

# Prescription Drug Utilization and Cost Trends, 2009-2014

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#### **Overview**

- Trends in prescriptions and costs
- 2014 costs by prescription drug type
- Specialty drug trends

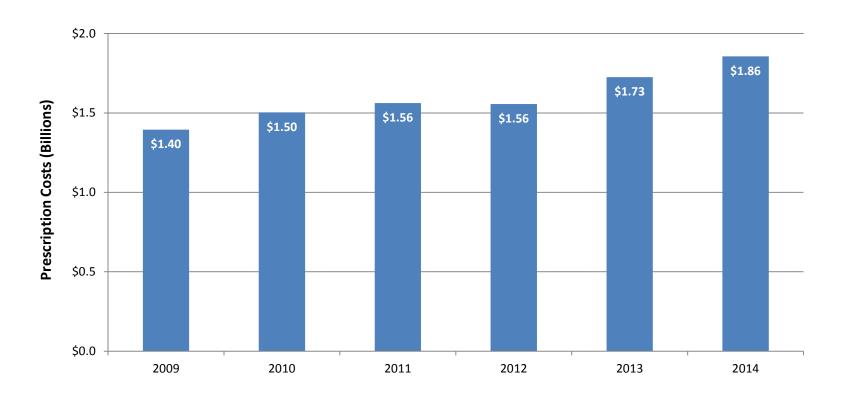


#### **Data Specifications and Caveats**

- Source of data is CalPERS Health Care Decision Support System (HCDSS).
- All CalPERS HCDSS data were transferred to a new data warehouse in 2014. The current and previous data warehouse vendors apply different methodologies of aggregating, grouping, and calculating data. The variation in the data from past presentations is due to the different methodologies of data aggregation.
- Data include Basic and Medicare plans.
- Data include members in all plans except where specified.
- From its inception in 2013, Employer Group Waiver Plans (EGWP) supplemental data are included.

