

AUSTRALIAN PRUDENTIAL REGULATION AUTHORITY

Section 1: Overview, appropriations and budget measures summary

AGENCY OVERVIEW

The role of the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA) is developing and enforcing regulation that promotes prudent behaviour by authorised deposit-taking institutions, insurance companies, superannuation funds and other financial institutions with the key aim of protecting the interests of their depositors, policy holders and members.

Prudential regulation focuses on the quality of an institution's systems for identifying, measuring and managing the various risks in its business.

In carrying out this role, APRA will enhance public confidence in Australia's financial institutions through a framework of prudential regulation, which balances financial safety and efficiency, competition, contestability and competitive neutrality. This is achieved by:

- the formulation and promulgation of prudential policy and practice to be observed by regulated institutions;
- effective surveillance and compliance programmes and, where relevant, remediation or enforcement measures, to give effect to the laws administered by APRA and to standards issued under those laws; and
- advice to government on the development of regulation and legislation affecting regulated institutions and the financial markets in which they operate.

APRA was established by the *Australian Prudential Regulation Authority Act 1998*. The *Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997* applies to APRA.

APPROPRIATIONS AND RESOURCING

The total appropriation for APRA in the 2003-04 Budget is \$68.6 million. Table 1.1 on the following page provides this detail.

Table 1.2 details funding provided for new budget measures in 2003-04.

Australian Prudential Regulation Authority — appropriations 2003-04

Table 1.1: Appropriations and other revenue

Outcome	Agency (price of outputs) \$'000			Administered \$'000		
	Revenues from government (appropriations)	Revenue from other sources ⁽³⁾	Price of outputs ⁽²⁾	Annual appropriations	Special appropriations	Total administered appropriations
	Bill No. 1	Special approps ⁽⁵⁾	Total	Bill No. 1 (F)	Bill No. 2 (SPPs & NAOs) (G)	Total administered appropriations (I = F+G+H)
	(A)	(B)	(C = A+B) (C1) ⁽¹⁾	(D) (E = C+D) (E1) ⁽¹⁾	(H)	(J = C+I)
Outcome 1 - To enhance public confidence in Australia's financial institutions through a framework of prudential regulation which balances financial safety, efficiency, competition, contestability and competitive neutrality	-	68,630	68,630	5,025	73,655	-
			93%	7%	100%	
Total	-	68,630	(K1) ⁽¹⁾ 68,630	5,025	73,655	-
				Agency capital (equity injections and loans)		
				Administered capital		
				Total appropriations		
						68,630

(1) C1 and E1 refer to information provided in Table 2.1, Total resources for Outcome 1. K1 refers to information provided in Table 3.1, Budgeted Agency Statement of Financial Performance.

(2) Refer to Table 3.1, Budgeted Agency Statement of Financial Performance for application of agency revenue.

(3) Revenue from other sources includes other revenues from government (for example, resources free of charge) and revenue from other sources (for example, goods and services). Non-appropriated agency revenues are detailed in Table 1.3.

Note: Percentage figures indicate the percentage contribution of revenues from government (agency appropriations) to the total price of outputs, by outcome.

MEASURES — AUSTRALIAN PRUDENTIAL REGULATION AUTHORITY SUMMARY

Table 1.2: Summary of measures disclosed in the 2003-04 Budget

Measure	Outcome	Output Groups affected	Appropriations budget 2003-04 \$'000			Appropriations forward estimate 2004-05 \$'000			Appropriations forward estimate 2005-06 \$'000			Appropriations forward estimate 2006-07 \$'000		
			Admin expenses	Agency outputs	Total	Admin expenses	Agency outputs	Total	Admin expenses	Agency outputs	Total	Admin expenses	Agency outputs	Total
Australian Prudential Regulation Authority - strengthened capabilities in prudential regulation	1	1.1	-	5,850	5,850	-	5,216	5,216	-	5,336	5,336	-	5,458	5,458

AGENCY REVENUES

Table 1.3: Agency revenues

	Estimated revenue 2002-03 \$'000	Estimated revenue 2003-04 \$'000
ESTIMATED AGENCY REVENUES		
Non-appropriation agency revenues		
Goods and services	1,294	1,350
Interest	1,194	1,250
Sub-lease rental	1,014	440
Other	4,232	1,985
Total estimated agency revenues	7,734	5,025

Goods and services include cost recoveries under Sections 9 and 51 of the *Australian Prudential Regulation Act 1998* for elective services. Revenue from other sources includes the recovery of cost of statistical services and work undertaken on the implementation of the Basel Accord on capital adequacy models.

