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With no new entries into Category M and few significant prices changes [for commonly used lines] this quarter, there is a rather unusual degree of stability.

As Category A prices fluctuate monthly percentage changes shown for these lines are comparisons with December prices (not October).

Gastro-intestinal system (BNF Chapter 1)

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
BNF 1.3				
Esomeprazole 20mg gastro-resistant tablets (28)	362	M	11	3.1%
Esomeprazole 40mg gastro-resistant tablets (28)	428	M	-11	-2.5%
Lansoprazole 15mg gastro-resistant capsules (28)	117	M	-1	-0.9%
Lansoprazole 15mg orodispersible tablets (28)	304	A	-4	-1.3%
Lansoprazole 30mg gastro-resistant capsules (28)	154	M	-13	-7.8%
Lansoprazole 30mg orodispersible tablets (28)	549	A	-5	-0.9%
Omeprazole 10mg gastro-resistant capsules (28)	125	M	unchanged	
Omeprazole 10mg gastro-resistant tablets (28)	790	A	unchanged	
Omeprazole 20mg gastro-resistant capsules (28)	124	M	unchanged	
Omeprazole 20mg gastro-resistant tablets (28)	598	M	-113	-15.9%
Omeprazole 40mg gastro-resistant capsules (7)	112	M	-6	-5.1%
Omeprazole 40mg gastro-resistant tablets (7)	514	M	-22	-4.1%
Pantoprazole 20mg gastro-resistant tablets (28)	120	M	-1	-0.8%
Pantoprazole 40mg gastro-resistant tablets (28)	155	M	-2	-1.3%
Rabeprazole 10mg gastro-resistant tablets (28)	232	M	-23	-9.0%
Rabeprazole 20mg gastro-resistant tablets (28)	282	M	-47	-14.3%
Ranitidine 150mg effervescent tablets (60)	3205	A	47	1.5%
Ranitidine 150mg tablets (60)	168	M	-8	-4.6%
Ranitidine 300mg effervescent tablets (30)	3205	A	47	1.5%
Ranitidine 300mg tablets (30)	159	M	-43	-21.3%
Ranitidine 75mg/5ml oral solution sugar free (300ml)	783	M	8	1.0%
BNF 1.6				
Macrogol compound oral powder sachets NPF sugar free (30)	427	C	-460	-51.9%
Senna 7.5mg tablets (60)	480	M	-232	-32.6%

Other: Mebeverine 135mg tablets down £5.44 [35%] to £10.25 (100). Last month, I transposed the prices of omeprazole 10mg tablets and 20mg capsules - apologies and

correct prices shown this month. Dispersible gastro-resistant omeprazole tablets are also available; prices similar to the plain.

Cardiovascular system (BNF Chapter 2)

