

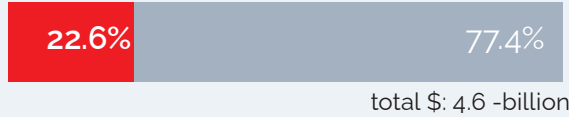
Generic medicines are used to fill the majority of prescriptions in **Alberta**, for a fraction of the cost of brand-name drugs.



Percentage of total Rx's



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Generics Brand-name

Generics were dispensed to **fill 74.6% of all** prescriptions in 2023, **but only cost 22.6%** of all the money spent on drugs.

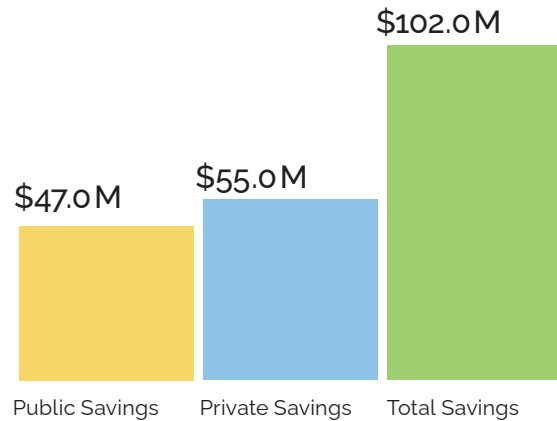
Generics filled **45.5-million** prescriptions for **\$1.04-billion**. While brand-name drugs **only filled 15.5-million** prescriptions and cost **\$3.6-billion**.

Source: IQVIA

The increased use of generic medicines has a direct **impact on a responsive and sustainable healthcare system**.

For every one percent increase in the use of generics public sector drug benefit programs **will save 47,000,000**, year over year.

Private sector drug plans can **save as much as \$55,000,000** for every one percent increase.



Source: CGPA calculations based on IQVIA data and CIHI public private market share.

Public Sector Utilization



Private Sector Utilization



Generics Brand-name

In **Alberta**, the public sector's use of generics is significantly lower than in the **United States where generics and biosimilars are dispensed to fill 90% of all prescriptions**.

The private sector use of generics is even lower. **Bridging the gap in the use of generics will save hundreds of millions of dollars.**

Source: IQVIA