

Table B1: Estimated Specific Purpose Payments to the States, Repayments of Advances, Advances and Interest Payments, 1999-2000 to 2003-04 (\$'000)

<i>Function</i>					
Payment Title	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Description					
SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS - CURRENT PURPOSES					
<i>Public Order and Safety</i>					
Legal Aid	57,116	62,440	67,237	71,240	76,788
Funding is provided to State legal aid commissions for the provision of legal assistance in Commonwealth matters.					
Confiscated Assets Trust Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Payments may be made to a State where there has been a significant contribution to the investigation which led to the conviction and consequent forfeiture of proceeds of crime to the Commonwealth.					
Gun Buyback Scheme	586	0	0	0	0
Provides for financial assistance in accordance with the National Firearms Program Implementation Act 1996 to compensate eligible gun owners for the surrender of their weapons, to compensate eligible gun dealers for loss of business, and to fund fully the administrative, public relations and education costs associated with the scheme.					
Film and Literature Classifications	619	623	638	654	671
Payment to States for participation in the new cooperative national censorship scheme as per the inter-governmental agreement signed on 28 November 1995. Classification decisions are made in accordance with the <i>Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Act 1995</i> and the National classifications Code. Complementary enforcement arrangements are in place with all States.					
Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting - payment to Qld Police	0	2,417	2,603	0	0
Payment to Queensland Police for security arrangements relating to Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) Brisbane 2001.					
<i>Public Order and Safety - Total</i>	58,321	65,480	70,478	71,894	77,459

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Education					
Advanced English for Migrants Program (AEMP) AEMP provides advanced English as a Second Language training to help job seekers obtain employment and overcome barriers to vocational education and training. AEMP courses are provided through the Technical and Further Education (TAFE) system or by other approved providers.	5,420	2,357	0	0	0
Government Schools Provides supplementary assistance to State education authorities through per capita general recurrent grants which can be applied to staff salaries, teacher professional development, curriculum development and maintenance and general operational provisions.	1,185,524	1,248,570	1,321,827	1,398,909	1,481,100
* Non-Government Schools Provides supplementary assistance to Non-Government schools and systems through per capita general recurrent grants which can be applied to staff salaries, teacher professional development, curriculum development and maintenance and general operational provisions.	2,648,230	2,872,362	3,116,836	3,382,357	3,666,031
Vocational Education and Training Funding Act(e) Funds provided under this Act are used to promote a nationally identifiable and consistent vocational education and training system.	866,284	866,284	866,284	866,284	866,284
Targeted and Joint Programmes Government Schools Provides assistance for the improvement of literacy, numeracy and education outcomes for educationally disadvantaged students, to promote the study of other languages, and to assist in the transition from school to work.	307,043	311,635	327,563	320,794	335,918
* Targeted Programmes Non-Government Schools Provides assistance for the improvement of literacy, numeracy and education outcomes for educationally disadvantaged students; to promote the study of other languages, and to assist in the transition from school to work.	146,966	150,815	158,889	158,158	166,589
Indigenous Education Strategic Initiatives Programme - Government Provides supplementary recurrent funding to education providers in the preschool, school and vocational education and training sectors, as well as project based funding aimed at improving Indigenous education outcomes.	67,310	67,813	68,501	69,581	70,683

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* Indigenous Education Strategic Initiatives Programme - Non-Government Provides supplementary recurrent funding to education providers in the preschool, school and vocational education and training sectors, as well as project based funding aimed at improving Indigenous education outcomes.	71,276	82,763	81,195	85,218	88,006
Education - Total	5,298,053	5,602,599	5,941,095	6,281,301	6,674,611
Health					
Blood Transfusion Services To provide funds for the Australian Red Cross Blood Service towards its recurrent costs in providing a national blood transfusion service.	61,580	70,569	66,843	67,320	67,831
Health Program Grants Health Program Grants provide alternative funding to Medicare benefits, with the aim of improving access to approved health services and/or where fee for service is inappropriate, by reimbursing service costs to State governments.	84,317	26,856	27,092	29,983	33,260
Health Care Grants(a) Grants to the States under the Australian Health Care Agreements to assist with the provision of public hospital services free of charge to eligible persons.	5,851,805	6,157,509	6,523,288	6,896,719	7,343,329
Aged Care Assessment Funds are provided to enable Aged Care Assessment Teams to conduct holistic assessments of frail aged clients and refer them to appropriate residential or community care services.	11,181	11,563	11,996	12,064	12,134
National Health Development Fund(a)(b) Grants under the Australian Health Care Agreements to assist States to improve the performance of the health system.	73,638	67,634	60,548	50,981	50,560
Highly Specialised Drugs Provides access to certain drugs under the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme which, because of special need in clinical administration or monitoring, cannot safely be provided through community pharmacy and must be supplied through hospitals to outpatients.	230,115	276,804	307,904	339,715	366,656

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Home and Community Care Funds are provided on a matched basis for the provision of appropriate community care services to help frail aged people and people with a disability live independently in their homes as long as possible.	155,568	167,376	180,788	195,086	210,511
Youth Health Services Funding is provided on a matched basis to develop and implement innovative primary health care services for homeless and at risk youth.	2,153	2,158	2,170	2,183	2,216
National Public Health Payments to the States, under the new broadbanded and other arrangements for public health, for subsidies for health promotion and disease prevention (covering areas such as women's health, AIDS control, drug strategies and cancer screening).	143,416	174,227	186,639	208,624	168,561
Essential Vaccines Funds for essential vaccines for immunisation under the Public Health Outcome Funding Agreements and for selected new vaccines recommended by the National Health and Medical Research Council for inclusion in the Standard Vaccination Schedule.	64,021	74,274	75,788	77,217	78,270
Repatriation General Hospitals To provide funds for payments of a non-treatment nature (eg staff transfer costs such as accrued leave credits, income maintenance, superannuation differential etc) to State governments in accordance with agreements reached on integration of repatriation general hospitals.	12,927	13,121	13,370	13,610	13,855
Fringe Benefit Tax Transitional Grants for Public and Not-for-Profit Hospitals The FBT cap to apply to public and not-for-profit hospitals will be \$17,000 of grossed up taxable value per employee. To assist with the transition to this cap grants are to be provided to public and not-for-profit hospitals from 2000-01 to 2002-03, reducing to zero in 2003-04. (An indicative estimate of the SPP 'to' the States is shown here).	0	74,799	68,393	61,196	0
Health - Total	6,690,721	7,116,890	7,524,819	7,954,698	8,347,183