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
2.2				
Bendroflumethiazide 2.5mg tablets (28)	86	M	unchanged	
Bendroflumethiazide 5mg tablets (28)	91	M	2	2.3%
Bumetanide 1mg tablets (28)	135	M	-2	-1.5%
Bumetanide 5mg tablets (28)	696	A	1	0.1%
Furosemide 40mg tablets (28)	88	M	unchanged	
Indapamide 2.5mg tablets (28)	162	M	-26	-13.8%
2.4				
Atenolol 50mg tablets (28)	92	M	-3	-3.2%
Atenolol 100mg tablets (28)	99	M	-4	-3.9%
Bisoprolol 5mg tablets (28)	98	M	-1	-1.0%
Bisoprolol 10mg tablets (28)	103	M	-2	-1.9%
Carvedilol 12.5mg tablets (28)	134	M	-21	-13.6%
Carvedilol 25mg tablets (28)	148	M	-4	-2.6%
2.5.4				
Doxazosin 4mg tablets (28)	111	M	1	0.9%
2.5.5				
Enalapril 10mg tablets (28)	105	M	unchanged	
Enalapril 20mg tablets (28)	117	M	1	0.9%
Lisinopril 10mg tablets (28)	101	M	unchanged	
Lisinopril 20mg tablets (28)	109	M	-2	-1.8%
Perindopril erbumine 2mg tablets (30)	115	M	-19	-14.2%
Perindopril erbumine 4mg tablets (30)	153	M	-5	-3.2%
Perindopril erbumine 8mg tablets (30)	163	M	-6	-3.6%
Ramipril 5mg capsules (28)	124	M	2	1.6%
Ramipril 5mg tablets (28)	122	M	1	0.8%
Ramipril 10mg capsules (28)	132	M	1	0.8%
Ramipril 10mg tablets (28)	134	M	-6	-4.3%
Candesartan 4mg tablets (7)	86	M	unchanged	
Candesartan 8mg tablets (28)	140	M	-4	-2.8%
Irbesartan 75mg tablets (28)	144	M	1	0.7%
Irbesartan 150mg tablets (28)	171	M	4	2.4%
Irbesartan 300mg tablets (28)	235	M	-14	-5.6%
Irbesartan 300mg / Hydrochlorothiazide 12.5mg tablets (28)	1101	A	-89	-7.5%
Irbesartan 300mg / Hydrochlorothiazide 25mg tablets (28)	947	A	-129	-12.0%
Losartan 25mg tablets (28)	119	M	1	0.9%
Losartan 50mg tablets (28)	126	M	-3	-2.3%
Losartan 100mg tablets (28)	148	M	8	5.7%
Losartan 50mg / Hydrochlorothiazide 12.5mg tablets (28)	164	M	-3	-1.8%

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
Losartan 100mg / Hydrochlorothiazide 12.5mg tablets (28)	1608	A	Unchanged	
Losartan 100mg / Hydrochlorothiazide 25mg tablets (28)	199	M	6	3.1%
Telmisartan 20mg tablets (28)	146	M	-6	-4.0%
Telmisartan 40mg tablets (28)	152	M	-22	-12.6%
Telmisartan 80mg tablets (28)	182	M	-22	-10.8%
Valsartan 80mg capsules (28)	1117	M	204	22.3%
Valsartan 160mg capsules (28)	1184	M	210	21.6%
Valsartan 320mg tablets (28)	1652	A	52	3.3%
Valsartan 160mg / Hydrochlorothiazide 12.5mg tablets (28)	243	M	-24	-9.0%
Valsartan 160mg / Hydrochlorothiazide 25mg tablets (28)	1184	A	-89	-7.0%
2.6				
Amlodipine 5mg tablets (28)	97	M	-3	-3.0%
Amlodipine 10mg tablets (28)	101	M	-2	-1.9%
Isosorbide mononitrate 10mg tablets (56)	486	M	-83	-14.6%
Isosorbide mononitrate 20mg tablets (56)	594	M	-98	-14.2%
Isosorbide mononitrate 40mg tablets (56)	731	M	-107	-12.8%
2.9				
Aspirin 75mg dispersible tablets (28)	85	M	1	1.2%
Aspirin 75mg gastro-resistant tablets (28)	93	M	6	6.9%
Clopidogrel 75mg tablets (28)	189	M	1	0.5%
2.12				
Atorvastatin 10mg tablets (28)	120	M	1	0.8%
Atorvastatin 20mg tablets (28)	140	M	-5	-3.5%
Atorvastatin 40mg tablets (28)	162	M	-5	-3.0%
Atorvastatin 80mg tablets (28)	272	M	4	1.5%
Pravastatin 40mg tablets (28)	205	M	5	2.5%
Simvastatin 10mg tablets (28)	89	M	-1	-1.1%
Simvastatin 20mg tablets (28)	101	M	3	3.1%
Simvastatin 40mg tablets (28)	118	M	-5	-4.1%
Simvastatin 80mg tablets (28)	190	M	9	5.0%

Other Chapter 2 news: Amiloride 5mg tablets rise 17% to 13.08, isradipine 2.5mg tablets have fallen 17p to 197.14 and the large gap between prices of nebovolol 2.5 and 5mg tablets remains.

