

Table 9(b): Significant Drugs Sorted by Highest Change to Script Volume, 2014-15 and 2015-16.

Section 85 only; incl. Drs Bag.

Rank	Drug	Script Volume 2014-15	Government Cost 2014-15	Total Cost* 2014-15	Ave. Price** 2014-15	Script Volume 2015-16	Government Cost 2015-16	Total Cost* 2015-16	Ave. Price** 2015-16	Script Volume Change	Script Volume Change Percentage
1	Pregabalin	2,525,250	\$114,272,927	\$140,537,368	\$55.65	3,150,492	\$139,093,159	\$171,497,777	\$54.44	625,242	24.76%
2	Apixaban	326,062	\$29,591,346	\$32,943,136	\$101.03	684,974	\$58,715,164	\$65,981,380	\$96.33	358,912	110.07%
3	Rivaroxaban	917,572	\$75,613,312	\$87,117,140	\$94.94	1,246,539	\$96,288,227	\$112,155,727	\$89.97	328,967	35.85%
4	Dapagliflozin	123,918	\$6,300,377	\$8,457,924	\$68.25	426,383	\$17,452,332	\$24,550,508	\$57.58	302,465	244.08%
5	Oxycodone + Naloxone	1,241,036	\$48,623,056	\$57,051,182	\$45.97	1,538,559	\$60,182,190	\$70,778,979	\$46.00	297,523	23.97%
6	Pantoprazole	4,385,926	\$37,134,654	\$57,357,742	\$13.08	4,586,606	\$46,169,367	\$67,713,300	\$14.76	200,680	4.58%
7	Ezetimibe + Atorvastatin	0	\$0	\$0	\$0.00	177,958	\$10,110,125	\$13,089,792	\$73.56	177,958	.
8	Sitagliptin + Metformin	813,293	\$38,496,373	\$51,184,869	\$62.94	989,809	\$44,248,114	\$60,018,554	\$60.64	176,516	21.70%
9	Fluticasone + Vilanterol	25,811	\$1,287,461	\$1,690,940	\$65.51	200,176	\$9,828,725	\$12,817,744	\$64.03	174,365	675.55%
10	Rosuvastatin (&) Ezetimibe	18,551	\$1,176,012	\$1,530,417	\$82.50	192,662	\$10,964,262	\$14,556,245	\$75.55	174,111	938.55%
11	Tapentadol	111,221	\$3,404,442	\$4,319,994	\$38.84	269,767	\$9,116,532	\$11,453,372	\$42.46	158,546	142.55%
12	Perindopril + Amlodipine	1,255,878	\$30,613,455	\$44,445,870	\$35.39	1,402,630	\$33,232,602	\$48,315,128	\$34.45	146,752	11.69%
13	Denosumab	287,554	\$93,779,218	\$96,892,489	\$336.95	403,366	\$121,961,712	\$126,361,836	\$313.27	115,812	40.27%
14	Indacaterol + Glycopyrronium	36,585	\$3,176,560	\$3,513,639	\$96.04	148,166	\$12,401,726	\$13,634,672	\$92.02	111,581	304.99%
15	Dutasteride + Tamsulosin	451,890	\$13,954,861	\$16,048,368	\$35.51	552,971	\$16,846,464	\$19,454,867	\$35.18	101,081	22.37%
16	Mirtazapine	1,507,376	\$16,258,778	\$23,232,650	\$15.41	1,606,123	\$18,923,574	\$26,456,595	\$16.47	98,747	6.55%
17	Escitalopram	1,607,337	\$12,511,521	\$20,610,483	\$12.82	1,701,964	\$15,753,319	\$24,469,989	\$14.38	94,627	5.89%
18	Telmisartan + Amlodipine	453,277	\$8,467,218	\$10,832,195	\$23.90	529,226	\$9,850,540	\$12,656,520	\$23.92	75,949	16.76%
19	Olmesartan Medoxomil	530,088	\$8,261,943	\$11,021,217	\$20.79	599,007	\$10,261,906	\$13,433,682	\$22.43	68,919	13.00%
20	Empagliflozin	1,349	\$62,784	\$86,872	\$64.40	61,572	\$2,707,158	\$3,750,102	\$60.91	60,223	4464.27%
21	Linagliptin + Metformin	56,985	\$2,916,372	\$3,792,334	\$66.55	117,169	\$5,777,742	\$7,565,820	\$64.57	60,184	105.61%
22	Doxycycline	921,292	\$3,793,498	\$8,132,112	\$8.83	980,296	\$6,964,274	\$11,693,598	\$11.93	59,004	6.40%
23	Lisdexamfetamine	0	\$0	\$0	\$0.00	58,540	\$5,682,437	\$6,822,414	\$116.54	58,540	.
24	Olmesartan + Amlodipine + Hydrochlorothiazide	60,901	\$1,528,094	\$1,839,264	\$30.20	118,527	\$2,974,523	\$3,588,871	\$30.28	57,626	94.62%
25	Iron	67,434	\$18,747,326	\$20,220,150	\$299.85	123,597	\$33,858,891	\$36,577,546	\$295.94	56,163	83.29%
26	Acidinium	41,185	\$2,235,911	\$2,581,642	\$62.68	96,337	\$5,107,699	\$5,908,309	\$61.33	55,152	133.91%
27	Macrogol-3350 + Sodium Chloride + Bicarbonate + Potassium Chloride	1,134,009	\$19,347,548	\$23,954,973	\$21.12	1,188,487	\$20,406,162	\$25,287,064	\$21.28	54,478	4.80%
28	Fenofibrate	990,749	\$26,647,647	\$40,710,035	\$41.09	1,044,026	\$27,004,276	\$41,792,529	\$40.03	53,277	5.38%
29	Olmesartan Medoxomil + Amlodipine	208,069	\$4,256,018	\$5,349,858	\$25.71	258,545	\$5,432,802	\$6,813,955	\$26.36	50,476	24.26%
30	Mycophenolate	24,552	\$7,070,083	\$7,475,516	\$304.48	72,403	\$15,397,734	\$16,677,970	\$230.35	47,851	194.90%
31	Aripiprazole	193,431	\$40,918,209	\$43,157,343	\$223.11	240,722	\$51,061,641	\$53,889,273	\$223.87	47,291	24.45%
32	Ticagrelor	145,422	\$18,892,812	\$21,594,219	\$148.49	191,918	\$23,304,721	\$26,900,745	\$140.17	46,496	31.97%
33	Fluoxetine	822,177	\$8,897,794	\$13,137,089	\$15.98	868,667	\$11,304,370	\$16,082,511	\$18.51	46,490	5.65%
34	Nebivolol	171,258	\$8,956,748	\$10,430,403	\$60.90	215,880	\$10,847,129	\$12,827,277	\$59.42	44,622	26.06%
35	Budesonide + Eformoterol	1,784,718	\$92,351,264	\$122,718,785	\$68.76	1,829,094	\$90,950,660	\$122,663,679	\$67.06	44,376	2.49%

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

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