

**Table 4(a): PBS processing (excl. Drs Bag) years ending:  
Jun 2005 to end Jun 2008 - Section 85 Only**

Year	Prescription Volume	Government Cost \$
Year Ending Jun 05	169,877,010	5,295,890,157
Year Ending Jun 06	167,926,527	5,384,324,784
Year Ending Jun 07	168,175,157	5,465,757,330
Year Ending Jun 08	170,959,841	5,912,170,975
Change	2,784,684	446,413,645
%	1.66	8.17

**Table 4(b): PBS processing (incl. Drs Bag) year ending: Jun 2008 - Section 85 Only**

	Year ending Jun 2007	Year ending Jun 2008	Change	%
<b>Highest volume drug: Atorvastatin Calcium</b>				
Prescription Volume	9,440,627	9,866,405	425,778	4.51
Government Cost (\$)	529,732,351	544,148,644	14,416,294	2.72
<b>Highest Govt cost drug: Atorvastatin Calcium</b>				
Prescription Volume	9,440,627	9,866,405	425,778	4.51
Government Cost (\$)	529,732,351	544,148,644	14,416,294	2.72
<b>Highest volume ATC Level 2: Lipid modifying agents</b>				
Prescription Volume	18,757,397	20,412,460	1,655,063	8.82
Government Cost (\$)	1,004,444,984	1,057,703,802	53,258,818	5.30
<b>Highest Government cost ATC Level 2: Lipid modifying agents</b>				
Prescription Volume	18,757,397	20,412,460	1,655,063	8.82
Government Cost (\$)	1,004,444,984	1,057,703,802	53,258,818	5.30
<b>Greatest increase in Govt. cost ATC Level 2: Antineoplastic agents</b>				
Prescription Volume	483,536	517,034	33,498	6.93
Government Cost (\$)	248,328,728	322,532,788	74,204,060	29.88