

Table 8: Top 3 drugs by generic name in ATC drug groups with greatest increase in Govt. cost (incl Drs bag), year ending: Jun 2005 to year ending: Jun 2006

Group and Drugs	Change from:	
	Volume	Govt Cost \$
Psycholeptics	16,327	40,674,422
RISPERIDONE	100,458	23,535,982
QUETIAPINE FUMARATE	43,840	8,685,840
ARIPIRAZOLE	17,137	4,766,690
Immunosuppressive agents	39,358	30,481,453
ADALIMUMAB	8,186	15,330,948
ETANERCEPT	6,070	11,570,353
TACROLIMUS	1,908	1,264,283
Antineoplastic agents	25,095	26,769,607
RITUXIMAB	4,096	7,990,426
OXALIPLATIN	2,559	6,485,578
PEMETREXED DISODIUM	1,111	4,069,072
Lipid modifying agents	1,149,891	21,910,237
ATORVASTATIN CALCIUM	869,648	53,949,715
EZETIMIBE	294,917	18,119,301
EZETIMIBE with SIMVASTATIN	15,800	2,115,539
Antithrombotic agents	342,901	17,557,088
CLOPIDOGREL HYDROGEN SULFATE	227,563	16,530,802
ENOXAPARIN SODIUM	31,447	2,663,473
BIVALIRUDIN TRIFLUOROACETATE	430	339,471
Drugs used in diabetes	262,768	16,824,320
ROSIGLITAZONE MALEATE	152,717	10,142,620
INSULIN ASPART-INSULIN ASPART PROTAMINE SUSPENSION	16,790	4,293,707
INSULIN ASPART	14,763	3,407,163
Endocrine therapy	25,667	11,964,271
ANASTROZOLE	41,014	7,390,826
LEUPRORELIN ACETATE	2,010	3,314,808
GOSERELIN ACETATE	858	2,089,485
Drugs for treatment of bone diseases	310,785	9,976,857
RISEDRONATE SODIUM	152,844	6,434,548
ALENDRONATE SODIUM	160,491	4,784,827
RISEDRONATE SODIUM and CALCIUM CARBONATE	12,212	560,595
Beta blocking agents	151,102	7,271,341
BISOPROLOL FUMARATE	46,087	3,086,499
CARVEDILOL	36,953	2,440,242
METOPROLOL SUCCINATE	26,115	2,024,414
Analgesics	-484,532	6,130,410
OXYCODONE HYDROCHLORIDE	201,001	6,803,212
PARACETAMOL	-472,985	1,533,258
BUPRENORPHINE	33,770	1,094,391

Note: The generic components listed can add to more than the total for the drug group because of a decrease in govt cost for other generic drugs in that group.