Respiratory system (BNF Chapter 3)

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
3.3				
Montelukast 4mg chewable tablets sugar free (28)	207	M	-4	-1.9%
Montelukast 4mg granules sachets sugar free (28)	433	M	-1	-0.2%

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
Montelukast 5mg chewable tablets sugar free (28)	222	M	-1	-0.5%
Montelukast 10mg tablets (28)	220	M	-22	-9.1%
3.4				
Cetirizine 10mg tablets (30)	108	M	1	0.9%
Desloratadine 5mg tablets (30)	133	M	5	3.9%
Loratadine 10mg tablets (30)	110	M	Unchanged	

Central nervous system (BNF Chapter 4)

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
4.1				
Temazepam 10mg tablets (28)	1797	M	-180	-9.1%
Temazepam 20mg tablets (28)	1746	M	-153	-8.1%
4.2				
Olanzapine 10mg orodispersible tablets sugar free (28)	497	A	-24	-4.6%
Olanzapine 10mg tablets (28)	154	M	-2	-1.3%
Olanzapine 15mg orodispersible tablets sugar free (28)	642	A	-38	-5.6%
Olanzapine 15mg tablets (28)	170	M	-27	-13.7%
Olanzapine 20mg orodispersible tablets sugar free (28)	867	A	-53	-5.8%
Olanzapine 20mg tablets (28)	223	A	unchanged	
Quetiapine 100mg tablets (60)	237	237	M	-12
Quetiapine 150mg tablets (60)	281	281	M	12
Quetiapine 200mg tablets (60)	310	310	M	-9
Quetiapine 300mg tablets (60)	440	M	unchanged	
Risperidone 3mg orodispersible tablets sugar free (28)	3350	A	unchanged	
Risperidone 3mg tablets (60)	205	M	-6	-2.8%
Risperidone 4mg orodispersible tablets sugar free (28)	3795	A	unchanged	
Risperidone 4mg tablets (28)	238	M	-2	-0.8%
Risperidone 6mg tablets (28)	514	A	-2	-0.4%
4.3				
Citalopram 20mg tablets (28)	111	M	1	0.9%
Citalopram 40mg tablets (28)	128	M	unchanged	
Escitalopram 10mg tablets (28)	174	M	-24	-12.1%
Escitalopram 20mg tablets (28)	250	M	-33	-11.7%
Fluoxetine 20mg capsules (30)	113	M	4	3.7%
Fluoxetine 20mg/5ml oral solution (70ml)	347	M	-8	-2.3%
Fluoxetine 60mg capsules (30)	2477	M	-320	-11.4%
Mirtazapine 30mg orodispersible tablets (30)	180	M	1	0.6%
Mirtazapine 30mg tablets (28)	159	M	-8	-4.8%
Mirtazapine 45mg orodispersible tablets (30)	259	M	23	9.8%
Mirtazapine 45mg tablets (28)	213	M	-11	-4.9%

With thanks to Birmingham CrossCity Clinical Commissioning Group for providing the complete summary of all Part VIII changes.

