

Table 15: PBS Processing by Formulary, 2015-16.

Section 85 only; excl. Drs Bag.

Formulary^{1,3}	Script Volume	Percentage of Total	Government Cost	Percentage of Total
F1	30,639,847	14.8%	\$4,254,605,804	53.5%
F2	162,882,114	78.5%	\$2,659,803,481	33.5%
Combination Drugs	13,539,777	6.5%	\$1,014,799,301	12.8%
Other²	539,392	0.3%	\$19,809,668	0.2%
Total	207,601,130	100.0%	\$7,949,018,254	100.0%

Notes:

1. Scripts are matched to their formulary at the date of supply.

2. Not classified to a formulary. e.g. Extemporaneously Prepared, unknown.

3. The National Health Act 1953 provides that listed drugs be assigned to formularies identified as F1 or F2.

Generally F1 is intended for single brand drugs and F2 for drugs that have multiple brands, or are in a therapeutic group with other drugs with multiple brands.

Drugs on F2 are subject to the provisions of the Act relating to statutory price reductions, price disclosure and guarantee of supply.

Allocation to F1 or F2 is determined by legislative instrument.

Single brand combination drugs are not included in either the F1 or F2 formulary.