

Table1. Number of patients who had at least one prescription for a PBS/RPBS listed antidepressant drug during 2008/2009 and 2009/2010 financial year, by age group and State/Territory.

Table 1 (a).
Financial year 2008/2009

Patient age group	State ²								Australia Total
	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	
2 to 6 years	255	160	247	74	72	54	*	15	877
7 to 11 years	1,328	825	1,391	244	280	173	19	54	4,314
12 to 16 years	4,227	2,734	3,632	794	1,052	424	61	196	13,120
17 to 21 years	12,613	11,186	9,596	3,424	4,212	1,533	146	790	43,500
22 to 26 years	18,006	16,118	13,651	5,455	6,796	2,022	266	1,172	63,486
27 to 31 years	21,602	19,001	16,041	6,001	7,697	2,261	379	1,259	74,241
32 to 36 years	27,332	23,388	20,202	7,462	9,212	2,774	408	1,428	92,206
37 to 41 years	34,068	29,225	24,760	9,246	11,452	3,589	547	1,726	114,613
42 to 46 years	35,156	29,546	25,220	10,152	11,525	3,540	583	1,642	117,364
47 to 51 years	38,369	30,620	26,787	11,050	11,736	3,892	567	1,763	124,784
52 to 56 years	37,978	30,455	26,520	10,634	11,656	3,879	574	1,618	123,314
57 to 61 years	41,689	32,319	30,335	11,876	12,947	4,408	635	1,637	135,846
62 to 66 years	44,300	32,881	32,736	12,513	13,298	4,460	628	1,630	142,446
67 to 71 years	37,783	28,645	26,558	10,610	11,889	3,559	479	1,385	120,908
72 to 76 years	34,418	26,152	21,765	9,494	10,034	3,113	275	1,135	106,386
77 years and over	84,373	65,703	50,355	25,667	24,100	7,202	362	2,665	260,427
Age unknown ¹	469	261	309	53	130	43	*	13	1,278
2008-09 Total	473,966	379,219	330,105	134,749	148,088	46,926	5,929	20,128	1,539,110

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Table 1 (b).
Financial year 2009/2010

Patient age group	State ²								Australia Total
	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	
2 to 6 years	374	229	402	90	84	77	*	8	1,264
7 to 11 years	1,706	1,085	1,697	301	340	204	19	50	5,402
12 to 16 years	6,598	4,375	4,866	1,292	1,738	678	80	312	19,939
17 to 21 years	15,347	14,100	12,210	4,335	5,526	1,922	166	928	54,534
22 to 26 years	19,745	17,841	15,550	6,089	7,523	2,296	273	1,339	70,656
27 to 31 years	23,650	20,519	18,048	6,507	8,603	2,522	395	1,397	81,641
32 to 36 years	29,750	25,153	22,306	8,075	10,115	3,041	400	1,538	100,378
37 to 41 years	36,356	30,952	26,979	10,092	12,565	3,852	571	1,754	123,121
42 to 46 years	37,024	30,596	26,776	10,491	12,177	3,865	605	1,639	123,173
47 to 51 years	39,899	31,665	27,997	11,273	12,331	4,124	555	1,797	129,641
52 to 56 years	39,296	31,445	27,737	10,967	12,101	4,024	578	1,628	127,776
57 to 61 years	42,969	33,320	31,378	12,221	13,461	4,619	618	1,632	140,218
62 to 66 years	46,315	34,469	34,154	13,186	14,090	4,717	663	1,625	149,219
67 to 71 years	38,987	29,774	27,361	11,051	12,269	3,734	464	1,399	125,039
72 to 76 years	35,368	27,081	22,281	9,813	10,269	3,171	258	1,160	109,401
77 years and over	80,303	63,195	48,179	24,571	23,089	6,818	341	2,499	248,995
Age unknown ¹	385	243	303	62	102	36	6	16	1,153
2009-10 Total	494,072	396,042	348,224	140,416	156,383	49,700	5,992	20,721	1,611,550

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Table 2 contains information by generic drug name. As patients may have received more than one of the indicated drugs within the year, the individual drug totals will not add to the total number of patients.

Table 2. Number of patients who had at least one prescription for a PBS/RPBS listed antidepressant drug during 2008/2009 and 2009/2010 financial year, by generic drug name, age and State/Territory.

Table 2 (a)
Financial year 2008/2009

Generic drug name	Patient age group	State ²								
		NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	Australia Total
AMITRIPTYLINE HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	53	19	91	32	*	41	*	*	236
	7 to 11 years	179	76	426	87	35	92	*	9	904
	12 to 16 years	328	158	510	146	76	74	*	11	1,303
	17 to 21 years	553	466	422	219	237	107	10	16	2,030
	22 to 26 years	784	626	536	308	358	126	13	41	2,792
	27 to 31 years	1,106	846	820	381	434	165	22	52	3,826
	32 to 36 years	1,647	1,217	1,134	610	622	229	21	54	5,534
	37 to 41 years	2,463	1,674	1,683	795	841	337	45	75	7,913
	42 to 46 years	3,000	2,150	2,105	1,119	1,043	421	63	93	9,994
	47 to 51 years	3,860	2,540	2,592	1,331	1,296	530	62	100	12,311
	52 to 56 years	4,387	2,999	2,978	1,512	1,466	636	80	117	14,175
	57 to 61 years	5,811	3,953	4,024	2,018	2,031	809	96	159	18,901
	62 to 66 years	7,633	5,161	5,434	2,704	2,708	964	120	223	24,947
	67 to 71 years	8,298	5,724	5,638	2,896	2,906	964	110	285	26,821
	72 to 76 years	8,000	5,526	4,989	2,791	2,643	916	83	218	25,166
77 years and over	16,969	11,632	10,076	6,173	4,959	1,863	96	357	52,125	
Age unknown ¹	55	32	35	7	12	6	*	*	147	
AMITRIPTYLINE HYDROCHLORIDE Total		65,126	44,799	43,493	23,129	21,667	8,280	821	1,810	209,125
CITALOPRAM HYDROBROMIDE	2 to 6 years	6	*	*	6	*	*	*	*	6
	7 to 11 years	38	17	21	9	13	*	*	*	98
	12 to 16 years	202	116	177	79	91	6	*	25	696
	17 to 21 years	1,057	931	748	459	390	92	21	80	3,778
	22 to 26 years	1,668	1,306	1,120	731	611	173	36	125	5,770
	27 to 31 years	2,102	1,583	1,471	800	768	196	55	129	7,104
	32 to 36 years	2,680	2,012	1,907	1,028	1,026	237	52	119	9,061
	37 to 41 years	3,406	2,602	2,335	1,166	1,192	333	79	203	11,316
	42 to 46 years	3,469	2,562	2,393	1,309	1,175	277	66	169	11,420
	47 to 51 years	3,638	2,671	2,424	1,397	1,126	317	74	195	11,842
	52 to 56 years	3,723	2,673	2,556	1,284	1,093	322	68	165	11,884
	57 to 61 years	4,184	2,874	3,054	1,546	1,324	376	78	177	13,613
	62 to 66 years	4,717	3,047	3,448	1,600	1,419	358	97	193	14,879
	67 to 71 years	4,023	2,634	2,737	1,285	1,135	277	62	162	12,315
	72 to 76 years	3,856	2,550	2,370	1,212	920	254	35	134	11,331
77 years and over	11,822	7,803	6,908	4,369	2,343	635	47	363	34,290	
Age unknown ¹	67	35	45	11	13	8	*	*	179	
CITALOPRAM HYDROBROMIDE Total		50,658	35,416	33,714	18,291	14,639	3,861	770	2,239	159,588
DESVENLAFAXIN E SUCCINATE	2 to 6 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	7 to 11 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

