

RI PMP FACTS

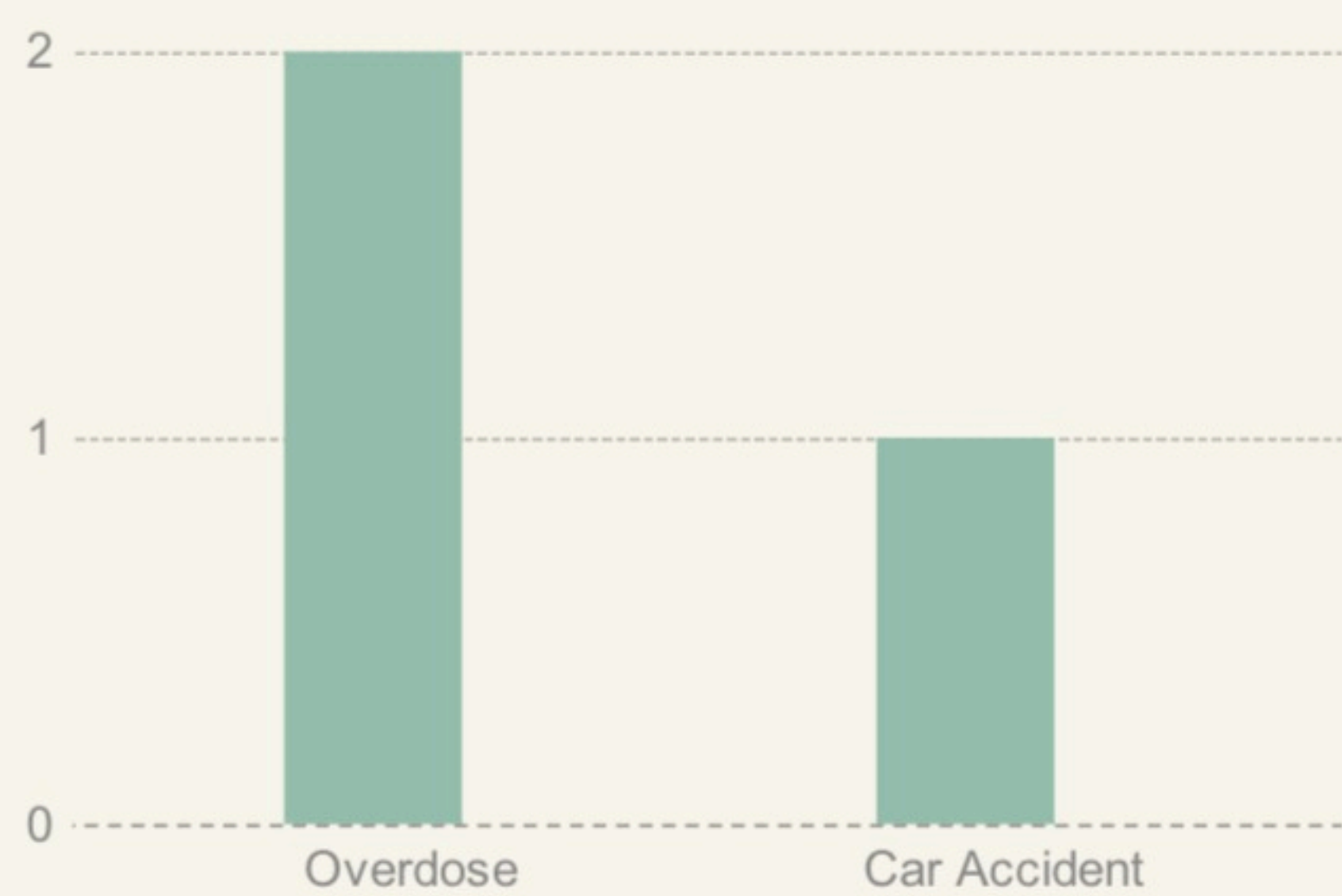
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8.76 Million

is the number of prescription drug abusers in the US and opioid painkillers prescribed in 2010 were sufficient for every American adult to take every four hours for one month. (National Institute on Drug Abuse, 2014)

Drug related deaths in Rhode Island



Source: Rhode Island Department of Health, R.I. Medical Examiner, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

