

CMS Chronic Condition Data Warehouse (CCW) Medicare*
2016 Top 10 Classes of Part D Prescription Drugs by Utilization and Cost (in Millions)

Table F.4

Number of Beneficiaries Enrolled in Part D*	43,587,021
Total Prescription Drug Events (fills)	1,484,005,937
Total Drug costs† (gross costs; rounded to millions)	\$146,144

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class‡) by use

Number of prescription fills (and % PDEs) for:	Rank		Percent
Cardiovascular drugs	1	464,896,844	31.3%
Central nervous system agents	2	382,352,692	25.8%
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	3	177,695,347	12.0%
Autonomic drugs	4	174,820,297	11.8%
Electrolytic, caloric, and water balance	5	110,041,532	7.4%
Gastrointestinal drugs	6	94,851,925	6.4%
Anti-infective agents	7	74,144,886	5.0%
Respiratory tract agents	8	65,277,276	4.4%
Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat (EENT) Preps.	9	55,587,589	3.7%
Blood formation, coagulation, and thrombosis	10	46,114,665	3.1%

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class‡) by gross cost

(rounded to millions)

Total cost† (and % gross costs) for:	Rank		Percent
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	1	\$30,186	20.7%
Central nervous system agents	2	\$23,416	16.0%
Miscellaneous therapeutic agents	3	\$19,551	13.4%
Cardiovascular drugs	4	\$18,209	12.5%
Anti-infective agents	5	\$14,324	9.8%
Respiratory tract agents	6	\$13,741	9.4%
Autonomic drugs	7	\$13,125	9.0%
Anti-neoplastic agents	8	\$12,577	8.6%
Gastrointestinal drugs	9	\$8,637	5.9%
Blood formation, coagulation & thrombosis	10	\$6,570	4.5%

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2015 Top 10 Classes of Part D Prescription Drugs by Utilization and Cost (in Millions)

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Number of Beneficiaries Enrolled in Part D*	41,859,463
Total Prescription Drug Events (fills)	1,450,055,791
Total Drug costs† (gross costs; rounded to millions)	\$137,378

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class‡) by use

Number of prescription fills (and % PDEs) for:	Rank		Percent
Cardiovascular drugs	1	458,104,565	31.6%
Central nervous system agents	2	373,233,096	25.7%
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	3	171,773,348	11.8%
Autonomic drugs	4	166,034,786	11.5%
Electrolytic, caloric, and water balance	5	109,552,608	7.6%
Gastrointestinal drugs	6	92,838,054	6.4%
Anti-infective agents	7	73,232,667	5.1%
Respiratory tract agents	8	63,660,346	4.4%
Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat (EENT) Preps.	9	54,003,398	3.7%
Blood formation, coagulation, and thrombosis	10	44,634,950	3.1%

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class‡) by gross cost

(rounded to millions)

Total cost† (and % gross costs) for:	Rank		Percent
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	1	\$26,620	19.4%
Central nervous system agents	2	\$24,205	17.6%
Cardiovascular drugs	3	\$18,063	13.1%
Miscellaneous therapeutic agents	4	\$16,653	12.1%
Anti-infective agents	5	\$16,202	11.8%
Autonomic drugs	6	\$12,389	9.0%
Respiratory tract agents	7	\$12,124	8.8%
Anti-neoplastic agents	8	\$9,933	7.2%
Gastrointestinal drugs	9	\$8,209	6.0%
Blood formation, coagulation & thrombosis	10	\$5,122	3.7%

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2014 Top 10 Classes of Part D Prescription Drugs by Utilization and Cost (in Millions)

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Number of Beneficiaries Enrolled in Part D*	39,995,519
Total Prescription Drug Events (fills)	1,417,056,465
Total Drug costs† (gross costs; rounded to millions)	\$121,460

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class‡) by use

Number of prescription fills (and % PDEs) for:	Rank		Percent
Cardiovascular drugs	1	453,964,606	32.0%
Central nervous system agents	2	365,538,933	25.8%
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	3	165,640,365	11.7%
Autonomic drugs	4	161,182,036	11.4%
Electrolytic, caloric, and water balance	5	109,694,701	7.7%
Gastrointestinal drugs	6	90,396,048	6.4%
Anti-infective agents	7	69,184,284	4.9%
Respiratory tract agents	8	60,943,598	4.3%
Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat (EENT) Preps.	9	51,842,406	3.7%
Miscellaneous therapeutic agents	10	43,737,043	3.1%

