

Table 6: PBS Prescription Volume, Government Cost and Average Government Cost / Script for 4 Financial Years.

Section 85 only; excl. Drs Bag.

		Total	Total General	General Non-Safety Net	General Safety Net	Total Concessional	Concessional Non-Safety Net	Concessional Safety Net
Script Volume	2012-13	197,328,974	24,069,460	19,698,402	4,371,058	173,259,514	133,647,520	39,611,994
	2013-14	209,964,792	22,613,314	18,560,731	4,052,583	187,351,478	145,342,467	42,009,011
	2014-15	211,704,813	19,447,417	15,902,515	3,544,902	192,257,396	147,979,717	44,277,679
	2015-16	207,601,130	16,951,875	13,770,978	3,180,897	190,649,255	146,529,394	44,119,861
	Change*	-4,103,683	-2,495,542	-2,131,537	-364,005	-1,608,141	-1,450,323	-157,818
Government Cost	2012-13	\$7,088,662,996	\$1,517,311,133	\$1,347,926,501	\$169,384,632	\$5,571,351,863	\$4,219,815,465	\$1,351,536,398
	2013-14	\$7,317,674,872	\$1,595,250,414	\$1,440,335,710	\$154,914,704	\$5,722,424,458	\$4,333,840,916	\$1,388,583,542
	2014-15	\$7,096,679,044	\$1,592,780,575	\$1,463,256,600	\$129,523,975	\$5,503,898,470	\$4,123,482,128	\$1,380,416,342
	2015-16	\$7,949,018,254	\$1,904,179,793	\$1,785,357,915	\$118,821,879	\$6,044,838,460	\$4,630,980,302	\$1,413,858,158
	Change*	\$852,339,209	\$311,399,219	\$322,101,315	-\$10,702,096	\$540,939,990	\$507,498,174	\$33,441,816
Average Govt Cost /	2012-13	\$35.92	\$63.04	\$68.43	\$38.75	\$32.16	\$31.57	\$34.12
	2013-14	\$34.85	\$70.54	\$77.60	\$38.23	\$30.54	\$29.82	\$33.05
	2014-15	\$33.52	\$81.90	\$92.01	\$36.54	\$28.63	\$27.87	\$31.18
	2015-16	\$38.29	\$112.33	\$129.65	\$37.35	\$31.71	\$31.60	\$32.05
	Change*	\$4.77	\$30.43	\$37.63	\$0.82	\$3.08	\$3.74	\$0.87

Percentage Differences		Total	Total General	General Non-Safety Net	General Safety Net	Total Concessional	Concessional Non-Safety Net	Concessional Safety Net
Script Volume	Change*	-1.94%	-12.83%	-13.40%	-10.27%	-0.84%	-0.98%	-0.36%
Government Cost	Change*	12.01%	19.55%	22.01%	-8.26%	9.83%	12.31%	2.42%
Average Govt Cost / Script	Change*	14.22%	37.15%	40.90%	2.24%	10.75%	13.42%	2.79%

* Change between the two most recent years.