Washington Prescription Monitoring Program Analytical Data Dictionary





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Washington Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP or WA PMP) Overview

Washington's PMP was created (RCW 70.225 (2007)) to improve patient care and to stop prescription drug misuse by collecting dispensing records for Schedule II, III, IV and V drugs, and by making the information available to medical providers and pharmacists as a patient care tool. Program rules, WAC 246-470, took effect August 27, 2011. The program started data collection from all dispensers on October 7, 2011.

Under RCW 70.225.040(5)(a), the department is authorized to publish public data after removing information that could be used directly or indirectly to identify individual patients, requestors, dispensers, prescribers, and persons who received prescriptions from dispensers. Publicly available data are de-identified and exclude patient, prescriber, and dispenser-related information in alignment with program rules WAC 246-470-080.

Prescriptions excluded from PMP include those dispensed outside of WA State, those prescribed for less than or equal to 24 hours, those administered or given to a patient in the hospital, and those dispensed from a Department of Corrections pharmacy (unless an offender is released with a prescription), an Opioid Treatment Program, and some federally operated pharmacies (Indian Health Services and Veterans Affairs report voluntarily since 2015). Only veterinarian prescriptions of substances required for reporting for at least 14 days' use are required for reporting.

The <u>Data Submission Guide for Dispensers</u> contains additional information on each of the data fields required by the state of Washington as well as the specifications required by the American Society for Automation in Pharmacy (ASAP) for non-veterinarians and veterinarians, respectively. ASAP 4.2 variables were reported to the WA PMP by the dispensing pharmacy from January 2013 through April 2020. ASAP 4.2A variables were reported thereafter.

Further information on the collection and management of PMP data at DOH can be found on the <u>PMP</u> webpage (https://doh.wa.gov/public-health-healthcare-providers/healthcare-professions-and-facilities/prescription-monitoring-program-pmp/data).

Contact PMP at 360-236-2901 or at prescriptionmonitoring@doh.wa.gov if you have any questions.

Additional Data Notes

Tramadol was scheduled as a scheduled IV drug in August 2014, and hydrocodone was rescheduled (from III to II) in October 2014. Prescription records beginning January 1, 2018, contain an additional 26 variables that were not available in prior years of data. On May 5, 2020, the data collection system was upgraded. This resulted in the refinement of some address-related variables and prescriber names, the addition of a dispensation ID, and the replacement of a cluster ID with a new consolidation ID.

Prescription records requested from this analytical data contain drug information reported by dispensers at the national drug code (NDC) level, supplemented by an internal NDC drug file incorporating multiple data sources (e.g., U.S. FDA NDC Directory and previous Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Opioid MME Conversion Files). When available, RxNorm was used to standardize NDC-level drug and drug class fields, ensuring greater consistency across records.

RxNorm provides uniform drug naming and links to multiple drug vocabularies widely used in pharmacy management and drug interaction software, including First Databank, Micromedex, Multum, and Gold Standard Drug Database. This integration enhances data consistency and interoperability between different systems. Additionally, RxNorm includes the United States Pharmacopeia (USP) Compendial Nomenclature, which catalogs all Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs), further improving data accuracy and completeness. This data product uses publicly available data courtesy of the U.S. National Library of Medicine (NLM), National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; NLM is not responsible for the product and does not endorse or recommend this or any other product.

For more information about RxNorm, please see:

Nelson SJ, Zeng K, Kilbourne J, Powell T, Moore R. Normalized names for clinical drugs: RxNorm at 6 years. J Am Med Inform Assoc. 2011 Jul-Aug;18(4)441-8. doi: 10.1136/amiajnl-2011-000116. Epub 2011 Apr 21. PubMed PMID: 21515544; PubMed Central PMCID: PMC3128404.