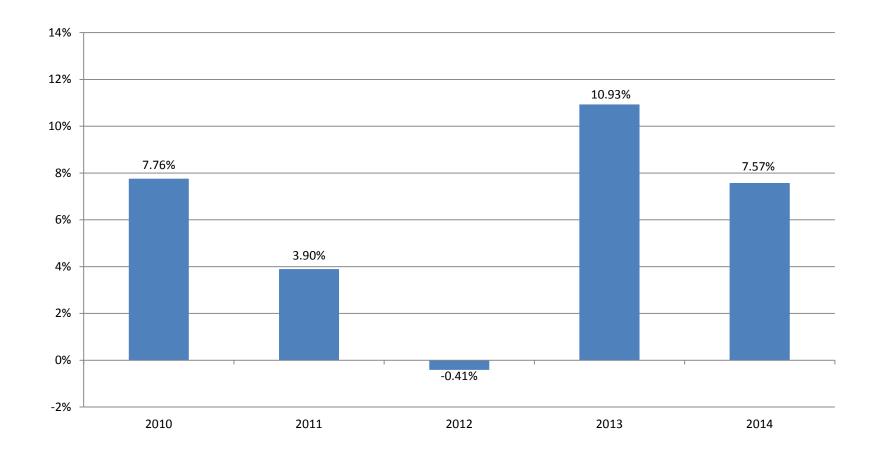


### **Prescription Drug Costs**



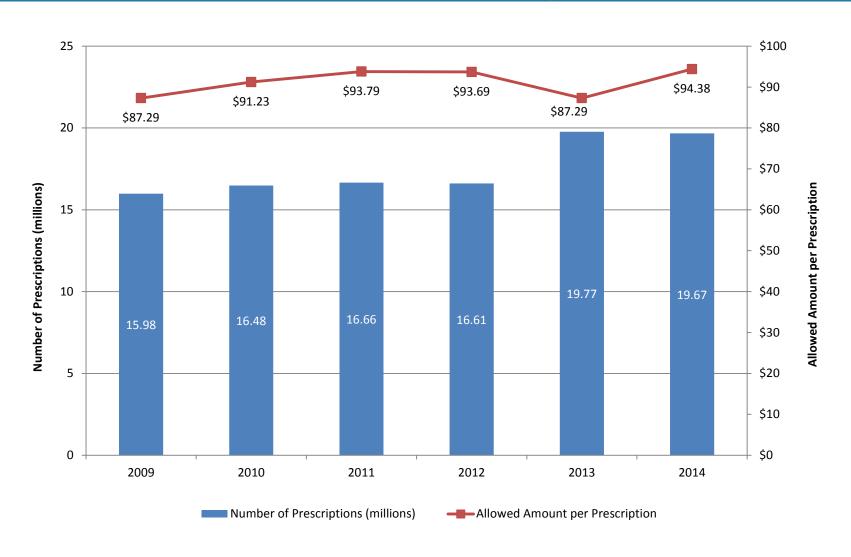


# Prescription Drug Costs – Annual Changes



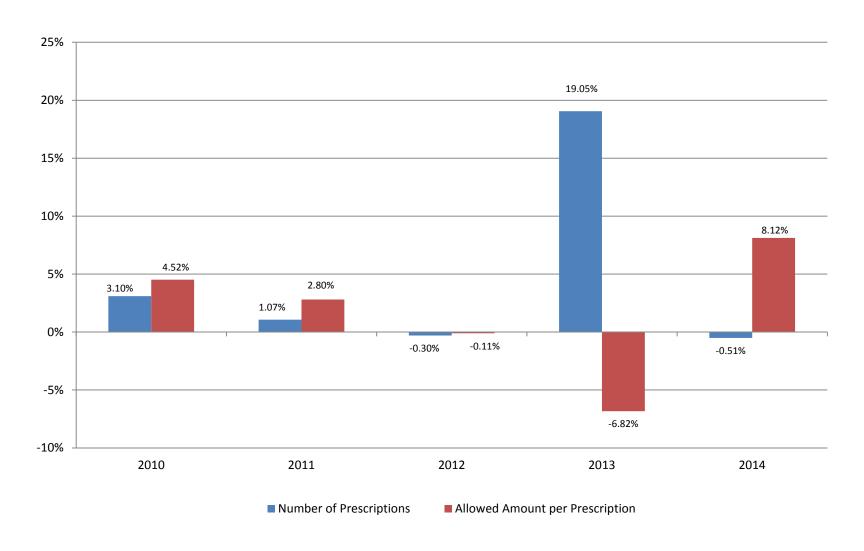


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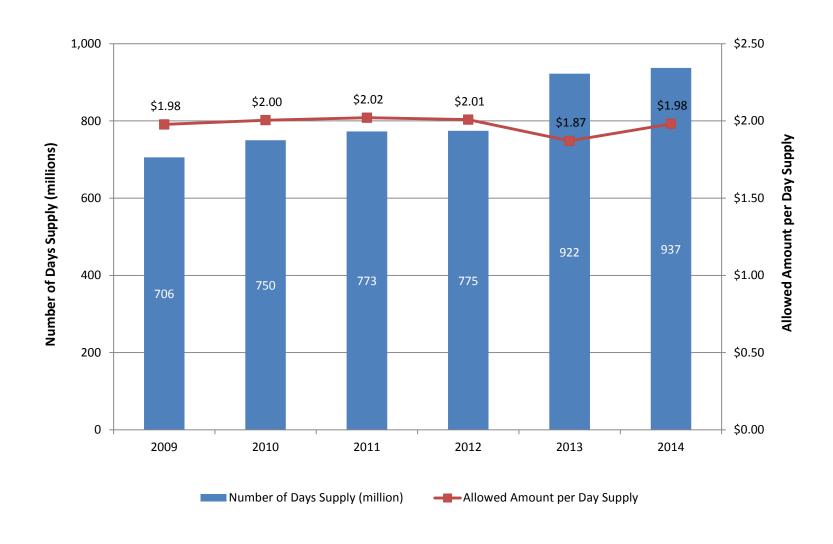


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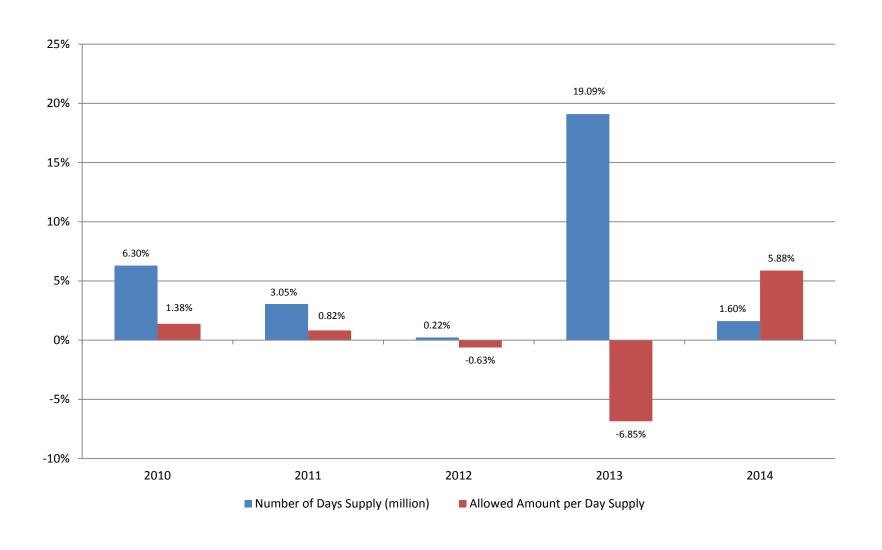


