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Quick Facts & Stats

Access, Quality, and Costs

Is Medicare Part D providing value to its beneficiaries and providers? Here are a few of the changing facts and statistics about access, quality, and costs for Part D since its start-up.

9
insurers provided nationwide Medicare prescription drug plans (PDPs) in 2006.

17
insurers will offer nationwide PDPs in 2007.

40
PDPs were available in most states in 2006.

50
PDPs will be available in all states except Alaska and Hawaii in 2007.

23
states will have at least 55 Medicare PDPs available in 2007.

4,390
medications, on average, will be covered by PDPs in 2007.

13%
is the increase in the number of medications covered by PDPs from 2006 to 2007.

\$24
was the average monthly PDP premium during 2006, the same as estimated for 2007.

83%
of Medicare beneficiaries currently enrolled in PDPs will be eligible to switch to a lower-priced plan in 2007.

\$2
was the monthly premium of the lowest-priced PDP in 2006.

\$10
is predicted to be the monthly premium of the lowest-priced PDP in 2007.

\$110
is predicted to be the monthly premium of the highest-priced PDP in 2007.

Source: Kaiser Network.org, October 2, 2006