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class‡) by gross cost

(rounded to millions)

Total cost† (and % gross costs) for:	Rank		Percent
Central nervous system agents	1	\$24,754	20.4%
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	2	\$22,392	18.4%
Cardiovascular drugs	3	\$18,500	15.2%
Miscellaneous therapeutic agents	4	\$13,612	11.2%
Anti-infective agents	5	\$11,399	9.4%
Autonomic drugs	6	\$11,341	9.3%
Respiratory tract agents	7	\$10,528	8.7%
Gastrointestinal drugs	8	\$7,658	6.3%
Anti-neoplastic agents	9	\$7,434	6.1%
Blood formation, coagulation & thrombosis	10	\$4,191	3.5%

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2013 Top 10 Classes of Part D Prescription Drugs by Utilization and Cost (in Millions)

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Number of Beneficiaries Enrolled in Part D*	37,839,618
Total Prescription Drug Events (fills)	1,371,343,181
Total Drug costs† (gross costs; rounded to millions)	\$103,700

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class‡) by use

Number of prescription fills (and % PDEs) for:	Rank		Percent
Cardiovascular drugs	1	447,058,881	32.6%
Central nervous system agents	2	350,212,001	25.5%
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	3	159,283,539	11.6%
Autonomic drugs	4	157,151,821	11.5%
Electrolytic, caloric, and water balance	5	108,817,595	7.9%
Gastrointestinal drugs	6	86,233,033	6.3%
Anti-infective agents	7	66,211,345	4.8%
Respiratory tract agents	8	57,993,499	4.2%
Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat (EENT) Preps.	9	48,496,797	3.5%
Blood formation, coagulation & thrombosis	10	42,706,292	3.1%

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class‡) by gross cost

(rounded to millions)

Total cost† (and % gross costs) for:	Rank		Percent
Central nervous system agents	1	\$22,872	22.1%
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	2	\$18,239	17.6%
Cardiovascular drugs	3	\$18,216	17.6%
Autonomic drugs	4	\$10,435	10.1%
Miscellaneous therapeutic agents	5	\$10,139	9.8%
Respiratory tract agents	6	\$9,208	8.9%
Gastrointestinal drugs	7	\$6,900	6.7%
Anti-infective agents	8	\$6,385	6.2%
Anti-neoplastic agents	9	\$5,435	5.2%
Blood formation, coagulation & thrombosis	10	\$3,649	3.5%

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2012 Top 10 Classes of Part D Prescription Drugs by Utilization and Cost (in Millions)

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Number of Beneficiaries Enrolled in Part D*	33,789,486
Total Prescription Drug Events (fills)	1,216,491,345
Total Drug costs† (gross costs; rounded to millions)	\$89,831

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class‡) by use

Number of prescription fills (and % PDEs) for:	Rank		Percent
Cardiovascular drugs	1	411,121,884	33.8%
Central nervous system agents	2	286,654,387	23.6%
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	3	144,565,417	11.9%
Autonomic drugs	4	144,033,509	11.8%
Electrolytic, caloric, and water balance	5	100,662,487	8.3%
Gastrointestinal drugs	6	76,800,166	6.3%
Anti-infective agents	7	59,589,597	4.9%
Respiratory tract agents	8	52,036,246	4.3%
Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat (EENT) Preps.	9	42,532,454	3.5%
Blood formation, coagulation & thrombosis	10	39,631,692	3.3%

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class‡) by gross cost

(rounded to millions)

Total cost† (and % gross costs) for:	Rank		Percent
Central nervous system agents	1	\$20,653	23.0%
Cardiovascular drugs	2	\$17,173	19.1%
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	3	\$14,210	15.8%
Autonomic drugs	4	\$8,742	9.7%
Respiratory tract agents	5	\$8,144	9.1%
Miscellaneous therapeutic agents	6	\$7,113	7.9%
Anti-infective agents	7	\$5,677	6.3%
Gastrointestinal drugs	8	\$4,906	5.5%
Blood formation, coagulation & thrombosis	9	\$4,392	4.9%
Anti-neoplastic agents	10	\$3,518	3.9%

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2011 Top 10 Classes of Part D Prescription Drugs by Utilization and Cost (in Millions)

