

APPENDIX A: EXPENSES BY FUNCTION AND SUB-FUNCTION

Table A1 sets out Australian Government general government sector expenses by function and sub-function for 2008-09.

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	2007-08 Outcome	2008-09 Estimate at 2009-10 Budget	2008-09 Outcome
	\$m	\$m	\$m
General public services			
Legislative and executive affairs	961	819	728
Financial and fiscal affairs	6,102	5,946	6,331
Foreign affairs and economic aid	3,881	4,972	4,763
General research	2,146	2,722	2,237
General services	925	761	995
Government superannuation benefits	2,600	2,689	2,142
Total general public services	16,615	17,910	17,197
Defence	17,670	18,745	19,190
Public order and safety			
Courts and legal services	950	1,012	981
Other public order and safety	2,556	2,675	2,578
Total public order and safety	3,506	3,687	3,558
Education			
Higher education	6,850	6,747	7,013
Vocational and other education	1,554	1,829	1,881
Schools	9,163	10,677	11,416
<i>Non-government schools(a)</i>	<i>6,085</i>	<i>6,336</i>	<i>7,210</i>
<i>Government schools</i>	<i>3,078</i>	<i>4,342</i>	<i>4,206</i>
Student assistance(b)	472	562	1,532
General administration	5	94	38
School education - specific funding(a)	389	1,592	721
Total education	18,433	21,502	22,601
Health			
Medical services and benefits	19,089	20,629	20,767
Hospital services	1,791	2,947	3,023
Health care agreements	9,968	10,563	10,505
Pharmaceutical services and benefits	8,593	9,332	9,210
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health	500	517	523
Health services	2,876	3,947	3,720
General administration	764	1,331	1,291
Health assistance to the aged	816	107	107
Total health	44,397	49,373	49,146
Social security and welfare			
Assistance to the aged	35,454	40,314	40,367
Assistance to veterans and dependants	6,395	6,891	6,902
Assistance to people with disabilities	14,368	17,286	17,229
Assistance to families with children(b)	28,528	38,770	38,381

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	2007-08 Outcome	2008-09 Estimate at 2009-10 Budget	2008-09 Outcome
	\$m	\$m	\$m
Social security and welfare (continued)			
Assistance to the unemployed and the sick	4,371	5,168	5,098
Common youth allowance	2,026	2,359	2,504
Other welfare programs	2,464	9,163	9,235
Aboriginal advancement nec	1,418	2,183	1,703
General administration	2,818	2,781	3,163
Total social security and welfare	97,842	124,915	124,581
Housing and community amenities			
Housing	1,646	3,216	3,430
Urban and regional development	164	166	139
Environment protection	1,100	1,029	1,511
Total housing and community amenities	2,910	4,410	5,080
Recreation and culture			
Broadcasting	1,320	1,372	1,495
Arts and cultural heritage	1,267	1,055	1,092
Sport and recreation	450	359	339
National estate and parks	171	211	180
Total recreation and culture	3,207	2,997	3,107
Fuel and energy	5,361	6,280	5,806
Agriculture, forestry and fishing			
Wool industry	57	48	46
Grains industry	110	120	118
Dairy industry	69	50	55
Cattle, sheep and pig industry	165	169	164
Fishing, horticulture and other agriculture	353	269	256
General assistance not allocated to specific industries	456	98	102
Rural assistance	1,343	1,164	1,006
Natural resources development	766	785	388
General administration	516	565	587
Total agriculture, forestry and fishing	3,834	3,267	2,723
Mining, manufacturing and construction	1,410	1,921	1,911
Transport and communication			
Communication	534	519	509
Rail transport	186	498	254
Air transport	141	174	167
Road transport	2,853	5,286	5,490
Sea transport	239	282	289
Other transport and communication	177	230	232
Total transport and communication	4,129	6,989	6,941

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	2007-08 Outcome	2008-09 Estimate at 2009-10 Budget	2008-09 Outcome
	\$m	\$m	\$m
Other economic affairs			
Tourism and area promotion	207	195	192
Total labour and employment affairs	4,506	5,463	5,040
<i>Vocational and industry training</i>	999	1,343	1,359
<i>Labour market assistance to job seekers and industry</i>	1,896	2,129	1,859
<i>Industrial relations</i>	508	689	546
<i>Immigration</i>	1,102	1,302	1,276
Other economic affairs nec	1,213	1,380	1,275
Total other economic affairs	5,926	7,037	6,507
Other purposes			
Public debt interest	3,544	3,938	3,946
<i>Interest on Australian Government's behalf</i>	3,544	3,938	3,946
Nominal superannuation interest	6,011	6,432	6,715
General purpose inter-government transactions	45,277	45,433	45,248
<i>General revenue assistance - States and Territories</i>	42,627	42,382	41,682
<i>Local government assistance</i>	1,798	2,384	2,854
<i>Assistance to other governments</i>	852	667	713
Natural disaster relief	28	398	312
Contingency reserve(c)	8	-793	0
Total other purposes	54,868	55,408	56,222
Total expenses	280,109	324,443	324,569

- (a) Since the 2009-10 Budget, some expenses relating to non-government schools have been reclassified from the School Education — Specific Funding sub-function to the Non-Government Schools sub-function.
- (b) Since the 2009-10 Budget, the Education Tax Refund has been reclassified from the Assistance to Families with Children sub-function to the Student Assistance sub-function.
- (c) Asset sale related expenses are treated as a component of the Contingency Reserve.