



## Drug shortages harm patients

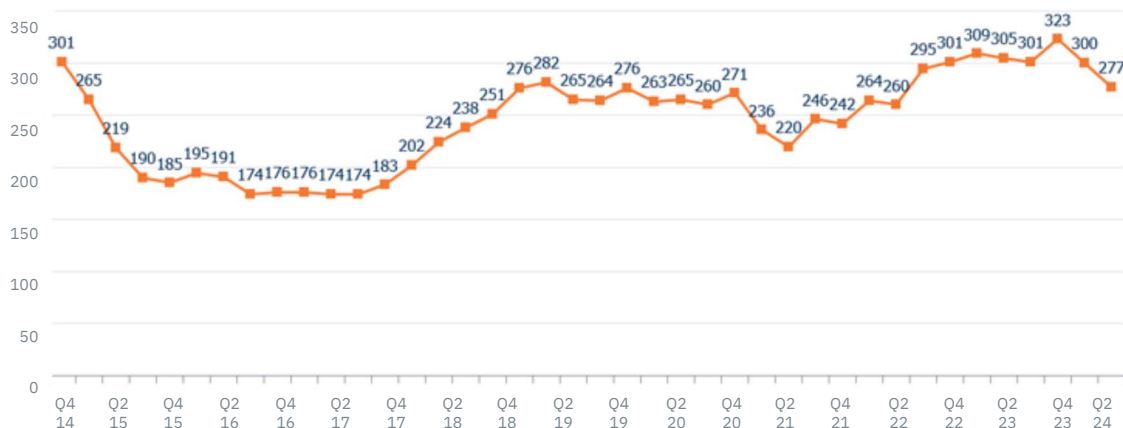
Injectable drugs are routinely given to hospital patients—blood thinners, antibiotics, anesthetics—but hundreds of these drugs are often on the national shortage list.

For over 15 years, the traditional pharmaceutical model has struggled to reliably supply essential medicines—the “bread and butter” of care—leaving hospitals on alert and patients at risk.

### NATIONAL DRUG SHORTAGES

Active Shortages  
by Quarter,  
10-year trend

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### What is the impact of drug shortages?

In 2024, U.S. drug shortages hit a record high, affecting hundreds of essential sterile injectables, including cancer drugs. Surgeries were delayed, and hospitals resorted to second-choice treatments, while shortages drained healthcare resources with time-intensive product sourcing.

### Why are so many drugs persistently unavailable?

Manufacturing issues often trigger shortages, but the root cause is low prices. Rock-bottom costs prevent manufacturers from upgrading facilities, pushing production offshore to low-wage countries with lower quality standards and fewer FDA inspections.



“ Make no mistake: drug shortages are not a passing storm that will soon blow over. After a dozen years, shortages must now be understood as a built-in and permanent outcome of our current system.”

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Testimony before the U.S. Senate Committee on Finance

Civica is the only pharmaceutical company created for the express purpose of preventing and mitigating drug shortages.

Civica is solving drug shortages through dedicated manufacturing at our 140K square foot state-of-the-art essential medicines manufacturing facility in Virginia.\*

\* Site is pending FDA approval.

Civica is ensuring quality generic medications are available and affordable to all.

**Because eliminating shortages and high prices is in the best interest of patients.**

- Hospital pharmacists and physicians help prioritize what medications we provide.
- By signing long-term purchase and supply contracts that add stability to the market, we help stabilize the market.
- Civica targets 6 months of extra inventory, enabling us to buffer any supply shortage in the market.

Eradicating drug shortages is Civica's end goal.

### Noteworthy: Six of the Top Ten Largest Health Systems in the U.S. are Civica Partners

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