

Abstract 2: Top 5 medications used, by sex, age group and medication class, household population aged 25 to 79, Canada, 2007 to 2011

Men					Women				
		Prevalence					Prevalence		
		95% Confidence Interval					95% Confidence Interval		
Age group, medication class	Number '000	%	from	to	Age group, medication class	Number '000	%	from	to
Total 25 to 79					25 to 79				
Lipid-modifying agents, plain	1,697.6	15.9*	14.0	17.7	Anti-depressants	1,514.0	13.7*	11.3	16.1
Ace inhibitors, plain	978.1	9.1*	7.6	10.7	Lipid-modifying agents, plain	1,205.2	10.9	9.3	12.5
Drugs for peptic ulcer and gastro-esophageal reflux disease (GERD)	836.3	7.8	6.1	9.5	Thyroid	1,082.5	9.8*	8.3	11.3
Beta-blocking agents	730.3	6.8*	5.6	8.1	Drugs for peptic ulcer and gastro-esophageal reflux disease (GERD)	1,011.8	9.2	7.5	10.8
Other analgesics and anti-pyretics	677.7	6.3*	5.4	7.3	ACE inhibitors, plain	659.6	6.0	4.9	7.1
25 to 44					25 to 44				
Anti-depressants	190.8 ^E	4.2*	2.4	6.0	Systemic us6.0e hormonal contraceptives	513.1	11.4*	8.5	14.3
Drugs for peptic ulcer and gastro-esophageal reflux disease (GERD)	163.9 ^E	3.6	1.9	5.4	Anti-depressants	415.2	9.3 ^E	6.0	12.5
Adrenergics, inhalants	89.9 ^E	2.0	0.8	3.2	Thyroid	194.5	4.3* ^E	2.6	6.1
Lipid-modifying agents, plain	<149.2 ^T	<3.3 ^T	Drugs for peptic ulcer and gastro-esophageal	119.1	2.7 ^E	1.4	3.9

					reflux disease (GERD)				
ACE inhibitors, plain	77.1 ^E	1.7*	0.9	2.5	Adrenergics, inhalants	105.3	2.3 ^E	1.5	3.2
45 to 64					45 to 64				
Lipid-modifying agents, plain	877.0	18.9*	15.7	22.0	Anti-depressants	846.4	17.2*	14.3	20.2
Ace inhibitors, plain	477.7	10.3*	7.8	12.7	Lipid-modifying agents, plain	563.9	11.5	8.8	14.2
Drugs for peptic ulcer and gastro-esophageal reflux disease (GERD)	421.7 ^E	9.1	5.9	12.2	Thyroid	536.7	10.9*	8.5	13.4
Anti-depressants	381.9	8.2	5.6	10.9	Drugs for peptic ulcer and gastro-esophageal reflux disease (GERD)	522.2	10.6	8.0	13.2
Other analgesics and anti-pyretics	364.7	7.8*	6.1	9.6	Estrogens	325.9	6.6*	4.9	8.4
65 to 79					65 to 79				
Lipid-modifying agents, plain	738.7	47.9*	42.0	53.7	Lipid-modifying agents, plain	584.7	35.6	30.6	40.6
ACE inhibitors, plain	422.7	27.4*	21.5	33.3	Drugs for peptic ulcer and gastro-esophageal reflux disease (GERD)	370.4	22.5	17.6	27.4
Beta-blocking agents	359.7	23.3*	17.8	28.9	Thyroid	351.2	21.4*	16.9	25.8
Other analgesics and anti-pyretics	281.7	18.3	14.5	22.0	ACE inhibitors, plain	304.9	18.5	14.4	22.7
Drugs for peptic ulcer and gastro-esophageal reflux disease (GERD)	250.7	16.3	11.5	21.0	Beta-blocking agents	275.3	16.7	12.7	20.8

* Significantly different from estimate for opposite sex (p<0.5)

^T if coefficient of variation exceeds 33.3%, but cell contains at least 10 records, estimate is indicated as being less than upper limit of 95% confidence interval

^E use with caution

... not applicable

Note: Respondents taking more than one drug in medication class are reflected in that class only once.

Source: 2007 to 2009 and 2009 to 2011 Canadian Health Measures Survey, combined.