EQUITY INJECTIONS AND LOANS

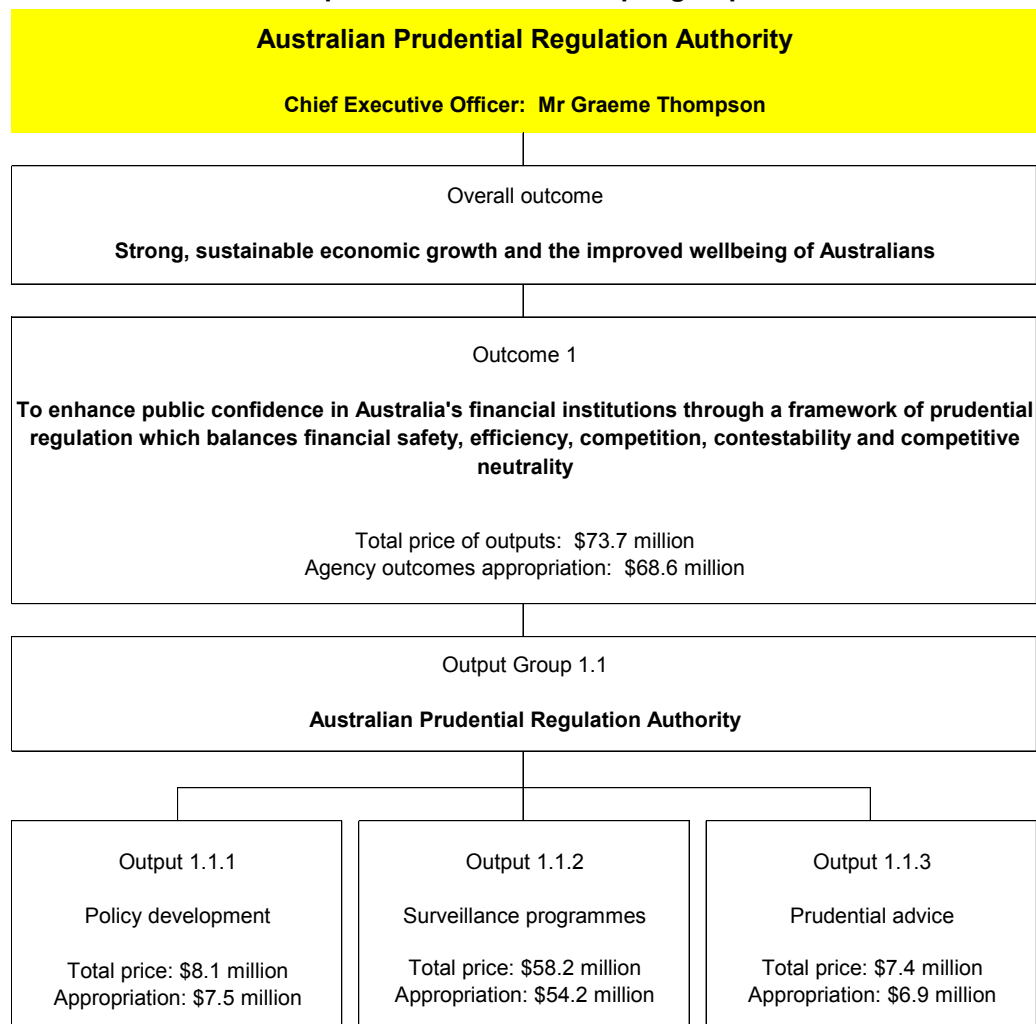
APRA does not have an appropriation for an equity injection or loan in the 2003-04 Budget.

