

## West Virginia Board of Pharmacy Controlled Substance Monitoring Program Monthly Surveillance Report

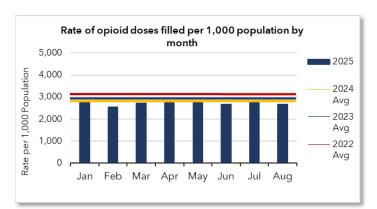
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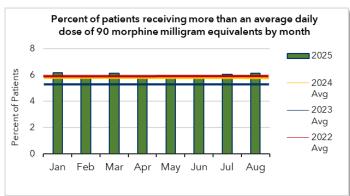
## How big is the problem?

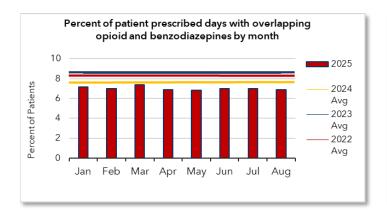
In 2024, there was a **decrease** in the average yearly rate for opioid doses filled, the average yearly rate for stimulant prescriptions filled, number of prescribers who wrote a prescription for ≥50 MMEs, percentage of overlapping opioids and benzodiazepines prescribed, number of gabapentin doses, and MAT prescriptions, compared to 2023. There was an overall **increase** in patients with an average of over 90 MMEs per day in 2024.

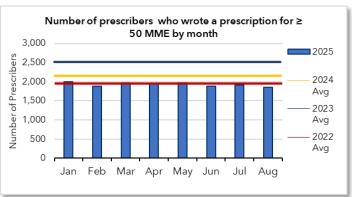
In August 2025, there was an **increase** in the percentage of patients prescribed ≥90 MMEs per day, and the rate of stimulant prescriptions, compared to July.

However, there was a **decrease** in the rate of opioid doses, the percentage of patient prescribed days with overlapping opioid and benzodiazepines, the number of prescribers prescribing  $\geq$ 50 MMEs, the number of gabapentin doses, and the number of MAT prescriptions dispensed.

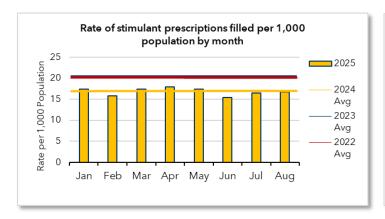


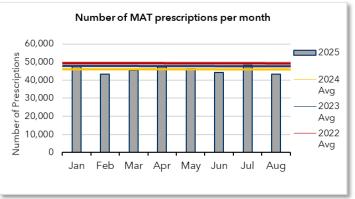


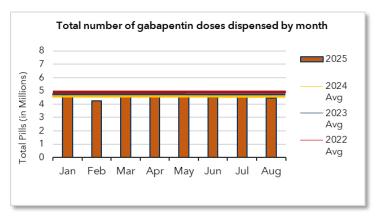




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## What is being done?

The West Virginia Board of Pharmacy continues to monitor controlled substances that are dispensed in the state. Efforts are continually made to identify high-risk prescribing. County level assessments are also being conducted on a semi-annual basis to identify high-burden areas in the state, where the West Virginia Academic Detailing team can focus their prescriber education efforts.

For more information about county level data, click <u>here</u> to access the West Virginia Board of Pharmacy's Controlled Substance Monitoring Program Dashboard.

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