

Table 14: PBS Items Sorted by Highest Script Volume, 2015-16.

Includes subsidised and under co-payment scripts.

Section 85 only; incl. Drs Bag.

Rank	Item Code	Drug	Form	Subsidised (Over Co-payment) Scripts	Under Co-payment Scripts	Total Scripts
1	08600P	Esomeprazole	Tablet (enteric coated) 20 mg (as magnesium trihydrate)	3,456,516	1,608,020	5,064,536
2	08008L	Pantoprazole	Tablet (enteric coated) 40 mg (as sodium sesquihydrate)	3,541,230	1,305,075	4,846,305
3	03119E	Cephalexin	Capsule 500 mg (anhydrous)	2,317,439	2,200,200	4,517,639
4	08814X	Paracetamol	Tablet 665 mg (modified release)	3,936,184	134,374	4,070,558
5	08254K	Amoxicillin + Clavulanic Acid	Tablet containing 875 mg amoxicillin (as trihydrate) with 125 mg clavulanic acid	1,760,232	2,096,590	3,856,822
6	09043Y	Rosuvastatin	Tablet 10 mg (as calcium)	2,409,085	1,335,417	3,744,502
7	08215J	Atorvastatin	Tablet 40 mg (as calcium)	2,672,255	1,022,026	3,694,281
8	01081X	Atenolol	Tablet 50 mg	2,579,885	945,171	3,525,056
9	08601Q	Esomeprazole	Tablet (enteric coated) 40 mg (as magnesium trihydrate)	2,856,500	414,214	3,270,714
10	01889K	Amoxicillin	Capsule 500 mg (as trihydrate)	1,413,789	1,833,413	3,247,202
11	08214H	Atorvastatin	Tablet 20 mg (as calcium)	2,274,496	937,691	3,212,187
12	08288F	Salbutamol	Pressurised inhalation 100 micrograms (as sulfate) per dose, 200 doses (CFC-free formulation)	2,495,147	677,692	3,172,839
13	01215Y	Paracetamol + Codeine	Tablet containing codeine phosphate 30 mg with paracetamol 500 mg	1,378,211	1,181,567	2,559,778
14	08508T	Rabeprazole	Tablet containing rabeprazole sodium 20 mg (enteric coated)	1,701,130	787,630	2,488,760
15	02622B	Oxycodone	Tablet containing oxycodone hydrochloride 5 mg	1,488,017	900,628	2,388,645
16	03162K	Diazepam	Tablet 5 mg	1,568,417	580,707	2,149,124
17	02089Y	Temazepam	Tablet 10 mg	1,485,290	552,664	2,037,954
18	02751T	Amlodipine	Tablet 5 mg (as besylate)	1,411,709	533,784	1,945,493
19	09042X	Rosuvastatin	Tablet 5 mg (as calcium)	1,239,607	646,200	1,885,807
20	08355R	Telmisartan	Tablet 40 mg	1,104,955	745,806	1,850,761
21	02237R	Sertraline	Tablet 100 mg (as hydrochloride)	943,609	885,958	1,829,567
22	08358X	Clopidogrel	Tablet 75 mg (as hydrogen sulfate)	1,531,633	293,641	1,825,274
23	08700X	Escitalopram	Tablet 10 mg (as oxalate)	825,741	982,227	1,807,968
24	08248D	Irbesartan	Tablet 300 mg	1,245,725	535,288	1,781,013
25	01324Q	Metoprolol Tartrate	Tablet containing metoprolol tartrate 50 mg	1,364,147	407,375	1,771,522
26	02236Q	Sertraline	Tablet 50 mg (as hydrochloride)	869,086	873,047	1,742,133
27	01394J	Levonorgestrel + Ethinylloestradiol	Pack containing 21 tablets 150 micrograms-30 micrograms and 7 inert tablets	391,572	1,349,321	1,740,893
28	08701Y	Escitalopram	Tablet 20 mg (as oxalate)	831,653	904,413	1,736,066
29	08626B	Tiotropium	Capsule containing powder for oral inhalation 18 micrograms (as bromide monohydrate)	1,691,748	56	1,691,804
30	08247C	Irbesartan	Tablet 150 mg	1,079,095	555,188	1,634,283
31	08405J	Irbesartan + Hydrochlorothiazide	Tablet 300 mg-12.5 mg	1,092,717	486,896	1,579,613
32	08213G	Atorvastatin	Tablet 10 mg (as calcium)	1,106,409	446,155	1,552,564
33	03439B	Metformin	Tablet (extended release) containing metformin hydrochloride 1 g	988,948	549,803	1,538,751
34	03051N	Perindopril	Tablet containing perindopril erbumine 4 mg	845,303	641,890	1,487,193
35	09302N	Gliclazide	Tablet 60 mg (modified release)	1,109,987	373,518	1,483,505
36	08356T	Telmisartan	Tablet 80 mg	936,948	533,773	1,470,721
37	08519J	Fluticasone + Salmeterol	Pressurised inhalation containing fluticasone propionate 250 micrograms with salmeterol 25 microgram	1,449,601	2	1,449,603
38	02335X	Pregabalin	Capsule 75 mg	1,443,639	3,101	1,446,740
39	08302Y	Venlafaxine	Capsule (modified release) 150 mg (as hydrochloride)	900,841	540,238	1,441,079
40	09044B	Rosuvastatin	Tablet 20 mg (as calcium)	887,379	532,081	1,419,460
41	08521L	Atorvastatin	Tablet 80 mg (as calcium)	985,027	391,621	1,376,648
42	08220P	Citalopram	Tablet 20 mg (as hydrobromide)	759,333	590,150	1,349,483
43	09110L	Omeprazole	Tablet 20 mg (as magnesium)	948,435	385,803	1,334,238
44	08173E	Simvastatin	Tablet 40 mg	1,053,023	268,605	1,321,628
45	08243W	Latanoprost	Eye drops 50 micrograms per mL, 2.5 mL	1,095,294	219,713	1,315,007
46	08440F	Celecoxib	Capsule 200 mg	837,201	471,961	1,309,162
47	01434L	Fluoxetine	Capsule 20 mg (as hydrochloride)	663,960	641,687	1,305,647
48	08301X	Venlafaxine	Capsule (modified release) 75 mg (as hydrochloride)	715,071	552,144	1,267,215
49	02752W	Amlodipine	Tablet 10 mg (as besylate)	875,393	378,151	1,253,544
50	09435N	Metformin	Tablet (extended release) containing metformin hydrochloride 500 mg	855,198	387,133	1,242,331