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<i>Function</i>						
Payment Title		1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Description						
<i>Social Security and Welfare</i>						
Aged Care Assessment		28,877	29,965	31,197	31,380	31,562
Funds are provided to enable Aged Care Assessment Teams to conduct holistic assessments of frail aged clients and refer them to appropriate residential or community care services.						
Home and Community Care		366,844	394,688	426,318	460,032	496,411
Funds are provided on a matched basis for the provision of appropriate community care services to help frail aged people and people with a disability live independently in their homes as long as possible.						
Disabilities Services(f)		355,801	426,053	497,177	404,471	410,134
Under the terms of the Commonwealth/State Disability Agreements, the Commonwealth will continue to provide funds to States and Territories to assist in the provision of accommodation support and other services for people with disabilities.						
Children's Services		14,682	12,824	11,420	10,689	9,951
Funds are provided to ensure access to affordable quality child care in programmes administered by State governments on behalf of the Commonwealth.						
Supported Accommodation Assistance		135,053	156,987	160,912	164,295	166,924
This is a jointly funded Commonwealth/State programme to assist people who are homeless and in crisis. Under the renegotiated Commonwealth/State agreements, recurrent annual funding is provided under the <i>Supported Accommodation Assistance Act 1994</i> .						
Unattached Humanitarian Minors		168	171	175	179	187
To assist humanitarian minors without parents in Australia and the families providing their care through early intervention, counselling and assistance by State welfare agencies.						
Exceptional Circumstances (EC) Administration		914	639	19	0	0
Funds are to support the administrative costs of the State rural assistance authorities, including the issuing of EC certificates under the <i>Farm Household Support Act 1992</i> to eligible farmers in EC areas across Australia.						

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Extension of Fringe Benefits This funding compensates the States for the extra costs resulting from the liberalisation of access to the Commonwealth's Pensioner Concession Card in 1993. In return the States agree to provide a core group of concessions to all Card holders.	155,264	163,671	169,482	174,254	179,348
Native Title For expenditure under part 9 of the Native Title Act 1993. Funding is to assist States and Territories implement a consistent framework for dealing with native title issues and meeting native title compensation costs.	0	14,000	11,000	11,000	11,000
<i>Social Security and Welfare - Total</i>	1,057,603	1,198,998	1,307,700	1,256,300	1,305,517
<i>Housing and Community Amenities</i>					
Assistance for Housing The <i>States Grants (Housing) Act 1971</i> provides for payments to offset the cost of interest on funds borrowed by the States in 1971-72 and 1972-73 for public housing. The total amount payable to each State is in accordance with the Act.	5,502	5,502	2,751	0	0
Assistance for Water and Sewerage To compensate the ACT Government for additional costs resulting from the national capital planning influences on the provision of water and sewerage services. The level of funding is based upon the findings of the Commonwealth Grants Commission in its Second and Third Reports on Financing in the ACT.	8,117	8,230	8,395	8,530	8,666
Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement Funding will support projects under the Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement. The package includes funding for the implementation of new intensive forest management initiatives, including hardwood plantation establishment and thinning programs.	1,600	0	0	0	0

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Description					
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - Bushcare(c)	74,227	0	0	0	0
To reverse the long term decline in the quality and extent of Australia's native vegetation cover by the year 2001.					
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - Coasts and Clean Seas Initiative(c)	17,388	0	0	0	0
To accelerate activities in the national interest to achieve the conservation, sustainable use and repair of Australia's coastal and marine environments.					
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - National Rivercare Programme(c)	18,160	0	0	0	0
To ensure progress towards the sustainable management, rehabilitation and conservation of rivers outside the Murray-Darling Basin and to improve the health of these river systems.					
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - Endangered Species Programme(c)	4,846	0	0	0	0
To protect and conserve Australia's threatened species and ecological communities so they can survive, flourish and retain their potential for evolutionary development in the wild.					
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - National Feral Animal Control Programme(c)	1,820	0	0	0	0
To ensure effective management of the impact of feral animals on the natural environment and on primary production.					
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - Air Pollution in Major Cities	280	0	0	0	0
To reduce the impact of air pollution in urban areas and, in doing so, to contribute to the development of sustainable urban environments.					
<i>Housing and Community Amenities - Total</i>	131,940	13,732	11,146	8,530	8,666
<i>Recreation and Culture</i>					
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - National Wetlands Programme(c)	1,548	0	0	0	0
To promote the conservation, repair and wise use of wetlands across Australia.					
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - National Reserve System Programme(c)	186	0	0	0	0
To assist with the establishment and maintenance of a comprehensive, adequate and representative system of reserves.					