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		NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	Australia Total
	12 to 16 years	53	27	40	10	12	*	*	*	142
	17 to 21 years	335	206	283	79	172	37	*	8	1,120
	22 to 26 years	441	343	415	138	234	33	*	21	1,625
	27 to 31 years	474	408	523	135	270	35	*	26	1,871
	32 to 36 years	621	438	597	159	290	66	*	26	2,197
	37 to 41 years	687	506	731	163	391	67	*	35	2,580
	42 to 46 years	646	504	663	183	327	78	*	30	2,431
	47 to 51 years	700	528	624	182	314	77	*	38	2,463
	52 to 56 years	567	411	548	134	250	48	6	22	1,986
	57 to 61 years	518	352	520	113	192	60	*	18	1,773
	62 to 66 years	352	247	345	95	135	38	*	15	1,227
	67 to 71 years	244	177	206	59	87	24	*	12	809
	72 to 76 years	189	121	142	37	68	19	*	*	576
	77 years and over	284	198	252	97	85	23	*	16	955
	Age unknown ¹	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
DESVENLAFAXINE SUCCINATE Total		6,111	4,466	5,889	1,584	2,827	605	6	267	21,755
DOTHIEPIN HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	7 to 11 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	12 to 16 years	9	12	21	*	*	*	*	*	42
	17 to 21 years	71	64	98	29	27	*	*	*	289
	22 to 26 years	151	130	137	42	62	*	*	6	528
	27 to 31 years	248	188	177	56	76	11	*	10	766
	32 to 36 years	343	256	301	87	106	16	*	9	1,118
	37 to 41 years	499	414	455	179	188	35	*	15	1,785
	42 to 46 years	726	477	637	205	233	43	6	25	2,352
	47 to 51 years	925	645	774	272	301	51	14	29	3,011
	52 to 56 years	1,189	797	989	337	406	69	12	37	3,836
	57 to 61 years	1,713	1,105	1,552	463	547	110	19	53	5,562
	62 to 66 years	2,152	1,440	1,893	522	741	108	24	65	6,945
	67 to 71 years	1,936	1,370	1,929	535	757	112	31	67	6,737
72 to 76 years	1,682	1,233	1,622	449	615	92	10	43	5,746	
77 years and over	3,213	2,573	2,989	904	1,015	193	23	76	10,986	
	Age unknown ¹	18	*	15	*	*	*	*	*	33
DOTHIEPIN HYDROCHLORIDE Total		14,875	10,704	13,589	4,080	5,074	840	139	435	49,736
DOXEPIN HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	7 to 11 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	12 to 16 years	25	*	17	*	*	*	*	*	42
	17 to 21 years	79	44	41	13	17	19	*	*	213
	22 to 26 years	135	134	63	31	38	12	*	11	424
	27 to 31 years	206	283	79	33	55	28	*	*	684
	32 to 36 years	331	263	112	49	76	54	*	17	902
	37 to 41 years	435	312	157	86	83	65	*	19	1,157
	42 to 46 years	618	327	220	122	124	86	*	18	1,515
	47 to 51 years	823	401	326	186	150	118	*	25	2,029
	52 to 56 years	996	436	377	218	176	126	*	27	2,356
	57 to 61 years	1,274	603	606	289	278	163	6	51	3,270
	62 to 66 years	1,760	891	940	471	390	210	9	64	4,735
	67 to 71 years	2,056	1,107	1,069	550	439	182	13	59	5,475
72 to 76 years	2,104	1,166	1,067	534	409	187	10	67	5,544	
77 years and over	5,292	3,139	2,702	1,623	996	480	10	143	14,385	

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	over									
	Age unknown ¹	26	9	9	*	6	*	*	*	50
DOXEPIN HYDROCHLORIDE Total		16,160	9,115	7,785	4,205	3,237	1,730	48	501	42,781
DULOXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	7 to 11 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	12 to 16 years	48	54	59	15	19	9	*	6	210
	17 to 21 years	538	635	541	198	266	81	*	70	2,329
	22 to 26 years	915	1,039	905	367	455	132	*	96	3,909
	27 to 31 years	1,095	1,308	995	398	451	154	*	121	4,522
	32 to 36 years	1,379	1,624	1,203	472	491	226	6	117	5,518
	37 to 41 years	1,712	1,918	1,448	626	705	266	*	147	6,822
	42 to 46 years	1,605	1,938	1,419	613	604	233	*	151	6,563
	47 to 51 years	1,665	1,911	1,387	686	619	281	*	135	6,684
	52 to 56 years	1,523	1,748	1,295	628	559	218	*	133	6,104
	57 to 61 years	1,284	1,486	1,120	533	475	224	6	114	5,242
	62 to 66 years	898	1,020	906	367	324	156	*	65	3,736
	67 to 71 years	642	730	528	212	197	95	*	47	2,451
	72 to 76 years	503	530	409	149	148	70	*	26	1,835
77 years and over	880	923	612	270	244	110	*	43	3,082	
	Age unknown ¹	8	*	*	*	7	*	*	*	15
DULOXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE Total		14,695	16,864	12,827	5,534	5,564	2,255	12	1,271	59,022
ESCITALOPRAM OXALATE	2 to 6 years	15	14	9	*	7	*	*	*	45
	7 to 11 years	35	26	39	*	9	*	*	*	109
	12 to 16 years	219	163	270	61	153	21	*	19	906
	17 to 21 years	1,575	1,640	1,458	490	958	225	*	104	6,450
	22 to 26 years	2,243	2,285	2,017	698	1,378	300	17	128	9,066
	27 to 31 years	2,429	2,582	2,059	653	1,430	321	18	119	9,611
	32 to 36 years	2,848	2,790	2,511	762	1,569	325	12	134	10,951
	37 to 41 years	3,393	3,316	2,895	879	1,757	425	15	145	12,825
	42 to 46 years	3,317	3,065	2,716	926	1,611	399	13	112	12,159
	47 to 51 years	3,281	2,975	2,593	886	1,459	363	14	145	11,716
	52 to 56 years	3,228	2,680	2,482	816	1,486	373	13	110	11,188
	57 to 61 years	3,564	2,976	3,305	938	1,673	419	19	142	13,036
	62 to 66 years	3,706	2,967	3,585	1,017	1,738	404	16	174	13,607
	67 to 71 years	2,929	2,428	2,618	781	1,496	285	28	117	10,682
	72 to 76 years	2,674	2,170	2,074	633	1,175	202	6	110	9,044
77 years and over	5,897	5,344	4,617	1,643	2,564	430	*	210	20,705	
	Age unknown ¹	33	31	32	7	17	*	*	*	120
ESCITALOPRAM OXALATE Total		41,386	37,452	35,280	11,190	20,480	4,492	171	1,769	152,220
FLUOXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	28	30	51	*	14	*	*	*	123
	7 to 11 years	434	367	344	28	76	12	10	16	1,287
	12 to 16 years	1,508	1,214	970	167	318	125	33	61	4,396
	17 to 21 years	2,216	2,158	1,340	327	668	285	22	114	7,130
	22 to 26 years	1,840	1,676	1,195	335	705	279	20	128	6,178
	27 to 31 years	1,964	1,559	1,443	370	709	286	17	108	6,456
	32 to 36 years	2,533	1,994	1,824	499	871	352	21	130	8,224
	37 to 41 years	3,126	2,652	2,364	602	1,091	448	15	156	10,454
	42 to 46 years	3,188	2,538	2,299	615	1,111	424	27	164	10,366
	47 to 51 years	3,258	2,480	2,352	696	1,017	387	28	148	10,366
52 to 56 years	2,973	2,329	2,133	589	933	333	23	140	9,453	