Prescription Monitoring Program Data Dictionary

| No. | Variable | Data Availability by Filled Date (Dispensed Date) | Confidential Data Field Requiring Data Sharing Agreement | Variable Description |
|-----|-----------------|---|--|--|
| 1 | dataQuarter | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | The Calander quarter prescriptions were filled. |
| 2 | dataYear | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | The Calander year prescriptions were filled. |
| | data rear | 0001,2011 1103011 | 140 | The Oddinact year prescriptions were meed. |
| 3 | dispensationID | Jan 1, 2020 - Present | No | Unique identifier for each prescription. Compound drugs have the same dispensationID. |
| 4 | lastname | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Patient's Last Name |
| 5 | firstname | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Patient's First Name |
| 6 | street1 | Jan 1, 2020 - Present | Yes | Patient's Address Line 1 |
| 7 | street2 | Jan 1, 2020 - Present | Yes | Patient's Address Line 2 |
| 8 | street | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Patient's Address Line 1 + Patient's Address Line 2 |
| 9 | city | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Patient's City |
| 10 | state | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | Patient's State |
| 11 | zipcode9 | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Patient's Zip code + Patient's Zip+4 |
| 12 | phoneNumber | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Patient's Phone Number |
| 13 | dob | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Patient's Date of Birth |
| 14 | gender | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | Patient's Gender (M, F, U) |
| 15 | species | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | Indicates whether a patient is a veterinarian patient. |
| 16 | | | | Code indicating where patient is located when receiving |
| 10 | location | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | pharmacy services. |
| 17 | animalName | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Name of animal patient. |
| 18 | cleanLastname | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Patient's Clean Last Name |
| 19 | cleanFirstname | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Patient's Clean First Name |
| 20 | cleanStreet1 | Jan 1, 2020 - Present | Yes | Patient's Clean Address Line 1 |
| 21 | cleanStreet2 | Jan 1, 2020 - Present | Yes | Patient's Clean Address Line 2 |
| 22 | cleanStreet | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Patient's Clean Address Line 1 + Patient's Clean Address Line 2 |
| 23 | geoCounty | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | Patient's County (provided by PMP vendor) |
| 24 | latitude | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Patient's Latitude (provided by PMP vendor) |
| 25 | longitude | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Patient's Longitude (provided by PMP vendor) |
| 26 | consolidationID | Jan 1, 2020 - Present Oct 1, 2011 - Dec 31, | Yes | AWARxE unique patient identifier (provided by PMP vendor) |
| 27 | clusterID | 2019 | Yes | RxSentry unique patient identifier (provided by PMP vendor) |
| 28 | recipientID | Oct 1, 2011 - Dec 31, 2019 | Yes | RxSentry unique patient identifier (provided by PMP vendor) |
| 29 | | 0-14 0044 5:: | W | Patient's County (linked via 5-digit zip code to Zip code- |
| 20 | county | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | County crosswalk) Patient's Zip+4 |
| 30 | zipplus4 | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | ' |
| 31 | zip code | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Patient's Zip code (5 digits) Indicates whether a patient is a non-human animal based on |
| 32 | animal | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | species code, name, prescriber, and/or dispenser. In addition to the species code provided by the dispenser, any veterinarian prescriber or dispenser on the record classifies the prescription as a non-human patient. |
| 33 | clinicUse | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | Indicates whether record is a bulk order or not (only applies to records before January 1, 2021, and subsequent records were flagged as 'n'). On average less than 100 records per Calander quarter are potentially bulk prescription order. |
| 34 | patientID | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Unique identifier for each patient. Created by WA DOH. |

| 35 | | | | Dispenser DEA Number. This is the dispenser that filled the |
|----|---------------|-----------------------|-----|---|
| 33 | dispenserDEA | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | prescription. |
| 36 | dispenserName | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Dispenser Name |

