

CBS NEWS POLL

Opioid Addiction in the U.S.: Seven in 10 Say it's a Very Serious Problem

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Q29. How serious a problem do you think the issue of opioid addiction to prescription pain medication is for the United States right now--very, somewhat, not too, or not at all serious?

	** TOTAL RESPONDENTS **			
	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind
	%	%	%	%
Very serious	71	78	72	67
Somewhat serious	20	15	20	23
Not too serious	3	2	4	3
Not at all serious	4	3	3	6
Don't know/No answer	2	1	2	1

Q30. Which of the following is **most** to blame for the problem of opioid addiction in the United States?

People who abuse prescription pain medication	28	30	26	28
Doctors who prescribe prescription pain medication	19	23	19	17
Pharmaceutical companies that make and sell prescription pain medication	23	14	26	26
Dealers and gangs who bring drugs into the U.S.	16	20	16	15
Combination/All equally (vol.)	7	7	8	7
Something else (vol.)	3	3	3	3
Don't know/No answer	3	2	3	3

Q31. Do you think the federal government is doing the right amount to address opioid addiction in the United States, should it do more, or should it do less?

Doing right amount	10	12	6	10
Do more	79	79	84	76
Do less	8	5	6	10
Don't know/No answer	3	3	4	3

Q32-q40 FOR SEPARATE RELEASE

Q41. Do you personally know anyone who has suffered from opioid addiction to prescription pain medication? IF YES: Is that person a member of your immediate family, or not?

Yes, immediate family	20	22	15	21
Yes, not immediate family	25	30	18	26
No	55	47	66	52
Don't know/No answer	*	*	*	1

	<u>UNWEIGHTED</u>	<u>WEIGHTED</u>
Total Respondents	1101	
Total Republicans	279	259
Total Democrats	332	331
Total independents	490	512