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	57 to 61 years	3,294	2,330	2,232	557	997	335	27	129	9,901
	62 to 66 years	3,178	2,182	2,117	529	888	340	25	127	9,386
	67 to 71 years	2,220	1,628	1,496	359	697	224	28	96	6,748
	72 to 76 years	1,647	1,288	972	239	435	153	8	71	4,813
	77 years and over	2,915	2,266	1,635	376	721	278	11	99	8,301
	Age unknown ¹	26	13	22	*	13	*	*	*	74
FLUOXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE Total		36,348	28,704	24,789	6,288	11,264	4,261	315	1,687	113,656
FLUVOXAMINE MALEATE	2 to 6 years	15	8	19	*	*	*	*	*	42
	7 to 11 years	179	63	193	22	6	31	*	*	494
	12 to 16 years	589	207	566	68	51	112	*	16	1,609
	17 to 21 years	908	511	697	209	162	157	7	61	2,712
	22 to 26 years	844	649	647	266	280	112	12	82	2,892
	27 to 31 years	1,006	720	740	277	307	146	15	78	3,289
	32 to 36 years	1,223	948	888	357	381	169	18	90	4,074
	37 to 41 years	1,435	1,166	1,055	376	417	199	24	77	4,749
	42 to 46 years	1,462	1,133	1,058	421	409	198	25	82	4,788
	47 to 51 years	1,551	1,138	1,049	431	387	184	13	76	4,829
	52 to 56 years	1,421	1,057	1,054	409	373	203	16	82	4,615
	57 to 61 years	1,456	1,055	1,142	424	357	191	17	73	4,715
	62 to 66 years	1,343	997	1,114	350	291	149	13	68	4,325
	67 to 71 years	979	715	769	228	221	91	8	40	3,051
72 to 76 years	788	555	527	192	160	90	*	30	2,342	
77 years and over	1,608	1,236	1,084	348	282	233	*	49	4,840	
	Age unknown ¹	*	*	11	*	*	*	*	*	11
FLUVOXAMINE MALEATE Total		16,807	12,158	12,613	4,378	4,084	2,265	168	904	53,377
IMIPRAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	57	27	36	16	21	*	*	*	157
	7 to 11 years	223	142	178	67	93	26	*	*	729
	12 to 16 years	196	117	182	60	82	18	*	10	665
	17 to 21 years	54	50	45	21	35	15	*	*	220
	22 to 26 years	55	45	35	22	16	9	*	*	182
	27 to 31 years	55	41	59	20	21	9	*	*	205
	32 to 36 years	82	58	70	28	26	9	*	*	273
	37 to 41 years	152	89	103	48	54	12	*	*	458
	42 to 46 years	178	119	128	72	45	17	*	7	566
	47 to 51 years	262	156	199	58	53	30	*	8	766
	52 to 56 years	274	200	228	88	91	32	6	11	930
	57 to 61 years	456	310	310	126	112	88	*	23	1,425
	62 to 66 years	617	478	533	206	173	107	*	21	2,135
	67 to 71 years	754	511	546	195	213	110	*	37	2,366
72 to 76 years	862	629	616	232	199	109	*	39	2,686	
77 years and over	1,977	1,529	1,488	672	525	231	6	94	6,522	
	Age unknown ¹	10	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	10
IMIPRAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE Total		6,264	4,501	4,756	1,931	1,759	822	12	250	20,295
LITHIUM CARBONATE	2 to 6 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	7 to 11 years	*	*	6	*	*	*	*	*	6
	12 to 16 years	66	12	18	*	19	*	*	8	123
	17 to 21 years	272	169	130	41	80	25	*	18	735
	22 to 26 years	489	399	278	83	168	33	8	37	1,495
	27 to 31 years	646	569	390	138	175	46	6	38	2,008

Generic drug name	Patient age group	State ²								
		NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	Australia Total
	32 to 36 years	815	689	490	175	225	59	9	57	2,519
	37 to 41 years	986	806	564	236	267	71	12	67	3,009
	42 to 46 years	982	803	579	248	297	64	8	55	3,036
	47 to 51 years	982	849	589	270	279	94	9	50	3,122
	52 to 56 years	912	717	495	231	262	73	7	46	2,743
	57 to 61 years	838	705	496	239	225	53	13	30	2,599
	62 to 66 years	756	550	431	204	205	35	7	29	2,217
	67 to 71 years	635	499	323	155	167	33	7	26	1,845
	72 to 76 years	422	361	233	113	98	25	*	9	1,261
	77 years and over	745	543	374	228	151	36	*	25	2,102
	Age unknown ¹	6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	6
LITHIUM CARBONATE Total		9,552	7,671	5,396	2,361	2,618	647	86	495	28,826
MIANSERIN HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	12 to 16 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	17 to 21 years	9	*	10	*	*	*	*	*	19
	22 to 26 years	25	23	16	*	*	*	*	*	64
	27 to 31 years	43	19	35	*	9	*	*	*	106
	32 to 36 years	93	35	50	8	11	*	*	*	197
	37 to 41 years	105	42	55	8	17	9	*	*	236
	42 to 46 years	145	41	90	16	15	*	*	*	307
	47 to 51 years	208	91	102	20	23	7	*	*	451
	52 to 56 years	221	92	138	15	26	10	*	*	502
	57 to 61 years	267	140	178	23	48	13	*	*	669
	62 to 66 years	316	181	203	32	50	10	*	*	792
	67 to 71 years	328	189	156	32	55	12	*	*	772
	72 to 76 years	337	222	157	30	50	14	*	*	810
77 years and over	1,253	735	564	104	214	40	*	9	2,919	
	Age unknown ¹	8	*	11	*	*	*	*	*	19
MIANSERIN HYDROCHLORIDE Total		3,358	1,810	1,765	288	518	115	0	9	7,863
MIRTAZAPINE	2 to 6 years	20	*	6	*	8	*	*	*	34
	7 to 11 years	41	16	35	9	9	*	*	*	110
	12 to 16 years	175	117	156	35	53	11	*	9	556
	17 to 21 years	1,056	1,046	717	329	368	109	13	92	3,730
	22 to 26 years	1,964	1,736	1,294	560	711	191	27	110	6,593
	27 to 31 years	2,644	2,247	1,590	685	843	232	37	124	8,402
	32 to 36 years	3,204	2,743	2,022	805	1,104	326	50	150	10,404
	37 to 41 years	3,954	3,284	2,378	1,040	1,284	382	59	192	12,573
	42 to 46 years	4,113	3,399	2,521	1,046	1,366	346	61	180	13,032
	47 to 51 years	4,482	3,343	2,789	1,216	1,368	383	72	189	13,842
	52 to 56 years	4,181	3,238	2,544	1,160	1,412	383	72	161	13,151
	57 to 61 years	3,941	3,187	2,805	1,174	1,545	398	74	168	13,292
	62 to 66 years	3,880	3,102	2,759	1,131	1,526	423	61	157	13,039
	67 to 71 years	3,401	2,967	2,179	917	1,457	342	36	116	11,415
	72 to 76 years	3,640	3,174	2,031	887	1,663	312	26	152	11,885
77 years and over	12,421	10,978	6,753	3,626	6,511	1,000	44	598	41,931	
	Age unknown ¹	60	35	51	6	21	*	*	*	173
MIRTAZAPINE Total		53,177	44,612	32,630	14,626	21,249	4,838	632	2,398	174,162
MOCLOBEMIDE	2 to 6 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	7 to 11 years	6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	6

