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Supplemental Statement

According to pharmacy count data from the National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP) – the gold standard for this type of data – over the last ten years, the number of independent retail pharmacies nationwide increased by 1,638 stores or 7.5%. While we see fluctuations in the number of independent pharmacies in some areas, overall the marketplace is stable. Between 2022 and 2023, both the NCPDP data and IQVIA data put out by NCPA shows that the number of independent pharmacies increased by 0.4%.