| 37 | dispenserAddress1 | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Dispenser Address Line 1 |
|----------|---|---|-----|--|
| 38 | dispenserAddress2 | Oct 1, 2011 - Present Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Dispenser Address Line 1 Dispenser Address Line 2 |
| 39 | dispenserCity | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Dispenser City |
| 40 | dispenserState | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | Dispenser State |
| 41 | dispenserZipcode | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Dispenser Zip code |
| 42 | dispenserZip4 | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Dispenser Zip+4 |
| | шоролоср. | 00(1,2011 1100011 | | Dispenser Store Number (used for chain pharmacies if |
| 43 | storeNumber | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | Yes | available) |
| 44 | dispenserLatitude | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Dispenser Latitude |
| 45 | dispenserLongitude | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Dispenser Longitude |
| | | 00(1,2022 1100011 | | Indicates whether dispenser is associated with a |
| 46 | dispenserVet | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | veterinarian. |
| 47 | validDispenserDEA | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | It indicates whether dispenser DEA number is valid. |
| 48 | prescriberNPIclaim | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | Yes | Prescriber NPI reported by dispenser. |
| | p | , | | Prescriber DEA number. This is the prescriber who wrote the |
| 49 | prescriberDEA | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | prescription. |
| 50 | prescriberSuffix | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | Yes | Prescriber Suffix |
| 51 | prescriberLicense | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | Yes | Prescriber License Number |
| 52 | prescriberName | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Prescriber Name |
| 53 | prescriberFirstname | Jan 1, 2020 - Present | Yes | Prescriber First Name |
| 54 | prescriberMiddlename | Jan 1, 2020 - Present | Yes | Prescriber Middle Name |
| 55 | prescriberLastname | Jan 1, 2020 - Present | Yes | Prescriber Last Name |
| 56 | prescriberAddress1 | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Prescriber Address Line 1 |
| 57 | prescriberAddress2 | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Prescriber Address Line 2 |
| 58 | prescriberCity | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Prescriber City |
| 59 | prescriberState | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | Prescriber State Prescriber State |
| 60 | prescriberZipcode | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Prescriber Zip code |
| 61 | prescriberZip4 | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Prescriber Zip+4 |
| 62 | prescriberLatitude | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Prescriber Latitude Prescriber Latitude |
| 63 | prescriberLongitude | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Prescriber Longitude Prescriber Longitude |
| | | | | Prescriber NPI number. This is the prescriber that wrote the |
| 64 | | | | prescription. This variable was previously provided by the PMP |
| | prescriberNPI | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | vendor. |
| 65 | prescriberCredential | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Prescriber Credential (i.e. degree type) |
| | | | | Prescriber Address Line 1. This is the primary practice |
| 66 | prescriberPracticeAddress1 | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | address from the NPPES NPI Data file. |
| | | · | | Prescriber Address Line 2. This is the primary practice |
| 67 | prescriberPracticeAddress2 | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | address from the NPPES NPI Data file. |
| | • | | | Prescriber Country. This is the primary practice address |
| 68 | prescriberPracticeCountry | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | from the NPPES NPI Data file. |
| | , | , | | Prescriber State. This is the primary practice address from |
| 69 | prescriberPracticeState | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | the NPPES NPI Data file. |
| | - | | | Prescriber City. This is the primary practice address from |
| 70 | prescriberPracticeCity | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | the NPPES NPI Data file. |
| | | , | | Prescriber Zip code. This is the primary practice address |
| 71 | prescriberPracticeZip5 | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | from the NPPES NPI Data file. |
| | | | - | Prescriber Zip+4. This is the primary practice address from |
| 72 | prescriberPracticeZip4 | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | the NPPES NPI Data file. |
| | | | | Prescriber Primary Healthcare taxonomy. Source: CMS |
| _ ' | | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | NPPES. |
| 73 | prescriber_primary_taxonomy | | | - |
| | prescriber_primary_taxonomy | | | Prescriber Primary Healthcare taxonomy. Source: CMS |
| 73 74 | | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | Prescriber Primary Healthcare taxonomy. Source: CMS NPPES. |
| | prescriber_primary_taxonomy prescriber_primary_taxonomy4 | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | |

