

Opioid Summary Report

FL Division of Workers' Compensation

2013-2017 Data



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Overview

Opioid abuse and its societal impacts have been well documented during the last several years. The use of opioids has been and continues to be a part of pain management treatment regimens for injured workers. This publication is part of the Division's on-going efforts to provide insight into the unique aspects of Florida's workers' compensation system.

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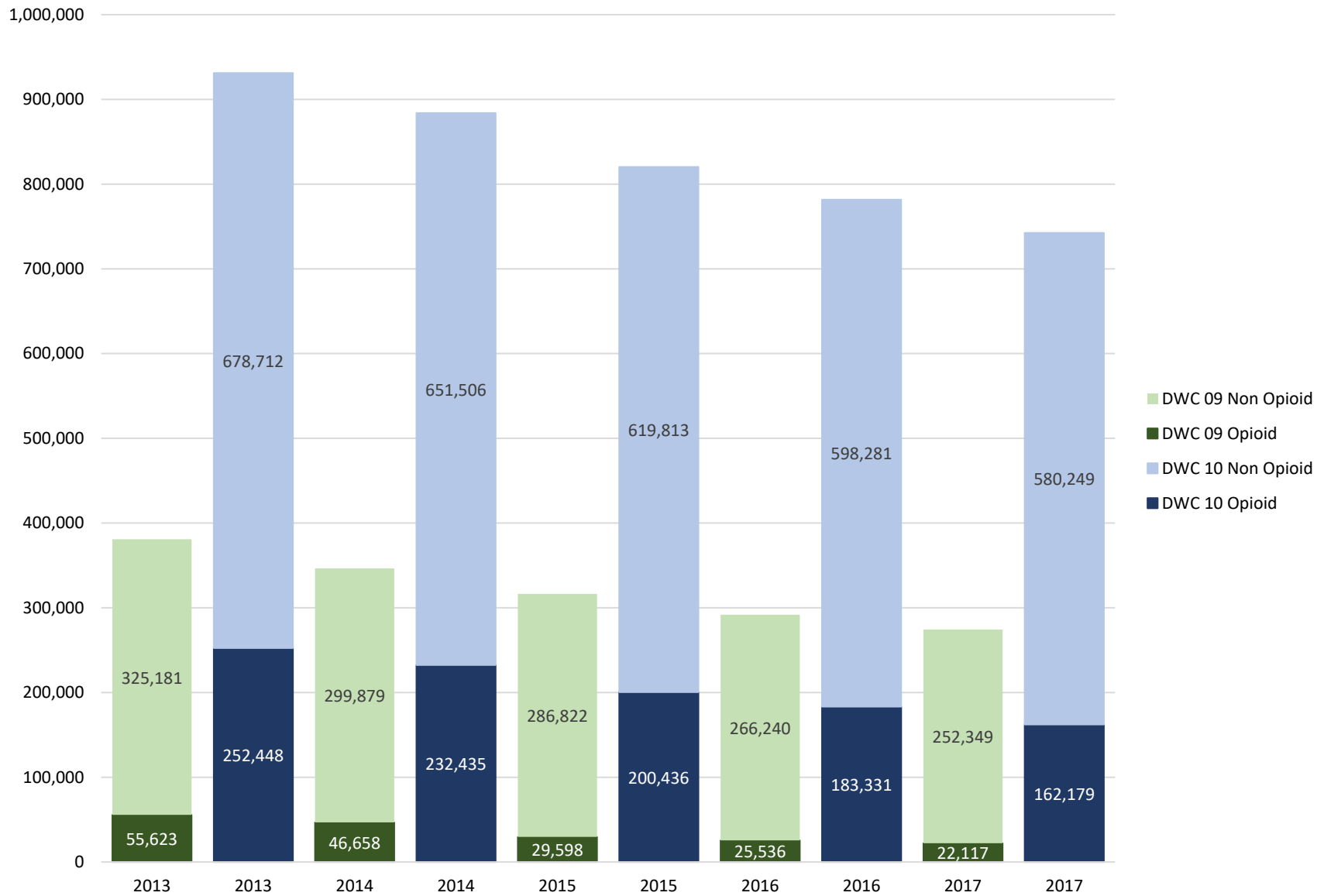
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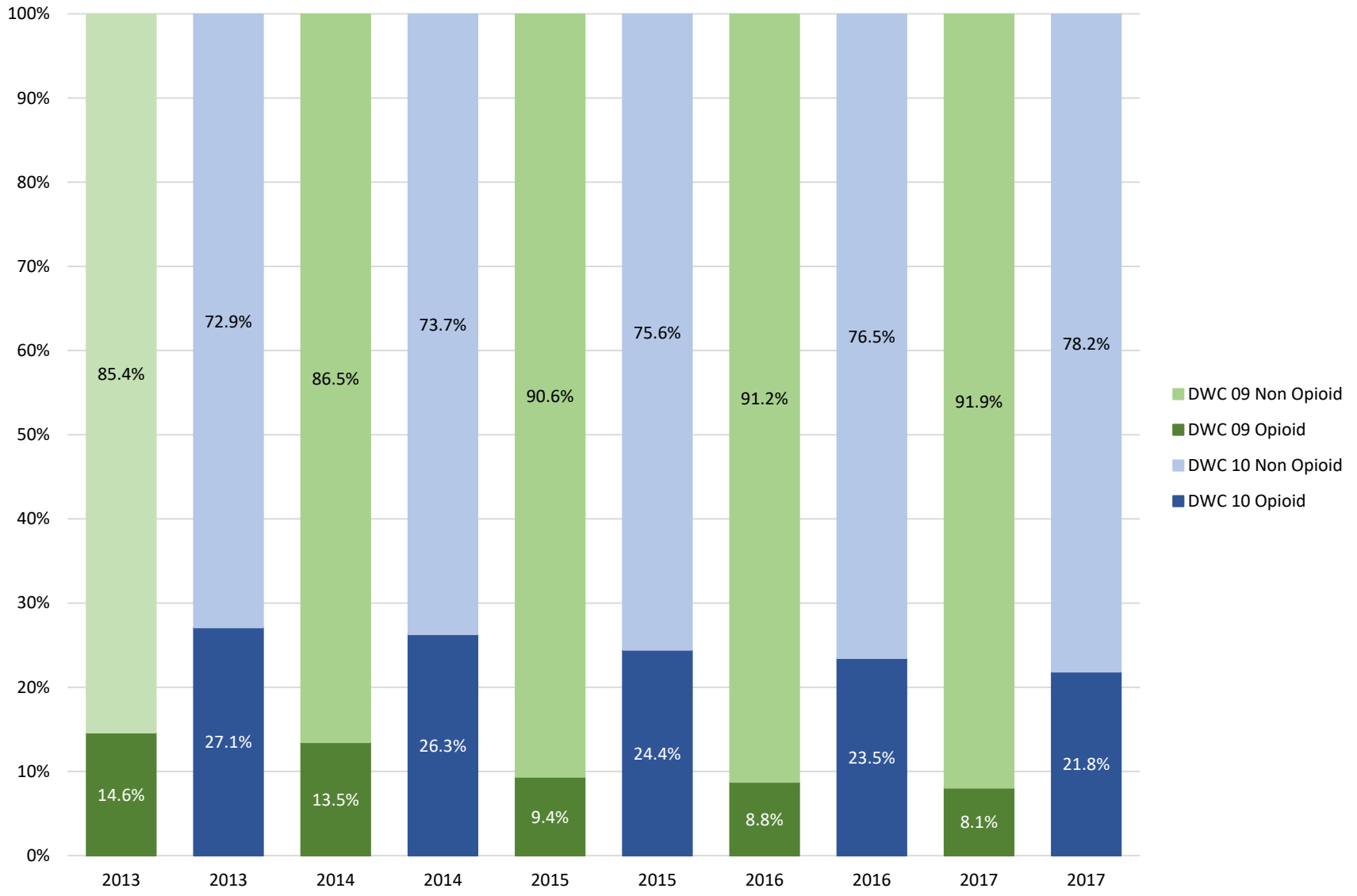
- The data is categorized by calendar year the drug was dispensed (2013 to 2017), valued as of 10/23/2018.
- Medical bill data from DWC-09 (physician bills) and DWC-10 (pharmacy bills) are used.
- Opioids are based on drugs that have an opioid as an ingredient and are not limited to DEA Schedule II drug classes.
- Top 10 drugs are based on drug name and combining all dosage amounts.
- Drug data excludes total paid amounts of zero or where National Drug Code (NCD) is "COMPD" for compound drug (which are reported aggregately and do not include ingredients).
- Line items represent the number of times a drug appears on a physician or pharmacy bill.

