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## Medicare Provider Utilization and Payment Data: Part D Prescriber

As part of the Obama Administration's efforts to make our healthcare system more transparent, affordable, and accountable, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has prepared a public data set, the Medicare Provider Utilization and Payment Data: Part D Prescriber Public Use File (PUF), with information on the prescription drugs that individual physicians and other health care providers prescribed in 2013 under the Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Program. The Part D Prescriber PUF is based on information from CMS's Prescription Drug Event Standard Analytic File, which has final-action claims that are submitted by Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MAPD) plans and by stand-alone Prescription Drug Plans (PDP). The new dataset identifies providers using their National Provider Identifier (NPI) and the specific prescriptions that were dispensed on their behalf, listed by brand name (if applicable) and generic name. For each prescriber and drug, the dataset includes the total number of prescriptions that were dispensed, which include original prescriptions and any refills, and the total drug cost. The total drug cost includes the ingredient cost of the medication, dispensing fees, sales tax, and any applicable administration fees and is based on the amount paid by the Part D plan, Medicare beneficiary, government subsidies, and any other third-party payors.

Although the Part D Prescriber PUF has a wealth of information on payment and utilization for Medicare Part D prescriptions, the dataset has a number of limitations. Of particular importance is the fact that the data may not be representative of a physician's entire practice or all of Medicare as it only includes information on beneficiaries enrolled in the Medicare Part D prescription drug program (i.e., approximately two-thirds of all Medicare beneficiaries). In addition, the data are not intended to indicate the quality of care provided. For additional limitations, please review the methodology document available below.

Data are available in two formats:

- Tab delimited file format (requires importing into database or statistical software; SAS® read-in language is included in the download ZIP package)
- Microsoft Excel format (.xlsx), split by provider last name (note: providers with name starting with a numeric are available in the "XYZ" file).

CMS has also created three types of summary tables: 1) a prescriber level summary, 2) a drug level-summary at the national level, and 3) a drug level-summary at the state level. A detailed methodology document can be found in the Downloads section below which contains important information regarding the limitations of data usage.

### Detailed Data – Tab Delimited Format:

[Part D Prescriber PUF NPI Drug, CY2013, Tab Delimited format \[502MB\]](#)

[Note: This Compressed ZIP package contains the tab delimited data file which is 2.7 GB uncompressed and contains more than 23 million records, thus importing this file into Microsoft Excel will result in an incomplete loading of data. Use of database or statistical software is required; a SAS® read-in statement is supplied.]

### Detailed Data – Microsoft Excel Format:

[Part D Prescriber PUF, CY2013, Microsoft Excel \(.xlsx\) Provider Last Name \(Aa-Al\)](#)  
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[Part D Prescriber PUF, CY2013, Microsoft Excel \(.xlsx\) Provider Last Name \(Ba-Bj\)](#)  
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- [Part D Prescriber PUF, CY2013, Microsoft Excel \(.xlsx\) Provider Last Name \(Ka-Ki\)](#)
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- [Part D Prescriber PUF, CY2013, Microsoft Excel \(.xlsx\) Provider Last Name \(Mo-Mz\)](#)
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- [Part D Prescriber PUF, CY2013, Microsoft Excel \(.xlsx\) Provider Last Name \(Sa-Se\)](#)
- [Part D Prescriber PUF, CY2013, Microsoft Excel \(.xlsx\) Provider Last Name \(Sf-Sn\)](#)
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- [Part D Prescriber PUF, CY2013, Microsoft Excel \(.xlsx\) Provider Last Name \(Wa-We\)](#)
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- [Part D Prescriber PUF, CY2013, Microsoft Excel \(.xlsx\) Provider Last Name \(XYZ and Numeric\)](#)

**Summary Tables:**

- [Part D Prescriber Summary table, CY2013, Microsoft Excel \(.xlsx\) Provider Last Name \(A-K\) \[167MB\]](#)
- [Part D Prescriber Summary table, CY2013, Microsoft Excel \(.xlsx\) Provider Last Name \(L-1\) \[155MB\]](#)
- [Part D Prescriber Summary table, CY2013, Microsoft Excel \(Tab Delimited Format\) \[94MB\]](#)

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[Part D Prescriber National Summary table, CY2013, Microsoft Excel \(.xlsx\)](#)

[Part D Prescriber State Summary table, CY2013, Microsoft Excel \(.xlsx\)](#)

Additional information can be found in our [Fact Sheet](#) or at our [Frequently Asked Questions](#) page.

Inquiries regarding this data can be sent to [MedicareProviderData@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:MedicareProviderData@cms.hhs.gov).

To receive email notifications, please sign up for the Medicare Provider Data GovDelivery subscription [here](#).

| Downloads  |
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| <a href="#">Part D Prescriber PUF Methodology [PDF, 313KB]</a>  |

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