

SYNOPSIS



USA - In the Grip of Drugs

USA - Im Griff der Drogen

Every day more than 90 people die in the USA of a drugs overdose or the effects of substance abuse. Records for regions from Detroit to the Rust Belt to the South West reveal an unprecedented opioid epidemic, which has led President Trump to declare a state of emergency due to the impact of the crisis on the US economy as a whole. Many people cannot find work because they are unable to pass obligatory drugs tests, and whole families are being torn apart. Benedict Feichtner has been to the USA to speak with those affected, and to doctors and officials. He shows how the drugs crisis reveals the deep social crisis in the country, how drugs are now affecting the American middle classes, with children, mothers and fathers, black and white, suffering from addiction.

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