

Table 13: PBS Drugs (Generic Name) Sorted by Highest Script Volume, 2015-16.

Includes subsidised and under co-payment scripts.

Section 85 only; incl. Drs Bag.

Rank	Drug	Subsidised (Over Co- payment) Scripts	Under Co- payment Scripts	Total Scripts
1	Atorvastatin	7,490,700	2,983,610	10,474,310
2	Rosuvastatin	6,465,792	3,290,095	9,755,887
3	Esomeprazole	6,747,706	2,200,471	8,948,177
4	Pantoprazole	4,586,606	1,824,809	6,411,415
5	Perindopril	3,956,980	2,186,773	6,143,753
6	Amoxicillin	2,366,406	3,460,548	5,826,954
7	Cephalexin	2,796,175	2,772,673	5,568,848
8	Paracetamol	4,946,779	240,477	5,187,256
9	Metformin	3,553,833	1,605,535	5,159,368
10	Amoxicillin + Clavulanic Acid	2,245,060	2,802,617	5,047,677
11	Irbesartan	2,854,173	1,309,967	4,164,140
12	Paracetamol + Codeine	2,277,953	1,448,965	3,726,918
13	Sertraline	1,887,189	1,826,155	3,713,344
14	Salbutamol	2,953,779	741,808	3,695,587
15	Escitalopram	1,701,964	1,941,198	3,643,162
16	Oxycodone	2,469,309	1,073,798	3,543,107
17	Atenolol	2,580,430	945,689	3,526,119
18	Telmisartan	2,041,927	1,279,582	3,321,509
19	Pregabalin	3,150,492	139,628	3,290,120
20	Ramipril	2,219,371	1,058,360	3,277,731
21	Amlodipine	2,287,286	911,950	3,199,236
22	Simvastatin	2,485,415	633,178	3,118,593
23	Candesartan	2,046,936	1,062,981	3,109,917
24	Fluticasone + Salmeterol	3,006,437	44	3,006,481
25	Venlafaxine	1,721,646	1,187,056	2,908,702
26	Rabeprazole	1,928,722	904,521	2,833,243
27	Irbesartan + Hydrochlorothiazide	1,936,369	879,298	2,815,667
28	Tramadol	1,955,057	778,281	2,733,338
29	Diazepam	1,768,171	694,254	2,462,425
30	Omeprazole	1,778,603	682,817	2,461,420
31	Meloxicam	1,498,384	956,581	2,454,965
32	Warfarin	1,968,998	481,256	2,450,254
33	Clopidogrel	1,900,880	360,722	2,261,602
34	Lercanidipine	1,678,257	525,664	2,203,921
35	Metoprolol Tartrate	1,672,150	492,948	2,165,098
36	Levonorgestrel + Ethinylloestradiol	488,678	1,676,214	2,164,892
37	Mirtazapine	1,606,123	532,634	2,138,757
38	Prednisolone	1,246,019	891,962	2,137,981
39	Amitriptyline	1,470,197	653,433	2,123,630
40	Desvenlafaxine	1,464,961	604,902	2,069,863
41	Temazepam	1,508,526	555,592	2,064,118
42	Doxycycline	980,296	1,079,748	2,060,044
43	Perindopril + Amlodipine	1,402,630	550,343	1,952,973
44	Gliclazide	1,405,115	442,963	1,848,078
45	Budesonide + Eformoterol	1,829,094	1,517	1,830,611
46	Oxycodone + Naloxone	1,538,559	251,000	1,789,559
47	Tiotropium	1,786,709	56	1,786,765
48	Thyroxine	970,016	760,464	1,730,480
49	Citalopram	985,507	742,888	1,728,395
50	Fluoxetine	868,667	834,215	1,702,882