

**Table 12(b): Highest Volume PBS Drugs (incl Drs Bag) by Generic Name, year ending: Jun 2007**  
(total for all forms and strengths for each drug)

Rank Drug	Volume	Govt Cost \$	Total Cost \$	Ave Price \$
1 ATORVASTATIN CALCIUM	9,440,627	529,732,351	641,525,185	67.95
2 SIMVASTATIN	5,817,515	288,468,799	343,582,567	59.06
3 ESOMEPRAZOLE MAGNESIUM TRIHYDRATE	4,080,968	147,772,321	194,303,857	47.61
4 OMEPRAZOLE	3,556,085	102,888,443	136,901,608	38.50
5 PERINDOPRIL	3,313,045	57,958,941	80,455,421	24.28
6 PARACETAMOL	3,308,205	22,125,102	32,865,775	9.93
7 ATENOLOL	2,964,234	19,899,816	31,280,882	10.55
8 IRBESARTAN	2,727,827	57,332,331	68,119,307	24.97
9 PANTOPRAZOLE SODIUM SESQUIHYDRATE	2,680,230	81,677,563	106,799,833	39.85
10 METFORMIN HYDROCHLORIDE	2,670,114	31,711,021	41,158,670	15.41
11 FLUTICASON PROPIONATE with SALMETEROL XINAFOATE	2,645,985	148,227,906	182,525,902	68.98
12 SALBUTAMOL SULFATE	2,633,524	38,535,554	48,390,036	18.37
13 IRBESARTAN with HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE	2,560,820	54,117,880	74,636,505	29.15
14 RAMIPRIL	2,475,810	45,087,779	57,084,713	23.06
15 CODEINE PHOSPHATE with PARACETAMOL	2,386,330	17,004,680	25,922,284	10.86
16 AMOXYCILLIN	2,292,118	14,205,967	24,163,534	10.54
17 VENLAFAXINE HYDROCHLORIDE	2,203,061	88,183,494	119,902,894	54.43
18 SERTRALINE HYDROCHLORIDE	2,147,676	46,313,001	69,867,191	32.53
19 CLOPIDOGREL HYDROGEN SULFATE	2,111,423	157,471,339	173,226,770	82.04
20 CEPHALEXIN	2,076,577	14,216,089	22,776,637	10.97
21 WARFARIN SODIUM	2,076,323	10,287,335	17,435,918	8.40
22 TEMAZEPAM	1,901,927	6,799,681	13,448,337	7.07
23 AMLODIPINE	1,846,979	33,593,510	48,806,572	26.43
24 ALENDRONATE SODIUM	1,786,145	82,503,664	94,958,638	53.16
25 PRAVASTATIN SODIUM	1,736,042	86,384,347	102,213,841	58.88
26 TRAMADOL HYDROCHLORIDE	1,694,882	24,891,312	32,054,957	18.91
27 MELOXICAM	1,637,405	35,508,051	46,597,899	28.46
28 DIAZEPAM	1,626,142	5,859,771	11,958,729	7.35
29 RABEPRAZOLE SODIUM	1,625,917	48,887,920	67,256,949	41.37
30 AMOXYCILLIN with CLAVULANIC ACID	1,434,915	16,399,176	22,381,208	15.60
31 CELECOXIB	1,398,445	32,721,686	42,879,901	30.66
32 LATANOPROST	1,329,235	38,701,591	48,390,204	36.40
33 CANDESARTAN CILEXETIL	1,317,408	29,214,705	35,309,561	26.80
34 OXYCODONE HYDROCHLORIDE	1,306,152	42,153,128	47,892,021	36.67
35 PERINDOPRIL with INDAPAMIDE HEMIHYDRATE	1,258,193	30,624,357	38,071,543	30.26
36 GLICLAZIDE	1,207,165	13,181,988	17,333,928	14.36
37 ASPIRIN	1,192,158	4,057,740	8,091,168	6.79
38 FRUSEMIDE	1,186,714	6,140,849	9,955,390	8.39
39 LERCANIDIPINE HYDROCHLORIDE	1,185,730	27,933,582	36,143,280	30.48
40 FELODIPINE	1,142,513	22,499,677	28,796,998	25.20
41 TIOTROPIUM BROMIDE MONOHYDRATE	1,140,278	79,611,499	86,441,011	75.81
42 DILTIAZEM HYDROCHLORIDE	1,139,558	24,013,917	29,585,627	25.96
43 METOPROLOL TARTRATE	1,126,969	8,505,911	12,650,773	11.23
44 CITALOPRAM HYDROBROMIDE	1,095,056	29,854,717	37,978,766	34.68
45 OXAZEPAM	1,067,541	3,301,550	7,022,174	6.58
46 ROXITHROMYCIN	1,026,517	8,338,421	12,506,253	12.18
47 RANITIDINE HYDROCHLORIDE	971,301	16,043,078	19,628,600	20.21
48 TELMISARTAN	947,927	18,147,642	22,008,098	23.22
49 MIRTAZAPINE	906,167	24,216,293	33,501,950	36.97
50 PAROXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE	904,811	23,381,474	33,425,590	36.94