Section 2: Outcomes and outputs information

OUTCOMES AND OUTPUT GROUPS

The map below shows the relationship between Government outcomes and the contributing outputs for the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA). Financial detail for Outcome 1 by output appears in Table 2.1 while non-financial information for Outcome 1 appears in Table 2.2.

Map 2: Outcomes and output groups



Output cost attribution

Outputs are priced by costing the time allocated to work carried out on policy development, surveillance programmes and prudential advice. The costs attributed to outputs are collected in cost pools for direct cost with associated allocated overheads. Support costs are allocated through the apportionment of unallocated time in the same ratio as direct costs.

CHANGES TO OUTCOMES AND OUTPUTS

There are no proposed changes to the outcome or outputs.

TRENDS IN RESOURCING ACROSS OUTCOME

There is only one outcome. The price of the outcome has risen from \$45.4 million in 1998-99 to \$68.6 million for 2003-04. Within this period, the outcome has been expanded to include the State based Financial Institutions scheme and to encompass the supervision of new risks in the financial system.

OUTCOME 1 — DESCRIPTION

To enhance public confidence in Australia's financial institutions through a framework of prudential regulation which balances financial safety, efficiency, competition, contestability and competitive neutrality.

Measures affecting Outcome 1

Australian Prudential Regulation Authority — strengthened capabilities in prudential regulation

The Government will provide \$21.9 million over four years (with ongoing funding subject to review by October 2006) to enable the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority to employ additional technical experts and attract and retain appropriately skilled front-line supervisory staff to enhance its supervisory and information technology capabilities.

Funding will be fully recovered through levies on the financial sector.

See also the related revenue measure titled *Australian Prudential Regulation Authority – strengthened capabilities in prudential regulation* in the Treasury portfolio.

OUTCOME 1 — RESOURCING

Table 2.1 shows how the 2003-04 appropriations translate to total resourcing for Outcome 1, including revenues from government (appropriations), revenue from other sources, and the total price of outputs.

Table 2.1: Total resources for Outcome 1

	Estimated actual 2002-03 \$'000	Budget estimate 2003-04 \$'000
Agency appropriations		
Output Group 1.1 - Australian Prudential Regulation Authority		
Output 1.1.1 - Policy development	7,719	7,549
Output 1.1.2 - Surveillance programmes	47,500	54,218
Output 1.1.3 - Prudential advice	4,156	6,863
Total revenues from government (appropriations)	59,375	(C1) ⁽¹⁾ 68,630
Contributing to price of agency outputs	89%	93%
Revenue from other sources		
Goods and services	1,294	1,350
Interest	1,194	1,250
Sub-lease rental	1,014	440
Other	4,232	1,985
Total revenue from other sources	7,734	5,025
Total price from agency outputs		
(Total revenues from government and from other sources)	67,109	(E1) ⁽¹⁾ 73,655
Total estimated resourcing for Outcome 1		
(Total price of outputs and administered appropriations)	67,109	73,655
	2002-03	2003-04
Average staffing level (number)	450	475

(1) C1 and E1 show the links back to Table 1.1.

OUTCOME 1 — CONTRIBUTION OF OUTPUTS

The outputs of APRA aim to enhance public confidence in Australia's financial institutions through a framework of prudential regulation, which balances financial safety and efficiency, competition, contestability and competitive neutrality.

The outputs involve formulation and promulgation of prudential policy and practice to be observed by regulated institutions; effective surveillance and compliance programmes and, where relevant, remediation or enforcement measures, to give effect to the laws administered by APRA and to standards issued under those laws; and advice to Government on the development of regulation and legislation affecting regulated institutions and the financial markets in which they operate.