| 76 | | 0.14.0044.5 | ., | Prescriber Primary Healthcare taxonomy. Source: CMS |
|-----|---------------------------------|-------------------------|-----|---|
| | prescriber_primary_specialty | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | NPPES. |
| 77 | | | | Prescriber Primary Healthcare taxonomy. Source: CMS |
| | prescriber_primary_subspecialty | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | NPPES. |
| 78 | prescriberVet | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | Indicates whether prescriber is a veterinarian. |
| 79 | validPrescriberDEA | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | Indicates whether prescriber DEA number is valid. |
| 80 | status | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | No | Indicates whether prescription is a new record, voided record, or a revised record. |
| | | | | |
| 81 | rxNumber | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | Yes | Serial number provided to a prescription by a dispenser. |
| 82 | dateWritten | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | The date of the prescription was written. |
| 83 | refillsAuthorized | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | The number of refills ordered by the prescriber. |
| 84 | dateFilled | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | The date the prescription was filled (dispensed). |
| 85 | refillNumber | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | The number of refills the prescription has had. |
| 86 | ndc | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | 11-digit National Drug Code (NDC) |
| 87 | quantity | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | The quantity dispensed |
| 88 | daysSupply | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | The days' supply dispensed |
| | | , | - | |
| 89 | dosageCode | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | No | Identifies the unit of measure for the quantity dispensed |
| | | 3411 1, 2010 1 1000H | 110 | Code indicating how the pharmacy received the |
| 90 | transmissionCode | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | No | prescription |
| | transmissioncode | Jan 1, 2010 - Hesent | INO | prescription |
| | | | | Used when the quantity dispensed is less than the metric |
| 91 | | | | quantity authorized by the prescriber. This dispensing activity is |
| | | | | often referred to as a split filling. |
| | partialFill | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | No | Heatification and the theory and the CMO. This words are |
| | | | | Identifier assigned to the pharmacist by CMS. This number |
| 92 | | | | can be used to identify the pharmacist dispensing the medication. |
| | dispenserNPI | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | Yes | |
| | | | | This data element can be used to identify the pharmacist |
| 93 | | | | dispensing the medication. Assigned to the pharmacist by the |
| | dispenserLicense | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | Yes | State Licensing Board. |
| 94 | | | | Code identifying the type of payment (i.e., how it was paid |
| 04 | paymentMethod | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | for). |
| | | | | |
| 95 | | | | Used to determine the date the prescription left the pharmacy, |
| | dateSold | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | Yes | not the date it was filled, if the dates differ. |
| 00 | | | | Used for electronic prescriptions to capture the prescribed |
| 96 | rxNormCode | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | No | drug product identification. |
| | | | | |
| 97 | | | | This field should be populated with the Initiator Reference Number |
| | eReferenceNumber | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | No | from field UIB-030-01 in the SCRIPT transaction. |
| 98 | drugname | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | The name of the drug that was dispensed to the patient. |
| | | | | The name of the drug with strength and formulary |
| 99 | drugnameWithStrength | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | information. |
| | | 3, | | |
| 100 | schedule | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | The schedule of the drug (2-5 or blank for non-scheduled) |
| 101 | genericDrugname | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | The generic drug name |
| 102 | masterForm | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | The formulary of the drug dispensed to the patient. |
| | | 3012,2022 11000111 | 110 | |
| 103 | strengthPerUnit | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | The strength per unit of drug dispensed to the patient |
| 104 | units | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | The unit of measurement for the drug |
| 104 | - dinico | 300 1, 2011 - 1 1030110 | INO | The active substance for the drug. Only active controlled |
| 105 | drug | Oct 1 2011 Procent | Mo | substance is used here. |
| | drug | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | The morphine milligram equivalent factor as defined by the |
| 400 | | | | CDC. Only used for opioid prescription drugs, excluding |
| 106 | | 0.14.0044.5 | | |
| | MMEFactor | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | buprenorphine. |
| 107 | | | | The total MME calculated using MME Factor * quantity |
| | totalMME | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | dispensed * strengthperUnit |