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### 2014 Costs by Prescription Drug Type

|                                       |            | Non-Specialty Brand |               |            |            |
|---------------------------------------|------------|---------------------|---------------|------------|------------|
|                                       | Generic    | Multi-Source        | Single Source | Specialty  | Total      |
| Number of Prescriptions               | 16,081,654 | 606,334             | 2,280,794     | 150,361    | 19,119,143 |
| Allowed Amount (millions)             | \$535      | \$165               | \$685         | \$438      | \$1,823    |
| Member Cost Share (millions)          | \$98       | \$17                | \$67          | \$4        | \$185      |
| Allowed Amount per<br>Prescription    | \$33.26    | \$271.77            | \$300.55      | \$2,913.31 | \$95.36    |
| Member Cost Share per<br>Prescription | \$6.11     | \$27.61             | \$29.17       | \$25.53    | \$9.70     |
| Member Cost Share %                   | 18.4%      | 10.2%               | 9.7%          | 0.9%       | 10.2%      |

Totals are row total only and do not include over the counter or unspecified drugs.



#### 2014 Top Ten Non-Specialty Drugs

| Drug Name                     | Primary<br>Indication | Allowed Amount (millions) | Percent of Total<br>Prescription<br>Allowed Amount | Percent of Total<br>Non-Specialty<br>Drugs Allowed<br>Amount |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|--|--|
| NEXIUM                        | Stomach Ulcer         | \$33.67                   | 1.81%  | 2.37%  |
| ABILIFY                       | Bipolar Disorder      | \$32.97                   | 1.78%  | 2.32%  |
| ADVAIR DISKUS                 | Asthma                | \$29.59                   | 1.59%  | 2.09%  |
| CRESTOR                       | High Cholesterol      | \$22.89                   | 1.23%  | 1.61%  |
| DULOXETINE HCL                | Depression            | \$20.20                   | 1.09%  | 1.42%  |
| JANUVIA                       | Diabetes              | \$19.03                   | 1.03%  | 1.34%  |
| ATORVASTATIN CALCIUM          | High Cholesterol      | \$17.46                   | 0.94%  | 1.23%  |
| SPIRIVA HANDIHALER            | COPD                  | \$17.18                   | 0.93%  | 1.21%  |
| LANTUS SOLOSTAR               | Diabetes              | \$17.02                   | 0.92%  | 1.20%  |
| OXYCONTIN                     | Pain                  | \$16.37                   |  |  |
| Total Top Non-Specialty drugs |                       | \$226.38                  |  |  |



### **Specialty Drugs**

|  | 2012   | 2013    | 2014    |
|--|--------|---------|---------|
| Number of Specialty Drug Prescriptions                     | 81,420 | 110,480 | 150,361 |
| Specialty Drug Prescriptions as a % of Total Prescriptions | 0.49%  | 0.56%   | 0.76%   |
| Specialty Drug Allowed Amount (millions)                   | \$270  | \$332   | \$438   |
| Specialty Drug Allowed Amount as % of Total                | 17.4%  | 19.2%   | 23.6%   |
| Specialty Drug Member Cost Share Amount (millions)         | \$2.22 | \$2.94  | \$3.84  |
| Specialty Drug Member Cost Share %                         | 0.8%   | 0.9%    | 0.9%    |

Based on 2012, 2013, and 2014 CVS/caremark Specialty Drugs lists.



#### 2014 Top Ten Specialty Drugs

| Drug Name                    | Primary Indication   | Allowed Amount (millions) | Percent of Total Prescription Allowed Amount | Percent of Total<br>Specialty Drugs<br>Allowed Amount |
|------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|--|---|
| ENBREL                       | Rheumatoid Arthritis | \$46.96                   | 2.53%  | 13.53%  |
| HUMIRA                       | Rheumatoid Arthritis | \$44.00                   | 2.37%  | 12.68%  |
| SOVALDI                      | Chronic Hepatitis C  | \$43.92                   | 2.37%  | 12.65%  |
| COPAXONE                     | Multiple Sclerosis   | \$25.21                   | 1.36%  | 7.26%   |
| REVLIMID                     | Cancer               | \$21.22                   | 1.14%  | 6.11%   |
| GLEEVEC                      | Cancer               | \$16.68                   | 0.90%  | 4.81%   |
| TECFIDERA                    | Multiple Sclerosis   | \$11.78                   | 0.63%  | 3.40%   |
| OLYSIO                       | Chronic Hepatitis C  | \$8.43                    | 0.45%  | 2.43%   |
| HARVONI                      | Chronic Hepatitis C  | \$8.03                    | 0.43%  | 2.31%   |
| ZYTIGA                       | Cancer               | \$7.98                    | 0.43%  | 2.30%   |
| Total Top 10 Specialty Drugs |                      | \$234.21                  | 12.62%                                       | 67.48%  |

Based on 2014 CVS/caremark Specialty Drugs list.



#### **Summary**

- Prescription costs continue to increase
- Rapid increase of specialty drug costs
- Evidence based pharmacy benefit management strategies are critical to stay ahead of the rapidly increasing prescription drug cost