Generic drug name	Patient age group	State ²								
		NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	Australia Total
	12 to 16 years	14	6	9	*	*	*	*	*	29
	17 to 21 years	64	71	47	17	8	16	*	*	223
	22 to 26 years	138	119	95	34	32	26	*	9	453
	27 to 31 years	187	141	138	55	50	32	*	12	615
	32 to 36 years	297	206	174	69	60	45	10	11	872
	37 to 41 years	464	326	267	118	107	52	10	16	1,360
	42 to 46 years	592	358	344	160	131	74	*	24	1,683
	47 to 51 years	684	456	416	188	138	101	16	31	2,030
	52 to 56 years	774	490	463	217	154	82	8	30	2,218
	57 to 61 years	915	648	658	258	159	109	21	51	2,819
	62 to 66 years	881	594	740	255	177	117	14	55	2,833
	67 to 71 years	614	434	425	180	134	69	8	32	1,896
	72 to 76 years	446	394	327	139	100	77	*	20	1,503
	77 years and over	1,006	934	661	327	240	119	*	151	3,438
	Age unknown ¹	12	*	7	*	*	*	*	*	19
MOCLOBEMIDE Total		7,094	5,177	4,771	2,017	1,490	919	87	442	21,997
NORTRIPTYLINE HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	*	*	6	*	*	*	*	*	6
	7 to 11 years	9	*	25	*	*	*	*	*	34
	12 to 16 years	20	*	26	*	*	*	8	*	54
	17 to 21 years	41	34	17	8	8	*	*	*	108
	22 to 26 years	69	53	18	11	14	9	*	*	174
	27 to 31 years	101	57	27	11	15	9	*	*	220
	32 to 36 years	159	55	57	18	41	17	*	*	347
	37 to 41 years	209	97	71	28	50	21	*	*	476
	42 to 46 years	286	92	97	29	79	16	*	*	599
	47 to 51 years	353	114	101	32	81	32	*	6	719
	52 to 56 years	361	135	119	40	88	26	*	8	777
	57 to 61 years	493	170	128	45	94	34	*	*	964
	62 to 66 years	536	202	212	47	121	34	*	*	1,152
	67 to 71 years	573	227	218	55	123	42	*	14	1,252
72 to 76 years	600	235	226	52	113	39	*	*	1,265	
77 years and over	1,432	440	471	139	200	108	*	6	2,796	
	Age unknown ¹	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
NORTRIPTYLINE HYDROCHLORIDE Total		5,242	1,911	1,819	515	1,027	387	8	34	10,943
PAROXETINE	2 to 6 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	7 to 11 years	10	*	7	*	*	*	*	*	17
	12 to 16 years	83	48	55	19	31	9	*	*	245
	17 to 21 years	482	504	392	150	135	76	*	25	1,764
	22 to 26 years	927	904	710	351	311	135	20	37	3,395
	27 to 31 years	1,261	1,200	924	379	385	156	15	64	4,384
	32 to 36 years	1,655	1,513	1,189	532	536	184	19	58	5,686
	37 to 41 years	2,031	1,997	1,471	644	650	257	30	75	7,155
	42 to 46 years	2,166	2,115	1,528	723	693	250	38	86	7,599
	47 to 51 years	2,397	2,150	1,622	714	754	256	26	79	7,998
	52 to 56 years	2,419	2,210	1,684	684	760	278	40	62	8,137
	57 to 61 years	2,825	2,450	2,048	927	854	361	28	77	9,570
	62 to 66 years	3,223	2,641	2,459	1,031	959	392	46	80	10,831
	67 to 71 years	2,680	2,433	1,944	822	900	281	30	90	9,180
	72 to 76 years	2,154	1,977	1,470	702	680	229	17	49	7,278
77 years and over	4,248	3,999	2,776	1,465	1,253	423	22	119	14,305	

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		NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	Australia Total
	Age unknown ¹	23	19	20	8	7	*	*	*	77
PAROXETINE Total		28,584	26,160	20,299	9,151	8,908	3,287	331	901	97,621
PHENELZINE SULFATE	17 to 21 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	22 to 26 years	16	*	6	*	7	*	*	*	29
	27 to 31 years	15	11	6	*	14	*	*	*	46
	32 to 36 years	24	*	7	*	13	*	*	*	44
	37 to 41 years	37	11	7	*	23	*	*	*	78
	42 to 46 years	25	16	18	7	20	*	*	*	86
	47 to 51 years	48	21	9	7	24	9	*	*	118
	52 to 56 years	59	21	22	16	28	*	*	*	146
	57 to 61 years	53	24	19	11	21	11	*	*	139
	62 to 66 years	51	24	16	7	23	8	*	*	129
	67 to 71 years	16	20	6	8	8	*	*	*	58
	72 to 76 years	16	13	8	*	*	*	*	*	37
	77 years and over	29	15	8	6	*	*	*	*	58
	Age unknown ¹	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
PHENELZINE SULFATE Total		389	176	132	62	181	28	*	*	968
REBOXETINE MESILATE	2 to 6 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	7 to 11 years	*	*	36	*	*	*	*	*	36
	12 to 16 years	25	*	56	*	7	*	*	*	88
	17 to 21 years	128	47	106	33	94	10	*	9	427
	22 to 26 years	225	152	185	73	235	25	*	13	908
	27 to 31 years	308	207	218	98	247	22	*	24	1,124
	32 to 36 years	366	253	300	115	308	31	*	26	1,399
	37 to 41 years	485	364	354	151	407	41	*	35	1,837
	42 to 46 years	482	362	434	173	439	36	*	21	1,947
	47 to 51 years	488	423	436	192	363	61	*	22	1,985
	52 to 56 years	454	376	384	171	364	53	7	26	1,835
	57 to 61 years	405	282	344	144	308	46	*	28	1,557
	62 to 66 years	292	206	242	102	155	27	*	15	1,039
	67 to 71 years	153	126	113	43	119	20	*	*	574
72 to 76 years	124	117	93	31	53	10	*	*	428	
77 years and over	258	281	136	86	127	21	*	8	917	
	Age unknown ¹	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
REBOXETINE MESILATE Total		4,193	3,196	3,437	1,412	3,226	403	7	227	16,101
SERTRALINE HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	31	29	22	*	*	*	*	*	82
	7 to 11 years	203	127	177	14	24	*	*	11	556
	12 to 16 years	864	571	697	150	190	66	7	31	2,576
	17 to 21 years	2,405	2,459	1,805	789	652	310	29	119	8,568
	22 to 26 years	3,236	3,146	2,326	1,101	902	352	59	174	11,296
	27 to 31 years	3,536	3,446	2,468	1,157	1,026	396	68	174	12,271
	32 to 36 years	4,375	4,241	3,107	1,321	1,148	479	71	181	14,923
	37 to 41 years	5,210	5,107	3,610	1,588	1,416	520	103	217	17,771
	42 to 46 years	5,155	4,789	3,383	1,544	1,351	483	97	185	16,987
	47 to 51 years	5,180	4,698	3,488	1,600	1,323	543	91	205	17,128
	52 to 56 years	5,256	4,762	3,573	1,525	1,329	530	102	189	17,266
	57 to 61 years	6,296	5,477	4,450	1,838	1,708	643	122	188	20,722
	62 to 66 years	7,125	5,930	5,237	2,069	2,009	657	128	238	23,393
	67 to 71 years	6,083	5,120	4,503	1,634	1,794	541	88	196	19,959
72 to 76 years	5,427	4,573	3,575	1,448	1,498	470	60	187	17,238	
77 years and over	15,042	12,652	9,068	4,521	4,229	1,428	98	436	47,474	

Generic drug name	Patient age group	State ²								
		NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	Australia Total
	Age unknown ¹	97	54	45	6	19	8	*	*	229
SERTRALINE HYDROCHLORIDE Total		75,521	67,181	51,534	22,305	20,618	7,426	1,123	2,731	248,439
TRANLYCYPROMINE SULFATE	2 to 6 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	17 to 21 years	*	6	*	*	*	*	*	*	6
	22 to 26 years	15	*	6	*	*	*	*	*	21
	27 to 31 years	21	17	10	*	*	*	*	*	48
	32 to 36 years	36	18	17	*	7	*	*	*	78
	37 to 41 years	40	24	21	*	9	*	*	*	94
	42 to 46 years	59	39	29	6	11	6	*	*	150
	47 to 51 years	70	50	25	7	9	7	*	*	168
	52 to 56 years	92	52	37	8	9	13	*	10	221
	57 to 61 years	86	70	49	18	15	14	*	6	258
	62 to 66 years	89	58	44	9	10	7	*	*	217
	67 to 71 years	65	51	15	9	*	*	*	*	140
	72 to 76 years	56	45	20	7	8	10	*	*	146
	77 years and over	99	88	34	19	*	7	*	*	247
	Age unknown ¹	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
TRANLYCYPROMINE SULFATE Total		728	518	307	83	78	64	0	16	1,794
VENLAFAXINE HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	25	20	9	8	8	*	*	*	70
	7 to 11 years	32	25	18	8	10	*	*	*	93
	12 to 16 years	294	196	259	57	70	18	*	17	911
	17 to 21 years	2,870	2,204	2,339	630	870	270	42	192	9,417
	22 to 26 years	5,150	4,379	4,211	1,332	1,849	451	77	358	17,807
	27 to 31 years	6,134	5,235	5,025	1,462	2,188	491	145	372	21,052
	32 to 36 years	7,949	6,396	6,191	1,780	2,444	623	142	459	25,984
	37 to 41 years	9,704	7,901	7,514	2,248	3,193	856	192	526	32,134
	42 to 46 years	9,583	7,997	7,590	2,410	3,169	870	204	489	32,312
	47 to 51 years	10,442	8,346	7,975	2,661	3,303	932	189	518	34,366
	52 to 56 years	9,737	8,056	7,250	2,361	2,986	823	171	446	31,830
	57 to 61 years	8,792	7,013	6,818	2,158	2,694	792	158	369	28,794
	62 to 66 years	7,238	5,586	5,533	1,628	1,870	654	123	233	22,865
	67 to 71 years	4,700	3,688	3,367	1,064	1,292	372	68	146	14,697
72 to 76 years	3,736	2,866	2,306	840	861	315	27	96	11,047	
77 years and over	7,727	6,466	4,683	1,714	1,810	556	30	197	23,183	
	Age unknown ¹	65	39	50	8	27	*	*	*	189
VENLAFAXINE HYDROCHLORIDE Total		94,178	76,413	71,138	22,369	28,644	8,023	1,568	4,418	306,751
Financial year 2008-09 total³		473,966	379,219	330,105	134,749	148,088	46,926	5,929	20,128	1,539,110

(1) 'Age unknown' is where the Departments administrative systems do not contain enough information to accurately determine a patient's age. The age of patients is at end of each financial year.

