

Appendix B: Expenses by function and sub-function

Functional and sub-functional expense data provide details of the particular areas such as health, education and defence, into which government expenses were directed. Expenditure on some functions may occur solely through one government agency, such as defence, while expenditure on other functions may be directed through a number of agencies.

It should be noted that as this data has been prepared on a AAS31 accrual (expense) basis, it is not directly comparable with functional data on cash outlays published in previous Final Budget Outcomes.

**Table B1: Commonwealth general government expenses
by function and sub-function**

	1999-00 Estimate at 2000-01 Budget \$m	1999-00 Outcome \$m
General public services		
Legislative and executive affairs	574	573
Financial and fiscal affairs	5,339	6,167
Foreign economic aid	2,110	2,023
General research	1,496	1,459
General services	460	584
Government superannuation benefits	5,506	7,193
Total general public services	15,486	17,999
Defence	10,440	9,956
Public order and safety		
Courts and legal services	567	569
Other public order and safety	620	562
Total public order and safety	1,187	1,132
Education		
Higher education	3,808	3,887
Vocational and other education	1,066	1,168
Non-government schools	2,968	2,883
Government schools	1,798	1,909
<i>Schools</i>	<i>4,766</i>	<i>4,792</i>
Student assistance	637	644
General administration	37	40
School education - specific funding	76	56
Total education	10,390	10,587
Health		
Medical services and benefits	9,662	10,013
Hospital services	1,128	1,135
Health care agreements	5,956	5,900
<i>Hospital services and health care agreements</i>	<i>7,084</i>	<i>7,035</i>
Pharmaceutical services and benefits	4,034	4,173
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health	169	162
Health services	491	442
Other health services	611	389
<i>Other health services</i>	<i>1,102</i>	<i>832</i>
General administration	857	874
Health assistance to the aged	502	450
Total health	23,409	23,540

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	1999-00 Estimate at 2000-01 Budget \$m	1999-00 Outcome \$m
Social security and welfare		
Assistance to the aged	19,754	19,635
Assistance to veterans and dependents	4,546	4,568
Assistance to people with disabilities	6,722	6,810
Assistance to families with children	15,154	15,047
Assistance to the unemployed	5,750	5,715
Assistance to the sick	87	91
<i>Assistance to the unemployed and the sick</i>	<i>5,837</i>	<i>5,806</i>
Common youth allowance	1,978	1,946
Other welfare programmes	242	221
Aboriginal advancement nec	1,204	1,162
General administration	1,924	1,935
Total social security and welfare	57,361	57,129
Housing and community amenities		
Housing	1,178	1,239
Urban and regional development	58	53
Environment protection	621	555
Total housing and community amenities	1,858	1,846
Recreation and culture		
Broadcasting	504	612
Arts and cultural heritage	685	570
Sport and recreation	145	163
National estate and parks	151	133
Total recreation and culture	1,484	1,478
Fuel and energy	48	32
Agriculture, fisheries and forestry		
Wool industry	120	117
Grains industry	105	102
Dairy industry	213	210
Cattle, sheep and pig industry	139	106
Fishing, horticulture and other agriculture	128	137
General assistance not allocated to specific industries	612	641
Rural assistance	149	108
Natural resources development	333	296
General administration	54	72
Total agriculture, fisheries and forestry	1,852	1,791
Mining and mineral resources (other than fuels), manufacturing and construction	888	908

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Transport and communication		
Communication	634	544
Rail transport	103	41
Air transport	194	192
Road transport	878	879
Sea transport	229	220
Other transport and communication	139	130
Total transport and communication	2,177	2,006
Other economic affairs		
Tourism and area promotion	150	147
Vocational and industry training	467	391
Labour market assistance to job seekers and industry	1,604	1,511
Industrial relations	109	110
Immigration	574	512
<i>Total labour and employment affairs</i>	<i>2,754</i>	<i>2,524</i>
Other economic affairs nec	529	516
Total other economic affairs	3,432	3,187
Other purposes		
Interest on Commonwealth behalf	9,088	9,355
Interest on behalf of states and territories	0	138
Interest received on Commonwealth stock	0	0
<i>Public debt interest</i>	<i>9,088</i>	<i>9,493</i>
General revenue assistance - states and territories	17,752	17,752
General capital assistance - states and territories	0	0
Debt assistance	-7	0
Local government assistance	1,271	1,279
Revenue assistance to the states and territories	135	135
Assistance to other governments	85	29
<i>General purpose inter-government transactions</i>	<i>19,237</i>	<i>19,195</i>
Natural disaster relief	83	100
Contingency reserve	-60	0
Asset sales	33	28
Total other purposes	28,381	28,816
Total expenses	158,392	160,408