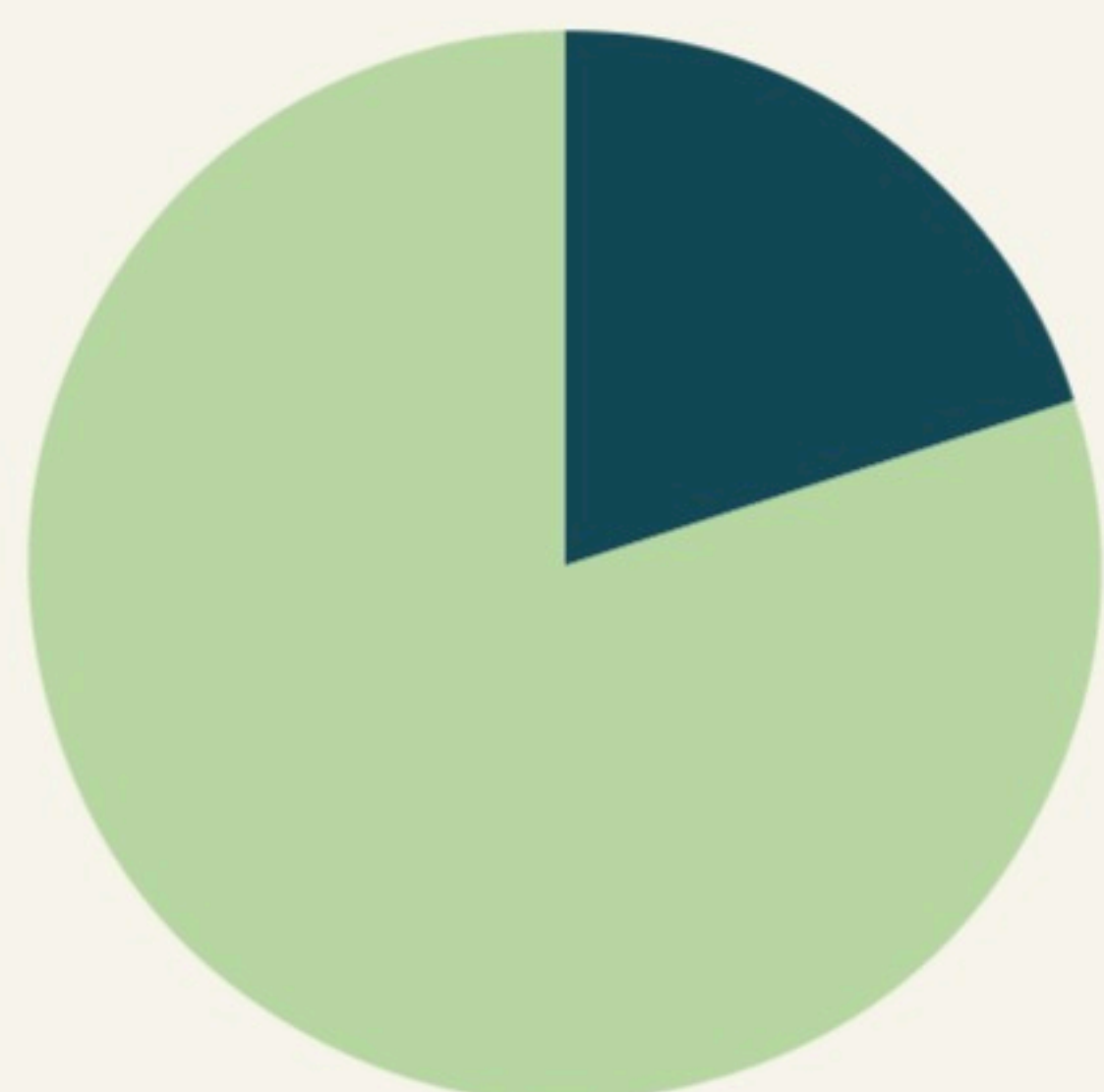
12th

RI ranked 12th in the country for unintentional drug related death in 2010.

Deaths

The number of people who died from drug overdose was double the number killed in motor vehicle accidents in recent years.