(2) Patient State/Territory is the first State/Territory of the patient in the year. If a patient moves within a year then the data reflects their initial State/Territory.

* indicates that a table cell was 5 or less and has been suppressed for confidentiality reasons. Suppressed cell values have not been included in totals.

Notes:

- (a) Data excludes prescriptions priced under the general patient co-payment level (\$33.30 in 2010) dispensed to non concessional patients and private (non PBS) prescriptions. Also note that there were 2 new antidepressant drugs listed on the PBS during the period covered by the data, DULOXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE listed in June 2008 and DESVENLAFAXINE SUCCINATE listed on February 2009.
- (b) As with any administrative data set, a small error component is always present. Previous investigative work has shown this can be particularly evident in very young age groups where lower rates of prescription are evident. Caution must be used when examining the data, particularly for 2 to 6 year olds.

Table 2 (b).
Financial year 2009/2010

Generic drug name	Patient age group	State ²								
		NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	Australia Total
AMITRIPTYLINE HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	67	19	128	40	7	51	*	*	312
	7 to 11 years	223	81	448	84	38	82	*	9	965
	12 to 16 years	406	211	490	168	122	65	*	15	1,477
	17 to 21 years	659	614	578	292	305	115	8	30	2,601
	22 to 26 years	805	729	662	401	412	151	11	34	3,205
	27 to 31 years	1,266	991	990	471	509	196	31	49	4,503
	32 to 36 years	1,802	1,402	1,401	700	678	270	21	65	6,339
	37 to 41 years	2,715	1,960	1,965	970	986	404	44	85	9,129
	42 to 46 years	3,425	2,357	2,370	1,185	1,123	499	59	79	11,097
	47 to 51 years	4,328	2,860	2,862	1,399	1,410	616	74	96	13,645
	52 to 56 years	4,738	3,339	3,338	1,642	1,644	701	79	119	15,600
	57 to 61 years	6,298	4,385	4,468	2,186	2,214	894	110	165	20,720
	62 to 66 years	8,337	5,818	6,143	3,000	2,949	1,094	134	214	27,689
	67 to 71 years	8,717	6,266	6,075	3,147	3,010	1,031	119	287	28,652
	72 to 76 years	8,375	5,843	5,224	2,901	2,676	922	72	209	26,222
77 years and over	16,146	11,399	9,840	5,994	4,758	1,726	89	335	50,287	
Age unknown ¹	52	21	37	6	12	6	*	*	134	
AMITRIPTYLINE HYDROCHLORIDE Total		68,359	48,295	47,019	24,586	22,853	8,823	851	1,791	222,577
CITALOPRAM HYDROBROMIDE	2 to 6 years	9	8	6	*	*	*	*	*	23
	7 to 11 years	47	27	24	24	23	*	*	*	145
	12 to 16 years	360	221	251	126	129	24	*	18	1,129
	17 to 21 years	1,103	1,014	893	520	433	118	23	69	4,173
	22 to 26 years	1,599	1,284	1,168	702	628	180	40	99	5,700
	27 to 31 years	2,029	1,549	1,511	809	789	184	58	123	7,052
	32 to 36 years	2,601	1,965	1,926	985	984	223	63	135	8,882
	37 to 41 years	3,216	2,471	2,322	1,216	1,180	311	81	176	10,973
	42 to 46 years	3,290	2,420	2,335	1,240	1,124	304	77	161	10,951
	47 to 51 years	3,471	2,587	2,397	1,309	1,093	314	82	169	11,422
	52 to 56 years	3,623	2,517	2,534	1,301	1,078	318	72	152	11,595
	57 to 61 years	4,198	2,804	3,004	1,533	1,319	369	66	172	13,465
	62 to 66 years	4,722	2,963	3,330	1,645	1,424	360	84	193	14,721
	67 to 71 years	3,966	2,636	2,735	1,314	1,135	275	58	156	12,275
	72 to 76 years	3,875	2,461	2,391	1,270	917	248	32	123	11,317
77 years and over	10,854	7,102	6,342	3,960	2,160	602	48	333	31,401	
Age unknown ¹	50	34	40	*	9	6	*	*	139	
CITALOPRAM HYDROBROMIDE Total		49,013	34,063	33,209	17,954	14,425	3,836	784	2,079	155,363
DESVENLAFAXIN E SUCCINATE	2 to 6 years	9	*	10	*	*	*	*	*	19
	7 to 11 years	*	11	15	*	6	*	*	*	32
	12 to 16 years	362	178	303	92	141	27	*	22	1,125
	17 to 21 years	1,702	1,276	1,626	465	902	232	9	90	6,302
	22 to 26 years	2,124	1,835	2,102	569	1,154	255	17	142	8,198
	27 to 31 years	2,253	1,976	2,351	589	1,272	253	10	139	8,843
	32 to 36 years	2,735	2,199	2,670	709	1,416	301	16	143	10,189
	37 to 41 years	3,069	2,485	3,190	681	1,617	367	16	159	11,584
	42 to 46 years	2,829	2,250	2,862	719	1,457	355	19	140	10,631
	47 to 51 years	2,717	2,182	2,712	744	1,316	339	16	165	10,191
52 to 56 years	2,365	1,854	2,248	603	1,110	284	12	120	8,596	

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		NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	Australia Total
	57 to 61 years	1,985	1,531	1,921	500	890	268	8	105	7,208
	62 to 66 years	1,457	1,022	1,324	335	558	180	*	91	4,967
	67 to 71 years	899	683	809	220	354	100	*	35	3,100
	72 to 76 years	688	528	600	172	272	83	*	36	2,379
	77 years and over	1,074	886	971	333	408	95	*	44	3,811
	Age unknown ¹	13	7	13	*	*	*	*	*	33
DESVENLAFAXINE SUCCINATE Total		26,281	20,903	25,727	6,731	12,873	3,139	123	1,431	97,208
DOTHIEPIN HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	7 to 11 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	12 to 16 years	18	10	17	9	13	*	*	*	67
	17 to 21 years	85	76	96	22	39	*	*	*	318
	22 to 26 years	141	114	139	37	51	*	*	8	490
	27 to 31 years	223	157	200	48	74	15	6	11	734
	32 to 36 years	359	249	313	75	106	21	*	12	1,135
	37 to 41 years	532	390	438	165	169	31	7	21	1,753
	42 to 46 years	698	472	603	182	202	39	8	26	2,230
	47 to 51 years	894	577	689	255	279	44	13	30	2,781
	52 to 56 years	1,127	755	940	324	359	64	18	34	3,621
	57 to 61 years	1,605	1,070	1,464	424	512	118	20	46	5,259
	62 to 66 years	2,079	1,382	1,821	510	745	112	34	69	6,752
	67 to 71 years	1,834	1,293	1,768	486	691	106	26	60	6,264
72 to 76 years	1,523	1,167	1,475	424	572	75	13	39	5,288	
77 years and over	2,692	2,262	2,590	742	842	151	24	61	9,364	
	Age unknown ¹	8	9	10	*	*	*	*	*	27
DOTHIEPIN HYDROCHLORIDE Total		13,818	9,983	12,563	3,703	4,654	776	169	417	46,083
DOXEPIN HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	7 to 11 years	7	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	7
	12 to 16 years	33	15	16	*	6	6	*	*	76
	17 to 21 years	68	75	50	10	19	16	*	*	238
	22 to 26 years	123	118	64	19	34	15	*	7	380
	27 to 31 years	197	248	74	39	61	22	*	*	641
	32 to 36 years	278	257	136	58	65	54	*	18	866
	37 to 41 years	406	289	159	79	76	78	*	18	1,105
	42 to 46 years	560	288	240	117	117	66	*	18	1,406
	47 to 51 years	760	379	322	156	145	97	*	27	1,886
	52 to 56 years	923	417	381	213	152	109	*	23	2,218
	57 to 61 years	1,225	566	612	272	278	150	*	50	3,153
	62 to 66 years	1,723	868	961	441	380	208	18	53	4,652
	67 to 71 years	1,897	1,073	1,016	543	401	191	12	53	5,186
72 to 76 years	2,031	1,117	955	498	366	188	11	64	5,230	
77 years and over	4,578	2,743	2,362	1,386	821	429	7	124	12,450	
	Age unknown ¹	13	8	7	*	*	*	*	*	28
DOXEPIN HYDROCHLORIDE Total		14,822	8,461	7,355	3,831	2,921	1,629	48	455	39,522
DULOXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	11	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	11
	7 to 11 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	12 to 16 years	264	158	182	52	80	37	*	21	794
	17 to 21 years	1,346	1,194	1,055	363	472	224	8	118	4,780
	22 to 26 years	1,874	1,743	1,498	614	681	257	16	163	6,846