PERFORMANCE INFORMATION FOR OUTCOME 1

Table 2.2: Performance information for Outcome 1

Performance information for agency outputs	
Output Group 1.1 - Australian Prudential Regulation Authority	
Output 1.1.1 - Policy development	Issuance of prudential standards, guidelines and like instruments which effectively address risk management exposures of regulated industries; Comprehensive consultation with industry bodies, regulated institutions and professional associations on the development and implementation of prudential policy; Effective communication and cooperation with relevant national and international agencies including participation in the international development and harmonisation of prudential regulation policy and practice; and Promotion of public understanding of the role of APRA and informed debate on issues relating to prudential supervision through the publication of discussion papers, statistics and other relevant information.
Output 1.1.2 - Surveillance programmes	Prevention of financial loss by depositors or policy holders resulting from the failure of regulated institutions to observe laws, regulations or prudential standards administered by APRA; The identification of emerging prudential risks within regulated institutions through programmes of inspection and off-site surveillance and the supervision of remedial actions to effectively manage such risks; and The exercise by APRA of formal enforcement powers where necessary to protect the interests of depositor, policy holders, superannuation fund members or the public interest generally (including powers to issue directions, disqualify persons from positions of management or trust, transferring engagements, withdrawing licenses, or initiating prosecutions).

Table 2.2: Performance information for Outcome 1 (continued)

Performance information for agency outputs (continued)	
Output 1.1.3 - Prudential advice	Regular liaison meetings with the Department of the Treasury and with relevant Ministers and Parliamentary Committees; Recommendations to Government on prudential regulation policy development involving legislative implementation (including amendments to all Acts of Parliament administered by APRA and regulations thereunder); Timely briefings to Government on major items of policy interest emerging from APRA participation in international fora; and Maintenance of a memorandum of understanding with the Department of the Treasury.

EVALUATIONS

Performance will be measured on a quarterly basis through an integrated programme of business planning, measurement and reporting. The business plan is expressed through six key results areas (KRAs), three of which represent the outputs described in Table 2.2 plus three KRAs covering staff, infrastructure and accountability.

Feedback will be sought from key stakeholders on a regular basis on the effectiveness of policy and prudential advice.

The performance of surveillance programmes is evaluated both internally through the measurement processes, by the Quality and Consistency Group and internal audit, and externally through industry consultation on a periodic basis.

Section 3: Budgeted financial statements

The budgeted financial statements will form the basis of the financial statements that will appear in the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA)'s 2003-04 Annual Report and form the basis for the input into the Whole of Government Accounts. The financial statements should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

ANALYSIS OF BUDGETED AGENCY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Statement of Financial Performance (Table 3.1) shows an increase in appropriations from \$59.4 million forecast for the current year to \$68.6 million for 2003-04. The increase reflects the increase in departmental costs forecast for the current year from \$67.1 million to \$72.1 million for 2003-04. This includes the new policy proposal aimed at enhancing and strengthening APRA's capability in supervision of regulated entities. It also reflects the additional resources needed to implement additional statistical services and assistance provided to Authorised Deposits Institutions in implementing the Basel Capital Accord.

Other revenues in 2002-03 were higher than the normal trend due to recovery of expenses outlaid during the HIH Royal Commission from APRA's insurer. As a result, other revenue in 2003-04 will return to more normal levels.

Employee expenses will increase from \$39.6 million to \$44.5 million in 2003-04. This will support an increase in supervisory and specialist technical advisors and additional staff to carry out the intentions of the new budget measure.

Suppliers' costs in 2003-04 have been budgeted to be about \$0.8 million less than the prior year due to the reduced cost of legal and other services, following on from conclusion of the HIH Royal Commission and reductions in discretionary expenditures through efficiency programmes. The savings are partly offset by increases in the floor area and cost of leased premises.

The higher than normal budgeted surplus for 2003-04 is needed to increase reserves. APRA is sometimes faced with the need to engage inspectors to supervise the activities of institutions that have been assessed to be at some risk, and the reserves enable this action to be taken quickly without the need to resort to special financial supplementation. Timely action of this nature may avert more serious outcomes.

The Departmental Statement of Financial Position (Table 3.2) shows a small increase in financial assets between 2002-03 and 2003-04, brought about by an increase in cash offset by a reduction in receivables. Over the past two years, APRA has made a concerted effort to reduce receivables to a manageable level and maintain that momentum into the outer years.

