

# The Cost of 340B to North Dakota

*In 2025, workers and employers lost \$111 million in negotiated rebates to 340B*

Despite advocates' claims that the 340B program is free, it raises costs for patients, employers, state and local governments, Medicare, and managed Medicaid. One way it increases costs is by displacing the negotiated rebates that are used to lower net drug prices. Research by IQVIA shows that workers and employers lost \$14.5 billion in rebates nationally in 2025 due to 340B.<sup>1</sup> The cost to North Dakota workers and employers in 2025 was \$111 million.

## Cost of 340B to North Dakota workers and employers

| PER BENEFICIARY | PLAN TYPE                             | TOTAL COST    |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| \$233           | Private sector employees <sup>2</sup> | \$95M         |
|                 | Government employees <sup>3</sup>     | \$16M         |
|                 | <b>Total</b>                          | <b>\$111M</b> |

The cost of 340B to North Dakota has increased substantially in recent years due to program growth. From 2023 to 2025, the number of healthcare providers prescribing 340B drugs, the number of 340B facilities and the value of 340B drug purchases all increased.

## 340B growth in North Dakota: 2023 to 2025

| 340B PRESCRIBERS |        | 340B FACILITIES <sup>4</sup> |        | 340B DRUG PURCHASES <sup>5</sup> |        |
|------------------|--------|------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|--------|
| #                | GROWTH | #                            | GROWTH | #                                | GROWTH |
| 4,314            | +5%    | 320                          | +10%   | \$1.1 billion                    | +38%   |

North Dakota has higher 340B utilization than neighboring states, which in turn all have elevated levels compared to national average, indicating a strong 340B presence in the whole region.

## North Dakota vs. neighbors

| STATE             | 340B UTILIZATION <sup>6</sup> | COST PER BENEFICIARY |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| ND                | 40%                           | \$233                |
| SD                | 33%                           | \$192                |
| MT                | 29%                           | \$165                |
| MN                | 20%                           | \$113                |
| <b>Total U.S.</b> | <b>14%</b>                    | <b>\$81</b>          |

1. The cost of 340B to states. IQVIA. 2026 (to appear).
2. Includes employer-sponsored plans and ACA health plans.
3. Includes state and local government employees.
4. Based on 340B "parent" facilities, not satellite sites or contract pharmacies.
5. 340B drug purchases at Wholesaler Acquisition Cost (WAC).
6. Percentage of 340B business by state, averaged over drug purchases and claims.