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	27 to 31 years	2,180	2,034	1,786	658	753	307	14	201	7,933
	32 to 36 years	2,798	2,530	2,118	809	887	374	17	199	9,732
	37 to 41 years	3,272	2,982	2,524	1,077	1,105	473	20	218	11,671
	42 to 46 years	3,122	2,856	2,439	1,026	986	426	17	211	11,083
	47 to 51 years	3,198	2,818	2,346	1,043	994	452	10	200	11,061
	52 to 56 years	2,931	2,631	2,195	932	899	385	13	194	10,180
	57 to 61 years	2,454	2,136	1,788	784	754	363	9	144	8,432
	62 to 66 years	1,821	1,522	1,433	556	527	288	6	89	6,242
	67 to 71 years	1,243	1,068	866	340	360	166	7	59	4,109
	72 to 76 years	1,008	875	656	261	274	133	*	44	3,251
	77 years and over	1,729	1,474	1,041	434	419	188	*	64	5,349
	Age unknown ¹	20	*	10	*	11	*	*	*	41
DULOXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE Total		29,271	26,021	21,937	8,949	9,202	4,073	137	1,925	101,515
ESCITALOPRAM OXALATE	2 to 6 years	19	17	13	*	*	*	*	*	49
	7 to 11 years	41	28	45	8	14	*	*	*	136
	12 to 16 years	576	445	519	148	335	79	*	67	2,169
	17 to 21 years	2,228	2,396	2,167	681	1,323	319	7	139	9,260
	22 to 26 years	2,671	2,745	2,442	839	1,501	341	16	185	10,740
	27 to 31 years	2,986	2,936	2,447	763	1,592	379	19	154	11,276
	32 to 36 years	3,336	3,364	2,977	955	1,703	354	16	168	12,873
	37 to 41 years	3,877	3,760	3,243	1,033	1,923	454	30	169	14,489
	42 to 46 years	3,722	3,393	3,018	958	1,764	417	17	147	13,436
	47 to 51 years	3,706	3,208	2,945	961	1,631	392	15	172	13,030
	52 to 56 years	3,447	3,044	2,861	897	1,640	418	26	144	12,477
	57 to 61 years	4,043	3,374	3,629	1,045	1,844	477	35	144	14,591
	62 to 66 years	4,295	3,492	4,042	1,147	1,985	450	35	190	15,636
	67 to 71 years	3,426	2,784	3,003	889	1,724	309	20	116	12,271
72 to 76 years	2,986	2,550	2,426	741	1,357	234	10	135	10,439	
77 years and over	6,371	6,015	5,096	1,804	2,830	443	9	222	22,790	
	Age unknown ¹	33	26	51	8	14	*	*	*	132
ESCITALOPRAM OXALATE Total		47,763	43,577	40,924	12,877	23,180	5,066	255	2,152	175,794
FLUOXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	61	76	93	*	16	8	*	*	254
	7 to 11 years	626	563	472	38	112	21	13	13	1,858
	12 to 16 years	2,333	1,727	1,307	263	471	187	40	89	6,417
	17 to 21 years	2,247	2,203	1,478	349	696	318	19	131	7,441
	22 to 26 years	1,836	1,607	1,327	343	707	290	16	125	6,251
	27 to 31 years	1,986	1,622	1,550	350	731	281	22	123	6,665
	32 to 36 years	2,561	1,916	1,845	460	904	341	17	155	8,199
	37 to 41 years	3,126	2,527	2,371	607	1,127	429	21	133	10,341
	42 to 46 years	3,107	2,403	2,332	632	1,130	395	30	142	10,171
	47 to 51 years	3,162	2,371	2,311	630	985	395	25	162	10,041
	52 to 56 years	2,897	2,267	2,081	576	910	315	28	133	9,207
	57 to 61 years	3,129	2,264	2,170	537	952	324	27	120	9,523
	62 to 66 years	3,144	2,116	2,097	510	888	348	31	126	9,260
	67 to 71 years	2,100	1,557	1,422	341	643	213	30	90	6,396
72 to 76 years	1,533	1,214	940	202	411	156	10	65	4,531	
77 years and over	2,590	1,943	1,443	333	661	234	9	79	7,292	
	Age unknown ¹	24	13	16	*	6	*	*	*	59
FLUOXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE Total		36,462	28,389	25,255	6,171	11,350	4,255	338	1,686	113,906

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FLUVOXAMINE MALEATE	2 to 6 years	20	9	29	*	*	8	*	*	66
	7 to 11 years	264	68	259	28	11	56	*	*	686
	12 to 16 years	698	248	588	92	61	118	6	18	1,829
	17 to 21 years	743	453	574	175	134	112	7	43	2,241
	22 to 26 years	662	478	435	206	204	97	7	60	2,149
	27 to 31 years	738	523	551	215	215	126	*	50	2,418
	32 to 36 years	865	685	625	252	270	138	9	47	2,891
	37 to 41 years	995	841	752	256	282	142	11	46	3,325
	42 to 46 years	1,025	795	758	308	282	140	15	52	3,375
	47 to 51 years	1,063	793	702	327	286	136	8	39	3,354
	52 to 56 years	1,049	754	722	305	269	139	10	55	3,303
	57 to 61 years	1,141	801	916	311	278	161	20	57	3,685
	62 to 66 years	1,116	832	981	295	241	143	12	41	3,661
	67 to 71 years	824	620	679	216	208	88	*	40	2,675
	72 to 76 years	675	510	475	180	139	78	*	24	2,081
77 years and over	1,309	1,013	903	264	228	193	*	40	3,950	
Age unknown ¹	8	6	6	*	*	*	*	*	20	
FLUVOXAMINE MALEATE Total		13,195	9,429	9,955	3,430	3,108	1,875	105	612	41,709
IMIPRAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	84	42	50	18	25	7	*	*	226
	7 to 11 years	207	116	196	92	60	31	*	7	709
	12 to 16 years	133	89	122	57	66	19	*	*	486
	17 to 21 years	34	42	35	15	23	15	*	*	164
	22 to 26 years	40	49	38	21	16	9	*	*	173
	27 to 31 years	49	42	48	21	15	*	*	*	175
	32 to 36 years	79	49	67	28	18	8	*	*	249
	37 to 41 years	143	81	91	55	51	10	*	11	442
	42 to 46 years	166	117	133	53	50	20	*	*	539
	47 to 51 years	253	158	182	71	47	28	*	7	746
	52 to 56 years	264	192	200	90	89	29	6	14	884
	57 to 61 years	422	286	318	118	111	70	6	21	1,352
	62 to 66 years	621	455	530	200	150	110	8	25	2,099
	67 to 71 years	697	482	550	174	198	107	*	38	2,246
	72 to 76 years	781	527	556	225	192	103	*	33	2,417
77 years and over	1,633	1,226	1,201	560	412	206	*	70	5,308	
Age unknown ¹	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
IMIPRAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE Total		5,606	3,953	4,317	1,798	1,523	772	20	226	18,215
LITHIUM CARBONATE	2 to 6 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	7 to 11 years	11	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	11
	12 to 16 years	100	26	31	8	30	*	*	7	202
	17 to 21 years	333	232	186	49	103	24	6	19	952
	22 to 26 years	551	459	355	105	186	36	11	37	1,740
	27 to 31 years	690	617	443	147	199	48	*	36	2,180
	32 to 36 years	921	693	550	185	258	66	10	62	2,745
	37 to 41 years	1,015	862	632	245	305	74	11	61	3,205
	42 to 46 years	1,079	824	613	256	298	68	11	59	3,208
	47 to 51 years	986	832	625	283	307	79	14	48	3,174
	52 to 56 years	923	726	530	221	259	74	*	47	2,780
	57 to 61 years	823	662	520	233	250	59	12	27	2,586
	62 to 66 years	699	561	418	193	208	40	7	28	2,154
67 to 71 years	597	486	308	145	161	34	6	21	1,758	
72 to 76 years	419	342	228	108	91	25	*	8	1,221	

