

Pharmaceutical trends

Top 10 therapeutic classes by drug store purchases, Canada, 2008

Rank 2008	Therapeutic class	Drug store purchases (\$000s)	% Change over 2007
1	Cardiovasculars	2,439,671	2.8
2	Antihyperlipidemic Agents	1,983,605	8.7
3	Psychotherapeutics	1,646,283	2.7
4	Gastrointestinal/Genitourinary	1,453,141	0.5
5	Antiarthritics	992,572	19.7
6	Bronchial Therapy	856,754	10
7	Analgesics	828,529	7.8
8	Neurological Disorders, Miscellaneous	762,962	11.5
9	Hormones	692,102	4.5
10	Diabetes therapy	629,384	-0.5