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Description					
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - World Heritage Area Management and Upkeep(c)	8,093	0	0	0	0
To meet Australia's national and international obligations to protect, conserve and present Australia's world heritage properties.					
Management of World Heritage Properties	5,070	5,141	5,229	0	0
Advise and implement policies and programmes for the management and upkeep of world heritage properties, and to establish best-practice management for those properties. Funding is provided for specific projects identified through Commonwealth/State agreements and exchanges of letters.					
Payments to the Sydney Organising Committee for the Olympic Games (SOCOG) for Games related services	15,599	18,383	0	0	0
Subject to the successful conclusion of negotiations with the NSW Government, the Commonwealth has made a provisional allocation of up to \$32 million, between 1998-99 and 2000-01, to assist SOCOG to purchase further services for the Games.					
Contemporary Music Package - State Pilots	1,000	0	0	0	0
The package is about initiatives that will result in ongoing benefits for the contemporary music industry, enhancing its long term viability. Pilot projects are being undertaken in Tasmania and South Australia, with each State receiving \$1m over 1998-99 and 1999-00.					
<i>Recreation and Culture - Total</i>	31,496	23,524	5,229	0	0
<i>Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry</i>					
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - National Weeds Programme(c)	839	0	0	0	0
To reduce the detrimental impact of nationally significant weeds on the sustainability of Australia's productive capacity and natural ecosystems.					
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - National Landcare Programme(c)	21,590	0	0	0	0
To develop and implement resource management practices which enhance our soil, water and biological resources and which are efficient, sustainable, equitable, and consistent with the principles of ecologically sustainable development.					

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Description					
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - Farm Forestry Programme(c)	7,866	0	0	0	0
To encourage the incorporation of commercial tree growing and management into farming systems for the purpose of wood and non-wood production, increasing agricultural productivity and sustainable natural resource management.					
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - Murray Darling 2001(c)	6,938	0	0	0	0
To contribute to the rehabilitation of the Murray-Darling Basin, with a view to achieving a sustainable future for the Basin, its natural systems and its communities.					
Tasmanian Wheat Freight Subsidy	1,200	1,213	1,245	1,277	1,310
The Government has decided to extend the Tasmanian Wheat Freight Scheme (TWFS). This will assist the economic sustainability of the cereal processing and related baking, intensive animal, feedlot and aquaculture industries in Tasmania. The subsidy will be reviewed at the end of 1999-2000.					
Bovine Brucellosis and Tuberculosis	0	0	0	0	0
To fund the Brucellosis and Tuberculosis Eradication Campaign.					
Exotic Disease Eradication	250	254	260	268	274
The Wildlife and Exotic Diseases Preparedness Program supports investigations into the role of wildlife species in the maintenance and spread of emerging animal diseases and incursions of major exotic diseases of animals.					
Sustainable Forest Management	678	2,904	0	0	0
To enhance forest management and assist in structural adjustment and value adding investments in the timber industry in south-east NSW. Also, to ameliorate impacts on native forest industry businesses and workers who may be adversely affected by the Deferred Forest Agreement and/or Regional Forest Agreement outcomes, and to facilitate the investment to create a long-term ecologically and economically sustainable forest industry.					

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Payment Title		1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Description						
National Landcare Program (NLP)		34,614	35,099	36,012	36,950	37,912
The NLP aims to achieve efficient, sustainable and equitable management of natural resources in Australia. Current purpose payments mainly assist community landcare group activities and projects which support community landcare, although some State agency projects are also supported. This funding is managed in conjunction with Natural Heritage Trust allocations to the NLP.						
Farm Business Improvement Program (FarmBis)		3,751	21,321	0	0	0
FarmBis provides a framework for promoting a positive approach to change and build on the farm sector's culture of continuous improvement to help farmers improve the productivity, profitability and sustainability of their businesses.						
Rural Adjustment Scheme		29,145	16,495	2,887	938	296
To provide support to farm business enterprises to improve farm productivity, profitability and sustainability, and to eligible farm business enterprises where incomes have been adversely affected by exceptional circumstances such as extreme drought.						
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - National River Health Programme(c)		2,409	0	0	0	0
To guide and monitor activities to reverse the degradation of Australia's inland waters.						
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - Waterwatch Australia(c)		2,583	0	0	0	0
Coordinate and support networks of community members who are working towards the goal of healthy waterways.						
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - Waste Management Awareness(c)		142	0	0	0	0
To promote benefits and practicalities entailed in effective waste management and recycling, with the emphasis on community based activities.						
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - Riverworks Tasmania(c)		4,163	0	0	0	0
To carry out remedial works to improve the environment and the general amenity, within the Mount Lyell region, and the Derwent, Tamar and Huon Valley regions.						
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - Fisheries Action Program(c)		1,697	0	0	0	0
Help achieve the repair of Australian aquatic environment and assist in the conservation and sustainable use of fish resources in fresh water, estuarine and marine environments.						

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Description					
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - National Land and Water Resources					
Audit(c)	1,107	0	0	0	0
Provide assessments of land, vegetation and water resources that will assist in the sustainable development of those resources.					
Great Artesian Basin Sustainability Initiative(d)	2,405	5,367	7,158	7,526	7,721
Commonwealth contribution to assist with the implementation of the Great Artesian Basin Management Plan. Grants will be made to States and Territories to assist bore rehabilitation. Supplementary incentives will also be made available for the replacement of open drains with piping.					
Citrus industry market diversification	259	0	0	0	0
The Citrus Market Diversification Programme was established by the Commonwealth Government in 1994 to help the citrus industry improve its international competitiveness and long term growth prospects.					
Forest industry structural adjustment package	4,217	47,201	0	0	0
The Forest Industry Structural Adjustment Package is an industry development programme to assist the native forest timber industry become more efficient, sustainable and internationally competitive. It also provides structural adjustment assistance to eligible forest industry workers and businesses who have been adversely affected by the Regional Forest Agreement process.					
Skilling farmers for the future	0	0	20,000	40,000	55,000
A new programme to integrate and enhance the existing successful FarmBis and Property Management Planning Programmes and incorporate the wild catch fishing industry. It will facilitate farmer self reliance and promote a positive approach to change and a culture of continuous improvement by providing financial assistance to improve skills in business and resource management.					
Natural Heritage Trust of Aust. - FarmBis - Adv Property Mgmt Planning	6,118	0	0	0	0
To provide businesses with business and land management skills through training and education.					