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51 AMITRIPTYLINE HYDROCHLORIDE	898,280	3,389,484	6,600,009	7.35
52 ISOSORBIDE MONONITRATE	892,624	12,038,689	14,897,377	16.69
53 VERAPAMIL HYDROCHLORIDE	884,762	11,827,695	15,290,870	17.28
54 PREDNISOLONE	847,945	4,142,796	7,124,655	8.40
55 GLYCERYL TRINITRATE	813,280	16,988,955	19,580,870	24.08
56 LANSOPRAZOLE	788,451	23,659,568	32,587,275	41.33
57 CHLORAMPHENICOL	767,098	3,049,543	6,182,889	8.06
58 ESCITALOPRAM OXALATE	758,894	21,509,264	30,469,269	40.15
59 CANDESARTAN CILEXETIL with HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE	755,528	16,310,458	23,185,463	30.69
60 OLANZAPINE	740,843	153,342,138	159,247,225	214.95
61 NIFEDIPINE	739,037	15,990,668	18,958,203	25.65
62 ALLOPURINOL	719,912	5,363,523	7,905,752	10.98
63 FLUOXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE	693,424	19,011,362	24,881,887	35.88
64 DICLOFENAC SODIUM	689,975	5,204,208	7,889,033	11.43
65 DOXYCYCLINE	687,808	3,808,324	6,526,430	9.49
66 THYROXINE SODIUM	673,674	11,352,221	13,972,541	20.74
67 BUDESONIDE with EFORMOTEROL FUMARATE DIHYDRATE	665,164	36,264,503	44,940,435	67.56
68 MORPHINE SULFATE	660,601	31,152,573	34,065,692	51.57
69 SODIUM VALPROATE	636,699	24,274,032	30,527,595	47.95
70 EZETIMIBE	629,871	37,228,345	44,145,572	70.09
71 LISINOPRIL	615,872	11,406,040	14,044,956	22.80
72 MOMETASONE FUROATE	610,780	7,217,530	10,527,504	17.24
73 ENALAPRIL MALEATE	602,965	11,656,877	14,514,575	24.07
74 LEVONORGESTREL with ETHINYLOESTRADIOL	597,582	6,475,412	9,282,848	15.53
75 RISEDRONATE SODIUM	572,004	26,815,163	30,842,766	53.92
76 PROCHLORPERAZINE	570,288	2,922,427	4,911,025	8.61
77 CARMELLOSE SODIUM	559,339	5,409,131	7,504,879	13.42
78 OESTRADIOL	558,752	8,027,053	10,224,643	18.30
79 HYPROMELLOSE with DEXTRAN	552,002	4,167,798	6,133,188	11.11
80 NITRAZEPAM	507,966	1,938,486	3,583,686	7.05
81 CARVEDILOL	506,670	42,940,441	46,621,871	92.02
82 AMLODIPINE BESYLATE	495,984	14,011,328	16,983,585	34.24
83 TIMOLOL MALEATE	494,266	4,559,222	6,334,811	12.82
84 METOCLOPRAMIDE HYDROCHLORIDE	489,665	2,122,944	3,777,202	7.71
85 CEFACLOR	482,431	4,641,447	6,709,867	13.91
86 INDAPAMIDE HEMIHYDRATE	480,399	7,541,143	9,370,004	19.50
87 ROSIGLITAZONE MALEATE	456,491	30,103,140	34,377,811	75.31
88 GLUCOSE INDICATOR-BLOOD	456,107	20,980,108	23,579,656	51.70
89 TELMISARTAN with HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE	454,661	10,461,958	12,310,031	27.08
90 PRAZOSIN HYDROCHLORIDE	452,184	5,839,916	7,456,788	16.49
91 DOTHIEPIN HYDROCHLORIDE	430,156	2,150,489	3,682,319	8.56
92 RISPERIDONE	425,783	73,468,307	76,539,539	179.76
93 TRIMETHOPRIM	423,384	1,700,014	3,390,774	8.01
94 TRANDOLAPRIL	420,856	7,401,990	9,980,745	23.72
95 BETAMETHASONE VALERATE	404,996	3,472,755	5,021,345	12.40
96 FOSINOPRIL SODIUM with HYDROCHLOROTHIAZIDE	399,734	8,936,987	11,093,329	27.75
97 GLIMEPIRIDE	397,191	3,985,963	5,361,652	13.50
98 INFLUENZA VACCINE	388,412	5,044,710	6,912,982	17.80
99 TRIAMCINOLONE ACETONIDE with NEOMYCIN SULFATE, GRAMICIDIN ;	387,764	1,337,213	2,736,472	7.06
100 PREDNISONE	386,980	1,898,452	3,249,962	8.40