# How Americans Are Impacted By High Rx Costs



29,406,647 Americans

have been diagnosed with cancer.1



32,540,613

Americans
have pre-diabetes or diabetes.



10,270,683

Americans
have heart disease.

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>

### Lantus

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>



SHADAC, University of Minnesota, statehealthcompare.shadac.org, Accessed July 27, 2019.





In 2016, 28% of Americans stopped taking medication as prescribed due to cost.<sup>3</sup>

#### Sources:

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

3 Among 18-64 year old population. State Health Access Data Assistance Center (SHADAC) analysis of National Health Interview Survey data, State Health Compare,



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Total does not include skin cancer. Source: AARP Public Policy Institute analysis using 2017 data from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System.