

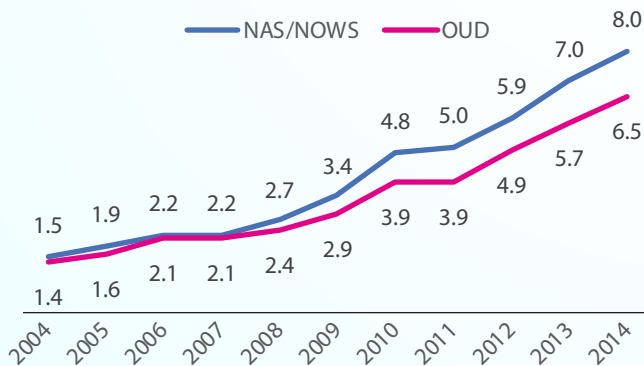
DRAMATIC INCREASES IN MATERNAL OPIOID USE DISORDER AND NEONATAL ABSTINENCE SYNDROME

Opioid use during pregnancy can result in a drug withdrawal syndrome in newborns called **neonatal abstinence syndrome**, or **neonatal opioid withdrawal syndrome** (NAS/NOWS), which causes **costly** hospital stays. A recent analysis showed that an estimated **32,000** babies were born with this syndrome in the United States in 2014, a more than **5-fold increase** since 2004.

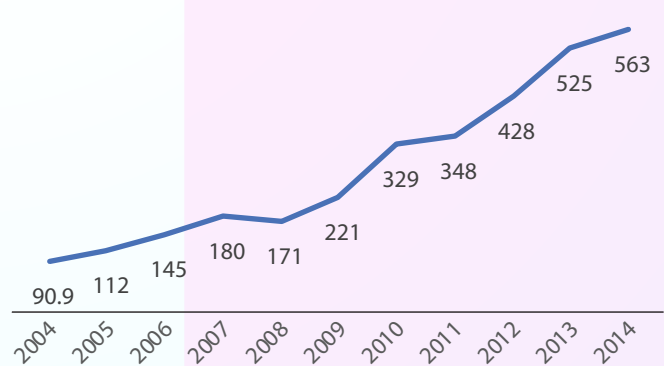


**EVERY ~ 15 MINUTES,
A BABY IS BORN SUFFERING
FROM OPIOID WITHDRAWAL.**

NAS/NOWS and Maternal Opioid Use Disorder on the Rise
Rates per 1,000 Hospital Births



Growing Hospital Costs for Treatment of NAS/NOWS
Inflation-Adjusted U.S. Dollars (millions)



Honein et al. Pediatrics 2019, Winkelman et al. Pediatrics 2018, Haight et al. MMWR 2018.



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