



Listings Report

General Practitioners (GPs) – Greater
Perth

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Who we are

Cleanbill is a healthcare directory with one simple aim: increasing healthcare accessibility.

We believe that healthcare is at its most accessible when you can see all of your options and their costs before making a booking.

So, Cleanbill shows you just that.

What we do

We collect basic background, pricing, location and contact information for every single healthcare practice of a given speciality in a given area.

Then we put it all on cleanbill.com.au.

Users in that area can then search Cleanbill to find every single healthcare practitioner around them and filter those results by the price of their basic services. In one simple, free search, users can see every healthcare practitioner around them and find one that meets all of their affordability and accessibility criteria.

What this report is

Cleanbill recently listed every single General Practitioner (GP) clinic in Greater Perth.

All 463 of them.

This report outlines the aggregate bulk billing and out-of-pocket cost data we gathered from listing these clinics.

Summary Statistics

Bulk Billing Rate

GP Clinics	463
No Quote Provided ¹	24
Quoted GP Clinics	439
Buk Billing ²	128
Bulk Billing Rate ³	29.2%

Out-of-Pocket Costs

Average Out-of-pocket Cost (Standard Consultation)	\$39.50
Average Out-of-pocket Cost (Long Consultation)	\$48.71
Least Expensive Area ⁴	Rivervale
Most Expensive Area ⁵	Shenton Park

¹ Practices that either refused to provide a quote when contacted, could not be reached during their listed business hours or are not taking new patients.

² Clinics that do not charge an out-of-pocket fee to an adult who presents to the clinic with a Medicare card during regular business hours.

³ Buk billing rate = No. of bulk billing clinics/No. of quoted GP clinics

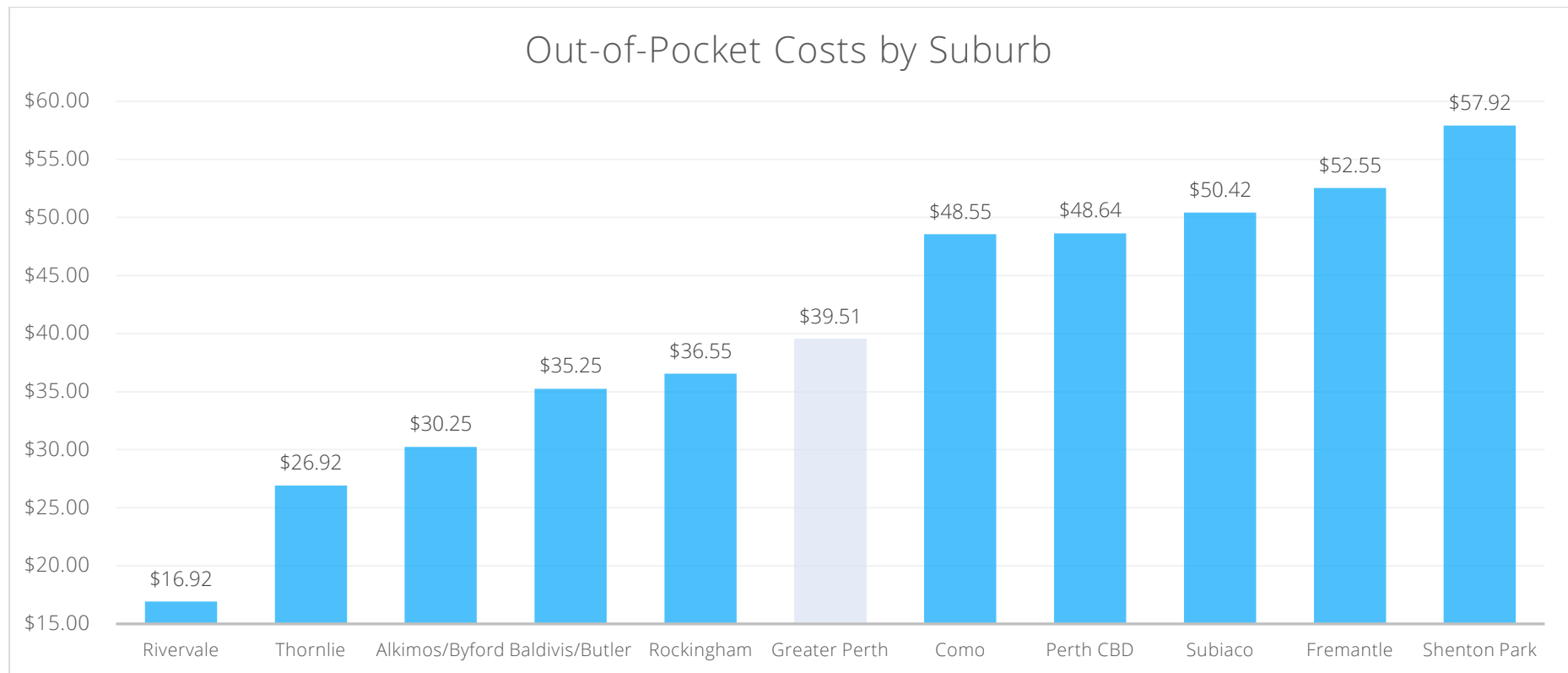
⁴ Suburb/locality containing three or more GP clinics with the lowest average out-of-pocket costs of the area surveyed.

⁵ Suburb/locality containing three or more GP clinics with the highest average out-of-pocket costs of the area surveyed.

Breakdown of Statistics

Out-of-Pocket Costs

Below are the five suburbs with the highest average out-of-pocket costs and lowest average out-of-pocket costs for a standard consultation, split by the average out-of-pocket cost for a standard consultation in Greater Perth.



Historic Comparison

Cleanbill also has access to historic data from 2018 for GP clinics in select suburbs⁶ around Greater Perth. These suburbs were selected to provide an accurate picture of the broader socio-economic mix of the Greater Perth area. The below table compares the results from a July 2018 survey with the results from the same suburbs in Cleanbill's current listing cycle.

	July 2018	November 2022
GP Clinics	84	84
No quote provided	5	3
Quoted GP Clinics	79	81
Buk Billing	31	31
Bulk Billing Rate	39.2%	38.2%
Bulk Billing Rate Change		↓1%
Average Out-of-pocket Cost	\$39.68	\$42.64
Out-of-pocket Cost Change		↑\$2.96 (7.5%)

⁶ Suburbs included: Alexander Heights, Applecross, Armadale, Balga, Ballajura, Canning Vale, Claremont, Crawley, East Perth, Forrestfield, Fremantle, Gosnells, Hamilton Hill, Leeming, Mirrabooka, Nedlands, Northbridge, Perth, Spearwood, Subiaco, Thornlie, West Perth

Conclusion

Cleanbill's recent listing of every GP clinic in Greater Perth represents a comprehensive survey of the [current state of primary care accessibility](#) in Australia's 4th largest city.

[Fewer than 1 in 3](#) Perth GP clinics offer bulk billing for all adults. At the 70.8% of GP clinics that do not offer bulk billing for adults, a person can expect to pay an average of [\\$79.25](#) for a standard, 15-minute consultation. Just over half of this amount (\$39.75) is covered by Medicare.

Across a narrower sample, these figures [have not changed significantly since 2018](#). The change in bulk billing rates is [within the margin of error](#)⁷ and the change in out-of-pocket costs has tracked [below inflation](#) over the same period of time.

⁷ The margin of error accounts for all the possible bulk billing rates if quotes could have been obtained from the same number of clinics across the two time periods.