

CONSUMER FACTSHEET

Common dental services funded by private health insurance

TYPICAL PRICES OF DENTAL CARE – DO YOU PAY TOO MUCH?

Dental Category	Item Number	Dental service description	Number of Services funded by private health insurance in 2021-22	Total Dental Charges (\$)	Proportion of charges covered by private health insurance (%)	Average Treatment Cost (\$)	Average Health Fund Benefit (\$)	Average Patient Out-of-Pocket (\$)
General Dental	114	Scale & cleans	6.702M	\$766.4M	69%	\$114	\$78	\$36
	022	X-ray (per exposure)	6.496M	\$272.3M	69%	\$42	\$29	\$13
	012	Regular check-up	5.746M	\$330.9M	71%	\$58	\$41	\$17
	121	Fluoride treatment	5.59M	\$186.9M	76%	\$33	\$25	\$8
	011	Comprehensive oral exam	1.589M	\$99.4M	72%	\$63	\$45	\$18
	013	Limited oral exam	1.562M	\$81.9M	62%	\$52	\$32	\$20
	532	Filling: 2 posterior surfaces	1.182M	\$242.4M	51%	\$205	\$104	\$101
	531	Filling: 1 posterior surface	1.175M	\$194M	51%	\$165	\$85	\$80
	533	Filling: 3 posterior surfaces	561,817	\$133M	52%	\$237	\$123	\$113
	311	Extraction	554,420	\$108.3M	46%	\$195	\$90	\$105
	161	Fissure sealing (per tooth)	509,623	\$29.9M	60%	\$59	\$35	\$24
	521	Filling: 1 anterior surface	415,934	\$65.1M	49%	\$157	\$77	\$80
	111	Clean (removal of plaque)	333,182	\$21.3M	65%	\$64	\$42	\$22
	522	Filling: 2 anterior surfaces	325,437	\$60.9M	49%	\$187	\$92	\$95
	014	Consultation	307,253	\$22.1M	54%	\$72	\$39	\$33
	577	Cusp capping (per cusp)	305,331	\$11.2M	53%	\$37	\$19	\$17
	071	Diagnostic model	298,151	\$20M	55%	\$67	\$37	\$30
	534	Filling: 4 posterior surfaces	268,431	\$70.4M	52%	\$262	\$136	\$127
	523	Filling: 3 anterior surfaces	238,842	\$51.2M	51%	\$214	\$108	\$106
575	Pin retention (per pin)	61,774	\$2.3M	49%	\$37	\$18	\$19	
Major Dental	615	Crowns	47,479	\$76.3M	42%	\$1,607	\$671	\$936