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War Service Land Settlement Scheme To reimburse South Australia for the operation and maintenance of the Loxton Irrigation Scheme, to meet Commonwealth obligations for this element of the War Service Land settlement Scheme.	2,292	2,426	2,593	2,767	2,839
Farm Assistance Package for Central/NE South Australia The Central North-East South Australian Farm Assistance Programme is intended to address the longer term structural issues faced by the region. The focus of the programme will be to develop the region's economic capacity and self reliance by facilitating sound business decisions, encouraging sustainability and promoting innovation.	0	1,000	1,000	0	0
<i>Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry - Total</i>	134,263	133,280	71,155	89,726	105,352
<i>Mining and Mineral Resources; other than Fuels; Manufacturing; and Construction</i>					
Regional Minerals Programme To provide resources for infrastructure development to implement the Western Tasmania Study under the Regional Minerals Programme.	1,000	4,000	0	0	0
Enterprise Development Program To improve the capacity of the Business Information Service and reduce business 'red tape' through joint initiatives with State and Territory governments.	1,493	1,270	696	0	0
* Textiles, Clothing & Footwear Development To assist textiles, clothing and footwear firms to continue industry restructuring by encouraging the adoption of quality management initiatives and closer relationships with suppliers.	1,795	0	0	0	0
<i>Mining and Mineral Resources; other than Fuels; Manufacturing; and Construction - To</i>	4,288	5,270	696	0	0
<i>Transport and Communication</i>					
Interstate Road Transport Under the <i>Interstate Road Transport Act 1985</i> , the Commonwealth makes payments to the States and Territories which equal total revenue received from the States and Territories from registrations made under the Federal Interstate Registration Scheme (FIRS). Payment of amounts equal to penalties arising from prosecutions under the Act are also made by the Commonwealth.	24,100	27,100	27,100	27,100	27,100

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Description						
Petroleum Products Freight Subsidy Scheme		3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500
The <i>States Grants (Petroleum Products) Act 1965</i> provides for grants to be made to the States and the Northern Territory to enable them to subsidise the cost of transporting eligible petroleum products to remote areas of Australia.						
Transport and Communication - Total		27,600	30,600	30,600	30,600	30,600
Labour and Employment Affairs						
Training for Aboriginals Programme		1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700
Provides funds to support the initial employment and training of indigenous Australians within State public services. Payments are administered under bilateral agreements and joint management arrangements.						
Labour and Employment Affairs - Total		1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,700
Other Purposes						
Debt Redemption Assistance		59,626	53,400	43,638	28,416	33,925
Covers the payment of compensation to the States under the <i>Financial Agreement Act 1994</i> , for the additional interest costs of replacing maturing Commonwealth debt with their own borrowings, rather than by the Commonwealth borrowing on their behalf, and for the lower, formula based, Commonwealth sinking fund contributions which have resulted from the debt redemption arrangements.						
* Financial Assistance Grants for Local Government(g)						
- Financial Assistance Grants		880,575	915,798	948,034	981,500	1,015,656
Provides untied general purpose assistance to local government authorities. The grants are distributed between the States and Territories on an equal per capita basis.						
- Identified Local Road Grants		390,737	406,367	420,671	435,520	450,676
Provides untied assistance to local government authorities in place of specific purpose payments formerly passed on to local government by the States for expenditure on local roads.						

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Compensation - Companies Regulation Under the terms of the Corporations Agreement, the Commonwealth is obliged to compensate the six States and the NT for revenue forgone following the commencement of the national scheme for the regulation of companies and securities.	134,947	139,131	146,504	151,047	154,218
Natural Disaster Relief Reimbursement of part of the expenditure incurred by the States on personal hardship and distress payments made to persons adversely affected by natural disaster.	61,750	44,000	44,000	44,000	44,000
Cyclone Relief - Exmouth Funding for assistance to individuals in Exmouth WA whose property was severely damaged by Cyclone Vance.	1,500	0	0	0	0
Royalties Reimbursement to the WA Government for royalties under the <i>Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Act 1967</i> and for the cost of Barrow Island Resource Royalty and reimbursement to the NT Government in lieu of uranium royalties.	338,588	218,800	181,300	182,400	178,200
ACT National Capital Influences Funding assists the ACT Government to meet the additional municipal costs flowing from Canberra's role as the national capital. The level of funding is based upon the findings of the Commonwealth Grants Commission in its Second and Third Reports on Financing in the ACT.	20,188	20,471	20,880	21,214	21,553
Other Purposes - Total	1,887,911	1,797,967	1,805,027	1,844,097	1,898,228
TOTAL CURRENT	15,323,896	15,990,040	16,769,645	17,538,846	18,449,316
SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS - CAPITAL PURPOSES					
Education Government Schools Provides supplementary assistance to State education authorities for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of school facilities, which can include, amongst other things, land or building purchases, capital works or the provision of equipment.	224,959	229,683	235,655	241,783	248,069

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* Non-Government Schools Provides supplementary assistance to Non-Government schools and systems, as well as hostels for rural students, for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of school facilities, which can include, amongst other things, land or building purchases, capital works or the provision of equipment.	88,437	90,294	92,642	95,051	97,272
<i>Education - Total</i>	313,396	319,977	328,297	336,834	345,341
<i>Health</i>					
Home and Community Care Funds are provided on a matched basis for the provision of appropriate community care services to help frail aged people and people with a disability live independently in their homes as long as possible.	526	565	611	659	711
Blood Transfusion Services To provide funds for the Australian Red Cross Blood Service towards the cost of its approved capital programme in providing a national blood transfusion service.	5,663	7,104	6,191	6,359	6,576
<i>Health - Total</i>	6,189	7,669	6,802	7,018	7,287
<i>Social Security and Welfare</i>					
Home and Community Care Funds are provided on a matched basis for the provision of appropriate community care services to help frail aged people and people with a disability live independently in their homes as long as possible.	2,628	2,827	3,055	3,296	3,556
Crisis Accommodation Assistance To provide funds to the States under the Commonwealth-State Housing Agreement for the acquisition of accommodation for use under the Supported Accommodation Assistance Program.	38,628	40,682	39,655	39,655	39,655
<i>Social Security and Welfare - Total</i>	41,256	43,509	42,710	42,951	43,211

