

Wholesale Acquisition Cost - Definition (for HB19-1131)

- In the United States, the Wholesale Acquisition Cost (WAC) is THE Industry standard describing the price paid by a wholesaler, distributor and other direct accounts for drugs purchased. This is typically the price of a prescription drug before any rebates, discounts, allowances or other price concessions are offered by the supplier of the product. (<https://definitions.uslegal.com/w/wholesale-acquisition-cost-wac/>)
- WAC is the only price type defined in HB-1131.

WAC datafiles - Payment Required. Most Pharma manufacturers have licensed access to a data file that contains the WAC.

Pharmacy Services

First Databank

- First Databank is a provider of pharmaceutical data, context-relevant products and services. (<https://www.fdbhealth.com/policies/drug-pricing-policy/>)
- It publishes several drug pricing data fields, among them the Wholesale Acquisition Cost (WAC) in addition to clinical drug information.
- List price for a drug product to wholesalers as reported First Databank by the manufacturer. First Databank relies on manufacturers to report or otherwise make available the values for the WAC data field.

Medispan

- Medi-Span Price Rx is an online drug price reference and analytical tool. It provides quick access to widely used Medi-Span drug pricing content and analysis tools for providers. (<https://www.wolterskluwer CDI.com/price-rx/>)

Public Access Pricing Services- Free Services

Drug Price Comparison Websites allow consumers to easily compare prescription drug prices. Examples include:

- GoodRX (goodrx.com)
- Familywize (familywize.org)
- CommunityCaresRX (communitycaresrx.com)
- RXPriceQuotes (rxpricesquotes.com)

Subscription Based Pharmacy Services - Payment required

- eScripts: offers prescription price comparisons and will provide eligibility and coverage data at the patient's pharmacy or deliver from the eScripts pharmacy.
- Allscripts is a subscription service for Providers. This is an electronic prescribing system that directly sends prescriptions to pharmacies without a script pad. Some Cost information is provided.