

Medicare Part D Prescribers - by Geography and Drug Data Dictionary

Term Name	Variable Name	Definition
Geography Level	Prscrbr_Geo_Lvl	Identifies the level of geography that the data in the row has been aggregated. A value of 'State' indicates the data in the row is aggregated to a single state identified in the Referring Provider State column for a given HCPCS Code Level. A value of 'National' indicates the data in the row is aggregated across all states for a given HCPCS Code Level.
Prescriber Geography Code	Prscrbr_Geo_Cd	FIPS code of the referring provider state. This variable is blank when reported at the national level.
Prescriber Geography Description	Prscrbr_Geo_Desc	The state name where the provider is located, as reported in NPDES. The values include the 50 United States, District of Columbia, U.S. territories, Armed Forces areas, Unknown and Foreign Country. Data aggregated at the National level are identified by the word 'National'.
Brand Name	Brnd_Name	The trademarked name of the drug filled. Brand Name is derived by linking the National Drug Codes (NDCs) from PDEs to a drug information database.
Generic Name	Gnrc_Name	A term referring to the chemical ingredient of a drug rather than the trademarked brand name under which the drug is sold. Generic Name is derived by linking the National Drug Codes (NDCs) from PDEs to a drug information database.
Total Prescribers	Tot_Prscrbrs	Number of unique prescribers of Medicare Part D claims
Total Claims	Tot_Clms	The number of Medicare Part D claims. This includes original prescriptions and refills. Aggregated records based on <i>Tot_Clms</i> fewer than 11 are not included in the data file
Total 30 Day Fills	Tot30_Day_Fills	Number of Standardized 30-Day Fills, Including Refills
Total Drug Cost	Tot_Drug_Cst	The aggregate drug cost paid for all associated claims. This amount includes ingredient cost, dispensing fee, sales tax, and any applicable vaccine administration fees and is based on the amounts paid by the Part D plan, Medicare beneficiary, government subsidies, and any other third-party payers.
Total Beneficiaries	Tot_Benes	The total number of unique Medicare Part D beneficiaries with at least one claim for the drug. Counts fewer than 11 are suppressed and are indicated by a blank.
GE65 Suppress Flag	GE65_Sprsn_Flag	A flag that indicates the reason the GE65_Tot_Clms, GE65_Tot_30day_Fills, GE65_Tot_Drug_Cst and GE65_Tot_Day_Suply variables are suppressed
GE65 Total Claims	GE65_Tot_Clms	The number of Medicare Part D claims for beneficiaries age 65 and older. This includes original prescriptions and refills. A blank indicates the value is suppressed. See GE65_Bene_Sprsn_Flag regarding suppression of data.
GE65 Total 30 Day Fills	GE65_Tot_30day_Fills	The number of Medicare Part D standardized 30-day fills for beneficiaries age 65 and older. The standardized 30-day fill is derived from the number of days supplied on each Part D claim divided by 30. Standardized 30-day fill values less than 1.0 were bottom-coded with a value of 1.0 and standardized 30-day fill values greater than 12.0 were top-coded with a value of 12.0. If GE65_Tot_Clms is suppressed, this variable is suppressed. A blank indicates the value is suppressed. GE65_Bene_Sprsn_Flag regarding suppression of data.
GE65 Total Drug Cost	GE65_Tot_Drug_Cst	The aggregate total drug cost paid for all associated claims for beneficiaries age 65 and older. This amount includes ingredient cost, dispensing fee, sales tax, and any applicable vaccine administration fees and is based on the amounts paid by the Part D plan, Medicare beneficiary, government subsidies, and any other third-party payers. If GE65_Tot_Clms is suppressed, this variable is suppressed. A blank indicates the value is suppressed. See GE65_Bene_Sprsn_Flag regarding suppression of data.
GE65 Beneficiary Suppress Flag	GE65_Bene_Sprsn_Flag	A flag indicating the reason the GE65_Tot_Benes variable is suppressed.
GE65 Total Beneficiaries	GE65_Tot_Benes	The total number of unique Medicare Part D beneficiaries age 65 and older with at least one claim for the drug. A blank indicates the value is suppressed. See GE65_Bene_Sprsn_Flag regarding suppression of data.
LIS Beneficiary Cost Share	LIS_Bene_Cst_Shr	The aggregate total cost that beneficiaries using a drug, with a low-income subsidy, paid during the year.

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Non-LIS Beneficiary Cost Share	NonLIS_Bene_Cst_Shr	The aggregate total cost that beneficiaries using a drug, with no low-income subsidy, paid during the year.
Opioid Drug Flag	Opioid_Drug_Flag	A flag indicating whether drugs in this Drug Name/ Generic Name combination are identified as an opioid drug. The list for opioids are based upon drugs included in the Medicare Part D Overutilization Monitoring System (OMS). The list originates from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The list originates from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Please visit the Medicare Part D OMS site for additional information.
Long Actint Opioid Drug Flag	Opioid_LA_Drug_Flag	A flag indicating whether drugs in this Drug Name/ Generic Name combination are identified as an long-acting opioid drug. The list for long-acting opioids are based upon drugs included in the Medicare Part D Overutilization Monitoring System (OMS). Those drugs were then identified by the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control. CDC compilation of benzodiazepines, muscle relaxants, stimulants, zolpidem, and opioid analgesics with oral morphine milligram equivalent conversion factors, 2018 version.
Antibiotic Drug Flag	Antbtc_Drug_Flag	A flag indicating whether drugs in this Drug Name/ Generic Name combination are identified as an antibiotic drug. The list for antibiotics was created by identifying antibiotic subcategories with the exclusion of the following types of products: tuberculosis agents, antimalarials, topical agents (topical ophthalmic, optic, vaginal, and dermatological agents, etc.).
Antipsychotic Drug Flag	Antpsyct_Drug_Flag	A flag indicating whether drugs in this Drug Name/ Generic Name combination are identified as an antipsychotic drug. The list for antipsychotics was created by identifying antipsychotic subcategories, including first and second generation antipsychotics, as well as antipsychotics included in combination with other drugs, (e.g., OLANZAPINE/FLUOXETINE HCL).