

PHARMACEUTICAL TRENDS

Top 10 Therapeutic Classes* in Canada, 2023

| Rank | Therapeutic class | Total prescriptions** 2023 (000s) | % Change over 2022 |
|------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | Psychotherapeutics | 119,921 | 3.5 |
| 2 | Cardiovasculars | 107,799 | 2.1 |
| 3 | Antihyperlipidemic agents | 56,788 | 4.8 |
| 4 | Diabetes therapy | 52,814 | 9.8 |
| 5 | Gastrointestinal | 46,073 | 2.6 |
| 6 | Analgesics | 46,049 | 0.6 |
| 7 | Neurological disorders | 42,106 | 2.4 |
| 8 | Hormones | 26,525 | 5.0 |
| 9 | Vitamins | 25,927 | 1.9 |
| 10 | Genitourinary | 24,592 | 7.3 |

* Estimated prescriptions dispensed in Canadian retail pharmacies. Includes new and refills.

** Includes cost of drugs plus any mark-ups and pharmacists' professional fees. Excludes hospitals.

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