| | | | | The average daily mme calculated as total MME / days |
|----------|--|------------------------|-------|---|
| 108 | dailyMME | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | supply |
| 109 | drugclass | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | The drug class of the active substance |
| 103 | urugetass | Oct 1, 2011 - 1 163611 | 110 | Indicates whether the drug is an extended release or long- |
| 110 | longshortagting | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | acting formulary drug or not. |
| | longshortacting | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | INU | First reportable ingredient is 1; each additional reportable |
| 111 | and the second s | land 0040 Bureaut | NI- | |
| 110 | compoundDrugCode | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | No No | ingredients are incremented by 1. |
| 112 | compoundDrugCodeType | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | No | Code to identify the type of product ID contained |
| 113 | compoundDrugIngredients | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | No | Full product identification as indicated |
| 114 | compoundDrugQuantity | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | No | Metric decimal quantity of the ingredient identified |
| 115 | compoundDrugDosage | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | No | Identifies the unit of measure for the quantity dispensed |
| 116 | | | | Used to identify the type of ID contained in AIR05 for person |
| | personIDType | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | No | dropping off or picking up the prescription. |
| 117 | | | | ID number of patient or person picking up or dropping off |
| | personID | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | Yes | the prescription. |
| 118 | personRelationship | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | No | Code indicating the relationship of the person. |
| 119 | personLastname | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | Yes | Last name of person picking up the prescription. |
| 120 | personFirstname | Jan 1, 2018 - Present | Yes | First name of person picking up the prescription. |
| 121 | | | | |
| 121 | recordNumber | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | DOH created serial numbers to increment each prescription. |
| 122 | | | | DOH GIS Service corrected address for patient cleanStreet |
| 122 | acCleanAddress | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | variable. |
| 100 | | | | DOH GIS Service corrected address for patient street1 |
| 123 | acAddress1 | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | variable. |
| 104 | | | | DOH GIS Service corrected address for patient street2 |
| 124 | acAddress2 | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | variable. |
| 405 | | | | |
| 125 | acCity | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | DOH GIS Service corrected address patient city variable. |
| 400 | | | | DOH GIS Service corrected address for patient state |
| 126 | acState | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | variable. |
| 407 | | | | DOH GIS Service corrected address for patient zip code |
| 127 | acZip | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | variable. |
| | | | | DOH GIS Service corrected address for patient zipplus4 |
| 128 | acPlus4 | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | variable. |
| | | | | DOH GIS Service corrected address for patient county |
| 129 | acCounty | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | variable. |
| | , | , | | DOH GIS Service corrected address. The 5 digit FIPS State |
| 130 | acCountyFIPS | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | Yes | and county code for acCounty. |
| | | , | | DOH GIS Service corrected address. The 2 digit FIPS State |
| 131 | acStateFIPS | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | code for acCounty. |
| | | , | | The type of address that was found (e.g, high-rise, |
| 132 | acAddressType | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | residential, etc.) in the ac address fields. |
| | | 00.1,2011 1100011 | 110 | |
| 133 | | | | Indicates whether the address was listed in the GIS Service |
| 100 | acFound | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | address lookup database in the ac address fields. |
| | uoi ounu | Oct 1, 2011 - 1 103611 | 110 | Indicates whether the address was listed in the GIS Service |
| 134 | | | | address reference database and how it was found or not in the ac_ |
| 134 | acPosultCodo | Oct 1 2011 Procent | Ma | address fields. |
| <u> </u> | acResultCode | Oct 1, 2011 - Present | No | uuui ooo iiotuo. |

Linked Prescription Monitoring Program and Washington State Death Records

| No. | Variable | Data Availability by Filled Date (Dispensed Date) | Confidential Data Field Requiring Data Sharing Agreement | Variable Description |
|-----|-----------|---|---|---|
| 1 | patientID | October 1, 2011 – December 31, 2023 | Yes | Unique identifier for each patient in the Washington Prescription Monitoring Program. Created by WA DOH. |
| 2 | certno | October 1, 2011 – December 31, 2023 | Yes | Unique identifier for each patient. Created by WA DOH. This data field requires a DSA with the Center for Health Statistics (CHS). For more information about requesting vital records data files, please see: https://doh.wa.gov/data-and-statistical-reports/health-statistics/data-request-faq |

Requesting Linked PMP and Death Records

If you need data that links Washington Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) records with death records, you'll need separate data-sharing agreements with PMP and the Center for Health Statistics. These agreements must also follow all applicable state laws.

