

# By the Numbers: Children Affected by the Opioid Epidemic in 2017

2.2 MILLION

Category 1



1.435M

Children living with a parent with OUD

Category 2



240K

Children who have had a parent die due to opioid overdose

Category 3



10K

Children who have a parent in long-term imprisonment due to opioids

Category 4



325K

Children who have been removed from their home and live in foster care or with relatives

Category 5



170K

Children who have OUD or have accidentally ingested opioids

— Parent Condition —

— Child Condition —

Estimates have been adjusted to account for underreporting of opioid use in the National Survey on Drug Use and Health and on death certificates. To arrive at a nonduplicative count of the number of children affected, estimates have been adjusted to remove double-counting between categories.