Non-financial assets are expected to increase by \$0.9 million in 2003-04, funded entirely by revenue from non-appropriation sources. It will be seen that while infrastructure, plant and equipment will gradually decline in value over the current and outer years, this will be offset by increases in intangibles. APRA's supervision, risk assessment and assurance activities are substantially enhanced by access to extensive databases, represented in large part by capitalised in-house developed software. The bulk of the additional assets will be additions and enhancements to this software.

Provisions consist mainly of employee entitlements to annual and long service leave, together with some relatively minor amounts relating to making good leased premises. Payables are expected to reduce gradually over the outer years.

The retained surpluses in equity reflect the earlier stated aim of building these back up to levels determined as being the minimum required to meet unforeseen business needs in terms of supervision of at risk institutions (5 per cent-10 per cent of levies).

The Departmental Statement of Cash Flows (Table 3.3) reflects the increase in appropriations and other revenue discussed earlier. A cash pool at the end of June is needed to overcome expected cash flow timing delays arising from the billing of non superannuation entities during the month of June, and the need to leave the initial cash collected in the Official Public Account to fund the activities of Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) and Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Tables 3.4 and 3.5 show the amount budgeted for capital and the effect on non-financial assets in 2003-04. As observed above, the additions are fully funded internally by APRA's own resources, and the bulk of the acquisitions (\$2.6 million) will be for in-house developed software.

The Administered Statements show the total amount collected and administered by APRA, on behalf of the Government, in supervisory levies from the finance industry. The cash collected is swept daily from the APRA account to the Official Public Account, from which APRA, in turn, draws down the amounts appropriated to it by the parliament.

AGENCY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Budgeted agency statement of financial performance

This statement provides a picture of the expected financial results for APRA by identifying full accrual expenses and revenues, which highlights whether APRA is operating at a sustainable level.

Budgeted agency statement of financial position

This statement shows the financial position of APRA. It enables decision-makers to track the management of APRA's assets and liabilities.

Budgeted agency statement of cash flows

This statement identifies expected cash flows from operating activities, investing activities and financing activities.

Agency capital budget statement

This statement shows all proposed capital expenditure funded through the Budget as appropriations or from internal sources.

Agency non-financial assets — summary of movement

This statement shows the movement in APRA's non-financial assets over the Budget year.

NOTES OF ADMINISTERED ACTIVITY

Details of transactions administered by the agency on behalf of the Commonwealth are shown in the following notes to the financial statements.

Note of budgeted administered financial performance

This note identifies the main revenues and expenses administered on behalf of the Government. It also discloses administered revenues from government and transfers to the Official Public Account.

Note of budgeted administered financial position

This note shows the assets and liabilities administered on behalf of the Government.

Note of budgeted administered cash flows

This note shows cash flows administered on behalf of the Government.

**Table 3.1: Budgeted Agency Statement of Financial Performance —
for the period ended 30 June**

	Estimated actual 2002-03 \$'000	Budget estimate 2003-04 \$'000	Forward estimate 2004-05 \$'000	Forward estimate 2005-06 \$'000	Forward estimate 2006-07 \$'000
REVENUES					
Revenues from ordinary activities					
Revenues from government	59,375	(K1) ⁽¹⁾ 68,630	69,221	71,993	73,987
Goods and services	1,294	1,350	1,400	1,500	1,600
Interest	1,194	1,250	1,300	1,350	1,400
Other	5,246	2,425	2,425	2,425	2,425
Total revenues from ordinary activities	67,109	73,655	74,346	77,268	79,412
EXPENSES					
Expenses from ordinary activities (excluding borrowing costs expense)					
Employees	39,648	44,468	46,188	48,250	49,483
Suppliers	21,083	20,299	20,793	21,089	21,835
Depreciation and amortisation	3,475	3,911	4,777	5,315	5,456
Other	2,900	3,400	2,470	2,590	2,590
Total expenses from ordinary activities (excluding borrowing costs expense)	67,106	72,078	74,228	77,244	79,364
Borrowing costs expense	-	-	-	-	-
Operating surplus or deficit from ordinary activities	3	1,577	118	24	48
Gain or loss on extraordinary items	-	-	-	-	-
Net surplus or deficit	3	- 1,577	118	24	48

(1) K1 shows the link back to Table 1.1.