Indicates the class to which the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) has assigned the product under the Controlled Substances Act of 1970	
1 = Schedule I	Schedule I drugs, substances, or chemicals are defined as drugs with no currently accepted medical use and a high potential for abuse
2 = Schedule II	Schedule II drugs, substances, or chemicals are defined as drugs with a high potential for abuse, with use potentially leading to severe psychological or physical dependence
3 = Schedule III	Schedule III drugs, substances, or chemicals are defined as drugs with a moderate to low potential for physical and psychological dependence.
4 = Schedule IV	Schedule IV drugs, substances, or chemicals are defined as drugs with a low potential for abuse and low risk of dependence.
5 = Schedule V	Schedule V drugs, substances, or chemicals are defined as drugs with lower potential for abuse than Schedule IV and consist of preparations containing limited quantities of certain narcotics. Schedule V drugs are generally used for antidiarrheal, antitussive, and analgesic purposes.
R = Not classified under the Controlled Substances Act; includes all other prescription drugs	
Blank = OTC product	

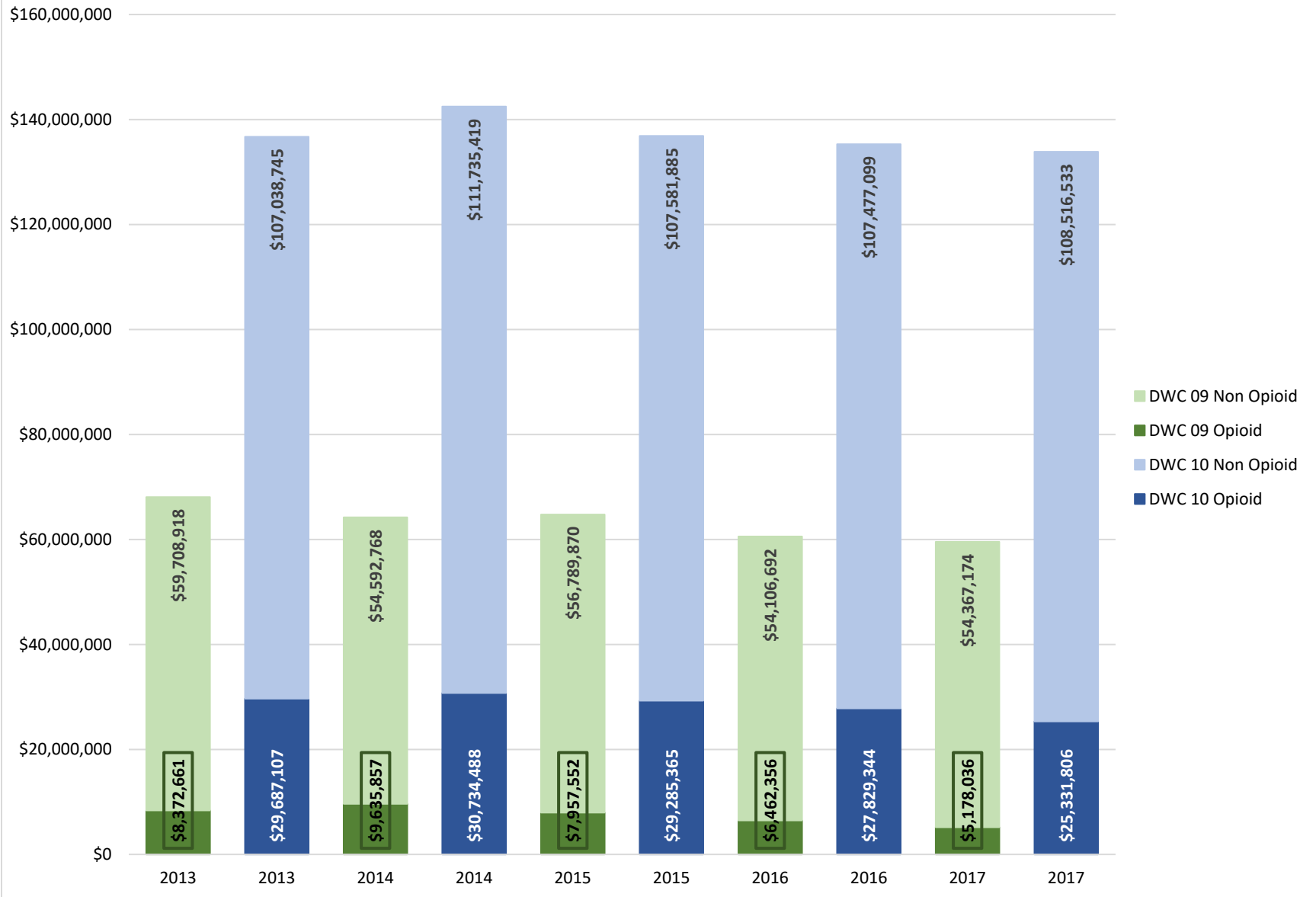
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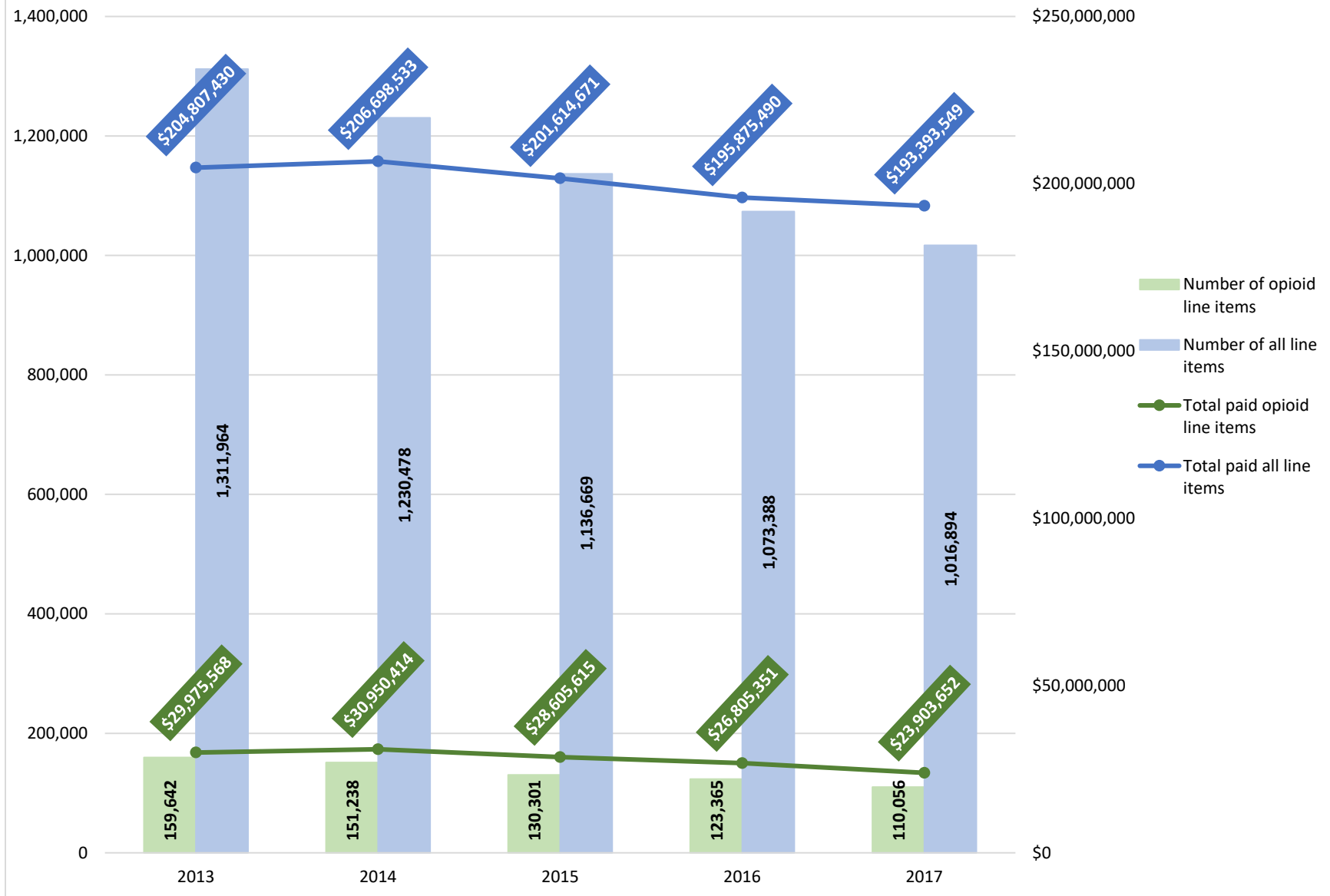
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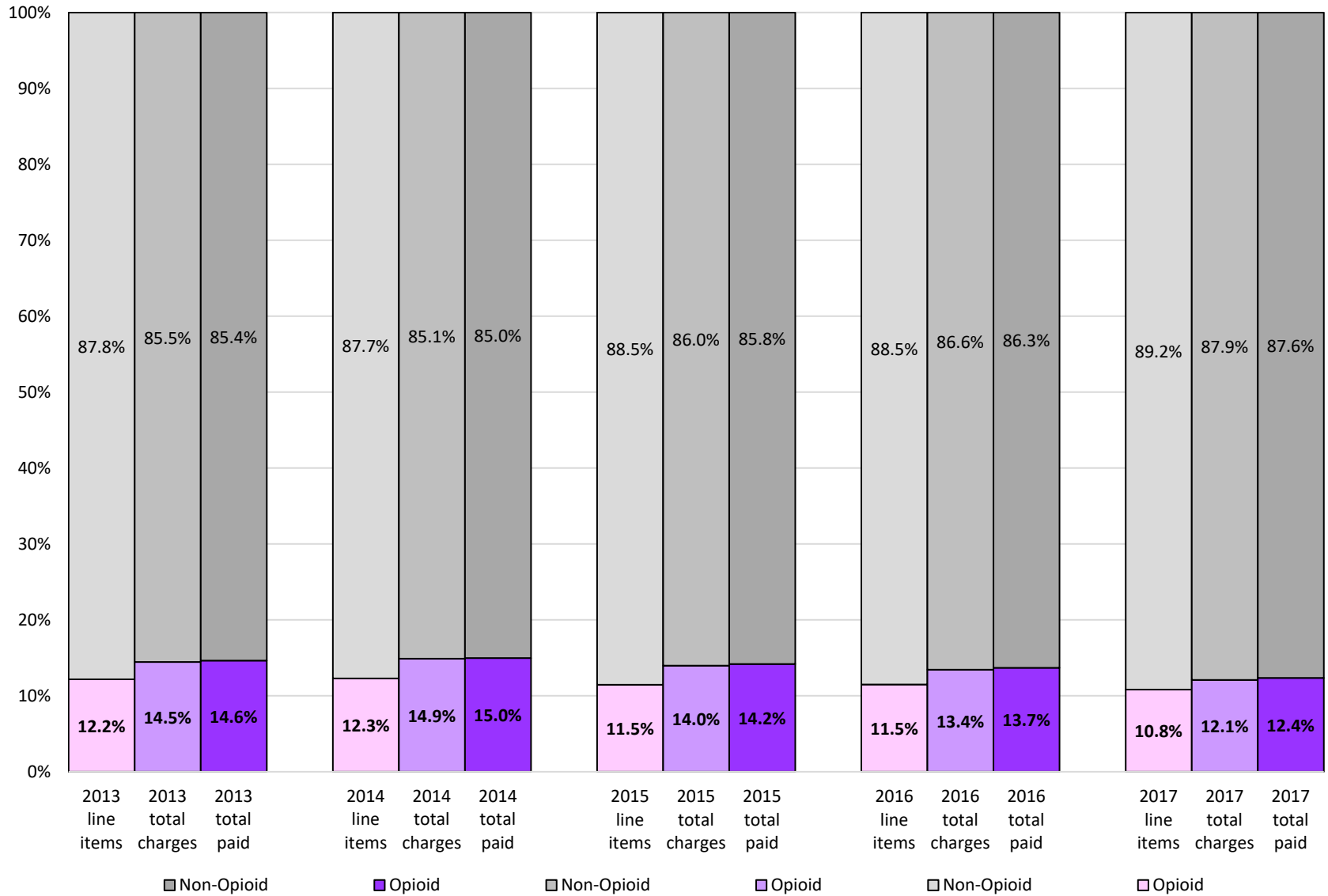
