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### Pricing

- **Price policies for pharmaceuticals**  
Statutory pricing for reimbursable pharmaceuticals at PPP level; internal and external price referencing for reimbursable pharmaceuticals
- **Wholesale mark-ups**  
Not applicable
- **Pharmacy mark-ups**  
Regressive scheme for all pharmaceuticals
- **VAT**  
8% for pharmaceuticals, standard rate 22%
- **Reforms**  
2006: 5% price cut at reasonable wholesale price level (refers to maximum PPP)

### Reimbursement

- **Positive list**  
~55% of all launched pharmaceuticals
- **Negative list**  
Not yet available
- **Reference Price System**  
No
- **Co-payment**  
Basic refund: 58%  
Lower special refund: 28%  
Higher special refund: €3 per medicine per purchase  
Additional refund: €1.50 per medicine per purchase after annual ceiling
- **Mechanisms for vulnerable groups**  
No
- **Reforms**  
2004: HILA became responsible for decisions on special reimbursement  
2006: Fixed co-payments in reimbursement categories were abolished; HILA became responsible for decisions on basic reimbursement, negative list possible