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Medicare Part D Utilization: Average Annual Prescription Drug Fills¹ and Average Annual Gross Drug Cost Per Part D Enrollee, by Type of Plan and Demographic Characteristics, Calendar Year 2017

Demographic Characteristics	Total Medicare Part D Enrollees	Prescription Drug Plan Enrollees	Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug Plan Enrollees	Overall Part D Average Drug Fills Per Part D Enrollee	Prescription Drug Plan Average Drug Fills Per Part D Enrollee	Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug Plan Average Drug Fills Per Part D Enrollee	Overall Part D Average Gross Drug Cost Per Part D Enrollee	Prescription Drug Plan Average Gross Drug Cost Per Part D Enrollee	Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug Plan Average Gross Drug Cost Per Part D Enrollee
Total	42,728,443	25,243,684	17,484,759	54.46	55.40	53.10	\$3,623	\$3,995	\$3,086
Age									
Under 65 Years	6,794,201	4,303,432	2,490,769	62.38	60.16	66.20	\$6,957	\$7,300	\$6,366
65 Years and Over	35,934,242	20,940,252	14,993,990	52.96	54.42	50.93	2,993	3,316	2,541
Under 18 Years	1,100	†	*	42.27	42.37	15.67	\$16,832	\$16,902	\$1,120
18-24 Years	82,114	†	†	24.86	24.36	27.73	3,950	3,975	3,812
25-34 years	502,050	398,409	103,641	32.65	32.15	34.56	5,163	5,176	5,110
35-44 Years	904,185	663,600	240,584	49.11	47.93	52.36	6,884	6,971	6,644
45-54 years	1,751,315	1,151,907	599,408	64.13	62.63	67.02	7,811	8,076	7,303
55-64 years	3,553,437	2,018,495	1,534,943	69.96	69.56	70.50	6,875	7,494	6,061
65-74 years	19,520,348	11,229,537	8,290,811	48.05	48.94	46.86	2,974	3,278	2,562
75-84 Years	11,510,790	6,651,628	4,859,162	57.62	59.31	55.31	3,115	3,488	2,605
85-94 Years	4,415,525	2,733,653	1,681,872	61.87	64.23	58.03	2,849	3,170	2,328
95 years or over	487,579	325,435	162,145	58.68	61.06	53.90	2,184	2,392	1,767
Sex									
Male	18,263,642	10,716,650	7,546,992	52.19	53.28	50.64	\$3,689	\$4,130	\$3,063
Female	24,464,801	14,527,035	9,937,767	56.15	56.96	54.97	3,574	3,897	3,103
Race									
Non-Hispanic White	31,378,075	19,800,579	11,577,496	54.84	56.10	52.70	\$3,455	\$3,765	\$2,925
Black (or African-American)	4,626,704	2,425,067	2,201,637	55.02	54.74	55.33	4,747	5,362	4,070
Asian/Pacific Islander	1,448,336	744,100	704,237	49.10	51.67	46.38	3,484	4,265	2,658
Hispanic	4,167,591	1,562,387	2,605,204	55.02	53.16	56.14	3,741	4,734	3,145
American Indian/Alaska Native	163,993	127,694	36,299	55.70	54.92	58.43	4,749	4,887	4,263
Other	343,609	179,545	164,065	49.71	52.38	46.79	3,516	4,334	2,621
Unknown	600,135	404,314	195,821	41.49	42.14	40.14	3,018	3,291	2,453
Low-Income Subsidy (LIS)									
Beneficiaries with No LIS	30,474,213	17,449,704	13,024,509	48.70	50.37	46.46	\$2,620	\$2,962	\$2,162
LIS Applicants	1,398,100	766,119	631,981	65.34	60.73	70.94	5,604	5,803	5,363
Beneficiaries Deemed Eligible for LIS ²	10,856,130	7,027,861	3,828,269	69.22	67.29	72.76	6,184	6,365	5,853

* Counts between 1 and 10 have been suppressed because of CMS rules to protect the privacy of beneficiaries.

† Counts have been cross-suppressed to prevent the recalculation of suppressed counts between 1 and 10.

¹ Average drug fills are based on a 30-day equivalent.

² Includes certain groups of Medicare beneficiaries who are automatically deemed eligible for the low-income subsidy and do not have to apply. The following groups are deemed eligible: Full-benefit dual eligibles, that is, persons eligible for both Medicare and full Medicaid benefits; Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients, including SSI recipients who do not qualify for Medicaid, and individuals deemed to be SSI recipients; and Medicare beneficiaries who are participants in the Medicare Savings Programs (MSP).

NOTE: Enrollee counts are determined using a person-year methodology that accounts for the number of months a beneficiary is enrolled in the calendar year.

SOURCE: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Office of Enterprise Data and Analytics, CMS Chronic Conditions Data Warehouse.