

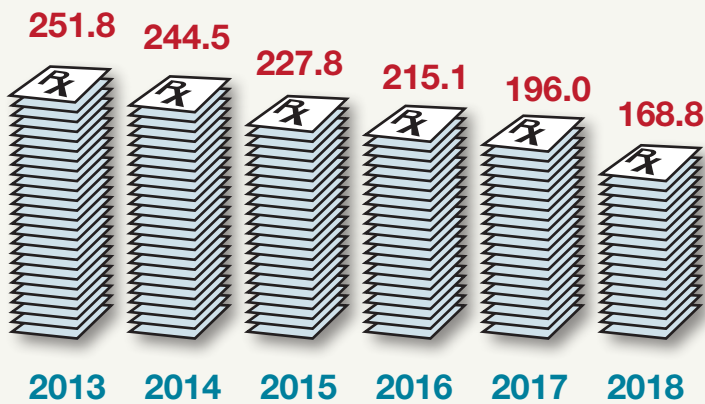
Opioid prescriptions: 2019 snapshot

The American Medical Association (AMA)'s Opioid Task Force reports that the total number of opioid prescriptions written in the United States have

decreased by more than 80 million

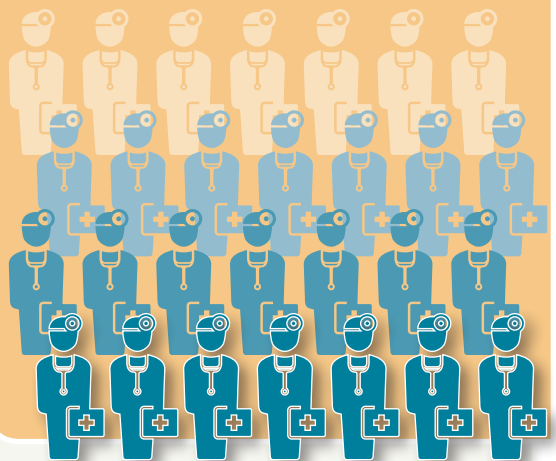
(a 33% decrease) since 2013.

Total opioid prescriptions
(in millions)



More than 66,000

US health care professionals now can prescribe buprenorphine for the treatment of opioid use disorder.



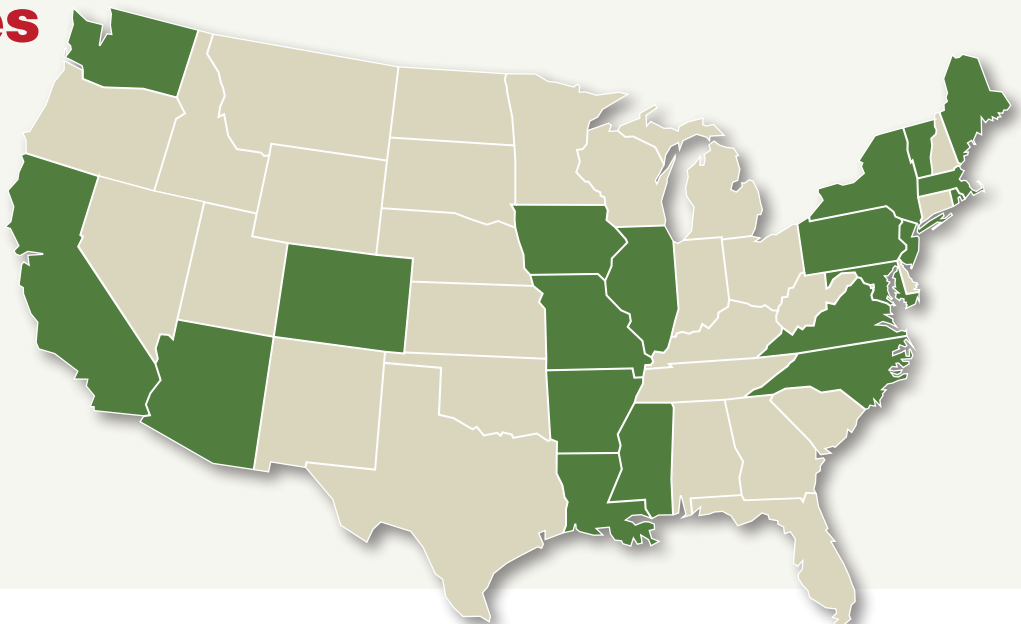
The AMA recommends that states

remove administrative burdens

or barriers that delay or deny care for FDA-approved medications used as part of medication-assisted treatment for opioid use disorder.

20 states and DC

have taken such action in the past 3 years.



Source: American Medical Association. Opioid task force 2019 progress report. <https://www.end-opioid-epidemic.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/AMA-Opioid-Task-Force-2019-Progress-Report-web.pdf>. Accessed June 25, 2019.