

Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription —PBS benefit amount, total Australian currency N[NNNNN].NN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	PBS benefit amount
Synonymous names:	PBS benefit payable
METEOR identifier:	601909
Registration status:	Commonwealth Department of Health , Retired 19/10/2023
Definition:	For a given Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription, the total amount of the Commonwealth government contribution towards the cost of prescription medicinal products supplied via the PBS, expressed in Australian dollars.
Data Element Concept:	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription—PBS benefit amount
Value Domain:	Total Australian currency N[NNNNN].NN

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total
Data type:	Currency
Format:	N[NNNNN].NN
Maximum character length:	8
Unit of measure:	Australian currency (AU\$)

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	This value domain must be expressed to two decimal places. Where there is a dollar value and no cent value, the cents must be expressed as .00 (e.g. 100.00).
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	This data element equates to the total price of the prescribed medicinal product less the amount of the patient contribution .
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Department of Health
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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	See also Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) prescription—PBS patient contribution, total Australian currency N[NNNNN].NN Commonwealth Department of Health , Retired 19/10/2023
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