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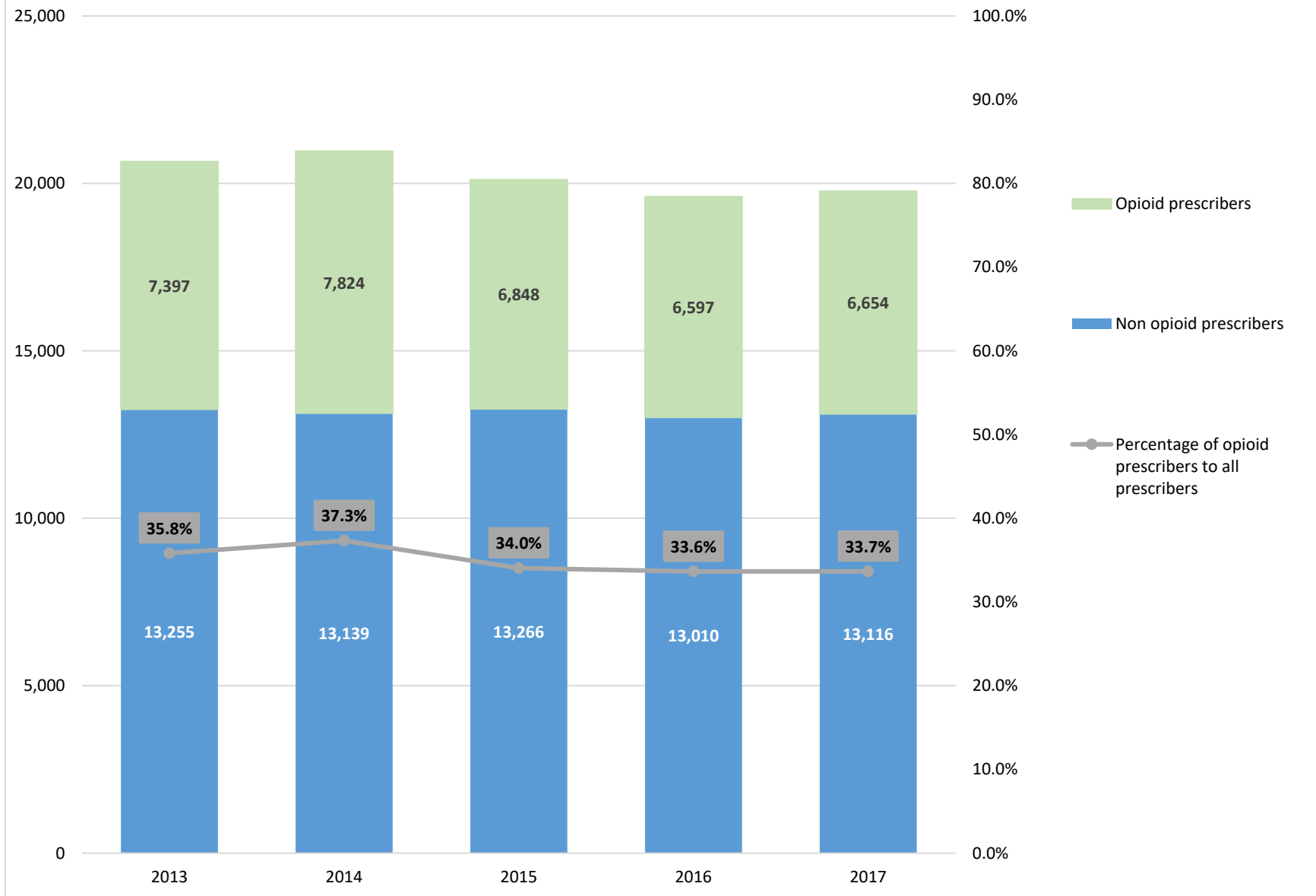
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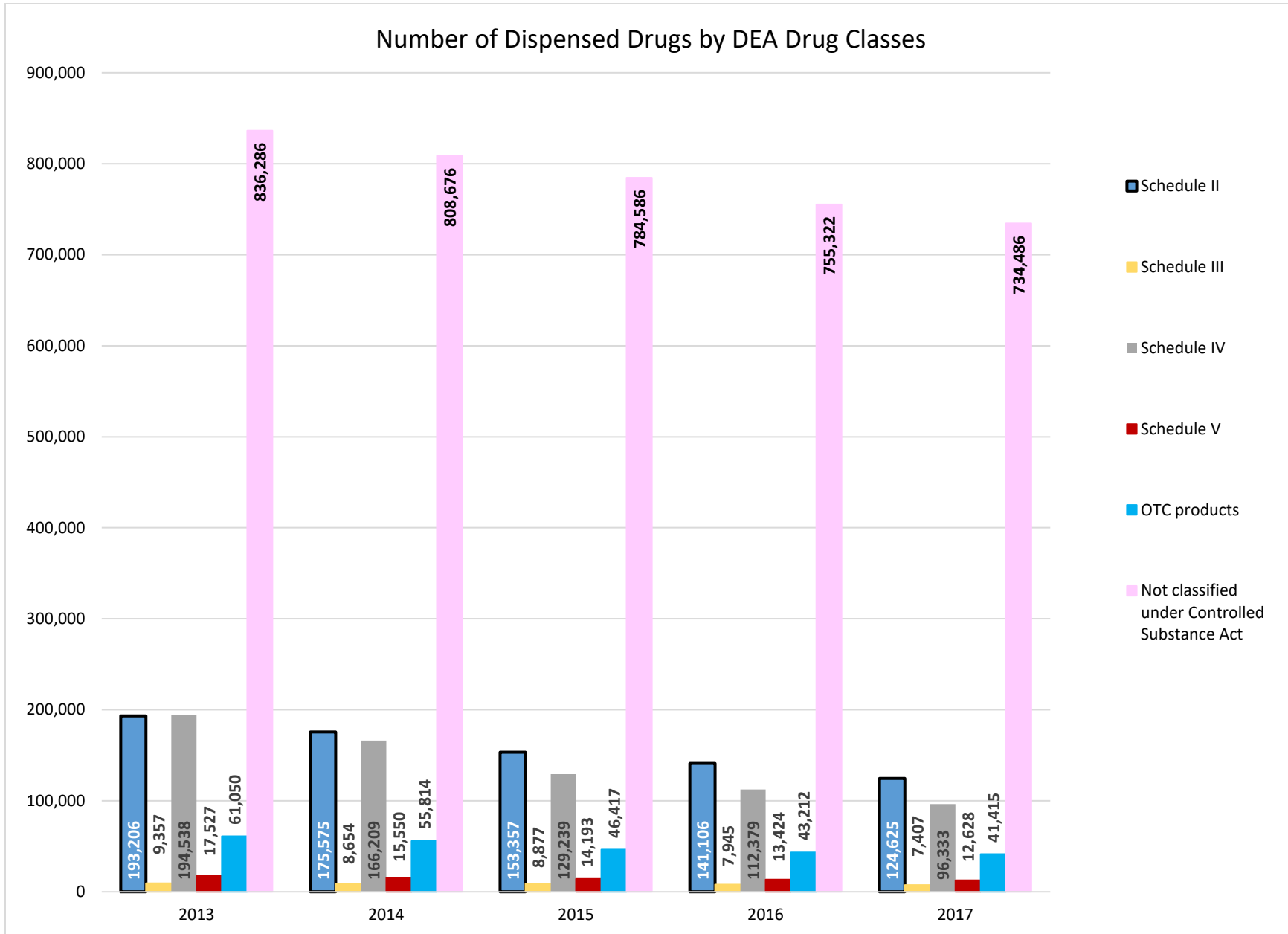
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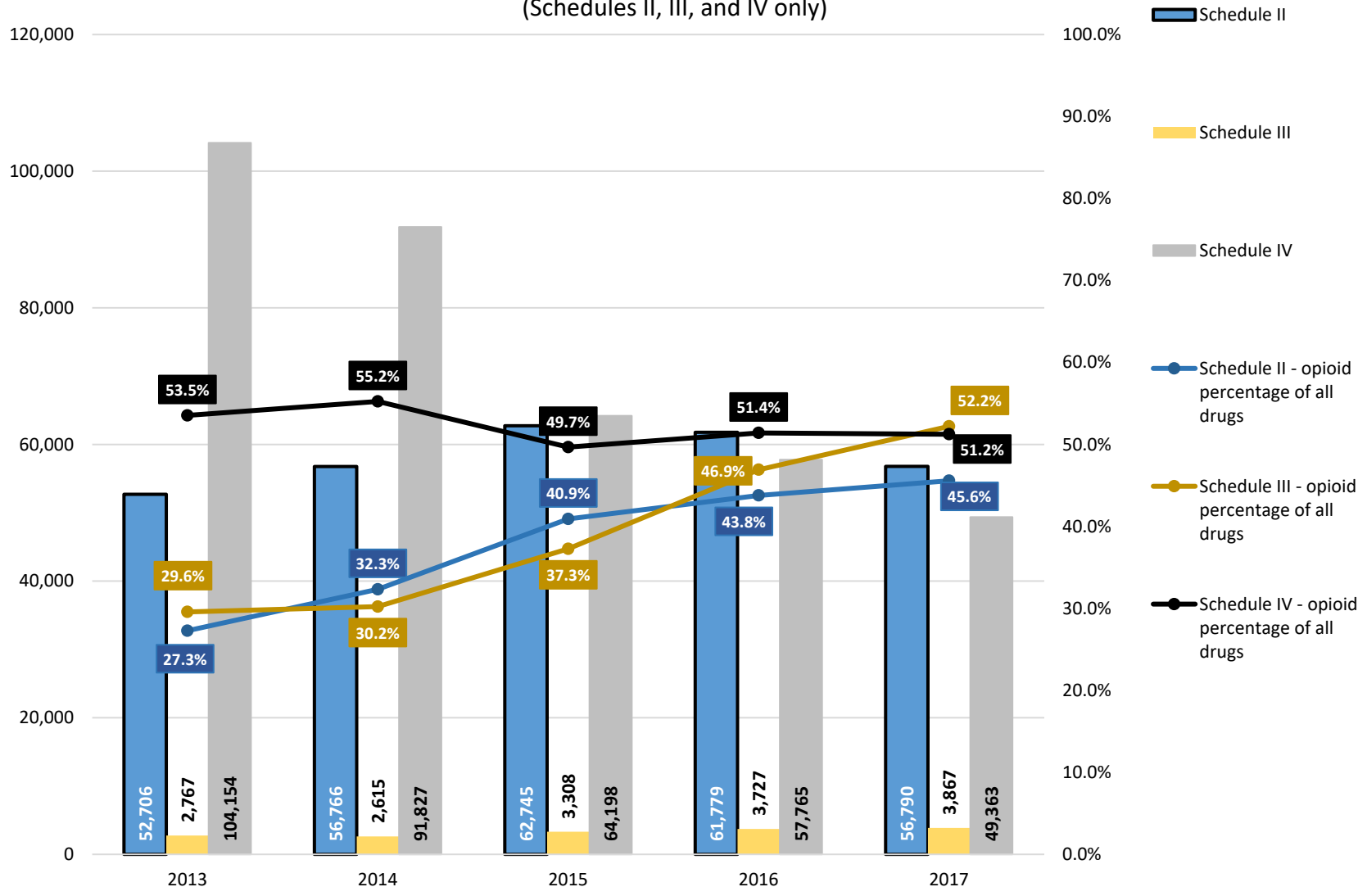
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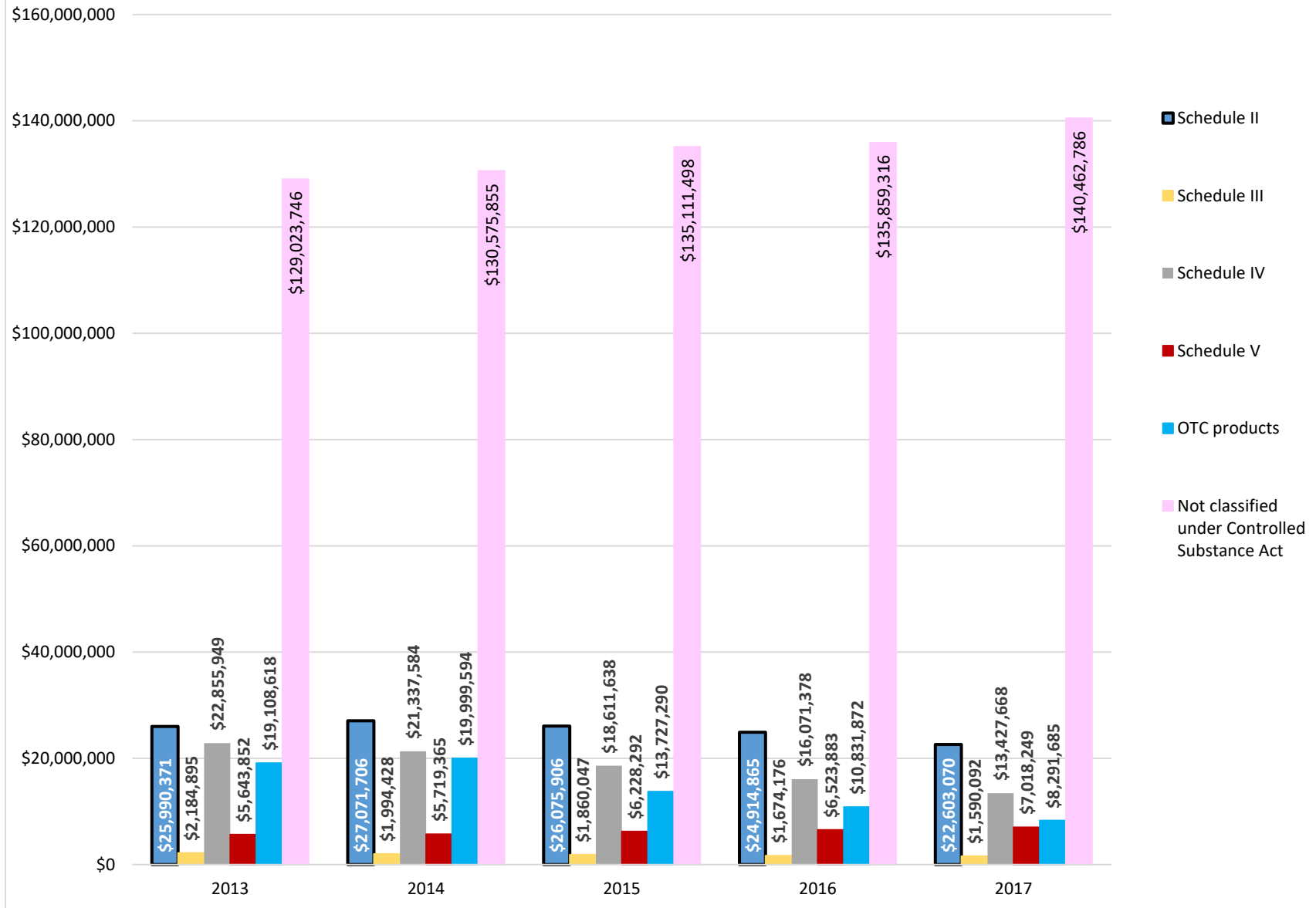