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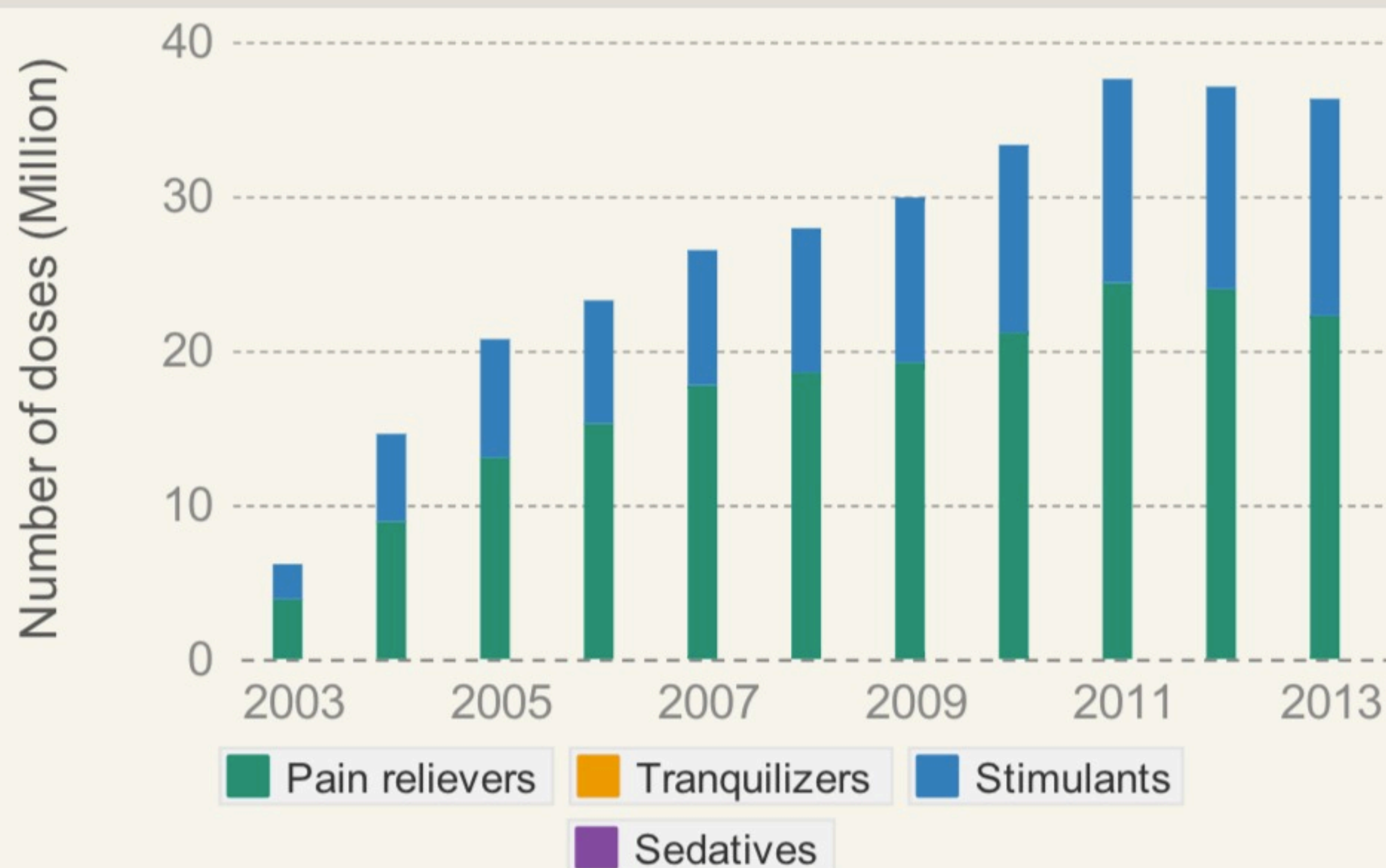


Registered (20%) Unregistered (80%)

As of February 2014, only about 20% of licensed prescribers registered for the PMP.



About 20,000 adults have had opioid prescriptions with a dose greater than 100 mg morphine equivalent each year in recent years.



The RI population is around 1.05 Million, but over 30 million doses of schedule II drugs have been prescribed each year since 2010.

- Prescription drug abuse is a serious public health issue in RI.
- The PMP is an emerging tool that helps determine overprescribing, doctor shopping and gives details about patient drug history.
- The RI PMP is still underutilized.
- New R.I. law requires healthcare providers to register for the PMP.