Opioid Use for Pain Management
Across Generations

**Millennials:** 18–36

- Baby Boomers are 2 times more likely than Millennials to have used opioids to treat pain
- 1 in 10 Millennials obtained opioids inappropriately through a household member’s prescription
- 1 in 10 Millennials know someone who obtained opioids not prescribed to them
- Nearly 30% of Millennials think it is OK to take opioids without a prescription
- About 1 in 5 Millennials regret using opioids

**Gen Xers:** 37–52

- Millennials & Gen Xers prefer to manage chronic pain by making changes to their lifestyle

**Baby Boomers:** 53–71

- Baby Boomers & the Silent Generation are more likely to choose over-the-counter drugs
- 60% of Millennials have experienced chronic pain

**Silent Generation:** 72–92

- About 1 in 5 Millennials say they don’t know the best method for disposing leftover opioids

**Note:**
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