

Prescription drug plan coverage 2016: how many Canadians were insured, under-insured or uninsured?

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On February 27, 2018, the federal government established an Advisory Council on the Implementation of National Pharmacare. Pharmacare is proposed as a national, universal-coverage, publicly-funded, government-run, single-payer monopoly that would entirely replace Canada's current pluralistic system of federal-provincial-territorial publicly-funded government-run drug plans, and employment-based private drug plans. One of the main reasons cited to justify a national pharmacare program is a claim (based on a misinterpretation of widely publicized surveys about prescription cost-related non-adherence) that millions of Canadians are not covered by any type of drug plan. This study examines prescription drug plan coverage across Canada to determine how many people were insured, under-insured or uninsured.

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