

# Biggest ever U.S. opioid crisis settlement

**Purdue Pharma**, and the Sackler family who controlled it, are to pay out \$7.4 billion for promoting *OxyContin* as a safe painkiller, despite knowing it was highly addictive

## BIGGEST PHARMACEUTICAL SETTLEMENTS (\$)

1	<b>Purdue/Sackler</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>7.4bn</b>
2	Johnson & Johnson*	2022	5.0bn
3	GlaxoSmithKline	2012	3.0bn
4	Takeda Pharmaceutical	2015	2.4bn
5	Pfizer	2009	2.3bn
6	Johnson & Johnson	2013	2.2bn
7	Abbott Laboratories	2012	1.6bn
8	Eli Lilly and Company	2009	1.4bn
9	Merck	2011	950m
10	TAP Pharmaceutical	2001	875m

*OxyContin was widely abused, often becoming entryway to harder drugs like heroin*

\*Also linked to opioid crisis



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## LARGEST SETTLEMENTS (all industries, \$)

1	Philip Morris/R.J. Reynolds tobacco	1998	206.0bn
2	Samsung smartphone wars	2012	40.0bn
3	BP Gulf of Mexico oil spill	2010	18.7bn
4	Volkswagen emissions scandal	2015	14.7bn
5	<b>Purdue/Sackler OxyContin</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>7.4bn</b>