## How New Jersey Residents Are Impacted By High Rx Costs



722,310

New Jersey Residents
have been diagnosed with cancer.<sup>1</sup>



918,223

New Jersey Residents
have pre-diabetes or diabetes.1



255,682 New Jersey Residents have heart disease.<sup>1</sup>

Between 2012 and 2017, the price of these name brand drugs increased:

## Revlimid

treats forms of cancer

from \$147,413/yr

to \$247,496/yr<sup>2</sup>



treats diabetes

from \$2,907/yr

to \$4,702/yr2

## **Aggrenox**

treats heart disease

from \$3,030/yr

to \$5,930/yr<sup>2</sup>









In 2017, 24% of New Jersey Residents stopped taking medication as prescribed due to cost.<sup>3</sup>

## Sources:

1 Total does not include skin cancer. Source: AARP Public Policy Institute analysis using 2017 data from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System.

<sup>2</sup> Stephen W. Schondelmeyer and Leigh Purvis. Rx Price Watch Reports. Washington, DC: AARP Public Policy Institute, June 2019, https://doi.org/10.26419/ppi.00073.000.

<sup>3</sup> Among 19-64 year old population. State Health Access Data Assistance Center (SHADAC) analysis of National Health Interview Survey data, State Health Compare, SHADAC, University of Minnesota, statehealthcompare.shadac.org, Accessed September 5, 2019

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