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Number of Beneficiaries Enrolled in Part D*	31,480,779
Total Prescription Drug Events (fills)	1,155,913,341
Total Drug costs† (gross costs; rounded to millions)	\$84,887

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class‡) by use

Number of prescription fills (and % PDEs) for:	Rank		Percent
Cardiovascular drugs	1	395,927,143	34.3%
Central nervous system agents	2	269,680,865	23.3%
Autonomic drugs	3	138,330,169	12.0%
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	4	137,534,721	11.9%
Electrolytic, caloric, and water balance	5	98,657,709	8.5%
Gastrointestinal drugs	6	70,873,938	6.1%
Anti-infective agents	7	55,854,079	4.8%
Respiratory tract agents	8	50,694,821	4.4%
Blood formation, coagulation & thrombosis	9	38,482,901	3.3%
Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat (EENT) Preps.	10	38,002,901	3.3%

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class‡) by gross cost

(rounded to millions)

Total cost† (and % gross costs) for:	Rank		Percent
Central nervous system agents	1	\$20,766	24.5%
Cardiovascular drugs	2	\$16,943	20.0%
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	3	\$12,014	14.2%
Autonomic drugs	4	\$8,468	10.0%
Respiratory tract agents	5	\$7,119	8.4%
Miscellaneous therapeutic agents	6	\$5,850	6.9%
Blood formation, coagulation & thrombosis	7	\$5,431	6.4%
Anti-infective agents	8	\$5,062	6.0%
Gastrointestinal drugs	9	\$4,609	5.4%
Electrolytic, caloric, and water balance	10	\$2,986	3.5%

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2010 Top 10 Classes of Part D Prescription Drugs by Utilization and Cost (in Millions)

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Number of Beneficiaries Enrolled in Part D*	29,745,502
Total Prescription Drug Events (fills)	1,109,910,261
Total Drug costs† (gross costs; rounded to millions)	\$77,624

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class†) by use

Number of prescription fills (and % PDEs) for:	Rank		Percent
Cardiovascular drugs	1	386,477,034	34.8%
Central nervous system agents	2	253,212,816	22.8%
Autonomic drugs	3	133,131,628	12.0%
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	4	132,675,410	12.0%
Electrolytic, caloric, and water balance	5	97,897,604	8.8%
Gastrointestinal drugs	6	67,058,328	6.0%
Anti-infective agents	7	52,300,045	4.7%
Respiratory tract agents	8	50,472,051	4.5%
Blood formation, coagulation & thrombosis	9	37,238,150	3.4%
Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat (EENT) Preps.	10	33,941,295	3.1%

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class†) by gross cost

(rounded to millions)

Total cost† (and % gross costs) for:	Rank		Percent
Central nervous system agents	1	\$18,805	24.2%
Cardiovascular drugs	2	\$15,832	20.4%
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	3	\$10,309	13.3%
Autonomic drugs	4	\$8,772	11.3%
Respiratory tract agents	5	\$6,181	8.0%
Gastrointestinal drugs	6	\$4,940	6.4%
Miscellaneous therapeutic agents	7	\$4,875	6.3%
Blood formation, coagulation & thrombosis	8	\$4,555	5.9%
Anti-infective agents	9	\$4,400	5.7%
Electrolytic, caloric, and water balance	10	\$2,752	3.5%

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2009 Top 10 Classes of Part D Prescription Drugs by Utilization and Cost (in Millions)

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Number of Beneficiaries Enrolled in Part D*	28,711,977
Total Prescription Drug Events (fills)	1,076,736,665
Total Drug costs† (gross costs; rounded to millions)	\$73,715

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class) by use

Number of prescription fills (and % PDEs) for:	Rank		Percent
Cardiovascular drugs	1	378,720,189	35.2%
Central nervous system agents	2	240,810,468	22.4%
Autonomic drugs	3	128,721,531	12.0%
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	4	128,403,052	11.9%
Electrolytic, caloric, and water balance	5	98,025,250	9.1%
Gastrointestinal drugs	6	65,655,838	6.1%
Anti-infective agents	7	50,401,528	4.7%
Respiratory tract agents	8	48,678,078	4.5%
Blood formation, coagulation & thrombosis	9	36,605,012	3.4%
Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat (EENT) Preps.	10	32,061,118	3.0%

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class) by gross cost (rounded to millions)

