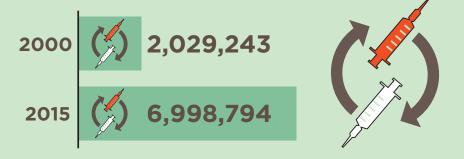


## HEROIN AND OPIOID USE ARE AT CRISIS LEVELS

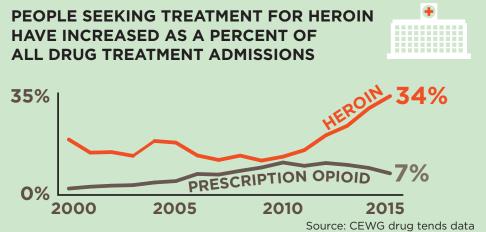


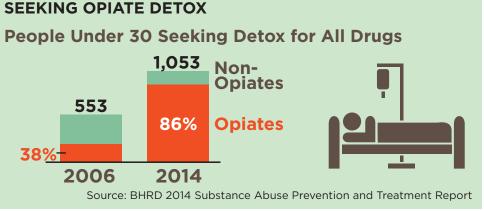
## THE NUMBER OF NEEDLES EXCHANGED HAS MORE THAN TRIPLED



Source: Public Health Seattle-King County Needle Exchange Program/ People's Harm Reduction Alliance







YOUNG ADULTS ARE LARGEST GROWING GROUP



PEOPLE WHO ARE HOMELESS HAVE LESS SUCCESS ACCESSING METHADONE TREATMENT THAN THOSE WHO ARE STABLY HOUSED



Current Methadone Treatment Slots: 3,025

Source: bhrd



## MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT SAVES LIVES

Medication-Assisted Treatment **cuts risk of death from overdose in half** compared to people in counseling alone or not in treatment



Source: Pierce, M., Bird, S. M., Hickman, M., Marsden, J., Dunn, G., Jones, A., and Millar, T. (2016) Impact of treatment for opioid dependence on fatal drug-related poisoning: a national cohort study in England. Addiction, 111: 298–308. doi: 10.1111/add.13193

## WHAT KING COUNTY IS DOING

King County has convened the **Heroin and Prescription Opiate Addiction Task Force** that includes individuals from across many disciplines who will come together over a period of six months to develop both short and long-term strategies to prevent abuse and addiction, prevent overdose, and improve access to different types of treatment for opioid addiction. For more information, visit: **kingcounty.gov/heroin-opioids-task-force**