

# Percentage of Claims Accepted by Public Drug Programs for Generic Drugs

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Short/Other Names	Not applicable
Description	The rate of claims accepted by public drug programs for generic drugs
Interpretation	This indicator is interpreted as the proportion of utilization that generic drug products account for within public drug programs.
HSP Framework Dimension	Health System Inputs and Characteristics: Efficient allocation of resources
Areas of Need	Not applicable
Geographic Coverage	Newfoundland and Labrador, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, British Columbia, Yukon
Reporting Level/Disaggregation	Province/Territory
Indicator Results	<a href="https://secure.cihi.ca/estore/productSeries.htm?locale=en&amp;pc=PCC1011">https://secure.cihi.ca/estore/productSeries.htm?locale=en&amp;pc=PCC1011</a>

## Identifying Information

Name	Percentage of Claims Accepted by Public Drug Programs for Generic Drugs
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Indicator Description and Calculation	
Description	The rate of claims accepted by public drug programs for generic drugs The total number of claims accepted by public drug programs for generic drugs divided by the total number of claims accepted by public drug programs
Calculation: Description	Unit of Analysis: Claims to public drug programs
Calculation: Geographic Assignment	Place of residence
Calculation: Type of Measurement	Percentage or proportion
Calculation: Adjustment Applied	None
Calculation: Method of Adjustment	Not applicable
Denominator	<b>Description:</b> Total number of claims made to public drug programs <b>Inclusions:</b> All claims accepted by public drug programs <b>Exclusions:</b> Any claims not submitted to or accepted by public drug programs, including claims submitted to a private insurer or cases where the individual pays out of pocket
Numerator	<b>Description:</b> Total number of claims made to public drug programs for a generic drug product <b>Inclusions:</b> All claims for generic drugs accepted by public drug programs <b>Exclusions:</b> 1. Any claims not submitted to or accepted by public drug programs, including claims submitted to a private insurer or cases where the individual pays out of pocket 2. Claims for brand name products
Background, Interpretation and Benchmarks	
Rationale	This indicator measures the uptake of generic drugs on public drug programs. Generic drug products are typically less expensive than brand name products.
Interpretation	This indicator is interpreted as the proportion of utilization that generic drug products account for within public drug programs.
HSP Framework Dimension	Health System Inputs and Characteristics: Efficient allocation of resources
Areas of Need	Not applicable
Targets/Benchmarks	Not applicable
References	Not applicable

Availability of Data Sources and Results

Data Sources	NPDUIS Database
	<b>Type of Year:</b> Calendar
Available Data Years	<b>First Available Year:</b> 2000
	<b>Last Available Year:</b> 2017
Geographic Coverage	Newfoundland and Labrador, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, British Columbia, Yukon
Reporting Level/Disaggregation	Province/Territory
Result Updates	
Update Frequency	Whenever required for analytical product or data request
	<b>Web Tool:</b>
Indicator Results	<i>Prescribed Drug Spending in Canada</i>
	<b>URL:</b> <a href="https://secure.cihi.ca/estore/productSeries.htm?locale=en&amp;pc=PCC1011">https://secure.cihi.ca/estore/productSeries.htm?locale=en&amp;pc=PCC1011</a>
Updates	Not applicable
Quality Statement	
Caveats and Limitations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Includes only drugs claimed through public drug programs</li><li>– Excludes any drugs claimed through a private drug plan or purchased over the counter</li></ul> All data is not available for all years: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, New Brunswick: From January 2000</li><li>– Nova Scotia: From April 2001</li><li>– Prince Edward Island: From April 2004</li></ul>
Trending Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– British Columbia: From January 2006</li><li>– Yukon: From January 2007</li><li>– Newfoundland and Labrador: From April 2008</li><li>– Ontario: From April 2010</li><li>– First Nations and Inuit Health Branch: From October 2010</li></ul>
Comments	Not applicable