

Table 11(b): PBS Items Sorted by Highest Script Volume, 2015-16.
Section 85 only; incl. Drs Bag.

Rank	Item Code	Drug	Form	Script Volume	Government Cost	Total Cost*	Ave. Price**
1	08814X	Paracetamol	Tablet 665 mg (modified release)	3,936,184	\$56,577,221	\$69,362,732	\$17.62
2	08008L	Pantoprazole	Tablet (enteric coated) 40 mg (as sodium sesquihydrate)	3,541,230	\$36,358,555	\$52,872,012	\$14.93
3	08600P	Esomeprazole	Tablet (enteric coated) 20 mg (as magnesium trihydrate)	3,456,516	\$72,881,811	\$89,653,341	\$25.94
4	08601Q	Esomeprazole	Tablet (enteric coated) 40 mg (as magnesium trihydrate)	2,856,500	\$81,947,602	\$105,908,501	\$37.08
5	08215J	Atorvastatin	Tablet 40 mg (as calcium)	2,672,255	\$32,619,365	\$45,469,992	\$17.02
6	01081X	Atenolol	Tablet 50 mg	2,579,885	\$18,190,610	\$30,505,586	\$11.82
7	08288F	Salbutamol	Pressurised inhalation 100 micrograms (as sulfate) per dose, 200 doses (CFC-free formulation)	2,495,147	\$30,840,993	\$41,446,695	\$16.61
8	09043Y	Rosuvastatin	Tablet 10 mg (as calcium)	2,409,085	\$46,400,176	\$58,634,082	\$24.34
9	03119E	Cephalexin	Capsule 500 mg (anhydrous)	2,317,439	\$16,166,248	\$27,773,890	\$11.98
10	08214H	Atorvastatin	Tablet 20 mg (as calcium)	2,274,496	\$22,941,081	\$34,208,286	\$15.04
11	08254K	Amoxicillin + Clavulanic Acid	Tablet containing 875 mg amoxicillin (as trihydrate) with 125 mg clavulanic acid	1,760,232	\$14,401,037	\$23,153,389	\$13.15
12	08508T	Rabeprazole	Tablet containing rabeprazole sodium 20 mg (enteric coated)	1,701,130	\$22,302,219	\$30,463,173	\$17.91
13	08626B	Tiotropium	Capsule containing powder for oral inhalation 18 micrograms (as bromide monohydrate)	1,691,748	\$89,774,872	\$102,983,542	\$60.87
14	03162K	Diazepam	Tablet 5 mg	1,568,417	\$9,920,406	\$17,460,790	\$11.13
15	08358X	Clopidogrel	Tablet 75 mg (as hydrogen sulfate)	1,531,633	\$20,387,026	\$27,133,225	\$17.72
16	02622B	Oxycodone	Tablet containing oxycodone hydrochloride 5 mg	1,488,017	\$20,647,839	\$27,809,712	\$18.69
17	02089Y	Temazepam	Tablet 10 mg	1,485,290	\$9,624,496	\$16,275,962	\$10.96
18	08519J	Fluticasone + Salmeterol	Pressurised inhalation containing fluticasone propionate 250 micrograms with salmeterol 25 microgram	1,449,601	\$81,763,205	\$102,169,779	\$70.48
19	02335X	Pregabalin	Capsule 75 mg	1,443,639	\$52,679,321	\$69,890,363	\$48.41
20	01889K	Amoxicillin	Capsule 500 mg (as trihydrate)	1,413,789	\$9,251,222	\$16,591,199	\$11.74
21	02751T	Amlodipine	Tablet 5 mg (as besylate)	1,411,709	\$9,445,736	\$16,275,739	\$11.53
22	01215Y	Paracetamol + Codeine	Tablet containing codeine phosphate 30 mg with paracetamol 500 mg	1,378,211	\$8,674,967	\$15,287,738	\$11.09
23	01324Q	Metoprolol Tartrate	Tablet containing metoprolol tartrate 50 mg	1,364,147	\$10,728,641	\$16,879,558	\$12.37
24	08248D	Irbesartan	Tablet 300 mg	1,245,725	\$15,955,625	\$22,011,304	\$17.67
