

DEVELOPING DATA

ast month, in our March 2016 issue, we reported data for 2014 on the top 20 medications prescribed in U.S. urgent care centers. This month, we bring you percentages for the next 20 most-prescribed medications (items 21-40).

The data were obtained as part of the 2014 Urgent Care Chart Survey of 150 million annual visits by patients to more than 800 different urgent care clinics. The survey was conducted by the Journal of Urgent Care Medicine.

The survey's methodology and data abstraction forms were initially designed in 2008 by researcher Robin M. Weinick, PhD, then an assistant professor at Harvard Medical School and a senior scientist at the Institute for Health Policy at Massachusetts General Hospital, and now associate director of RAND Health.

MEDICATIONS 21 THROUGH 40 BY PERCENTAGE OF PRESCRIPTIONS WRITTEN (BRANDS AND GENERICS TOGETHER)

	Drug Name	Generic Name	Percent of Visits at Which Medication Was Prescribed	Total Projected Prescriptions
21	Tamiflu	Oseltamivir	1.68%	2,521,568
22	Albuterol	Albuterol	1.66%	2,495,416
23	AZO	Phenazopyridine	1.55%	2,329,646
24	Diflucan	Fluconazole	1.48%	2,217,023
25	Phenergan DM	Promethazine DM	1.17%	1,758,686
26	Bactroban	Mupirocin	1.15%	1,725,364
27	Phenergan-Codeine	Promethazine-codeine	1.08%	1,624,720
28	Cleocin HCl	Clindamycin HCl	1.07%	1,604,980
29	Vibramycin	Doxycycline hyclate	0.94%	1,404,536
30	Zyrtec	Cetirizine	0.93%	1,389,520
31	Tussionex	Chlorpheniramine-hydrocodone	0.90%	1,349,364
32	Macrobid	Nitrofurantoin monohydrate/macrocrystals	0.87%	1,299,928
33	Bromfed DM	Brompheniramine-pseudoephedrine DM	0.85%	1,268,799
34	Hycodan	Hydrocodone-homatropine	0.82%	1,230,245
35	Claritin	Loratadine	0.79%	1,182,834
36	Percocet	Oxycodone-acetaminophen	0.76%	1,143,859
37	Ceftin	Cefuroxime axetil	0.76%	1,137,110
38	Azmacort	Triamcinolone acetonide	0.73%	1,101,931
39	Prelone	Prednisolone	0.70%	1,047,349
40	Nasonex	Mometasone	0.65%	971,002