

APPENDIX A: EXPENSES BY FUNCTION AND SUB-FUNCTION

Table A1 sets out Australian Government general government sector expenses by function and sub-function for 2015-16.

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	2014-15 Outcome \$m	2015-16 Estimate at 2016-17 Budget \$m	2015-16 Outcome \$m	Change on 2016-17 Budget \$m
General public services				
Legislative and executive affairs	1,124	1,229	1,239	9
Financial and fiscal affairs	7,145	6,895	6,598	-297
Foreign affairs and economic aid	6,393	5,470	5,484	15
General research	2,766	2,866	2,711	-155
General services	720	977	731	-246
Government superannuation benefits	6,457	6,530	7,447	916
Total general public services	24,605	23,967	24,209	242
Defence	23,790	25,986	26,013	27
Public order and safety				
Courts and legal services	1,021	1,217	1,153	-64
Other public order and safety	3,422	3,741	3,670	-71
Total public order and safety	4,443	4,958	4,823	-135
Education				
Higher education	9,078	9,621	9,581	-40
Vocational and other education	1,823	1,848	1,837	-11
Schools	14,706	15,636	15,703	68
<i>Non-government schools</i>	9,474	9,869	9,958	89
<i>Government schools</i>	5,232	5,767	5,746	-21
School education - specific funding	886	712	618	-94
Student assistance	4,372	4,367	4,054	-313
General administration	235	331	328	-3
Total education	31,101	32,515	32,121	-394
Health				
Medical services and benefits	27,768	29,025	28,848	-177
Pharmaceutical benefits and services	10,322	11,022	12,032	1,010
Assistance to the States for public hospitals	15,466	17,196	17,185	-10
Hospital services	2,007	1,755	1,071	-684
Health services	6,335	6,322	6,488	166
General administration	3,103	3,106	2,952	-154
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health	695	746	725	-21
Total health	65,696	69,172	69,301	129

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	2014-15 Outcome \$m	2015-16 Estimate at 2016-17 Budget \$m	2015-16 Outcome \$m	Change on 2016-17 Budget \$m
Social security and welfare				
Assistance to the aged	57,506	59,995	59,962	-33
Assistance to veterans and dependants	6,865	6,619	6,634	15
Assistance to people with disabilities	27,465	29,084	28,815	-269
Assistance to families with children	38,080	38,889	38,341	-548
Assistance to the unemployed and the sick	10,728	10,896	11,032	135
Other welfare programmes	1,441	1,508	1,504	-3
Assistance for Indigenous Australians nec	2,102	2,153	2,199	46
General administration	3,601	3,694	3,638	-56
Total social security and welfare	147,787	152,838	152,124	-713
Housing and community amenities				
Housing	3,269	3,267	3,192	-75
Urban and regional development	679	703	663	-40
Environment protection	887	895	886	-8
Total housing and community amenities	4,835	4,865	4,742	-123
Recreation and culture				
Broadcasting	1,555	1,496	1,483	-14
Arts and cultural heritage	1,175	1,287	1,228	-59
Sport and recreation	401	349	356	7
National estate and parks	402	380	395	15
Total recreation and culture	3,534	3,512	3,462	-50
Fuel and energy	6,799	6,528	6,423	-106
Agriculture, forestry and fishing				
Wool industry	61	69	64	-5
Grains industry	197	224	188	-35
Dairy industry	57	58	58	-1
Cattle, sheep and pig industry	205	212	202	-11
Fishing, horticulture and other agriculture	276	322	290	-32
General assistance not allocated to specific industries	27	26	28	2
Rural assistance	142	170	134	-36
Natural resources development	848	976	636	-340
General administration	599	712	661	-51
Total agriculture, forestry and fishing	2,411	2,768	2,259	-509
Mining, manufacturing and construction	3,550	3,650	3,103	-547
Transport and communication				
Communication	636	632	592	-40
Rail transport	724	1,555	267	-1,288
Air transport	205	222	218	-4
Road transport	4,207	5,501	5,321	-180
Sea transport	345	388	367	-21
Other transport and communication	315	350	318	-32
Total transport and communication	6,433	8,647	7,083	-1,564

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	2014-15 Outcome \$m	2015-16 Estimate at 2016-17 Budget \$m	2015-16 Outcome \$m	Change on 2016-17 Budget \$m
Other economic affairs				
Tourism and area promotion	186	186	199	13
Total labour and employment affairs	3,673	3,528	3,078	-450
<i>Vocational and industry training</i>	1,288	1,238	1,021	-217
<i>Labour market assistance to job seekers and industry</i>	1,573	1,477	1,275	-202
<i>Industrial relations</i>	811	813	782	-30
Immigration	4,036	3,792	3,741	-51
Other economic affairs nec	2,151	2,119	2,180	60
Total other economic affairs	10,046	9,626	9,199	-427
Other purposes				
Public debt interest	14,491	15,376	15,339	-37
<i>Interest on Australian Government's behalf</i>	14,491	15,376	15,339	-37
Nominal superannuation interest	8,999	9,167	9,106	-62
General purpose inter-government transactions	58,859	59,380	59,160	-220
<i>General revenue assistance - States and Territories</i>	55,425	58,236	58,016	-220
<i>Local government assistance</i>	3,433	1,144	1,144	0
Natural disaster relief	522	49	224	175
Contingency reserve	0	-1,536	0	1,536
Total other purposes	82,871	82,437	83,829	1,392
Total expenses	417,898	431,470	428,691	-2,779

