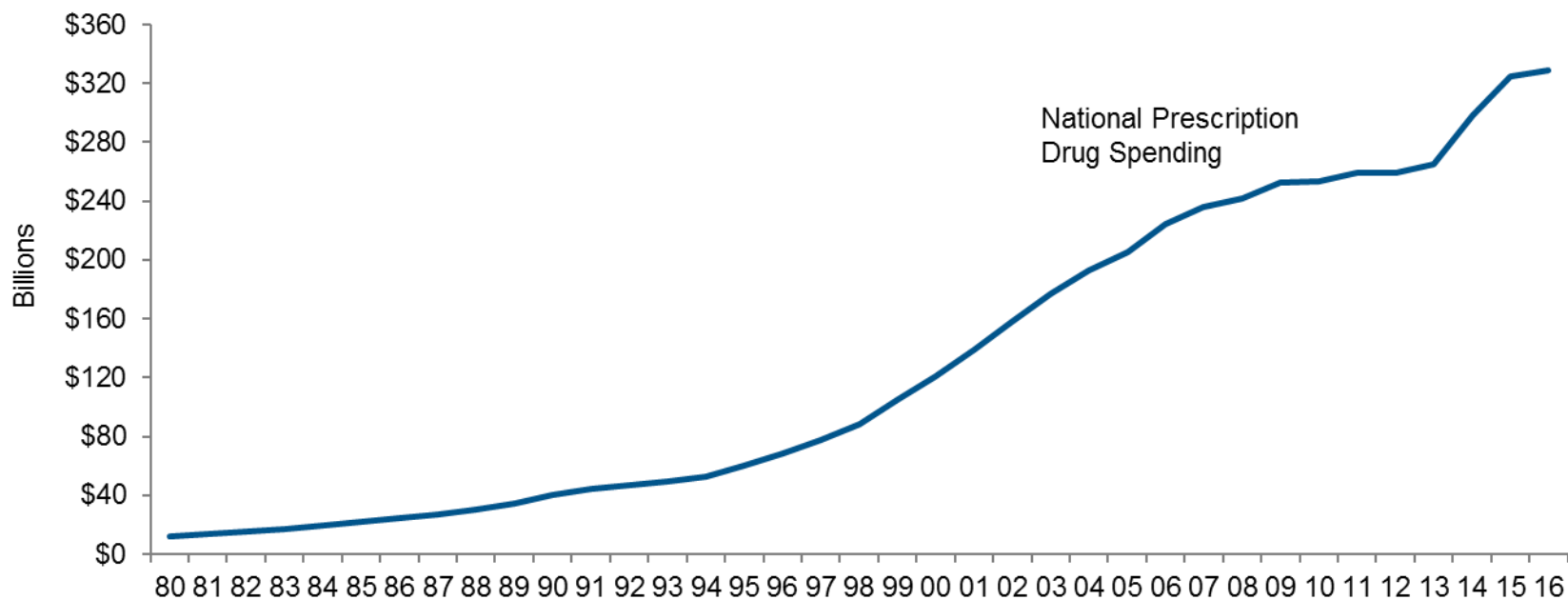


Chart 1.9: Total Prescription Drug Spending, 1980 – 2016⁽¹⁾



Source: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Office of the Actuary. Data released December 6, 2017.

⁽¹⁾ CMS completed a benchmark revision in 2009, introducing changes in methods, definitions and source data that are applied to the entire time series (back to 1960). For more information on this revision, see <http://www.cms.gov/nationalhealthexpenddata/downloads/benchmark2009.pdf>.