



Generic medicines are used to fill the majority of prescriptions in **Quebec**, 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 79.7% of all** prescriptions in 2023, **but only cost 25.4%** of all the money spent on drugs.

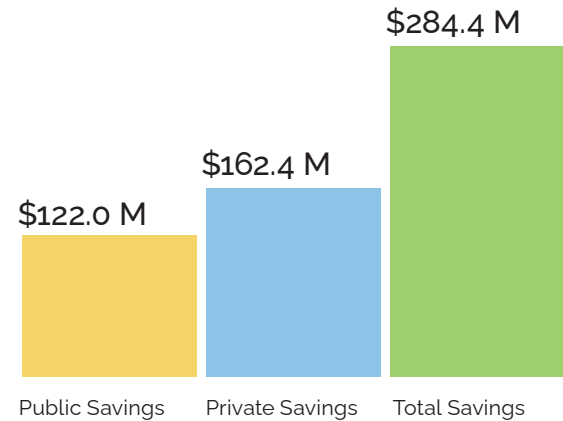
Generics filled **254-million** prescriptions for **\$2.6-billion**. While brand-name drugs **only filled 64-million** prescriptions and cost **\$7.8-billion**.

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 \$122,000,000**, year over year.

Private sector drug plans can **save as much as \$162,400,000** 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 **Quebec**, 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: AAM