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
Sertraline 50mg tablets (28)	157	M	-18	-10.3%
Sertraline 100mg tablets (28)	224	M	9	4.2%
4.6				
Ondansetron 4mg tablets (10)	175	M	2	1.2%
Ondansetron 8mg tablets (10)	4580	A	35	0.8%
4.7.1				
Paracetamol 500mg tablets (32)	97	M	-5	-4.9%
Paracetamol 500mg capsules (32)	132	M	unchanged	
Co-codamol 8mg/500mg capsules (100)	1031	M	115	12.6%
Co-codamol 8mg/500mg effervescent tablets (100)	784	M	unchanged	
Co-codamol 8mg/500mg tablets (100)	393	M	-4	-1.0%
Co-codamol 30mg/500mg capsules (100)	445	M	10	2.3%
Co-codamol 30mg/500mg effervescent tablets (100)	869	M	-15	-1.7%
Co-codamol 30mg/500mg tablets (100)	527	M	24	4.8%
4.7.4				
Naratriptan 2.5mg tablets (6)	210	M	4	1.9%
Rizatriptan 10mg tablets (3)	378	M	9	2.4%
Sumatriptan 50mg tablets (6)	166	M	1	0.6%
Sumatriptan 100mg tablets (6)	195	M	-1	-0.5%
Zolmitriptan 2.5mg orodispersible tablets sugar free (6)	216	M	unchanged	
Zolmitriptan 2.5mg tablets (6)	119	M	1	0.9%
Zolmitriptan 5mg orodispersible tablets sugar free (6)	1112	A	unchanged	
4.8				
Lamotrigine 100mg dispersible tablets sugar free (56)	486	M	-13	-2.6%
Lamotrigine 100mg tablets (56)	249	M	2	0.8%
Lamotrigine 200mg tablets (56)	388	M	15	4.0%
Levetiracetam 250mg tablets (60)	322	M	20	6.6%
Levetiracetam 500mg tablets (60)	445	M	18	4.2%
Levetiracetam 750mg tablets (60)	635	M	26	4.3%
Levetiracetam 1g tablets (60)	780	M	80	11.4%
Topiramate 25mg capsules (60)	1562	M	22	1.4%
Topiramate 25mg tablets (60)	235	M	-136	-36.7%
Topiramate 50mg capsules (60)	5196	A	39	0.8%
Topiramate 50mg tablets (60)	511	M	169	49.4%
Topiramate 100mg tablets (60)	316	M	-72	-18.6%
Topiramate 200mg tablets (60)	1626	A	12	0.7%
4.11				
Donepezil 5mg orodispersible tablets sugar free (28)	696	A	-9	-1.3%
Donepezil 5mg tablets (28)	133	M	unchanged	

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
Donepezil 10mg orodispersible tablets sugar free (28)	930	A	-12	-1.3%
Donepezil 10mg tablets (28)	170	M	-6	-3.4%
Rivastigmine 3mg capsules (28)	311	M	-16	-4.9%
Rivastigmine 4.5mg capsules (28)	1745	A	-10	-0.6%
Rivastigmine 6mg capsules (28)	1637	A	1	0.1%
Rivastigmine 9.5mg/24hours transdermal patches (30)	4239	M	-1315	-23.7%
Memantine 10mg tablets (28)	248	M	-241	-49.3%
Memantine 20mg tablets (28)	372	M	-899	-70.7%

Memantine 20mg is this month's largest drop while the largest risers are also in Chapter 4: Amantadine is not usually shown but notable for a 6 fold increase in the price of 56x 100mg capsules to £19.80 and a 13 fold rise in the price of 150ml of 50mg/5ml oral solution to £89.30

Infections (BNF Chapter 5)

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
5.1				
Amoxicillin 250mg capsules (21)	147	M	1	0.7%
Amoxicillin 500mg capsules (21)	164	M	-4	-2.4%
Clarithromycin 250mg tablets (14)	162	M	-1	-0.6%
Clarithromycin 250mg/5ml oral suspension (70ml)	647	M	25	4.0%
Clarithromycin 500mg tablets (14)	287	M	unchanged	
Co-amoxiclav 250mg/125mg tablets (21)	502	M	-145	-22.4%
Erythromycin 250mg gastro-resistant tablets (28)	184	M	-5	-2.7%
Erythromycin 250mg gastro-resistant capsules (28)	561	C	unchanged	
Metronidazole 200mg tablets (21)	917	M	790	622%
Metronidazole 400mg tablets (21)	136	M	2	1.5%
Nitrofurantoin 50mg tablets (28)	1679	M	-384	-18.6%
Nitrofurantoin 100mg tablets (28)	1153	A	23	2.0%
Oxytetracycline 250mg tablets (28)	122	M	unchanged	
Phenoxymethylpenicillin 250mg tablets (28)	121	M	2	1.7%
Tetracycline 250mg tablets (28)	249	M	-12	-4.6%
Trimethoprim 200mg tablets (14)	103	M	2	2.0%
5.2				
Terbinafine 250mg tablets (14)	162	M	unchanged	
5.3				
Aciclovir 400mg tablets (56)	400	M	-41	-9.3%
Aciclovir 800mg dispersible tablets (35)	1048	A	8	0.8%
Aciclovir 800mg tablets (35)	423	M	-24	-5.4%
Famciclovir 250mg tablets (21)	14413	A	-5	0.0%
Famciclovir 500mg tablets (14)	16340	A	-374	-2.2%
Valaciclovir 500mg tablets (10)	370	M	-10	-2.6%

