



Part D not immune to price hikes

In laying out the Trump administration's strategy for reducing drug prices, HHS Secretary Alex Azar suggested pumping up Medicare Part D by moving some expensive drugs out of Part B. All 59 million Medicare beneficiaries are eligible for Part D, with roughly 71% enrolled in the program.

2,003

Medicare Advantage prescription drug plans being offered in 2018

782

Part D stand-alone prescription drug plans being offered nationwide in 2018

—Kaiser Family Foundation and the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission

42 MILLION

Number of Medicare beneficiaries enrolled in Part D in 2017

—Kaiser Family Foundation

\$32

Average monthly premium across all plans for Part D coverage

—Medicare Payment Advisory Commission

Manufacturer rebates accounted for **14.3%** of Part D spending in 2014, up from **8.6%** in 2006

—Medicare trustee board report, 2016

\$91.6 BILLION

Medicare spending and enrollee premiums for Part D in 2016, or 13% of all Medicare outlays

—Medicare Payment Advisory Commission

12%

Price increase from 2012 to 2017 for the 20 most-prescribed brand-name drugs in Medicare Part D

Of those drugs:

16 saw prices jump over **100%**

2 saw prices jump more than **50%**

1 saw prices skyrocket **477%**

—Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, minority staff report