

DRUG PROFITS

Glaxo chief: Our drugs do not work on most patients

How much profit drug companies really make from the actual price of active ingredients used in some of the most popular drugs sold in America.

The chart below speaks for itself.

BRAND NAME	CONSUMER PRICE 100	COST OF GENERAL ACTIVE INGREDIENTS per tab/cap	PERCENT MARKUP
Celebrex 100 mg	\$130.27	\$0.60	21,712%
Claritin 10 mg	\$215.17	\$0.71	30,306%
Keflex 250 mg	\$157.39	\$1.88	8,372%
Lipitor 20 mg	\$272.37	\$5.80	4,696%
Norvasc 10 mg	\$188.29	\$0.14	134,493%
Paxil 20 mg	\$220.27	\$7.60	2,898%
Prevacid 30 mg	\$44.77	\$1.01	34,136%
Prilosec 20 mg	\$360.97	\$0.52	69,417%
Prozac 20 mg	\$247.47	\$0.11	224,973%
Tenormin 50 mg	\$104.47	\$0.13	80,362%
Vasotec 10 mg	\$102.37	\$0.20	51,185%
Xanax 1mg	\$136.79	\$0.024	569,958%
Zestril 20 mg	\$89.89	\$3.20	2,809%
Zithromax 600mg	\$1,482.19	\$18.78	7,892%
Zocor 40mg	\$350.27	\$8.63	4,059%
Zoloft 50mg	\$206.87	\$1.75	11,821%

Some of these generic drugs were marked up as much as 3,000% or more.