

Affordable housing

In 2022–23, the Australian Government will provide funding of \$2.0 billion to support state affordable housing services, consisting of \$1.6 billion through the National Housing and Homelessness Agreement (NHHA) and \$313.7 million through National Partnership payments, as detailed in Table 2.7.

Table 2.7: Payments to support state affordable housing services

\$million	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
National Housing and Homelessness Agreement	1,616.2	1,644.5	1,604.9	1,630.6	1,655.1
National Partnership payments					
HomeBuilder	1,777.8	85.1	-	-	-
Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment					
Remote Australia strategies component	3.7	3.8	3.8	-	-
Remote housing	185.0	223.8	-	-	-
Social Impact Investments					
Vulnerable priority groups	1.1	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Youth at risk of homelessness	1.1	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Total National Partnership payments	1,968.7	313.7	4.9	1.1	1.1
Total	3,584.8	1,958.2	1,609.8	1,631.7	1,656.1

National Housing and Homelessness Agreement^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2021-22	495.0	415.9	334.4	174.5	113.0	35.1	27.6	20.7	1,616.2
2022-23	501.8	423.0	341.8	178.1	115.0	35.7	28.0	21.1	1,644.5
2023-24	499.3	407.9	334.4	171.5	111.4	34.1	26.4	19.9	1,604.9
2024-25	506.3	416.3	339.8	174.2	112.6	34.5	26.8	20.1	1,630.6
2025-26	512.9	424.5	344.8	176.7	113.8	34.8	27.2	20.4	1,655.1
Total	2,515.3	2,087.7	1,695.2	875.0	565.8	174.2	136.0	102.2	8,151.3

(a) Bilateral agreements under the NHHA expire at the end of 2022-23, beyond which funding is subject to negotiation.

The NHHA contributes to improving access to affordable, safe and sustainable housing, including to prevent and address homelessness, and to support social and economic participation. The NHHA supports state and territory governments to deliver better outcomes for housing and homelessness funding.

Australian Government funding under the NHHA is ongoing and indexed by Wage Cost Index 1 (see Appendix A), providing greater certainty for the sector. The Australian Government's contribution to homelessness funding will be matched by the states.

National Partnership payments for affordable housing

The Australian Government will provide a total of \$313.7 million in 2022-23 through National Partnership payments to support state affordable housing services. Further details are provided below.

HomeBuilder^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2021-22	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	1,777.8
2022-23	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	85.1
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	1,862.9

(a) State allocations are not available as this is a demand-driven program.

HomeBuilder was announced on 4 June 2020 to respond to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the residential construction sector by encouraging eligible Australians to build a new home or substantially renovate an existing home.

A \$25,000 grant is available for eligible contracts signed between 4 June 2020 and 31 December 2020 (inclusive). A \$15,000 grant is available for eligible contracts signed between 1 January 2021 and 31 March 2021 (inclusive). Applications for the program closed on 14 April 2021.

Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment – Remote Australia strategies component

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2021-22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.7	3.7
2022-23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	3.8
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8	3.8
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11.3	11.3

The Remote Australia strategies component provides funding to improve public housing in remote communities by investing in housing works and removing asbestos from community buildings. This funding will also support a sustainable, professional and accredited Indigenous interpreter service.

The Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment agreement supports the Northern Territory to improve schooling for Indigenous children, make communities safer and healthier, and increase access to interpreter services and job opportunities for Indigenous Australians. Other components of this agreement are discussed in the Health, Education and Community Services sections of this Part.

This funding complements the funding provided under the agreement on remote housing.

A new measure associated with this item is listed in Table 1.4 and described in more detail in Budget Paper No. 2, *Budget Measures 2022-23*.

Remote housing

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2021-22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	185.0	185.0
2022-23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	223.8	223.8
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	408.8	408.8

The Australian Government is supporting significant reform in the provision of housing for Indigenous Australians in remote communities to help address overcrowding, homelessness, poor housing conditions and severe housing shortages. Funding for other states was provided in prior years.

This funding supports the delivery of new houses, housing refurbishments and housing-related infrastructure. It also provides incentives to establish more sustainable housing systems in remote Indigenous communities.

Social Impact Investments

Vulnerable priority groups^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2021-22	~	~	~	~	0.7	~	~	~	1.1
2022-23	-	-	-	-	0.5	-	-	-	0.5
2023-24	-	-	-	-	0.5	-	-	-	0.5
2024-25	-	-	-	-	0.5	-	-	-	0.5
2025-26	-	-	-	-	0.5	-	-	-	0.5
Total	~	~	~	~	2.9	~	~	~	3.2

(a) State allocations for 2021-22 have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide funding to state governments to trial social impact investments which aim to assist vulnerable priority groups.

Youth at risk of homelessness^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2021-22	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	1.1
2022-23	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.5
2023-24	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.5
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.5
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.5
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	3.2

(a) State allocations for all years have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide funding to state governments to trial social impact investments which aim to help young people at risk of homelessness.