For more information about requesting vital records data files, please see our <u>DOH webpage</u> (https://doh.wa.gov/data-and-statistical-reports/health-statistics/data-request-faq).

Completeness of Linked PMP and WA Death Records

| Year of Death | Total WA Resident Deaths | % Linked to PMP |
|------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| 2011 | 49,776 | 11.40% |
| 2012 | 50,163 | 64.9% |
| 2013 | 51,261 | 71.9% |
| 2014 | 52,074 | 76.5% |
| 2015 | 54,652 | 80.8% |
| 2016 | 54,780 | 82.8% |
| 2017 | 56,978 | 85.4% |
| 2018 | 56,944 | 87.5% |
| 2019 | 58,239 | 88.4% |
| 2020 | 63,030 | 87.4% |
| 2021 | 68,732 | 87.8% |
| 2022 | 69,203 | 87.2% |
| 2023 | 65,902 | 88.2% |

Prescription Monitoring Data & Death Records

This table shows how many Washington residents have died and what percentage of those had at least one prescription in the Washington Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP). The data covers deaths from October 1, 2011, to December 31, 2023. These numbers may change as we improve how we link records.

If you need access to data that links PMP records with death records, you must get separate data-sharing agreements with each program. These agreements must follow Washington state laws.

The Washington PMP links death records for residents who died in Washington using a probabilistic matching method (Fellegi-Sunter).

This means the system looks at standardized names and addresses to find the most likely matches. However:

- If a prescription was filled after the person's death, it is not counted as a match.
- Once a record is linked, it won't be reused to match future records.
- The Department of Health may adjust the process over time to improve accuracy.

Data Codebook

NC

ND

ОН

ОК

OR

PΑ

RI SC

SD

ΤN

North Carolina

North Dakota

Oklahoma

Pennsylvania Rhode Island

South Carolina

South Dakota

Tennessee

Oregon

Ohio

| code | Value | code | Value |
|------|---------------|------|---------------------------------------|
| AL | Alabama | TX | Texas |
| AK | Alaska | UT | Utah |
| AZ | Arizona | VT | Vermont |
| AR | Arkansas | VA | Virginia |
| CA | California | WA | Washington |
| CO | Colorado | WV | West Virginia |
| CT | Connecticut | WI | Wisconsin |
| DE | Delaware | WY | Wyoming |
| FL | Florida | AS | American Samoa |
| GA | Georgia | DC | District of Columbia |
| HI | Hawaii | FM | Federated States of Micronesia |
| ID | Idaho | GU | Guam |
| IL | Illinois | MH | Marshall Islands |
| IN | Indiana | MP | Northern Mariana Islands |
| IA | Iowa | PW | Palau |
| KS | Kansas | PR | Puerto Rico |
| KY | Kentucky | VI | Virgin Islands |
| LA | Louisiana | AE | Armed Forces Africa |
| ME | Maine | AA | Armed Forces Americas |
| MD | Maryland | AE | Armed Forces Canada/Europe/Middle Eas |
| MA | Massachusetts | AP | Armed Forces Pacific |
| MI | Michigan | | |
| MN | Minnesota | | |
| MS | Mississippi | | |
| MO | Missouri | | |
| MT | Montana | | |
| NE | Nebraska | | |
| NV | Nevada | | |
| NH | New Hampshire | | |
| NJ | New Jersey | | |
| NM | New Mexico | | |
| NY | New York | | |
| | | 1 | |

Gender codes and value

| Code | Value |
|------|--------|
| 1 | male |
| 2 | female |

Species codes and value

| Code | Value |
|------|-----------|
| 01 | human |
| 02 | non-human |

Location codes and value

| Code | Value |
|------|-------------------------|
| 01 | Home |
| 02 | Intermediary Care |
| 03 | Nursing Home |
| 04 | Long-Term/Extended-Care |
| 05 | Rest Home |
| 06 | Boarding Home |
| 07 | Skilled-Care Facility |
| 08 | Sub-Acute Care Facility |
| 09 | Acute Care Facility |
| 10 | Outpatient |
| 11 | Hospice |
| 98 | Unknown |
| 99 | Other |

