

Data Dictionary: Medicare Maximum Fair Price Selected Drug Metrics in Maryland

Each row represents the observations for a prescription drug at the NDC11 level in the state of Maryland.

NDC11 – 11-digit National Drug Code with no spacing

NDC_HYPHEN – 11-digit National Drug Code with hyphens

PROPRIETARY_NAME– The brand name of the selected drug

DRUG_DESCRIPTION – The generic name with dosage, strength and route of administration, if available

COM24_PT_CNT – Total number of patients with pharmacy claims for a given NDC11 for the calendar year 2024 commercial market, including state and local government employees

COM24_TOT_UNITS – Total units dispensed (quantity) per NDC11 for the calendar year 2024 commercial market, including state and local government employees

MCARE23_PT_CNT – Total number of patients with Medicare Part D event pharmacy claims for a given NDC11 for the calendar year 2023

MCARE23_TOT_UNITS –Total units dispensed (quantity) for Medicare Part D events per NDC11 for the calendar year 2024

COM24_GROSS_SPEND – Sum amount paid to the provider by the health plan and out-of-pocket costs (i.e., copayments, coinsurance, deductibles and other member liabilities) in the 2024 commercial market for prescription drugs

MCARE23_GROSS_SPEND – Sum amount paid to the provider by the health plan and out-of-pocket costs (i.e., copayments, coinsurance, deductibles and other member liabilities) for 2023 Medicare Part D beneficiaries

COM24_SPENDPERPT – The average commercial gross spending (including out-of-pocket costs) per patient in 2024

MCARE23_SPENDPERPT – The average Medicare Part D gross spending (including out-of-pocket costs) per patient in 2023

COM24_PCHANGE_SPEND – The percent change in total gross spending within the commercial market on prescription drugs between calendar years 2023 and 2024

MCARE23_PCHANGE_SPEND - The percent change in total gross spending for Medicare Part D beneficiaries between calendar years 2022 and 2023

COM24_AVG_PAYER_COSTPERPT – Average amount paid per patient to the provider by the health plan in the 2024 commercial market, excluding out-of-pocket costs

MCARE23_AVG_PAYER_COSTPERPT - Average amount paid per patient to the provider by Medicare Part D in 2023, excluding out-of-pocket costs

COM24_TOT_OOP – Sum of all out-of-pocket costs paid by patients in the commercial market in 2024 (i.e., copayments, coinsurance, deductibles and other member liabilities)

MCARE23_TOT_OOP - Sum of the yearly out-of-pocket costs paid by Medicare Part D beneficiaries in 2023 (i.e., copayments, coinsurance, deductibles and other member liabilities)

COM24_AVG_OOP – Average out-of-pocket cost paid by patients for a single claim in the commercial market in 2024 (i.e., copayments, coinsurance, deductibles and other member liabilities)

MCARE23_AVG_OOP – Average out-of-pocket cost paid by Medicare Part D beneficiaries in 2023 (i.e., copayment, coinsurance, deductibles and other member liabilities)

COM24_P50_OOP – 50th percentile/median of out-of-pocket costs paid by patients in the commercial market (i.e., copayment, coinsurance, deductibles and other member liabilities)

MCARE23_P50_OOP – 50th percentile/median of out-of-pocket costs paid by Medicare Part D beneficiaries in 2023 (i.e., copayment, coinsurance, deductibles and other member liabilities)

COM24_P90_OOP – 90th percentile of out-of-pocket costs paid by patients in the commercial market in 2024 (i.e., copayment, coinsurance, deductibles and other member liabilities)

MCARE23_P90_OOP – 90th percentile of out-of-pocket costs paid by Medicare Part D beneficiaries in 2023 (i.e., copayment, coinsurance, deductibles and other member liabilities)

COM24_AVG_COSTSHARE – The average percentage of the gross spend that is attributed to out-of-pocket costs paid by patients in the commercial market in 2024.

MCARE23_AVG_COSTSHARE – The average percentage of the gross spend that is attributed to out-of-pocket costs paid by Medicare Part D beneficiaries in 2023.

Sources:

Maryland All-Payer Claims Database (MCDB), Maryland Healthcare Commission (MHCC)

Medicare Part D Event Files, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), Maryland Healthcare Commission (MHCC)