

Pharmaceutical trends

Top 10 diagnoses* in Canada, 2008

		Patient visits***	% Male	% Female	% Patient visits with drug recommendations
All diagnoses		335,434	42	58	59
1	Hypertension	20,938	48	52	81
2	Health check-up**	10,649	45	55	1
3	Diabetes mellitus w/o complications	9,486	53	47	68
4	Depression	8,529	32	68	82
5	Anxiety	6,292	33	67	57
6	Acute upper respiratory infection	5,780	45	55	40
7	Normal pregnancy supervision	5,445	0	100	15
8	Hyperlipidemia	5,003	60	40	81
9	Unspecified otitis media	3,565	50	50	75
10	Urinary tract infection	3,484	10	90	85

* Based on ICD 9 classifications.

** Health check-up is comprised of Diagnoses: V20.2 Routine Child Health Check-up and V70.0 Routine General Medical Exam and Health Check-up

*** Visits made to Canadian office-based physicians – physicians maintaining an office outside hospitals.

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