

A count of dispensings and of people who received a dispensing of selected pharmaceuticals, by financial year, chemical name and brand name, 2016/17 - 2017/18  
 Selected pharmaceuticals from Therapeutic Group Level 2 'Thyroid and Antithyroid Agents'  
 Extracted 7 and 13 December 2018

**Notes**

Financial year runs from 1 July - 30 June.

The Pharmaceutical Collection only counts publicly funded, community dispensed pharmaceuticals; It does not count hospital dispensings, drugs not funded by PHARMAC, or prescriptions that were never dispensed.

Administrative and bulk dispensing data has been excluded.

NHIs should not be summed, as they will be counted in each row and column they appear; this may result in doublecounting.

Source: Ministry of Health, Pharmaceutical Collection

Chemical Name	Brand Name	Number of People			Number of Dispensings		
		2016/17	2017/18	Total:*	2016/17	2017/18	Total:
Carbimazole	AFT Carbimazole	4,868	4,699	6,689	8,698	9,324	18,022
	Neo-Mercazole	8,317	8,855	12,225	31,794	33,329	65,123
	<b>Total:*</b>	<b>9,176</b>	<b>9,640</b>	<b>12,715</b>	<b>40,492</b>	<b>42,653</b>	<b>83,145</b>
Levothyroxine	Eltroxin	81,061	81,468	88,873	540,296	544,016	1,084,312
	Mercury Pharma	23,354	23,235	25,718	141,940	141,583	283,523
	Synthroid	28,712	32,616	36,698	177,314	201,666	378,980
	<b>Total:*</b>	<b>122,584</b>	<b>126,116</b>	<b>133,792</b>	<b>859,550</b>	<b>887,265</b>	<b>1,746,815</b>
Propylthiouracil	PTU	484	477	698	2,089	2,335	4,424
	<b>Total:*</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>2,089</b>	<b>2,335</b>	<b>4,424</b>
<b>Total:*</b>		<b>131,520</b>	<b>135,560</b>	<b>145,574</b>	<b>902,131</b>	<b>932,253</b>	<b>1,834,384</b>

\*Totals of people are calculated without double-counting. As such, they may not be equal to the sum of the row, column or table they represent.