

Citizens who have one or more chronic health conditions (among list of 12 conditions) and take prescription medications on a regular basis who reported that they strongly agree that they know what their prescribed medications do

Unit : %

	Year 2024	Year 2023	Year 2020	Year 2017
Province				
New Brunswick	48.2	47.8	49.6	46.4
Health zones				
Zone 1 - Moncton and South-East Area	49.3	53.1	50.2	49.6
Zone 2 - Fundy Shore and Saint John Area	43.3	43.9	56.0	52.8
Zone 3 - Fredericton and River Valley Area	45.4	41.7	54.8	50.7
Zone 4 - Madawaska and North-West Area	51.9	55.3	38.5	32.3
Zone 5 - Restigouche Area	59.3	53.9	39.4	36.9
Zone 6 - Bathurst and Acadian Peninsula Area	56.4	49.3	38.2	31.5
Zone 7 - Miramichi Area	47.4	47.9	42.1	39.3
Age				
18-64	44.7	45.4	55.5	53.5
65 and over	53.7	51.4	40.3	34.4
Gender				
Female	46.5	46.2	n/a	n/a
Male	50.3	49.3	n/a	n/a
2SLGBTQIA+ status				
2SLGBTQIA+	39.4	37.0	60.2	n/a
Language				
Most comfortable in English	45.2	45.6	n/a	n/a

	Year 2024	Year 2023	Year 2020	Year 2017
Most comfortable in French	58.0	54.0	n/a	n/a
Comfortable in both English and French	48.2	50.6	n/a	n/a
Indigenous identity				
Indigenous	40.0	40.3	44.5	40.6
Immigrant				
Immigrants	53.9	42.6	55.1	41.6
Education level				
High school or less	54.2	55.3	39.3	34.1
Postsecondary	45.8	44.1	57.1	56.7
Disability or special need				
Disability or special need	41.2	44.9	n/a	n/a
Household income				
Less than \$30,000	54.0	52.3	n/a	n/a
\$30,000 to less than \$60,000	52.5	48.1	n/a	n/a
\$60,000 or more	44.3	43.9	n/a	n/a
Racialized groups				
Racialized groups	52.8	49.0	n/a	n/a

About

This indicator is the percentage of citizens who have one or more chronic health conditions (among list of 12 conditions) and take prescription medications on a regular basis who reported that they strongly agree that they know what their prescribed medications do.

Source

Primary Health Survey and Primary Care Survey

Calculations

This indicator is based on respondents who have one (1) or more of the following chronic health conditions: arthritis, asthma, chronic pain, Emphysema or COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease), cancer, diabetes, depression, A mood disorder other than depression, such as bipolar disorder, mania, manic depression, or dysthymia, heart disease, stroke, high blood pressure or hypertension or gastric reflux (GERD) and who take 6 or more prescribed medications on a regular basis. This indicator is calculated by dividing the number of respondents who answered "strongly agree" by the number of respondents who answered "strongly disagree, disagree, agree or strongly agree" to the question: After I read the following statement, please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree: I know what each of my prescribed medications do.

Notes

The 2020 edition of the Primary Health Survey (PHS) was conducted during the COVID-19 pandemic. While the pandemic did not influence the survey's response rate, NBHC had to assess the impact of surveying during the pandemic. Accordingly, advanced statistical analyses were performed to allow for comparison between the results obtained in 2020 and those obtained in previous PHS cycles. Despite these analyses, users are advised to use the PHS 2020 data with caution, especially when creating estimates for small sub-populations or when comparing it to other PHS editions.

Unit	Interpretation	NBHC code
%	Higher is better	PH_MED02_1

Caption

n/a = Not applicable / not available

S = Data suppressed due to confidentiality requirements and/or small sample size