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	77 years and over	665	508	336	186	136	27	*	23	1,881
	Age unknown ¹	6	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	6
LITHIUM CARBONATE Total		9,818	7,830	5,775	2,364	2,791	654	88	483	29,803
MIANSERIN HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	7 to 11 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	12 to 16 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	17 to 21 years	9	11	11	*	*	*	*	*	31
	22 to 26 years	23	16	22	*	*	*	*	*	61
	27 to 31 years	35	21	38	*	8	*	*	*	102
	32 to 36 years	84	32	54	*	11	*	*	*	181
	37 to 41 years	114	48	71	7	16	*	*	*	256
	42 to 46 years	155	51	97	7	19	*	*	*	329
	47 to 51 years	194	82	112	16	19	6	*	6	435
	52 to 56 years	220	86	136	23	30	9	*	*	504
	57 to 61 years	217	128	175	26	46	9	*	*	601
	62 to 66 years	314	182	202	36	40	8	*	*	782
	67 to 71 years	319	174	160	31	47	11	*	*	742
72 to 76 years	327	222	153	26	47	10	*	*	785	
77 years and over	1,078	618	478	91	161	25	*	7	2,458	
Age unknown ¹	6	*	6	*	*	*	*	*	12	
MIANSERIN HYDROCHLORIDE Total		3,095	1,671	1,715	263	444	78	*	13	7,279
MIRTAZAPINE	2 to 6 years	12	8	*	*	*	*	*	*	20
	7 to 11 years	46	21	41	10	13	*	*	*	131
	12 to 16 years	336	234	210	76	102	18	*	8	984
	17 to 21 years	1,272	1,177	896	371	459	137	14	83	4,409
	22 to 26 years	1,868	1,767	1,323	544	706	212	22	85	6,527
	27 to 31 years	2,535	2,135	1,561	647	782	229	37	108	8,034
	32 to 36 years	3,040	2,518	1,968	771	955	280	37	125	9,694
	37 to 41 years	3,738	3,035	2,281	1,006	1,130	358	53	131	11,732
	42 to 46 years	3,785	2,998	2,224	1,016	1,093	346	59	132	11,653
	47 to 51 years	4,150	2,980	2,413	1,054	1,178	366	44	129	12,314
	52 to 56 years	3,766	2,814	2,325	990	1,207	343	56	103	11,604
	57 to 61 years	3,669	2,881	2,545	1,115	1,408	374	59	127	12,178
	62 to 66 years	3,999	3,123	2,741	1,187	1,532	407	59	137	13,185
	67 to 71 years	3,768	3,191	2,287	968	1,601	368	43	134	12,360
72 to 76 years	4,053	3,502	2,197	981	1,769	340	25	168	13,035	
77 years and over	13,109	11,198	6,869	3,772	6,329	1,019	41	574	42,911	
Age unknown ¹	56	49	32	8	16	*	*	*	161	
MIRTAZAPINE Total		53,202	43,631	31,913	14,516	20,280	4,797	549	2,044	170,932
MOCLOBEMIDE	2 to 6 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	7 to 11 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	12 to 16 years	26	9	14	*	*	7	*	*	56
	17 to 21 years	63	61	38	23	9	10	*	*	204
	22 to 26 years	124	91	68	30	22	25	*	6	366
	27 to 31 years	156	98	98	26	32	25	*	9	444
	32 to 36 years	256	138	133	51	41	35	*	*	654
	37 to 41 years	359	191	180	82	77	46	*	16	951
	42 to 46 years	475	251	213	106	78	48	*	6	1,177
47 to 51 years	482	294	255	109	84	65	*	13	1,302	

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	52 to 56 years	549	330	307	134	102	59	*	14	1,495
	57 to 61 years	673	474	487	196	135	85	11	30	2,091
	62 to 66 years	763	527	631	221	131	100	10	39	2,422
	67 to 71 years	497	379	401	163	121	77	*	27	1,665
	72 to 76 years	390	334	280	117	92	81	*	20	1,314
	77 years and over	825	712	508	272	206	109	*	127	2,759
	Age unknown ¹	12	*	12	*	*	*	*	*	24
MOCLOBEMIDE Total		5,650	3,889	3,625	1,530	1,130	772	21	307	16,924
NORTRIPTYLINE HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	6	*	14	*	*	*	*	*	20
	7 to 11 years	12	*	15	*	*	*	*	*	27
	12 to 16 years	25	11	19	8	7	*	*	*	70
	17 to 21 years	54	39	35	12	20	7	*	*	167
	22 to 26 years	80	53	36	14	20	6	*	*	209
	27 to 31 years	122	48	45	16	27	11	*	*	269
	32 to 36 years	145	52	49	10	43	*	*	*	299
	37 to 41 years	207	108	97	26	66	28	*	*	532
	42 to 46 years	285	116	100	29	70	25	*	*	625
	47 to 51 years	339	142	103	42	74	30	*	*	730
	52 to 56 years	358	152	145	36	101	26	*	6	824
	57 to 61 years	538	202	191	51	110	44	*	*	1,136
	62 to 66 years	617	227	218	58	150	34	*	6	1,310
	67 to 71 years	615	246	241	69	143	43	6	10	1,373
	72 to 76 years	607	255	238	63	142	36	*	11	1,352
77 years and over	1,352	419	461	150	213	97	*	13	2,705	
Age unknown ¹	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
NORTRIPTYLINE HYDROCHLORIDE Total		5,362	2,070	2,007	584	1,186	387	6	46	11,648
PAROXETINE	2 to 6 years	11	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	11
	7 to 11 years	13	6	7	*	9	*	*	*	35
	12 to 16 years	135	92	107	30	38	15	*	*	417
	17 to 21 years	585	602	439	195	177	89	*	19	2,106
	22 to 26 years	898	932	705	357	306	128	15	39	3,380
	27 to 31 years	1,269	1,118	915	334	364	140	15	46	4,201
	32 to 36 years	1,588	1,439	1,134	514	515	179	14	53	5,436
	37 to 41 years	1,938	1,875	1,422	623	635	220	34	63	6,810
	42 to 46 years	2,121	1,928	1,508	687	653	230	36	78	7,241
	47 to 51 years	2,338	1,953	1,531	672	680	252	25	63	7,514
	52 to 56 years	2,361	2,020	1,617	686	745	261	32	62	7,784
	57 to 61 years	2,727	2,368	1,949	895	822	364	28	77	9,230
	62 to 66 years	3,151	2,655	2,424	1,023	934	379	43	79	10,688
	67 to 71 years	2,588	2,312	1,882	754	833	267	25	81	8,742
	72 to 76 years	2,042	1,876	1,419	683	615	217	12	46	6,910
77 years and over	3,709	3,529	2,465	1,299	1,099	377	30	99	12,607	
Age unknown ¹	16	7	19	*	*	*	*	*	42	
PAROXETINE Total		27,490	24,712	19,543	8,752	8,425	3,118	309	805	93,154
PHENELZINE SULFATE	17 to 21 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	22 to 26 years	14	*	9	*	13	*	*	*	36
	27 to 31 years	19	11	*	*	19	*	*	*	49
	32 to 36 years	30	6	8	*	12	*	*	*	56
	37 to 41 years	32	13	7	*	25	*	*	*	77