Refill number codes and value

| Code | Value |
|-------|------------------|
| 0 | New prescription |
| 01–99 | Refill number |

Dosage codes and value

| Code | Value |
|------|-------------|
| 01 | Each |
| 02 | Milliliters |
| 03 | Grams |

Payment method codes and value

| Code | Value | Code | Value |
|------|----------------------|------|-------------------------------|
| 01 | Private pay | 05 | Military installations and VA |
| 02 | Medicaid | 06 | Worker's compensation |
| 03 | Medicare | 07 | Indian nations |
| 04 | Commercial insurance | 99 | Other |

Schedule codes and value

| Code | Value |
|------|--------------|
| 2 | Schedule II |
| 3 | Schedule III |
| 4 | Schedule IV |
| 5 | Schedule V |

Transmission codes and value

| Code | Value |
|------|----------------------------------|
| 01 | Written Prescription |
| 02 | Telephone Prescription |
| 03 | Telephone Emergency Prescription |
| 04 | Fax Prescription |
| 05 | Electronic Prescription |
| 06 | Transfer/Forwarded Prescription |
| 99 | Other |

Partial fill codes and value

| Code | Value |
|-------|-------------------------|
| 00 | Not a partial fill |
| 01 | First partial fill |
| 02–99 | Subsequent partial fill |

Compound drug code codes and value

| Code | Value |
|---------|-----------------------|
| 0/Blank | Not a compound drug |
| 01 | First ingredient |
| 02-99 | Subsequent ingredient |

Compound drug code type codes and value

| Code | Value |
|------|--|
| 00 | Not a compound drug |
| 01 | NDC (National Drug Code) |
| 02 | UPC (Universal Product Code) |
| 03 | HRI (Health Related Item) |
| 04 | UPN (Universal Product Number) |
| 05 | DIN (Drug Identification Number) |
| 06 | Compound (this code is not used in this segment) |

Person ID type codes and value

| Code | Value |
|------|--------------------------------------|
| 01 | Military ID |
| 02 | State Issued ID |
| 03 | Unique System ID |
| 04 | Permanent Resident Card (Green Card) |
| 05 | Passport ID |
| 06 | Driver's License ID |
| 07 | Social Security Number |
| 08 | Tribal ID |
| 99 | Other (agreed upon ID) |

Person relationship codes and value

| Code | Value |
|------|-----------------------|
| 01 | Patient |
| 02 | Parent/Legal Guardian |
| 03 | Spouse |
| 04 | Caregiver |
| 99 | Other |

Animal codes and value

| Code | Value |
|------|---------------|
| n | not an animal |
| у | an animal |

Clinic use codes and value

| Code | Value |
|------|--|
| n | Prescription for a named person or animal |
| У | Prescription for use by a clinic, other non-human entity, or anonymous donor |

Dispenser/prescriber vet codes and value

| Code | Value |
|------|--------------------|
| n | not a veterinarian |
| У | a veterinarian |

Dispenser/prescriber valid DEA codes and value

| Code | Value |
|------|--|
| n | Dispenser's/prescriber's DEA identifier failed a validity check as reported by dispensing pharmacy |
| Υ | Dispenser's/prescriber's DEA identifier passed a validity check as reported by dispensing pharmacy |

Active drug substance to drug class crosswalk (human drugs only)