Others: flucloxacillin 125mg/5ml oral solution now 4.84 [-35p since last quarter] and other liquid flucloxacillin preparations i.e. sugar-free and 250mg/5ml solutions remain in the range £23-£29.

Endocrine system (BNF Chapter 6)

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
6.1				
Metformin 500mg tablets (28)	132	M	16	13.8%
Metformin 500mg/5ml oral solution sugar free (150ml)	6979	A	unchanged	
Metformin 850mg tablets (56)	194	M	3	1.6%
Gliclazide 80mg tablets (28)	125	M	-6	-4.6%
Glimepiride 2mg tablets (30)	122	M	4	3.4%
Glimepiride 3mg tablets (30)	880	A	11	1.3%
Glimepiride 4mg tablets (30)	150	M	2	1.4%
Pioglitazone 15mg tablets (28)	129	M	-3	-2.3%
Pioglitazone 30mg tablets (28)	149	M	-8	-5.1%
Pioglitazone 45mg tablets (28)	169	M	-17	-9.1%
6.2				
Levothyroxine sodium 25microgram tablets (28)	288	M	6	2.1%
Levothyroxine sodium 50microgram tablets (28)	195	M	-2	-1.0%
Levothyroxine sodium 100microgram tablets (28)	197	M	-1	-0.5%
6.3				
Hydrocortisone 10mg tablets (30)	6610	M	131	2.0%
Hydrocortisone 20mg tablets (30)	8538	A	193	2.3%
Prednisolone 2.5mg gastro-resistant tablets (28)	163	M	-11	-6.3%
Prednisolone 5mg gastro-resistant tablets (28)	172	M	-10	-5.5%
Prednisolone 5mg tablets (28)	122	M	-11	-8.3%
6.4				
Finasteride 5mg tablets (28)	166	M	-7	-4.1%
Raloxifene 60mg tablets (28)	626	M	-198	-24.0%
6.6				
Alendronic acid 10mg tablets (28)	158	M	-8	-4.8%
Alendronic acid 70mg tablets (4)	113	M	-4	-3.4%
Ibandronic acid 50mg tablets (28)	1056	M	-173	-14.1%
Ibandronic acid 150mg tablets (1)	182	M	1	0.6%
Risedronate sodium 35mg tablets (4)	126	M	1	0.8%

Odds n' ends (BNF chapters 7-13)

Chapter 7

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
Alphabetical order				
Desogestrel 75microgram tablets (84)	340	M	-16	-4.5%

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
Oxybutynin 2.5mg tablets (56)	170	M	-33	-16.3%
Oxybutynin 3mg tablets (56)	1663	A	18	1.1%
Oxybutynin 5mg tablets (56)	239	M	-50	-17.3%
Sildenafil 25mg tablets (4)	109	M	-3	-2.7%
Sildenafil 50mg tablets (4)	113	M	-3	-2.6%
Sildenafil 100mg tablets (4)	122	M	-3	-2.4%
Tamsulosin 400microgram m/r capsules (30)	462	A	-1	-0.2%
Tolterodine 1mg tablets (56)	256	M	-32	-11.1%
Tolterodine 2mg tablets (56)	288	M	-4	-1.4%
Tropium chloride 20mg tablets (60)	2486	A	-2	-0.1%

Chapter 8

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
Alphabetical order				
Anastrozole 1mg tablets (28)	184	M	4	2.2%
Bicalutamide 150mg tablets (28)	594	M	20	3.5%
Bicalutamide 50mg tablets (28)	231	M	unchanged	
Exemestane 25mg tablets (30)	494	M	9	1.9%
Letrozole 2.5mg tablets (14)	166	M	3	1.8%
Mycophenolate mofetil 500mg tablets (50)	2061	M	879	74.4%
Tamoxifen 20mg tablets (30)	218	M	12	5.8%
Tamoxifen 40mg tablets (30)	1826	A	75	4.3%