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Description					
<i>Housing and Community Amenities</i>					
Housing Assistance for Indigenous People	91,000	91,000	91,000	91,000	91,000
To assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people on low to moderate incomes to have access to affordable, appropriate and secure rental housing, including public and community-owned rental housing.					
Community Housing	62,334	65,646	63,990	63,990	63,990
To develop community housing which provides appropriate and affordable rental accommodation for low to moderate income earners.					
Commonwealth-State Housing Agreement (CSHA) Block Assistance/Base Funding	736,127	869,892	833,575	824,189	734,522
The Commonwealth, through the CSHA, provides funds to the States primarily for the provision of public rental housing for low to moderate income households. States are required to contribute to housing assistance in amounts as set in the CSHA.					
Social Housing Subsidy Program	2,130	2,130	2,130	2,130	2,130
Provides matching funding to States for up to 20 years to subsidise the recurrent costs of financing rental accommodation for low and moderate income earners. Funds are committed to NSW and the ACT and future funding to other States was removed in the 1996-97 Budget.					
Federation Fund - Development of the Tuggeranong Homestead	430	225	20	0	0
The project aims to conserve and restore the culturally significant elements of the Tuggeranong Homestead complex. The objective will be to ensure that these elements are conserved so as to prevent further deterioration as well as ensure their optimal attractiveness to adapted uses within the context of the work of the interim Tuggeranong Homestead Authority.					
Federation Fund - Centennial Moore Park Trust	8,740	1,200	60	0	0
The project will conduct a four element capital improvement plan on Federation Drive, Federation Landscape, Federation Valley and the Avenues of Trees.					

Table B1: Estimated Specific Purpose Payments to the States, Repayments of Advances, Advances and Interest Payments, 1999-2000 to 2003-04 (\$'000) (continued)

<i>Function</i> Payment Title Description	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement Funding will support projects under the Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement. The package includes funding for the implementation of new intensive forest management initiatives, including hardwood plantation establishment and thinning programs.	300	0	0	0	0
*Regional Flood Mitigation Programme Provides funding to States and Territories to assist in addressing the problem of repeated flooding in rural towns and regional centres.	2,400	8,800	8,800	0	0
<i>Housing and Community Amenities - Total</i>	903,461	1,038,893	999,575	981,309	891,642
<i>Recreation and Culture</i>					
Sugar Coast Environment Rescue Package To protect identified critical habitat of the Mahogany Glider.	3,683	0	0	0	0
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - National Reserve System Programme(c) To assist with the establishment and maintenance of a comprehensive, adequate and representative system of reserves.	1,283	0	0	0	0
<i>Recreation and Culture - Total</i>	4,966	0	0	0	0
<i>Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry</i>					
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - Murray Darling 2001(c) To contribute to the rehabilitation of the Murray-Darling Basin, with a view to achieving a sustainable future for the Basin, its natural systems and its communities.	27,809	0	0	0	0
Natural Heritage Trust of Australia - National Landcare Programme(c) To develop and implement resource management practices which enhance our soil, water and biological resources and which are efficient, sustainable, equitable, and consistent with the principles of ecologically sustainable development.	25,516	0	0	0	0

Table B1: Estimated Specific Purpose Payments to the States, Repayments of Advances, Advances and Interest Payments, 1999-2000 to 2003-04 (\$'000) (continued)

<i>Function</i> Payment Title Description	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Sugar To enhance the economic performance of the Australian sugar industry by providing funding for infrastructure projects including providing better export facilities for the NSW industry.	933	1,776	0	0	0
Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement This is new funding for hardwood plantation, intensive forest management and infrastructure development to ensure the continuing supply of resources to industry following the signing of the Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement.	23,590	0	0	0	0
<i>Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry - Total</i>	77,848	1,776	0	0	0
<i>Transport and Communication</i>					
Building IT Strengths - Tasmania 'Intelligent Island' Building on existing Tasmanian government initiatives to further develop an internationally competitive IT & T sector, the Commonwealth will provide \$40m towards redeveloping Tasmania as an 'Intelligent Island'. The programme will be overseen by a board comprising representatives of the Commonwealth and Tasmanian governments, industry and the Tasmanian tertiary education sector.	20,000	0	20,000	0	0
Connecting Tasmanian Schools The Commonwealth will contribute \$15m in 1999-00 towards establishing local area and wide area networks, linking Tasmanian schools to enhance the use of information technology and the Internet in Tasmanian classrooms. The programme will also provide additional computers and support equipment for the State's government and non-government schools.	15,000	0	0	0	0
Alice Springs Darwin Railway The Commonwealth has agreed to provide an additional \$65m towards the construction of an Alice Springs to Darwin rail link. This is in addition to the \$100m to be provided under the Federation Funds - Projects - Northern Territory.	25,000	10,000	30,000	0	0

Table B1: Estimated Specific Purpose Payments to the States, Repayments of Advances, Advances and Interest Payments, 1999-2000 to 2003-04 (\$'000) (continued)