Number of Opioids Dispensed and Percentages by DEA Drug Classes (Schedules II, III, and IV only)

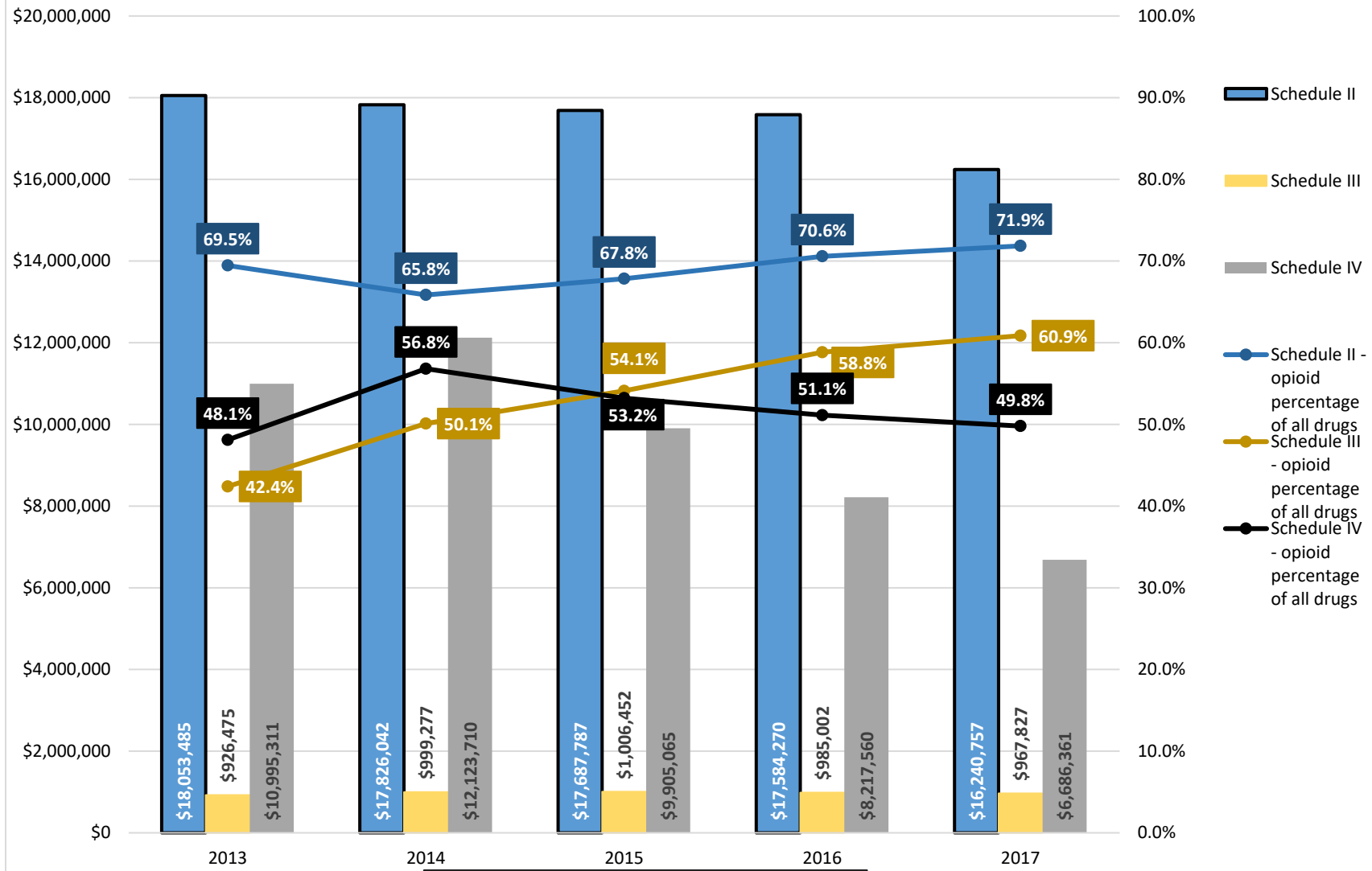


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Total Paid for Dispensed Drugs by DEA Drug Classes



Opioid Dispersed Total Paid and Percentages by DEA Drug Classes (Schedules II, III, and IV only)



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Top 10 Dispensed Drugs for 2013						
Drug Name	Item count	Sum of charges	Sum of paid	Drug type	Percentage of Item count	Percentage of paid
Tramadol HCL	95,493	\$12,047,180	\$10,386,443	Opioid	7.3%	5.1%
Hydrocodone Bitartrate-Acetaminophen	90,929	\$3,311,649	\$2,646,754	Opioid	6.9%	1.3%
Meloxicam	69,925	\$13,731,057	\$11,805,544	NSAIDs	5.3%	5.8%
Cyclobenzaprine HCL	56,823	\$5,374,821	\$4,585,679	Muscle Relaxer	4.3%	2.2%
Ibuprofen	47,866	\$908,567	\$754,335	NSAIDs	3.6%	0.4%
Naproxen	37,006	\$2,164,288	\$1,828,435	NSAIDs	2.8%	0.9%
Oxycodone HCL-Acetaminophen	35,534	\$3,083,979	\$2,569,063	Opioid	2.7%	1.3%
Gabapentin	33,517	\$6,657,265	\$5,692,821	Anticonvulsant	2.6%	2.8%
Omeprazole	23,314	\$5,825,517	\$4,968,675	Proton-pump inhibitor	1.8%	2.4%
Methocarbamol	21,994	\$907,362	\$745,840	Muscle Relaxer	1.7%	0.4%
Grand total dispensed drugs	1,311,964	\$233,141,391	\$204,807,430	Total of percentage	39.1%	22.5%

