

## **Generics in South Africa**

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### **Report description:**

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Summary

Generics in South Africa industry profile provides top-line qualitative and quantitative summary information including: market share, market size (value and volume 2019-24, and forecast to 2029). The profile also contains descriptions of the leading players including key financial metrics and analysis of competitive pressures within the market.

Key Highlights

- A generic drug is defined as a copy of an ethical (prescription) drug formerly protected by patents that have now expired. Both unbranded generics and branded generics are included in our market scope. However, off-patent drugs that continue to be offered by the original manufacturer under the original name, and which form part of the 'generic-eligible' market, are not included. Market value is evaluated at ex-factory prices. Market volume refers to the proportion of the total ethical pharmaceutical market in a country or region that is made up of generic drugs. Thus, it is a measure of the market share held by generics, rather than a direct measure of the total market volume. Regional volumes are calculated as averages of countries that comprise the region where volume data exists.
- The South African generics market recorded revenues of \$2.0 billion in 2024, representing a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 2.5% between 2019 and 2024.
- Market consumption volume increased with a CAGR of 2.6% between 2019 and 2024, reaching a total of 69.0% of total pharma volume in 2024.
- In 2024, the revenue of the South African generics market experienced an annual growth of 2.3%. The market's growth is driven by the rising prevalence of chronic diseases such as diabetes, hypertension, and cardiovascular conditions, increasing the demand for affordable, long-term medications.

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## Scope

- Save time carrying out entry-level research by identifying the size, growth, major segments, and leading players in the generics market in South Africa
- Use the Five Forces analysis to determine the competitive intensity and therefore attractiveness of the generics market in South Africa
- Leading company profiles reveal details of key generics market players' global operations and financial performance
- Add weight to presentations and pitches by understanding the future growth prospects of the South Africa generics market with five year forecasts by both value and volume

## Reasons to Buy

- What was the size of the South Africa generics market by value in 2024?
- What will be the size of the South Africa generics market in 2029?
- What factors are affecting the strength of competition in the South Africa generics market?
- How has the market performed over the last five years?
- Who are the top competitors in South Africa's generics market?

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