Oxymorphone

| Anabolic Steroids | Benzodiazepine | Central Nervous System Stimulant |
|---------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|
| Androstenedione | Alprazolam | Amphetamine |
| Fluoxymesterone | Chlordiazepoxide | Armodafinil |
| Methyltestosterone | Clobazam | Benzphetamine |
| Mixed Hormone Combination | Clonazepam | Cocaine |
| Nandrolone | Clorazepate | Dexmethylphenidate |
| Oxandrolone | Diazepam | Dextroamphetamine |
| Oxymetholone | Estazolam | Diethylpropion |
| Stanozolol | Flurazepam | Lisdexamfetamine |
| Testosterone | Lorazepam | Lorcaserin |
| | Meprobamate | Methamphetamine |
| | Midazolam | Methylphenidate |
| | Oxazepam | Modafinil |
| | Quazepam | Phendimetrazine |
| | Temazepam | Phentermine |
| | Triazolam | Serdexmethlyphenidate |

| Opioid | | Sedative | Other Controlled Substances | Not Classed |
|----------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Alfentanil | Pentazocine | Butabarbital | Dronabinol | Amobarbital |
| Buprenorphine | Sufentanil | Butalbital | Ezogabine | Brivaracetam |
| Butorphanol | Tapentadol | Carisoprodol | Ketamine | Difenoxin |
| Codeine | Tramadol | Chloral Hydrate | Lacosamide | Fospropofol |
| Dihydrocodeine | | Dichloralphenazone | Nabilone | Methohexital |
| Diphenoxylate | | Eszopiclone | Perampanel | Remifentanil |
| Fentanyl | 7 | Pentobarbital | Pregabalin | Suvorexant |
| Hydrocodone | | Phenobarbital | | • |
| Hydromorphone | | Secobarbital | | |
| Levorphanol | | Sodium Oxybate | | |
| Meperidine | | Zaleplon | | |
| Methadone | | Zolpidem | | |
| Morphine | | | | |
| Opium | | | | |
| Oxycodone | | | | |

Morphine Milligram Equivalent Calculation

The WA PMP calculates the morphine milligram equivalent (MME) for public health surveillance and evaluation by multiplying the dispensed quantity of an opioid by its morphine conversion factor (a value assigned to an opioid to represent its morphine-equivalent potency) and strength per unit. For example, the total MME for 180 tablets of 5 mg hydrocodone based on a 1:1 morphine conversion factor would be 5 mg x 180 x 1 = 900 MME. The daily MME is calculated by dividing the total MME by the days' supply dispensed. For more information about MME calculation, please visit the Washington Agency Medical Director's Group Opioid Dose Calculator (https://amdg.wa.gov/opioiddosing).

| Drug | Master Form | Units of Measure | MME Factor |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------|
| Buprenorphine | Film | mcg | 0.03 |
| Buprenorphine | Film/Tablet | mg | 30 |
| Buprenorphine | Patch, Extended Release | mcg/hr | 12.6 |
| Butorphanol | All formularies | All units | 7 |
| Codeine | All formularies | All units | 0.15 |
| Dihydrocodeine | All formularies | All units | 0.25 |
| Fentanyl | Aerosol/Spray | mcg/spray | 0.16 |
| Fentanyl | Film/Injection | mcg, mcg/ml | 0.18 |
| Fentanyl | Lozenge/Troche | mcg | 0.13 |
| Fentanyl | Patch | mcg, mcg/hr | 7.2 |
| Fentanyl | Spray | mcg | 0.16 |
| Hydrocodone | All formularies | All units | 1 |
| Hydromorphone | All formularies | All units | 5 |
| Levomethadyl | All formularies | All units | 8 |
| Levorphanol | All formularies | All units | 11 |
| Meperidine | All formularies | All units | 0.1 |
| Methadone | All formularies and <= 20 mg per day | All units | 4 |
| Methadone | All formularies and <= 40 mg per day | All units | 8 |
| Methadone | All formularies and <= 60 mg per day | All units | 10 |
| Methadone | All formularies and > 60 mg per day | All units | 12 |
| Methadone | All formularies | All units | 3 |
| Morphine | All formularies | All units | 1 |
| Opium | All formularies | All units | 1 |
| Oxycodone | All formularies | All units | 1.5 |
| Oxymorphone | All formularies | All units | 3 |
| Pentazocine | All formularies | All units | 0.37 |
| Propoxyphene | All formularies | All units | 0.23 |
| Tapentadol | All formularies | All units | 0.4 |
| Tramadol | All formularies | All units | 0.2 |