<i>Function</i>						
Payment Title		1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Description						
Wyndham Port Loading Facilities		0	550	0	0	0
To facilitate the development of the Western Australian sugar industry by contributing to improved loading facilities at the port of Wyndham.						
Adelaide Airport Runway		20,000	0	0	0	0
The Commonwealth has agreed to reimburse the SA Government, from the proceeds of the sale of Adelaide Airport, for the cost of works associated with the extension of the Adelaide Airport runway.						
Road Programs		816,711	858,880	966,819	941,806	854,996
The Commonwealth funds the National Highway System and contributes to the capital cost of declared Roads of National Importance. Funds are appropriated under the <i>Australian Land Transport Development Act 1988</i> and administered through a reserved money fund.						
Road Safety Blackspots - States		36,971	41,035	44,408	0	0
Funding is available for the treatment of road sites where casualty crashes are occurring. State Transport agencies manage programmes of works. Funds are appropriated under the <i>Australian Land Transport Development Act 1988</i> and administered through a reserved money fund.						
Federation Funds Projects - Northern Territory		30,000	30,000	40,000	0	0
Alice Springs to Darwin - The Commonwealth has agreed to contribute \$100m from its Centenary of Federation Fund toward the construction of an Alice Springs to Darwin rail link matching the \$100m committed by both the NT and SA.						
Federation Funds Projects -Tasmania		9,554	9,000	1,450	0	0
Abt Railway - The Commonwealth has agreed to provide \$20.45m from its Centenary of Federation Fund for the re-establishment of the Abt Railway between Queenstown and Strahan on Tasmania's West Coast.						
Federation Funds Projects - Queensland		14,000	15,000	36,000	0	0
Brisbane Light Rail - The Commonwealth has agreed to provide \$65m from its Centenary of Federation Fund toward the estimated \$235 million cost of constructing a light rail network that meets Brisbane commuter needs.						

Table B1: Estimated Specific Purpose Payments to the States, Repayments of Advances, Advances and Interest Payments, 1999-2000 to 2003-04 (\$'000) (continued)

<i>Function</i> Payment Title Description	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Federation Funds Projects - New South Wales/Victoria The Commonwealth has agreed to fund \$22m each to both Victoria and New South Wales for the replacement of three key crossings of the Murray River at Echuca, Robinvale and Corowa.	6,000	15,000	24,000	0	0
* Payment to Tasmania for Track Upgrading In negotiations leading to Tasmania's agreement to sell the Tasmanian operations of the Australian National Railways Commission (AN), it was agreed that the Commonwealth would provide funding to upgrade rail infrastructure in Tasmania. The selection of projects for funding was on the basis of their expected contribution to the enhancement of rail operations in the State, including rail's competitive position.	1,000	1,000	0	0	0
Transport and Communication - Total	994,236	980,465	1,162,677	941,806	854,996
Tourism					
Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement Administer funding to the Tasmanian Government under the Regional Forests Agreement to ensure the provision of high quality visitor interpretation facilities.	1,000	0	0	0	0
Tourism - Total	1,000	0	0	0	0
Other Purposes					
Sinking Fund on State Debt Contributions to the Debt Retirement Reserve Trust Account (DRRTA) by the Commonwealth on behalf of the six States and the NT in accordance with the <i>Financial Agreement Act 1994</i> .	5,011	3,244	1,918	1,500	1,411
Natural Disaster Relief Reimbursement under a funding formula of part of the expenditure incurred by States to restore/replace public assets damaged by natural disasters.	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Other Purposes - Total	25,011	23,244	21,918	21,500	21,411
TOTAL CAPITAL	2,367,363	2,415,533	2,561,979	2,331,418	2,163,888

Table B1: Estimated Specific Purpose Payments to the States, Repayments of Advances, Advances and Interest Payments, 1999-2000 to 2003-04 (\$'000) (continued)

Function Payment Title Description	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
REPAYMENTS					
Supplementary Contributions DRRTA receipts of supplementary contributions from the States and the NT, payable under the provisions of the <i>Financial Agreement Act 1994</i> , to enable the redemption of Commonwealth Government securities maturing on their behalf.	605,087	459,808	142,760	28,421	291,300
Payments to Debt Sinking Funds Debt Retirement Reserve Trust Account (DRRTA) receipts of contributions from the six States and the NT and from the Commonwealth on their behalf payable under the provisions of the <i>Financial Agreement Act 1994</i> .	20,219	13,093	7,739	6,051	5,697
Total	625,306	472,901	150,499	34,472	296,997
Repayments of Commonwealth Government Loans					
ACT Debt Repayments Servicing of remaining notional debt held against assets transferred from the Commonwealth to the ACT Government, on self-government, for public transport (land and buildings), electricity, water supply and sewerage.	18,597	17,311	4,646	4,647	4,647
Loan Council - Housing Nominations Principal repayments by the six States and the NT of advances made to them under the various <i>States (Works and Housing) Assistance Acts</i> .	14,214	14,851	15,520	16,219	16,949
Repayments of Commonwealth Government Loans - Total	32,811	32,162	20,166	20,866	21,596
Defence					
Housing for Servicemen Principal repayments by the States of advances to finance the construction, maintenance and upgrade of public housing for use by service personnel.	1,054	1,122	1,196	1,275	1,361
Defence - Total	1,054	1,122	1,196	1,275	1,361

Table B1: Estimated Specific Purpose Payments to the States, Repayments of Advances, Advances and Interest Payments, 1999-2000 to 2003-04 (\$'000) (continued)

<i>Function</i> Payment Title Description	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
<i>Housing and Community Amenities</i>					
CSHA Loans Principal repayments by the six States and the NT of advances made to them under the various <i>Housing Agreement, Northern Territory Housing Agreement</i> and <i>Housing Assistance Acts</i> .	53,877	56,096	58,301	60,209	61,955
Other Housing Repayment of the principal of loans relating to assets transferred from the Commonwealth to the NT at the time of self government in 1978 and to the ACT at the time of self government in 1989.	7,337	7,663	5,642	5,848	6,044
Urban Water Supply and Treatment Repayment of principal on loans to SA for water quality improvement via Adelaide and Northern Towns Water Treatment and to WA for salinity mitigation via the Harding River Dam project.	355	339	316	352	405
NT - Water and Sewerage Assistance Repayment of the principal of a loan relating to assets transferred from the Commonwealth to the NT at the time of self-government in 1978.	136	136	136	136	136
Growth Centres Repayment of the principal of loans provided under the <i>Urban and Regional Development (Financial Assistance) Act 1974</i> to NSW for urban expansion and redevelopment in the Bathurst-Orange area and to Vic., for the development of a growth complex in the Albury-Wodonga area.	207	228	0	0	0
Urban Rehabilitation Repayment of the principal of a loan provided under the <i>Land Commissions (Financial Assistance) Act 1973</i> to Vic., for the acquisition and redevelopment of land at Emerald Hill, South Melbourne.	205	205	0	0	0
Community Facilities - Townsville Repayment of a loan to the Qld Government as a contribution towards the cost of developing community facilities in Townsville to assist in assimilating servicemen and their families into the community.	28	31	33	36	39