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	42 to 46 years	30	12	17	8	19	*	*	*	86
	47 to 51 years	50	24	11	7	28	9	*	*	129
	52 to 56 years	56	22	22	14	26	*	*	*	140
	57 to 61 years	47	23	14	10	26	10	*	*	130
	62 to 66 years	47	25	16	*	21	7	*	*	116
	67 to 71 years	25	18	7	8	9	*	*	*	67
	72 to 76 years	12	9	7	*	*	*	*	*	28
	77 years and over	28	13	*	6	*	*	*	*	47
	Age unknown ¹	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
PHENELZINE SULFATE Total		390	176	118	53	198	26	*	*	961
REBOXETINE MESILATE	2 to 6 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	7 to 11 years	*	*	20	*	*	*	*	*	20
	12 to 16 years	28	8	42	*	14	*	*	*	92
	17 to 21 years	109	67	87	21	82	9	*	8	383
	22 to 26 years	170	140	171	49	182	15	*	15	742
	27 to 31 years	249	189	198	79	197	18	*	13	943
	32 to 36 years	283	220	256	105	246	20	*	26	1,156
	37 to 41 years	385	281	291	135	331	37	*	31	1,491
	42 to 46 years	393	295	348	144	325	35	*	21	1,561
	47 to 51 years	415	339	337	150	284	49	*	22	1,596
	52 to 56 years	354	320	318	145	290	38	7	21	1,493
	57 to 61 years	316	246	268	115	217	40	*	20	1,222
	62 to 66 years	218	153	184	85	129	17	*	9	795
	67 to 71 years	116	99	99	43	74	16	*	*	447
72 to 76 years	93	91	67	28	39	6	*	*	324	
77 years and over	189	204	103	60	96	17	*	7	676	
Age unknown ¹	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	
REBOXETINE MESILATE Total		3,318	2,652	2,789	1,159	2,506	317	7	193	12,941
SERTRALINE HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	52	34	41	*	9	*	*	*	136
	7 to 11 years	266	160	262	19	60	8	*	12	787
	12 to 16 years	1,265	1,001	962	250	265	122	15	57	3,937
	17 to 21 years	2,681	2,857	2,051	866	688	332	27	131	9,633
	22 to 26 years	3,224	3,208	2,364	1,134	859	353	53	173	11,368
	27 to 31 years	3,692	3,497	2,499	1,161	1,030	403	73	158	12,513
	32 to 36 years	4,427	4,348	3,211	1,336	1,122	472	60	174	15,150
	37 to 41 years	5,133	5,143	3,628	1,636	1,435	514	92	213	17,794
	42 to 46 years	4,920	4,714	3,311	1,465	1,298	490	94	180	16,472
	47 to 51 years	4,974	4,582	3,343	1,594	1,276	476	83	200	16,528
	52 to 56 years	5,134	4,685	3,470	1,472	1,320	518	91	167	16,857
	57 to 61 years	6,164	5,496	4,422	1,838	1,681	606	106	172	20,485
	62 to 66 years	7,150	6,097	5,248	2,106	2,038	662	131	230	23,662
	67 to 71 years	6,054	5,101	4,326	1,662	1,759	565	89	212	19,768
	72 to 76 years	5,436	4,618	3,472	1,437	1,511	484	55	179	17,192
77 years and over	13,653	11,914	8,150	4,163	3,939	1,307	82	389	43,597	
Age unknown ¹	73	51	44	10	11	7	*	*	196	
SERTRALINE HYDROCHLORIDE Total		74,298	67,506	50,804	22,149	20,301	7,319	1,051	2,647	246,075
TRANLYCYPROME NE SULFATE	2 to 6 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	12 to 16 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	17 to 21 years	10	6	*	*	6	*	*	*	22
	22 to 26 years	20	6	8	*	8	*	*	*	42

Generic drug name	Patient age group	State ²								
		NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	Australia Total
	27 to 31 years	30	17	12	*	6	*	*	*	65
	32 to 36 years	45	18	17	*	*	7	*	*	87
	37 to 41 years	57	21	26	*	15	*	*	*	119
	42 to 46 years	70	33	33	9	14	6	*	8	173
	47 to 51 years	76	50	30	*	11	8	*	*	175
	52 to 56 years	103	52	47	7	9	10	*	7	235
	57 to 61 years	92	68	51	18	11	14	*	*	254
	62 to 66 years	86	61	38	8	10	6	*	*	209
	67 to 71 years	70	49	17	9	*	*	*	*	145
	72 to 76 years	52	39	18	8	9	9	*	*	135
	77 years and over	90	72	32	18	*	*	*	*	212
	Age unknown ¹	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
TRANLYCYPROMINE SULFATE Total		801	492	329	77	99	60	*	15	1,873
VENLAFAXINE HYDROCHLORIDE	2 to 6 years	31	8	20	*	7	*	*	*	66
	7 to 11 years	29	34	29	*	11	*	*	*	103
	12 to 16 years	489	269	378	90	108	40	6	24	1,404
	17 to 21 years	2,764	2,165	2,141	632	798	251	53	179	8,983
	22 to 26 years	4,444	3,855	3,544	1,184	1,562	411	75	364	15,439
	27 to 31 years	5,301	4,490	4,323	1,329	1,883	432	147	348	18,253
	32 to 36 years	7,151	5,704	5,360	1,600	2,143	558	154	398	23,068
	37 to 41 years	8,624	7,095	6,648	2,076	2,816	751	192	451	28,653
	42 to 46 years	8,575	7,290	6,649	2,213	2,829	771	213	418	28,958
	47 to 51 years	9,668	7,756	7,153	2,430	2,957	860	188	484	31,496
	52 to 56 years	8,952	7,498	6,532	2,148	2,594	745	169	414	29,052
	57 to 61 years	8,148	6,533	6,142	2,032	2,511	743	157	337	26,603
	62 to 66 years	6,710	5,207	4,980	1,532	1,772	591	116	211	21,119
	67 to 71 years	4,526	3,500	3,103	985	1,221	354	65	124	13,878
	72 to 76 years	3,491	2,706	2,161	800	768	269	21	98	10,314
77 years and over	6,881	5,822	4,134	1,575	1,635	486	24	173	20,730	
	Age unknown ¹	50	29	42	9	19	7	*	*	156
VENLAFAXINE HYDROCHLORIDE Total		85,834	69,961	63,339	20,635	25,634	7,269	1,580	4,023	278,275
Financial year 2009-10 total ³		494,072	396,042	348,224	140,416	156,383	49,700	5,992	20,721	1,611,550

(1) 'Age unknown' is where the Departments administrative systems do not contain enough information to accurately determine a patient's age. The age of patients is at end of each financial year.

(2) Patient State/Territory is the first State/Territory of the patient in the year. If a patient moves within a year then the data reflects their initial State/Territory.

* indicates that a table cell was 5 or less and has been suppressed for confidentiality reasons. Suppressed cell values have not been included in totals.

Notes:

- (a) Data excludes prescriptions priced under the general patient co-payment level (\$33.30 in 2010) dispensed to non concessional patients and private (non PBS) prescriptions. Also note that there were 2 new antidepressant drugs listed on the PBS during the period covered by the data, DULOXETINE HYDROCHLORIDE listed in June 2008 and DESVENLAFAXINE SUCCINATE listed on February 2009.
- (b) As with any administrative data set, a small error component is always present. Previous investigative work has shown this can be particularly evident in very young age groups where lower rates of prescription are evident. Caution must be used when examining the data, particularly for 2 to 6 year olds.