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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 2018

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	44,249,461	25,563,945	18,685,516	54.97	55.47	54.29	\$3,800	\$4,117	\$3,365
Age									
Under 65 Years	6,762,817	4,093,846	2,668,971	63.15	60.03	67.93	\$7,239	\$7,481	\$6,867
65 Years and Over	37,486,643	21,470,099	16,016,545	53.50	54.60	52.01	3,179	3,476	2,781
Under 18 Years	1,073	†	*	42.20	42.26	36.39	\$16,996	\$17,040	\$12,319
18-24 Years	80,608	†	†	25.81	25.06	29.76	4,197	4,210	4,124
25-34 years	491,652	382,335	109,317	32.93	32.18	35.56	5,472	5,445	5,569
35-44 Years	894,434	637,463	256,972	49.17	47.42	53.51	7,201	7,152	7,322
45-54 years	1,681,635	1,058,300	623,335	64.78	62.36	68.87	8,148	8,252	7,972
55-64 Years	3,613,415	1,946,937	1,666,478	70.80	69.60	72.22	7,130	7,678	6,490
65-74 years	20,383,069	11,550,581	8,832,488	48.55	49.04	47.90	3,136	3,397	2,795
75-84 Years	12,152,131	6,892,460	5,259,671	58.32	59.74	56.47	3,333	3,696	2,858
85-94 Years	4,447,988	2,697,203	1,750,785	62.42	64.56	59.13	3,053	3,368	2,568
95 years or over	503,456	329,856	173,600	58.64	60.79	54.56	2,297	2,501	1,908
Sex									
Male	18,964,931	10,898,331	8,066,601	52.87	53.70	51.76	\$3,883	\$4,288	\$3,337
Female	25,284,529	14,665,614	10,618,915	56.55	56.79	56.21	3,737	3,990	3,386
Race									
Non-Hispanic White	32,325,807	20,078,900	12,246,908	55.29	56.17	53.86	\$3,643	\$3,913	\$3,201
Black (or African-American)	4,776,670	2,373,023	2,403,647	55.70	54.72	56.66	4,859	5,335	4,389
Asian/Pacific Islander	1,547,597	768,689	778,908	49.74	52.07	47.45	3,636	4,386	2,895
Hispanic	4,399,310	1,580,850	2,818,461	55.87	53.21	57.37	3,908	4,805	3,405
American Indian/Alaska Native	168,432	128,164	40,268	56.08	54.98	59.58	4,965	5,089	4,572
Other	344,037	175,909	168,128	50.92	53.58	48.13	3,671	4,467	2,839
Unknown	687,607	458,410	229,197	42.57	43.24	41.23	3,235	3,514	2,677
Low-Income Subsidy (LIS)									
Beneficiaries with No LIS	31,365,087	17,753,826	13,611,261	49.21	50.72	47.23	\$2,732	\$3,073	\$2,288
LIS Applicants	1,510,267	777,845	732,423	61.72	57.00	66.73	5,535	5,658	5,404
Beneficiaries Deemed Eligible for LIS ²	11,374,106	7,032,274	4,341,832	69.98	67.30	74.31	6,512	6,583	6,397

* 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.