Table B1: Estimated Specific Purpose Payments to the States, Repayments of Advances, Advances and Interest Payments, 1999-2000 to 2003-04 (\$'000) (continued)

<i>Function</i>					
Payment Title	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Description					
Captains Flat (Abatement of Pollution) Agreement	6	6	6	6	7
This is a loan agreement that generates repayments of principal and interest from the NSW Government in relation to capital works undertaken at Captains Flat to prevent pollution of the Molonglo River.					
Sewerage	2,324	2,554	6,159	6,538	6,852
Repayment of the principal loans provided under the <i>Urban and Regional Development (Financial Assistance) Act 1974</i> to all States to undertake programmes connected with provision of sewerage facilities with particular objectives of eliminating the backlog of sewerage works.					
Housing and Community Amenities - Total	64,475	67,258	70,593	73,125	75,438
Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry					
Dairy Adjustment Programme	160	2	0	0	0
Repayments of loans to 'less than economic' dairy farms for property development and carry-on finance and grants for writing-off redundant milking plants.					
Bovine Brucellosis and Tuberculosis	523	145	69	130	294
Commonwealth share of principal repaid by pastoralists on loans for property maintenance and improvement essential for disease eradication under the Brucellosis and Tuberculosis Eradication Campaign.					
Rural Adjustment Scheme	11,357	2,284	2,020	1,791	1,463
Repayments of loans administered under the <i>States Grants (Rural Adjustment) Acts 1976 & 1979</i> which provide assistance to help restore to economic viability those farms and farmers with the capacity to maintain viability once achieved.					
War Service Land Settlement Scheme	887	859	888	914	930
These repayments are of advances made to veterans of WWII or the Korea/Malaya campaigns for the purpose of providing working capital funding, paying and effecting improvements and acquiring stock, plant and equipment.					

Table B1: Estimated Specific Purpose Payments to the States, Repayments of Advances, Advances and Interest Payments, 1999-2000 to 2003-04 (\$'000) (continued)

<i>Function</i>					
Payment Title	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Description					
Brigalow Lands Development Scheme	1,051	0	0	0	0
Repayments of loans administered under the <i>Brigalow Lands Agreement Act 1962</i> which provide assistance to Qld for the development of land in the Fitzroy River Basin. The main purpose of the assistance was to increase cattle production.					
Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry - Total	13,978	3,290	2,977	2,835	2,687
Transport and Communication					
Railway Projects	663	567	0	0	0
Repayment of the principal of loans provided by the Commonwealth to upgrade and standardise railways in mainland Australia.					
Transport and Communication - Total	663	567	0	0	0
Other Purposes					
Natural Disaster Relief	2,801	2,670	860	368	347
Repayment by States of loans made by the Commonwealth under the Natural Disaster Relief Arrangements (NDRA) and the repayment of overpaid moneys.					
Repay Advances to Balance State Budgets	0	0	1,655,649	0	0
Other Purposes - Total	2,801	2,670	1,656,509	368	347
TOTAL REPAYMENTS	741,088	579,970	1,901,940	132,941	398,426
ADVANCES					
Natural Disaster Relief	635	0	0	0	0
Concessional interest rate loans to the States in respect of loans made by them to individuals affected by natural disasters.					
Advances to Balance State Budgets	0	1,655,649	0	0	0
Other Purposes - Total	635	1,655,649	0	0	0
TOTAL ADVANCES	635	1,655,649	0	0	0

Table B1: Estimated Specific Purpose Payments to the States, Repayments of Advances, Advances and Interest Payments, 1999-2000 to 2003-04 (\$'000) (continued)

<i>Function</i> Payment Title Description	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
INTEREST					
Interest on Loan Council and NT Government Borrowings	150,561	74,120	38,225	31,799	26,209
Receipts from the six States and the NT of interest on Commonwealth Government securities outstanding on their behalf.					
<i>Interest on Loan Council and NT Government Borrowings - Total</i>	150,561	74,120	38,225	31,799	26,209
ACT Government Debt	9,296	7,101	5,744	5,209	4,674
Receipts from the ACT of interest on Commonwealth Government loans and on Commonwealth Government securities nominally outstanding on its behalf.					
Housing Nominations	71,185	70,546	69,877	69,177	68,448
Interest received from the six States and the NT on outstanding advances made to them under the <i>States (Works and Housing) Assistance Acts</i> .					
<i>Interest on Commonwealth Government Loans - Total</i>	80,481	77,647	75,621	74,386	73,122
Defence					
Housing for Servicemen	4,450	4,405	4,356	4,305	4,249
Interest payments by the States of advances to finance the construction, maintenance and upgrade of public housing for use by service personnel.					
<i>Defence - Total</i>	4,450	4,405	4,356	4,305	4,249
<i>Housing and Community Amenities</i>					
CSHA Loans	103,539	101,317	99,004	96,596	94,100
Interest received from the six States and the NT on outstanding advances made to them under the various <i>Housing Agreement, Northern Territory Housing Agreement and Housing Assistance Acts</i> . Repayments of principal and interest are made at the end of each financial year.					