Chapter 9

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
Alphabetical order				
Alfacalcidol 1microgram capsules (30)	583	M	-4	-0.7%
Alfacalcidol 250nanogram capsules (30)	254	M	-13	-4.9%
Alfacalcidol 500nanogram capsules (30)	565	M	-15	-2.6%
Hydroxocobalamin 1mg/1ml solution for injection ampoules (5)	832	M	-223	-21.1%

Chapter 10

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
Alphabetical order				
Diclofenac sodium 25mg gastro-resistant tablets (28)	92	M	1	1.1%
Diclofenac sodium 50mg gastro-resistant tablets (28)	91	M	1	1.1%
Ibuprofen 400mg tablets (84)	364	M	-11	-2.9%
Ibuprofen 600mg tablets (84)	131	M	-219	-62.6%
Ibuprofen 5% gel (100g)	425	A	3	0.7%
Ketoprofen 2.5% gel (100g)	428	M	52	13.8%
Leflunomide 10mg tablets (30)	1373	M	-120	-8.0%
Leflunomide 20mg tablets (30)	1450	M	-92	-6.0%
Naproxen 500mg gastro-resistant tablets (56)	1051	M	-122	-10.4%

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
Naproxen 500mg tablets (28)	171	M	-28	-14.1%
Piroxicam 0.5% gel (112g)	1180	M	-164	-12.2%

Chapter 11

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
11.4				
Sodium cromoglicate 2% eye drops (13.5ml)	195	M	-3	-1.5%
11.6				
Dorzolamide 2% / Timolol 0.5% eye drops (5ml)	272	M	-1	-0.4%
Dorzolamide 2% eye drops (5ml)	252	M	8	3.3%
Latanoprost 50micrograms/ml / Timolol 5mg/ml eye drops (2.5ml)	387	M	-32	-7.6%
Latanoprost 50micrograms/ml eye drops (2.5ml)	200	M	9	4.7%
Timolol 0.25% eye drops (5ml)	140	M	10	7.7%
Timolol 0.5% eye drops (5ml)	132	M	3	2.3%
11.8				
Hypromellose 0.3% eye drops (10ml)	112	M	-3	-2.6%

Chapter 12

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
Beclometasone 50micrograms/dose nasal spray (200 dose)	258	M	16	6.6%
Ipratropium bromide 21micrograms/dose nasal spray (180 dose)	654	C	unchanged	
Mometasone 50micrograms/dose nasal spray (140 dose)	499	M	-80	-13.8%
Nystatin 100,000units/ml oral suspension (30ml)	312	M	70	28.9%

Chapter 13

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
13.2				
Aqueous cream (500g)	490	M	5	1.0%
13.4				
Betamethasone valerate 0.1% cream (30g)	322	M	10	3.2%
Betamethasone valerate 0.1% ointment (30g)	245	M	2	0.8%
Hydrocortisone 1% cream (30g)	228	M	-6	-2.6%
Hydrocortisone 1% ointment (30g)	254	M	2	0.8%
Hydrocortisone 2.5% cream (15g)	716	M	-399	-35.8%
Hydrocortisone 2.5% ointment (15g)	2426	A	3	0.1%
Mometasone 0.1% cream (30g)	409	M	4	1.0%

DT Description	Price	Category	Price change	Percentage change
13.6				
Co-cyprindiol 2000 microgram/35 microgram tablets (63)	542	A	unchanged	
13.10				
Aciclovir 5% cream (2g)	129	M	16	14.2%
Amorolfine 5% medicated nail lacquer (5ml)	615	M	-35	-5.4%
Terbinafine 1% cream (30g)	340	M	-10	-2.9%

Other sizes of tubes of creams / ointments available; prices in direct proportion to those listed above.