

# DID YOU KNOW?

*You are hearing about alcohol, tobacco, and drugs everywhere and seeing it all over TV!*

**1 in 3** songs say something about drug, alcohol, or tobacco use.<sup>1</sup>

**3 in 4** rap songs said something about drug, alcohol, or tobacco use.<sup>1</sup>

And of the top 100 movies over a 9-year period:

**7 in 10** movies showed characters smoking.

**1 in 3** movies showed people getting drunk.<sup>1</sup>

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1. National Institute on Drug Abuse



1,587 people died of a drug overdose in New Jersey in 2015. Among those deaths 918 were due to heroin.<sup>1</sup>

Currently, more people die from drug overdoses than from car crashes or gun violence.<sup>3</sup>



In 2016, 177 Bergen County residents have been revived from an overdose by Narcan. 81 Bergen County residents died of an overdose.<sup>2</sup>



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1. New Jersey Medical Examiner’s Office 2. Bergen County Prosecutor’s Office 3. Center for Disease Control and Prevention



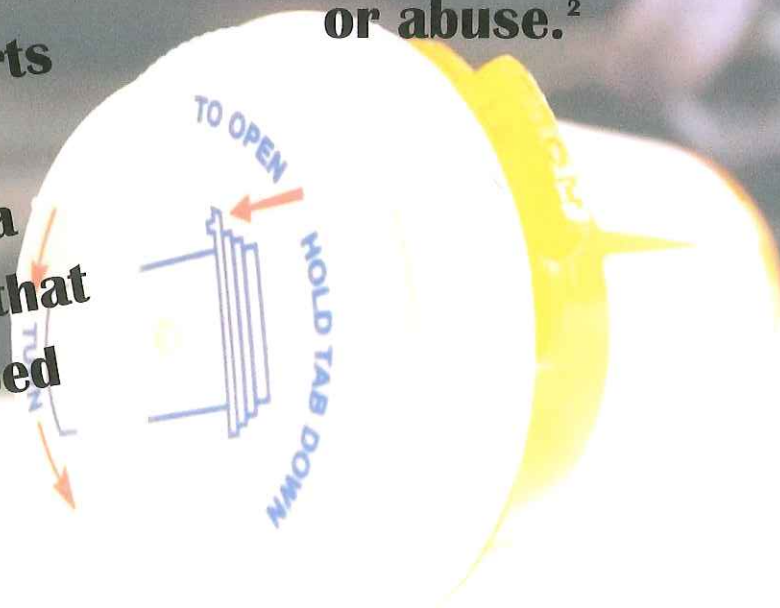


In 2015 alone,  
**227 million** opioid  
prescriptions were given out  
in the United States; enough  
to hand a bottle of pills to  
**9 out of 10** American adults.<sup>1</sup>

**60%** of teens who abuse  
prescription drugs get  
them free from friends  
and relatives.<sup>1</sup>

**1 person dies every  
19 minutes** from  
prescription misuse  
or abuse.<sup>2</sup>

**1 in 5** parents reports  
that they have  
given their teen a  
prescription drug that  
was not prescribed  
to them.<sup>3</sup>



In 2015, **18.9 million**  
people in the United  
States aged 12 or older  
misused prescription  
drugs.<sup>3</sup>

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1. Associated Press report, 2. Center for Disease Control, 3. www.Drugfree.org

