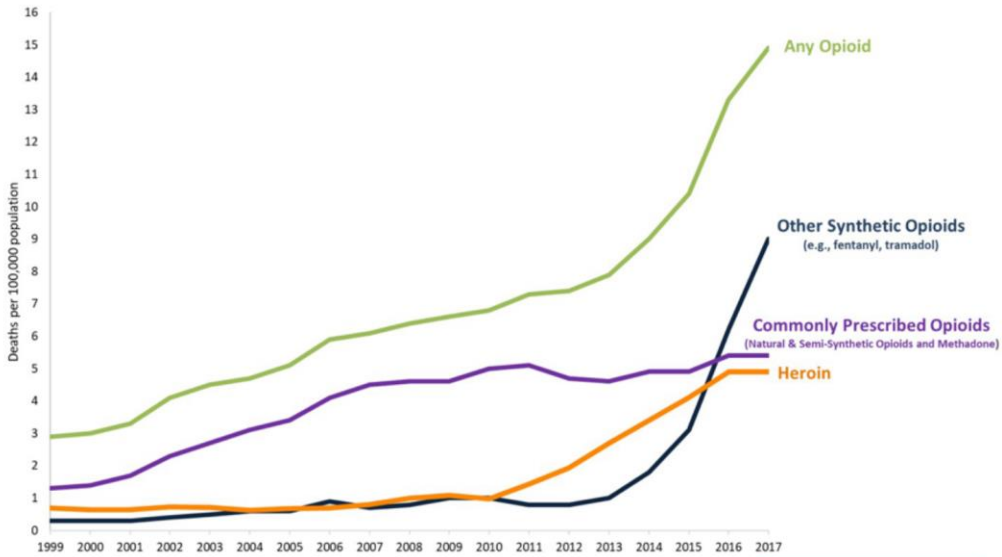
In 2017, more than **47,000 Americans** died as a result of an opioid overdose.

Since 1999, that number is over **400 thousand**

All of this has occurred at a cost of **\$504 billion** every year.

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Overdose Death Rates Involving Opioids, by Type, United States, 2000-2017



SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality. CDC WONDER, Atlanta, GA: US Department of Health and Human Services, CDC; 2018. <https://wonder.cdc.gov/>.



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<p>TREATMENT CENTERS</p> 	<p>CORRECTIONS INDUSTRY</p> 
<p>MEDICAL COMMUNITY</p> 	<p>HARM REDUCTION</p> 

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10/08/1981 - 05/18/2019

ADDICTION RECOVERY ADVOCATE.

COLUMBINE SURVIVOR.

INSPIRATION AND FRIEND TO MANY.