**Table 3.2: Budgeted Agency Statement of Financial Position —
as at 30 June**

	Estimated actual 2002-03 \$'000	Budget estimate 2003-04 \$'000	Forward estimate 2004-05 \$'000	Forward estimate 2005-06 \$'000	Forward estimate 2006-07 \$'000
ASSETS					
Financial assets					
Cash	10,350	11,028	11,920	12,685	12,937
Receivables	1,000	753	582	509	515
Accrued revenues	50	50	50	50	50
Total financial assets	11,400	11,831	12,552	13,244	13,502
Non-financial assets					
Infrastructure, plant and equipment	6,225	7,114	5,376	4,582	3,760
Intangibles	7,626	7,633	8,901	9,187	9,360
Other	120	120	120	120	121
Total non-financial assets	13,971	14,867	14,397	13,889	13,241
Total assets	25,371	26,698	26,949	27,133	26,743
LIABILITIES					
Debt					
Other	50	-	-	-	-
Total debt	50	-	-	-	-
Provisions					
Employees	13,712	14,039	14,379	14,744	15,092
Total provisions	13,712	14,039	14,379	14,744	15,092
Payables					
Suppliers	2,276	1,749	1,543	1,339	553
Total payables	2,276	1,749	1,543	1,339	553
Total liabilities	16,038	15,788	15,922	16,083	15,645
EQUITY					
Parent entity interest					
Reserves	558	558	558	558	558
Retained surpluses or accumulated deficits	3,520	5,097	5,214	5,237	5,285
Total parent entity interest	4,078	5,655	5,772	5,795	5,843
Outside equity interest					
Contributed equity	5,255	5,255	5,255	5,255	5,255
Total outside equity interest	5,255	5,255	5,255	5,255	5,255
Total equity	9,333	10,910	11,027	11,050	11,098
Total assets and liabilities by maturity					
Current assets	11,520	11,951	12,672	13,364	13,623
Non-current assets	13,851	14,747	14,277	13,769	13,120
Current liabilities	9,024	8,852	9,059	9,867	9,851
Non-current liabilities	7,014	6,936	6,863	6,216	5,794

**Table 3.3: Budgeted Agency Statement of Cash Flows —
for the period ended 30 June**

	Estimated actual 2002-03 \$'000	Budget estimate 2003-04 \$'000	Forward estimate 2004-05 \$'000	Forward estimate 2005-06 \$'000	Forward estimate 2006-07 \$'000
OPERATING ACTIVITIES					
Cash received					
Appropriations	59,350	68,855	69,395	72,067	73,987
Goods and services	1,713	995	1,100	1,211	1,320
Interest	1,194	1,250	1,300	1,350	1,400
Other	7,888	4,975	5,025	5,053	5,116
Total cash received	70,145	76,075	76,820	79,681	81,823
Cash used					
Employees	38,609	44,142	45,849	47,885	49,138
Suppliers	28,180	26,473	25,797	26,249	27,652
Total cash used	66,789	70,615	71,646	74,134	76,790
Net cash from operating activities	3,356	5,460	5,174	5,547	5,033
INVESTING ACTIVITIES					
Cash received					
Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment	25	25	25	25	25
Total cash received	25	25	25	25	25
Cash used					
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	3,447	4,807	4,307	4,807	4,806
Total cash used	3,447	4,807	4,307	4,807	4,806
Net cash from investing activities	(3,422)	(4,782)	(4,282)	(4,782)	(4,781)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held	(66)	678	892	765	252
Cash at the beginning of the reporting period	10,416	10,350	11,028	11,920	12,685
Cash at the end of the reporting period	10,350	11,028	11,920	12,685	12,937