25	09042X	Rosuvastatin	Tablet 5 mg (as calcium)	1,239,607	\$18,175,903	\$24,511,612	\$19.77
26	08757X	Ezetimibe	Tablet 10 mg	1,195,215	\$66,290,405	\$82,103,658	\$68.69
27	08612G	Macrogol-3350 + Sodium Chloride + Bicarbonate + Potassium Chloride	Sachets containing powder for oral solution 13.125 g with electrolytes, 30	1,158,781	\$19,706,663	\$24,459,794	\$21.11
28	08625Y	Budesonide + Eformoterol	Powder for oral inhalation in breath actuated device containing budesonide 200 micrograms with eform	1,113,453	\$44,262,258	\$64,624,396	\$58.04
29	09302N	Gliclazide	Tablet 60 mg (modified release)	1,109,987	\$14,717,251	\$19,372,690	\$17.45
30	08213G	Atorvastatin	Tablet 10 mg (as calcium)	1,106,409	\$9,333,227	\$14,892,686	\$13.46
31	08355R	Telmisartan	Tablet 40 mg	1,104,955	\$10,501,423	\$16,217,862	\$14.68
32	08243W	Latanoprost	Eye drops 50 micrograms per mL, 2.5 mL	1,095,294	\$22,231,333	\$27,269,372	\$24.90
33	08405J	Irbesartan + Hydrochlorothiazide	Tablet 300 mg-12.5 mg	1,092,717	\$15,522,257	\$20,972,715	\$19.19
34	02412Y	Frusamide	Tablet 40 mg	1,088,897	\$8,233,669	\$12,455,444	\$11.44
35	08247C	Irbesartan	Tablet 150 mg	1,079,095	\$9,652,589	\$15,073,439	\$13.97
36	08173E	Simvastatin	Tablet 40 mg	1,053,023	\$9,341,449	\$14,341,377	\$13.62
37	03439B	Metformin	Tablet (extended release) containing metformin hydrochloride 1 g	988,948	\$10,557,518	\$14,891,257	\$15.06
38	08521L	Atorvastatin	Tablet 80 mg (as calcium)	985,027	\$15,029,030	\$19,620,608	\$19.92
39	09110L	Omeprazole	Tablet 20 mg (as magnesium)	948,435	\$12,820,850	\$17,329,012	\$18.27
40	02237R	Sertraline	Tablet 100 mg (as hydrochloride)	943,609	\$8,117,563	\$12,833,900	\$13.60
41	08356T	Telmisartan	Tablet 80 mg	936,948	\$17,007,878	\$21,744,720	\$23.21
42	08302Y	Venlafaxine	Capsule (modified release) 150 mg (as hydrochloride)	900,841	\$15,093,633	\$20,055,594	\$22.26
43	09023X	Fenofibrate	Tablet 145 mg	899,547	\$23,211,047	\$36,815,148	\$40.93
44	09044B	Rosuvastatin	Tablet 20 mg (as calcium)	887,379	\$22,504,641	\$26,969,198	\$30.39
45	02268J	Rivaroxaban	Tablet 20 mg	885,445	\$66,928,051	\$79,363,854	\$89.63
46	02752W	Amlodipine	Tablet 10 mg (as besylate)	875,393	\$6,724,690	\$10,872,884	\$12.42
47	08534E	Lercanidipine	Tablet containing lercanidipine hydrochloride 10 mg	872,593	\$7,255,273	\$11,391,877	\$13.06
48	02236Q	Sertraline	Tablet 50 mg (as hydrochloride)	869,086	\$6,746,554	\$11,068,797	\$12.74
49	09435N	Metformin	Tablet (extended release) containing metformin hydrochloride 500 mg	855,198	\$9,092,870	\$12,830,773	\$15.00
50	03051N	Perindopril	Tablet containing perindopril erbumine 4 mg	845,303	\$8,315,965	\$12,536,589	\$14.83

* Total Cost includes cost to the patient and cost to the government.

** Average Price is Total Cost divided by Script Volume.