

Table 13(a): Highest Government Cost Drug (incl Drs Bag) by PBS Item, year ending: Jun 2006

Rank	Item Drug	Form	Volume	Govt Cost \$	Total Cost \$	Ave Price \$
1	8215 ATORVASTATIN CALCIUM	Tablet 40mg (atorvastatin)	2,537,385	179,744,552	208,749,004	82.27
2	8214 ATORVASTATIN CALCIUM	Tablet 20mg (atorvastatin)	3,156,964	153,271,842	188,698,030	59.77
3	8358 CLOPIDOGREL HYDROGEN SULFATE	Tablet 75mg (base)	1,893,034	146,814,709	159,334,336	84.17
4	8173 SIMVASTATIN	Tablet 40mg	2,378,695	142,976,385	165,780,515	69.69
5	8333 OMEPRAZOLE	Tablet 20mg	3,433,750	123,565,852	154,365,535	44.96
6	8511 ALENDRONATE SODIUM	Tablet equivalent to 70mg alendr	2,038,729	99,003,002	112,273,584	55.07
7	8521 ATORVASTATIN CALCIUM	Tablet 80mg (atorvastatin)	901,881	93,961,176	104,109,847	115.44
8	2012 SIMVASTATIN	Tablet 20mg	2,141,792	88,968,353	106,944,762	49.93
9	8187 OLANZAPINE	Tablet 10mg	262,782	86,971,934	88,837,664	338.07
10	8601 ESOMEPRAZOLE MAGNESIUM TRIHYDRATE	Tablet (enteric coated), equivalent	1,337,126	84,119,120	98,402,578	73.59
11	8008 PANTOPRAZOLE SODIUM SESQUIHYDRATE	Tablet (enteric coated), equivalent	2,097,012	82,035,583	100,687,868	48.01
12	8626 TIOTROPIUM BROMIDE MONOHYDRATE	Capsule containing powder for oral	1,025,874	74,100,445	79,677,993	77.67
13	8600 ESOMEPRAZOLE MAGNESIUM TRIHYDRATE	Tablet (enteric coated), equivalent	2,066,632	71,390,412	93,681,699	45.33
14	8197 PRAVASTATIN SODIUM	Tablet 40mg	1,111,793	66,592,472	76,688,181	68.98
15	8213 ATORVASTATIN CALCIUM	Tablet 10mg (atorvastatin)	1,902,639	60,498,589	79,972,531	42.03
16	8519 FLUTICASONE PROPIONATE with SALMETEROL	Oral pressurised inhalation 250mic	843,914	57,637,792	67,288,361	79.73
17	8313 SIMVASTATIN	Tablet 80mg	616,292	54,392,742	60,424,971	98.05
18	8302 VENLAFAXINE HYDROCHLORIDE	Capsule 150mg (base) (modified release)	973,985	49,682,663	62,815,853	64.49
19	8432 FLUTICASONE PROPIONATE with SALMETEROL	Powder for oral inhalation in breath	704,062	48,941,855	56,792,893	80.66
20	8405 IRBESARTAN with HYDROCHLOROTHALIDIDE	Tablet 300mg-12.5mg	2,285,795	46,713,183	73,066,379	31.97
21	8508 RABEPRAZOLE SODIUM	Tablet 20mg (enteric coated)	1,179,024	44,511,224	57,192,125	48.51
22	8134 VALACICLOVIR HYDROCHLORIDE	Tablet 500mg (base)	235,646	41,255,310	46,323,788	196.58
23	8243 LATANOPROST	Eye drops 50micrograms per mL	1,394,845	39,182,300	48,534,972	34.80
24	8093 GOSERELIN ACETATE	Subcutaneous implant (long acting)	34,313	39,156,556	39,393,580	1148.07
25	8101 INTERFERON BETA-1b	Injection set comprising 1 vial powder	33,642	39,079,525	39,641,592	1178.34
26	8449 PERINDOPRIL ERBUMINE with INDAPAMIDE	Tablet 4mg-1.25mg	1,703,190	36,115,384	55,954,680	32.85
27	8621 RISEDRONATE SODIUM	Tablet 35mg	714,069	34,559,245	39,307,394	55.05
28	8440 CELECOXIB	Capsule 200mg	1,489,831	34,144,780	47,320,439	31.76
29	8431 FLUTICASONE PROPIONATE with SALMETEROL	Powder for oral inhalation in breath	697,243	32,162,217	41,552,597	59.60
30	8757 EZETIMIBE	Tablet 10mg	514,861	31,529,685	36,939,746	71.75
31	8248 IRBESARTAN	Tablet 300mg	1,314,635	30,423,936	40,071,103	30.48
32	8220 CITALOPRAM HYDROBROMIDE	Tablet 20mg (base)	1,085,125	30,389,730	39,022,067	35.96
33	8562 MELOXICAM	Tablet 15mg	1,318,955	29,081,768	42,142,214	31.95
34	2241 LANSOPRAZOLE	Capsule 30mg	754,453	28,267,477	36,372,780	48.21
35	3051 PERINDOPRIL ERBUMINE	Tablet 4mg	1,294,661	27,845,258	32,779,059	25.32
36	8301 VENLAFAXINE HYDROCHLORIDE	Capsule 75mg (base) (modified release)	833,716	27,694,405	39,664,267	47.58
37	8470 RAMIPRIL	Capsule 10mg	1,254,425	27,189,325	41,513,858	33.09
38	2242 PAROXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE	Tablet 20mg (base)	1,131,211	26,454,800	41,922,810	37.06
39	8288 SALBUTAMOL SULFATE	Oral pressurised inhalation 100mic	2,055,567	26,302,179	33,650,686	16.37
40	8185 OLANZAPINE	Tablet 5mg	201,905	26,111,961	27,689,805	137.14
41	1763 INSULIN NEUTRAL-INSULIN ISOPHANE	Injections (human) 100units (30units per vial)	115,807	25,379,335	26,163,429	225.92
42	8247 IRBESARTAN	Tablet 150mg	1,167,627	24,548,622	28,917,104	24.77
43	8704 PERINDOPRIL ERBUMINE	Tablet 8mg	764,716	24,391,356	32,969,142	43.11
44	1761 INSULIN ISOPHANE (N.P.H.)	Injections (human) 100units per vial	111,979	23,976,428	25,313,655	226.06
45	2237 SERTRALINE HYDROCHLORIDE	Tablet 100mg (base)	1,101,743	23,871,711	39,493,596	35.85
46	8258 CARVEDILOL	Tablet 25mg	211,123	22,687,631	24,331,658	115.25
47	8294 RITUXIMAB	Solution for I.V. infusion 500mg intravenous	8,833	22,385,306	22,516,472	2549.13
48	8513 MIRTAZAPINE	Tablet 30mg	787,541	21,783,051	29,643,687	37.64
49	2236 SERTRALINE HYDROCHLORIDE	Tablet 50mg (base)	1,190,176	21,709,925	38,062,073	31.98
50	2011 SIMVASTATIN	Tablet 10mg	741,382	21,348,012	26,841,034	36.20

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