Total cost† (and % gross costs) for:	Rank		Percent
Central nervous system agents	1	\$18,168	24.6%
Cardiovascular drugs	2	\$15,329	20.8%
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	3	\$9,227	12.5%
Autonomic drugs	4	\$8,197	11.1%
Respiratory tract agents	5	\$5,460	7.4%
Gastrointestinal drugs	6	\$5,421	7.4%
Miscellaneous therapeutic agents	7	\$4,359	5.9%
Blood formation, coagulation & thrombosis	8	\$4,089	5.5%
Anti-infective agents	9	\$4,078	5.5%
Electrolytic, caloric, and water balance	10	\$2,605	3.5%

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2008 Top 10 Classes of Part D Prescription Drugs by Utilization and Cost (in Millions)

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Number of Beneficiaries Enrolled in Part D*	27,530,929
Total Prescription Drug Events (fills)	1,036,673,680
Total Drug costs [†] (gross costs; rounded to millions)	\$68,525

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class[‡]) by use

Number of prescription fills (and % PDEs) for:	Rank		Percent
Cardiovascular drugs	1	369,887,011	35.7%
Central Nervous System agents	2	225,551,617	21.8%
Hormones and Synthetic substitutes	3	123,748,788	11.9%
Electrolytic, caloric, and water balance	4	98,298,945	9.5%
Gastrointestinal drugs	5	61,424,193	5.9%
Autonomic drugs	6	48,524,114	4.7%
Anti-infective agents	7	48,026,015	4.6%
Respiratory tract agents	8	46,898,609	4.5%
Miscellaneous therapeutic agents	9	36,344,519	3.5%
Blood formation, coagulation & thrombosis	10	35,344,959	3.4%

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class[‡]) by gross cost (rounded to millions)

Total cost[†] (and % gross costs) for:	Rank		Percent
Central Nervous System agents	1	\$17,881	26.1%
Cardiovascular drugs	2	\$14,707	21.5%
Hormones and Synthetic substitutes	3	\$7,914	11.5%
Gastrointestinal drugs	4	\$5,087	7.4%
Miscellaneous therapeutic agents	5	\$4,975	7.3%
Autonomic drugs	6	\$4,885	7.1%
Respiratory tract agents	7	\$4,685	6.8%
Anti-infective agents	8	\$3,708	5.4%
Blood formation, coagulation & thrombosis	9	\$3,590	5.2%
Electrolytic, caloric, and water balance	10	\$2,387	3.5%

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CMS Chronic Condition Data Warehouse (CCW) Medicare*
2007 Top 10 Classes of Part D Prescription Drugs by Utilization and Cost (in Millions)

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Number of Beneficiaries Enrolled in Part D*	26,158,553
Total Prescription Drug Events (fills)	970,211,271
Total Drug costs† (gross costs; rounded to millions)	\$62,133

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class‡) by use

Number of prescription fills (and % PDEs) for:	Rank		Percent
Cardiovascular drugs	1	348,460,663	35.9%
Central nervous system agents	2	206,930,403	21.3%
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	3	116,994,704	12.1%
Electrolytic, caloric, and water balance	4	95,091,320	9.8%
Gastrointestinal drugs	5	56,710,262	5.8%
Respiratory tract agents	6	45,867,837	4.7%
Autonomic drugs	7	45,189,432	4.7%
Anti-infective agents	8	44,646,832	4.6%
Miscellaneous Therapeutic agents	9	33,220,358	3.4%
Blood formation, coagulation & thrombosis	10	33,107,556	3.4%

Top 10 drugs (broad therapeutic class‡) by gross cost (rounded to millions)

Total cost† (and % gross costs) for:	Rank		Percent
Central nervous system agents	1	\$15,897	25.6%
Cardiovascular drugs	2	\$14,609	23.5%
Hormones and synthetic substitutes	3	\$6,851	11.0%
Gastrointestinal drugs	4	\$4,705	7.6%
Miscellaneous Therapeutic agents	5	\$4,445	7.2%
Respiratory tract agents	6	\$4,128	6.6%
Autonomic drugs	7	\$4,091	6.6%
Anti-infective agents	8	\$3,279	5.3%
Blood formation, coagulation & thrombosis	9	\$3,113	5.0%
Electrolytic, caloric, and water balance	10	\$2,076	3.3%

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