Top 10 Dispensed Drugs for 2014						
Drug Name	Item count	Sum of charges	Sum of paid	Drug type	Percentage of Item count	Percentage of paid
Tramadol HCL	87,162	\$13,194,399	\$11,768,967	Opioid	7.1%	5.7%
Hydrocodone Bitartrate-Acetaminophen	78,897	\$3,320,771	\$2,726,567	Opioid	6.4%	1.3%
Meloxicam	73,458	\$13,384,467	\$11,994,029	NSAIDs	6.0%	5.8%
Cyclobenzaprine HCL	61,024	\$7,244,843	\$6,518,942	Muscle Relaxer	5.0%	3.2%
Ibuprofen	41,561	\$1,140,063	\$1,018,597	NSAIDs	3.4%	0.5%
Oxycodone HCL-Acetaminophen	35,632	\$4,978,476	\$4,245,988	Opioid	2.9%	2.1%
Naproxen	34,231	\$1,729,525	\$1,506,745	NSAIDs	2.8%	0.7%
Gabapentin	33,648	\$6,384,932	\$5,612,143	Anticonvulsant	2.7%	2.7%
Methocarbamol	21,571	\$786,723	\$681,385	Muscle Relaxer	1.8%	0.3%
Tizanidine HCL	20,136	\$2,152,331	\$1,868,180	Muscle Relaxer	1.6%	0.9%
Grand total dispensed drugs	1,230,478	\$231,386,140	\$206,698,533	Total of percentage	39.6%	23.2%

Top 10 Dispensed Drugs for 2015						
Drug Name	Item count	Sum of charges	Sum of paid	Drug type	Percentage of Item count	Percentage of paid
Meloxicam	70,574	\$13,193,240	\$11,706,118	NSAIDs	6.2%	5.8%
Tramadol HCL	67,288	\$10,927,311	\$9,806,461	Opioid	5.9%	4.9%
Hydrocodone Bitartrate-Acetaminophen	62,062	\$2,947,538	\$2,425,730	Opioid	5.5%	1.2%
Cyclobenzaprine HCL	60,967	\$8,206,369	\$7,236,004	Muscle Relaxer	5.4%	3.6%
Ibuprofen	40,172	\$1,254,911	\$1,088,048	NSAIDs	3.5%	0.5%
Oxycodone HCL-Acetaminophen	38,337	\$5,334,934	\$4,578,894	Opioid	3.4%	2.3%
Gabapentin	33,675	\$6,387,668	\$5,568,090	Anticonvulsant	3.0%	2.8%
Naproxen	30,635	\$1,598,882	\$1,359,233	NSAIDs	2.7%	0.7%
Methocarbamol	21,271	\$761,248	\$657,365	Muscle Relaxer	1.9%	0.3%
Tizanidine HCL	19,386	\$1,913,630	\$1,671,754	Muscle Relaxer	1.7%	0.8%
Grand total dispensed drugs	1,136,669	\$226,692,221	\$201,614,671	Total of percentage	39.1%	22.9%

Top 10 Dispensed Drugs for 2016						
Drug Name	Item count	Sum of charges	Sum of paid	Drug type	Percentage of Item count	Percentage of paid
Meloxicam	65,850	\$11,782,481	\$10,435,195	NSAIDs	6.1%	5.3%
Tramadol HCL	59,626	\$9,024,206	\$8,098,761	Opioid	5.6%	4.1%
Cyclobenzaprine HCL	59,113	\$7,174,704	\$6,379,537	Muscle Relaxer	5.5%	3.3%
Hydrocodone Bitartrate-Acetaminophen	55,384	\$2,568,030	\$2,115,198	Opioid	5.2%	1.1%
Oxycodone HCL-Acetaminophen	37,560	\$5,194,780	\$4,382,602	Opioid	3.5%	2.2%
Ibuprofen	36,196	\$1,073,411	\$928,348	NSAIDs	3.4%	0.5%
Gabapentin	34,381	\$6,076,456	\$5,327,678	Anticonvulsant	3.2%	2.7%
Naproxen	30,887	\$1,572,530	\$1,360,851	NSAIDs	2.9%	0.7%
Methocarbamol	19,461	\$649,837	\$563,580	Muscle Relaxer	1.8%	0.3%
Tizanidine HCL	19,297	\$1,917,177	\$1,652,965	Muscle Relaxer	1.8%	0.8%
Grand total dispensed drugs	1,073,388	\$220,502,194	\$195,875,490	Total of percentage	38.9%	21.1%

Top 10 Dispensed Drugs for 2017						
Drug Name	Item count	Sum of charges	Sum of paid	Drug type	Percentage of Item count	Percentage of paid
Meloxicam	63,802	\$11,100,004	\$9,877,272	NSAIDs	6.30%	5.10%
Cyclobenzaprine HCL	58,959	\$7,527,339	\$6,913,596	Muscle Relaxer	5.80%	3.60%
Tramadol HCL	52,357	\$7,418,847	\$6,693,567	Opioid	5.10%	3.50%
Hydrocodone Bitartrate-Acetaminophen	47,855	\$2,266,887	\$1,833,478	Opioid	4.70%	0.90%
Gabapentin	34,950	\$5,887,636	\$5,197,126	Anticonvulsant	3.40%	2.70%
Oxycodone HCL-Acetaminophen	34,027	\$4,794,977	\$3,977,021	Opioid	3.30%	2.10%
Ibuprofen	32,918	\$1,002,502	\$878,907	NSAIDs	3.20%	0.50%
Naproxen	30,534	\$1,497,025	\$1,293,062	NSAIDs	3.00%	0.70%
Diclofenac Sodium	22,294	\$6,092,654	\$5,443,951	NSAIDs	2.20%	2.80%
Lidocaine	18,408	\$10,426,999	\$9,373,469	Amide local anesthetics	1.80%	4.80%
Grand total dispensed drugs	1,016,894	\$218,357,951	\$193,393,549	Total of percentage	38.8%	26.7%

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