How Massachusetts Residents Are Impacted By High Rx Costs

660,525 Massachusetts Residents have been diagnosed with cancer.¹
581,681 Massachusetts Residents have pre-diabetes or diabetes.¹
196,320 Massachusetts Residents have heart disease.¹

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

- **Revlimid** treats forms of cancer
  - from $147,413/yr
  - to $247,496/yr²

- **Lantus** treats diabetes
  - from $2,907/yr
  - to $4,702/yr²

- **Aggrenox** treats heart disease
  - from $3,030/yr
  - to $5,930/yr²

In 2017, 13% of Massachusetts Residents stopped taking medication as prescribed due to cost.³

Sources:
¹ Total does not include skin cancer. Source: AARP Public Policy Institute analysis using 2017 data from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System.
³ 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.