Table 3.4: Agency Capital Budget Statement

	Estimated actual 2002-03 \$'000	Budget estimate 2003-04 \$'000	Forward estimate 2004-05 \$'000	Forward estimate 2005-06 \$'000	Forward estimate 2006-07 \$'000
PURCHASE OF NON-CURRENT ASSETS					
Funded by capital appropriations	-	-	-	-	-
Funded internally by agency resources	3,247	4,807	4,307	4,807	4,806
Total	3,247	4,807	4,307	4,807	4,806

Table 3.5: Agency Non-financial Assets — Summary of Movement (Budget year 2003-04)

	Land	Buildings	Specialist military equipment	Other infrastructure plant and equipment	Heritage and cultural assets	Computer software	Other intangibles	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Carrying amount at the start of year	-	-	-	6,225	-	-	7,626	13,851
Additions	-	-	-	2,200	-	-	2,607	4,807
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluation increments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Recoverable amount write-downs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net transfers free of charge	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation/amortisation expense	-	-	-	(1,311)	-	-	(2,600)	(3,911)
Write-off of assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carrying amount at the end of year	-	-	-	7,114	-	-	7,633	14,747
Total additions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Self funded	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Appropriations	-	-	-	2,200	-	-	2,607	4,807
Total	-	-	-	2,200	-	-	2,607	4,807

Table 3.6: Note of Budgeted Financial Performance Administered on behalf of the Government — for the period ended 30 June

	Estimated actual 2002-03 \$'000	Budget estimate 2003-04 \$'000	Forward estimate 2004-05 \$'000	Forward estimate 2005-06 \$'000	Forward estimate 2006-07 \$'000
REVENUES					
Non-taxation					
Other	74,043	85,433	86,024	88,796	90,790
Total non-taxation	74,043	85,433	86,024	88,796	90,790
Total revenues administered on behalf of the Government	74,043	85,433	86,024	88,796	90,790
EXPENSES					
Other	500	500	500	500	500
Total expenses administered on behalf of the Government	500	500	500	500	500

Table 3.7: Note of Budgeted Financial Position Administered on behalf of the Government — as at 30 June

	Estimated actual 2002-03 \$'000	Budget estimate 2003-04 \$'000	Forward estimate 2004-05 \$'000	Forward estimate 2005-06 \$'000	Forward estimate 2006-07 \$'000
ASSETS					
Financial assets					
Receivables	350	200	150	150	150
Total financial assets	350	200	150	150	150
Total assets administered on behalf of the Government	350	200	150	150	150
Current assets	350	200	150	150	150
Non-current assets	-	-	-	-	-

**Table 3.8: Note of Budgeted Administered Cash Flows —
for the period ended 30 June**

	Estimated actual 2002-03 \$'000	Budget estimate 2003-04 \$'000	Forward estimate 2004-05 \$'000	Forward estimate 2005-06 \$'000	Forward estimate 2006-07 \$'000
OPERATING ACTIVITIES					
Cash received					
Other taxes, fees and fines	74,143	85,533	86,124	88,896	90,890
Total cash received	74,143	85,533	86,124	88,896	90,890
Cash used					
Cash to Official Public Account	74,143	85,533	86,124	88,896	90,890
Total cash used	74,143	85,533	86,124	88,896	90,890
Net cash from operating activities	-	-	-	-	-
Net increase (decrease) in cash held	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at beginning of reporting period	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at end of reporting period	-	-	-	-	-

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Agency Financial Statements and Notes to Administered Items

Under the Commonwealth's accrual budgeting framework, and consistent with Australian Accounting Standards, transactions that agencies control (agency transactions) are separately budgeted for and reported on from transactions agencies do not have control over (administered transactions). This ensures that agencies are only held fully accountable for the transactions over which they have control.

Agency assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses in relation to an agency or authority are those which are controlled by the agency. Agency expenses include employee and supplier expenses and other administrative costs, which are incurred by the agency in providing its goods and services.

