

**Table 9(b): Highest Volume PBS Drugs (incl Drs Bag) by Generic Name, year ending: Jun 2014 - Section 85 Only**  
(total for all forms and strengths for each drug)

Rank Drug	Volume	Govt Cost \$	Total Cost \$	Ave Price \$
1 Atorvastatin	8,912,377	279,187,250	357,186,086	40.08
2 Rosuvastatin	7,806,237	287,914,893	392,284,844	50.25
3 Esomeprazole	6,932,449	201,734,847	265,260,640	38.26
4 Paracetamol	6,040,540	69,531,310	94,554,945	15.65
5 Pantoprazole	4,094,219	45,932,933	64,965,765	15.87
6 Perindopril	3,933,326	39,508,138	58,830,008	14.96
7 Metformin	3,591,938	31,498,249	47,265,706	13.16
8 Fluticasone + Salmeterol	3,232,265	182,364,895	231,096,088	71.50
9 Irbesartan	3,014,076	46,083,933	60,780,858	20.17
10 Simvastatin	2,964,929	32,021,738	45,933,852	15.49
11 Salbutamol	2,921,958	30,397,538	43,232,320	14.80
12 Atenolol	2,816,140	11,218,576	24,463,572	8.69
13 Cephalexin	2,745,920	11,516,256	25,282,283	9.21
14 Oxycodone	2,733,368	83,857,687	99,956,916	36.57
15 Warfarin	2,507,422	22,171,039	32,736,309	13.06
16 Amoxicillin	2,384,310	9,391,931	22,202,807	9.31
17 Ramipril	2,341,218	18,212,840	29,428,381	12.57
18 Paracetamol + Codeine	2,340,612	11,386,717	22,474,397	9.60
19 Amlodipine	2,250,517	12,697,954	23,344,765	10.37
20 Irbesartan + Hydrochlorothiazide	2,208,229	46,925,556	57,794,176	26.17
21 Venlafaxine	2,146,836	63,493,475	89,539,850	41.71
22 Clopidogrel	2,127,743	61,887,723	73,454,982	34.52
23 Omeprazole	2,081,140	30,129,915	39,903,723	19.17
24 Amoxicillin + Clavulanic Acid	2,068,583	12,005,054	22,377,191	10.82
25 Candesartan	2,056,243	32,318,761	42,475,053	20.66
26 Rabeprazole	2,043,377	51,331,594	62,574,967	30.62
27 Telmisartan	1,976,841	27,886,391	37,828,645	19.14
28 Tiotropium	1,959,807	129,001,764	144,207,429	73.58
29 Tramadol	1,864,352	16,304,513	24,472,578	13.13
30 Desvenlafaxine	1,810,218	53,431,087	90,969,281	50.25
31 Sertraline	1,777,574	15,336,053	24,139,626	13.58
32 Diazepam	1,770,534	5,634,539	14,226,370	8.04
33 Lercanidipine	1,753,188	13,538,089	21,607,102	12.32
34 Budesonide + Eformoterol	1,710,547	87,495,065	116,429,457	68.07
35 Temazepam	1,627,470	5,322,971	12,483,717	7.67
36 Pregabalin	1,603,355	71,343,720	88,883,547	55.44
37 Metoprolol Tartrate	1,597,391	8,505,877	15,651,157	9.80
38 Meloxicam	1,537,457	19,393,447	26,564,771	17.28
39 Escitalopram	1,490,674	16,336,673	23,928,681	16.05
40 Gliclazide	1,472,386	15,174,144	21,356,282	14.50
41 Frusemide	1,426,879	6,697,349	12,291,073	8.61
42 Amitriptyline	1,389,552	7,364,127	13,587,797	9.78
43 Mirtazapine	1,379,320	20,681,149	27,459,629	19.91
44 Latanoprost	1,303,651	36,821,512	46,554,150	35.71
45 Buprenorphine	1,288,119	59,577,004	67,488,346	52.39
46 Ezetimibe	1,242,037	72,253,440	88,511,025	71.26
47 Amlodipine + Atorvastatin	1,196,929	63,661,025	81,842,998	68.38
48 Duloxetine	1,195,390	39,411,259	58,290,863	48.76
49 Prednisolone	1,141,619	5,345,923	10,413,264	9.12
50 Telmisartan + Hydrochlorothiazide	1,108,355	22,368,924	27,905,021	25.18

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

Average Price is "Total Cost" divided by "Volume"