Table B1: Estimated Specific Purpose Payments to the States, Repayments of Advances, Advances and Interest Payments, 1999-2000 to 2003-04 (\$'000) (continued)

<i>Function</i> Payment Title Description	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Other Housing Payment of interest on loans relating to assets transferred from the Commonwealth to the NT at the time of self-government in 1978 and to the ACT at the time of self-government in 1989.	15,867	15,533	15,184	14,823	14,448
Urban Water Supply and Treatment Payment of interest on loans to SA for water quality improvement via Adelaide and Northern Towns Water Treatment and to WA for salinity mitigation via the Harding River Dam project.	1,252	1,223	1,218	1,211	1,199
NT - Water and Sewerage Assistance Payment of interest on loans relating to assets transferred from the Commonwealth to the NT at the time of self-government in 1978.	657	651	644	636	630
Growth Centres Payment of interest on loans provided under the <i>Urban and Regional Development (Financial Assistance) Act 1974</i> to NSW for urban expansion and redevelopment in the Bathurst-Orange area and to Vic., for the purposes of developing a growth complex in the Albury-Wodonga area.	162	134	111	85	57
Urban Rehabilitation Payment of interest on a loan provided under the <i>Land Commissions (Financial Assistance) Act 1973</i> , to Vic., for the acquisition and redevelopment of land at Emerald Hill, South Melbourne.	74	56	39	21	4
Sewerage Payment of interest on loans provided under the <i>Urban and Regional Development (Financial Assistance) Act 1974</i> to all States to undertake programmes connected with provision of sewerage facilities with particular objectives of eliminating the backlog of sewerage works.	8,211	7,985	7,751	7,489	7,197
Community Facilities - Townsville Interest paid on a loan to the Qld Government as a contribution towards the cost of developing community facilities in Townsville to assist in assimilating servicemen and their families into the community.	18	16	13	10	7

Table B1: Estimated Specific Purpose Payments to the States, Repayments of Advances, Advances and Interest Payments, 1999-2000 to 2003-04 (\$'000) (continued)

<i>Function</i>					
Payment Title	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Description					
Captains Flat (Abatement of Pollution) Agreement	10	9	8	7	6
Interest payable under the loan agreement with the NSW Government in relation to capital works undertaken at Captains Flat to prevent pollution of the Molonglo River.					
<i>Housing and Community Amenities - Total</i>	129,790	126,924	123,972	120,878	117,648
<i>Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry</i>					
Dairy Adjustment Programme	8	0	0	0	0
Payment of interest on loans to 'less than economic' dairy farms for property development and carry-on finance and grants for writing-off redundant milking plants.					
Bovine Brucellosis and Tuberculosis	9	9	9	10	10
Payment of interest on loans to pastoralists for property maintenance and improvements essential for disease eradication under the Brucellosis and Tuberculosis Eradication Campaign.					
Rural Adjustment Scheme	1,517	647	470	314	176
Payment of interest on loans under the <i>States Grants (Rural Adjustment) Acts 1976 & 1979</i> to provide assistance to help restore to economic viability those farms and farmers with the capacity to maintain viability once achieved.					
Brigalow Land Development Scheme	90	0	0	0	0
Payment of interest on loans under the <i>Brigalow Lands Agreement Act 1962</i> which assists Qld in the development of land in the Fitzroy River Basin. The main purpose of the assistance was to increase cattle production.					
Softwood Forestry	0	0	0	0	0
Payment of interest on loans under the <i>Softwood Forestry Agreements Acts of 1967, 1972, 1976 and 1978</i> .					

Table B1: Estimated Specific Purpose Payments to the States, Repayments of Advances, Advances and Interest Payments, 1999-2000 to 2003-04 (\$'000) (continued)

<i>Function</i> Payment Title Description	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
War Service Land Settlement Scheme Payment of interest on loans to veterans of WWII or the Korea/Malaya campaigns which were for the purpose of providing working capital funding, paying and effecting improvements and acquiring stock, plant and equipment.	438	408	375	344	311
<i>Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry - Total</i>	2,062	1,064	854	668	497
<i>Transport and Communication</i> Railway Projects Payment of interest on loans provided by the Commonwealth to upgrade and standardise railways in mainland Australia.	579	484	455	423	391
<i>Transport and Communication - Total</i>	579	484	455	423	391
<i>Other Purposes</i> Natural Disaster Relief Interest payable by the States in respect of loans made by the Commonwealth to them under NDRA.	115	60	21	16	14
<i>Other Purposes - Total</i>	115	60	21	16	14
TOTAL INTEREST	368,038	284,704	243,504	232,475	222,130
SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS					
Total Specific Purpose Payments	17,691,259	18,405,573	19,331,624	19,870,264	20,613,204
Total 'To'	13,459,843	13,877,374	14,504,557	14,732,460	15,128,974
Total 'Through'	4,231,416	4,528,199	4,827,067	5,137,804	5,484,230

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<i>Function</i>						
Payment Title		1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Description						

* Items so marked are classified as payments 'through' the States.

(a) The 1998-2003 Australian Health Care Agreements expire on 30 June 2003. The estimates for 2003-04 are indicative only.

(b) Distributions for States and Territories other than Victoria, Queensland and the Northern Territory are indicative only and do not represent a commitment on the part of the Commonwealth. The final distribution for States and Territories other than Victoria, Queensland and the Northern Territory will depend on agreement of Strategic Plans with those States and Territories under the Australian Health Care

(c) Natural Heritage Trust: There are no estimates available past the current year (1999-2000) at this time as funding is determined on a merit selection basis.

(d) The split between the current and capital component has not yet been determined.

(e) The funds allocated to the States and Territories as per the Authority's Directions and Resource Allocations, which is agreed by the ANTA Ministerial Council. These funds include supplementation for the 1998 and 1999 calendar years but not the outyears. The amount of supplementation is determined and approved each year by Parliament as an amendment to the Vocational Education and Training Funding

(f) Figure for Disability Services include Commonwealth funding of \$50m in 2000-01 and \$100m in 2001-02 towards unmet need for State provided disability services. The State splits are proposed only, with actual splits still subject to further negotiations.

(g) The estimate for Local Government Financial Assistance Grants are only indicative. The Treasurer is to make a determination for the estimate of payments to be made under this programme later in the financial year and the estimates may be different from those reported