Administered items are revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities which are managed by an agency or authority on behalf of the Government according to set Government directions. Administered expenses include subsidies, grants and personal benefit payments and administered revenues include taxes, fees, fines and excises.

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis in accordance with the historical cost convention.

Budgeted agency statement of financial performance

Goods and services tax

The budgeted financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the goods and services tax (GST) accounting guidelines of the Urgent Issues Group (UIG) of the Australian Accounting Standards Board. The UIG consensus requires that expenses and assets be accounted for net of recoverable GST, revenues be accounted for net of GST payable, and that cash flows and accounts payable and receivable be reported gross. Appropriations are thus net of recoverable GST amounts.

Revenues from government

APRA is funded by a special appropriation for levies, late lodgement and late payment penalties collected under the *Financial Institutions Supervisory Levies Collection Act 1998*. The revenue reported by APRA is net of the levies retained in the Official Public Account to fund the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) for consumer protection and market integrity functions, and to the Australian Taxation Office (ATO), for unclaimed monies and lost member functions.

Depreciation and amortisation

APRA's depreciation expense is increasing over time due to the development and implementation of infrastructure that will provide APRA staff with accurate and timely financial information about regulated entities and that will allow APRA to act as the central repository for this information. The introduction of this system has resulted in a shorter useful life and increased depreciation for some of APRA's legacy software systems.

Budgeted agency statement of financial position

Financial assets

These include cash, levies invoiced but still outstanding at the financial year end and other revenue receivables.

All accounts receivable are recorded at their estimated recoverable amount.

Non-financial assets

Non-financial assets include leasehold improvements, furniture and fittings, computer hardware and office equipment. Intangible assets comprise capitalised software, including work-in-progress. APRA does not own any land or buildings.

Other non-financial assets include prepayments.

Debt

Other debt includes lease incentives.

Provisions and payables

Provisions and payables represent liabilities for miscellaneous accruals and employee benefits, including accrued salary and leave entitlements.

Equity

The opening balance represents the net value of assets and liabilities transferred from the Reserve Bank of Australia and the Insurance and Superannuation Commission on the formation of APRA on 1 July 1998.

Budgeted agency statement of cash flows

Cash received from operating activities includes the appropriation for levies collected from industry less amounts collected on behalf of ATO and ASIC, cash from fees and charges, and interest earned on cash balances and investments held as government backed securities.

Cash used in investing activities includes cash spent on property, plant and equipment.

Note of budgeted administered financial performance

Revenues

The taxation revenues are the levies, late lodgement and late payment penalties collected under the *Financial Institutions Supervisory Levies Collection Act 1998*. The revenue reported in this statement is higher than that reported by APRA in the budgeted agency statement of financial position by the amount retained in the Official Public Account to fund ASIC for consumer protection and market integrity functions, and to the ATO, for unclaimed monies and lost member functions.

Note of budgeted administered financial position

Financial assets

The financial assets include levy debt invoiced and still outstanding at year end.

Accrued revenue is for levies on returns lodged but not invoiced at the end of the financial year.

Provisions and payables

The 'Other' provisions and payables is revenue in advance for levies collected before the end of the financial year for supervision in the following financial year.

Note of budgeted administered cash flows

All cash collected by APRA for levies, late lodgement and late payment penalties under the *Financial Institutions Supervisory Levies Collection Act 1998* and transferred to the Official Public Account at the close of business each day.

Section 4: Purchaser/provider and cost recovery arrangements

SUMMARY OF COST RECOVERY IMPACT STATEMENT

Cost recovery arrangements have been negotiated with the large Authorised Deposit Taking Institutions for services in relation to the implementation of the Basel Accord. While the final amounts have yet to be determined, the budgeted impact of this arrangement in 2003-04 is expected to result in revenue flows of the order of \$1.5 million. Cost recovery arrangements are currently being negotiated with the Australian Bureau of Statistics and Reserve Bank of Australia for the provision of certain statistical services provided to them. Recoveries are estimated to be about \$0.9 million for these services.

These costs are reflected in the Departmental Statement of Financial Performance (Table 3.1) as part of other revenue from ordinary activities.

