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Foreword

This Budget Paper presents information on the Australian Government's financial relations with state, territory and local governments.

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Part 1: Australia's Federal Relations

Overview

In 2024–25, the Australian Government will provide state and territory governments (states) with \$185.9 billion in total payments, estimated to be 25.3 per cent of total Australian Government expenditure. This includes payments of \$91.5 billion for specific purposes including for schools and hospitals, and general revenue assistance of \$94.4 billion.

Through its payments to the states, the Australian Government is:

- contributing \$133.0 billion from 2024–25 to 2027–28 for public health and hospital services
- investing \$127.9 billion in Quality Schools funding from 2024–25 to 2027–28
- committing \$57.8 billion from 2024–25 to 2027–28 to invest in nation-building infrastructure
- committing \$3.9 billion from 2024–25 to 2025–26 through the Energy Bill Relief Fund, including an additional \$3.5 billion for a one-year extension to provide cost of living relief to all Australian households (more than ten million) and around one million small businesses
- making available a further \$1 billion through the Housing Support Program in 2023–24, to fund urgent and significant infrastructure projects in order to build more homes for Australians in well-located areas. This is in addition to the existing Housing Support Program streams, which are providing \$500.0 million through 2024–25 to fund enabling infrastructure, community amenities and planning capability
- providing an estimated \$20.4 billion in horizontal fiscal equalisation (HFE) transition payments (also known as the No Worse Off guarantee) from 2024–25 to 2027–28 to support the transition to the new HFE system
- permanently boosting the size of the GST pool that is distributed among the states each
 year. From 2021–22, the Australian Government has injected \$600.0 million annually
 into the GST pool, with this amount growing each year in line with the underlying
 growth of the GST. From 2024–25 the Australian Government will further boost the GST
 pool by an additional \$250.0 million annually, bringing the total in 2024–25 to
 \$964.1 million.

Box 1.1: Fiscal pressures across the federation

The Commonwealth and the states and territories (the states) are all facing significant fiscal pressures, which are driven by current spending pressures and the fiscal legacy of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Current major spending pressures for the Commonwealth include health and aged care, the National Disability Insurance Scheme, defence and interest payments on Government debt. In the 2023 Intergenerational Report, these were projected to rise from 8.8 per cent of GDP in 2022–23 to around 14.4 per cent in 2062–63. Health and aged care expenditure is expected to grow significantly with around 40 per cent of the projected increase in Commonwealth expenditure from 2022–23 to 2062–63 being attributed to demographic ageing. The states are also affected by fiscal pressures, particularly health and interest payments on their own debt.

The Commonwealth and the states are carrying higher levels of debt compared to pre-pandemic. Both levels of government used debt to fund the response to the pandemic, resulting in debt levels which were high by historical standards. The Commonwealth funded a larger share of pandemic-related expenditure, as it is responsible for social security and almost 60 per cent of health funding.

Despite these current and legacy pressures, the states are expecting their budget balances to recover over the forward estimates, with most states reaching an operating surplus by 2026–27 (Chart 1.1). The states forecast that the aggregate net operating position, which incorporates Commonwealth transfers, will be balanced on average across the forward estimates. The Commonwealth is forecast to remain in an operating deficit over the same period.

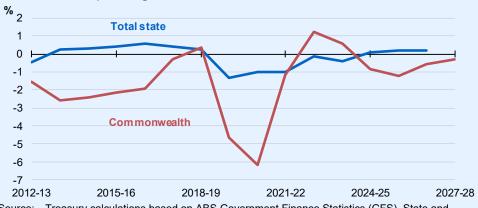


Chart 1.1: Net operating balance as a share of GDP

Source: Treasury calculations based on ABS Government Finance Statistics (GFS), State and Territory MYEFOs, and Budget Paper No.1, Budget Strategy and Outlook 2024–25, Statement 11: Historical Australian Government Data.

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Box 1.1: Fiscal pressures across the federation (continued)

Commonwealth support ensures the states can fund essential services. The states are estimated to receive \$193.7 billion in annual Commonwealth payments on average over the forward estimates. The Commonwealth has recently increased funding in key areas of shared responsibility, including:

- an additional \$7 billion in new commitments to the states for housing since
 May 2022, taking total payments to the states for housing to more than \$17 billion
 over ten years; not including the Housing Australia Future Fund, under which
 states can apply for funding for social and affordable housing
- extending the GST No Worse Off guarantee (NoWO) by three years to 2029–30 to
 provide funding certainty to states. It is estimated the total cost of the 2018 GST
 distribution reforms, which include the NoWO, annual pool boost and top-up
 transitional payments, will be \$52.9 billion from 2019–20 to 2029–30
- increasing infrastructure payments, with annual payments for infrastructure services forecast to average \$14.4 billion from 2024–25 to 2027–28.

The Commonwealth and the states have been discussing the implications of the recent High Court decision in *Vanderstock & Anor v State of Victoria*. The Commonwealth has been working with the states to ensure they have secure own-source revenue bases, and will continue to explore options, including legislative options, to protect state revenue sources.

Tackling fiscal pressures across the federation will require collaborative solutions and can be complemented by actions of individual governments to ensure essential service delivery and fiscal sustainability.

Australian Government funding to the states

The Australian Government provides substantial funding to the states in key sectors such as health, education and community services, and supports important productivity enhancing projects and reforms, such as investments in infrastructure and skills. In addition, the Australian Government provides general revenue assistance that states can spend according to their own budget priorities.

The states are estimated to receive total Australian Government payments of \$185.9 billion in 2024–25.

Payments to the states in 2024–25 are estimated to be 25.3 per cent of total Australian Government expenditure and 6.7 per cent of GDP.

Payments for specific purposes

In 2024–25, the Australian Government will provide the states with \$91.5 billion in payments for specific purposes. This represents an increase of \$7.6 billion or 9.0 per cent compared with the 2023–24 estimate, primarily due to the expansion of the Energy Bill Relief Fund, and increases in National Health Reform and Quality Schools funding. Payments for specific purposes are estimated to make up 12.5 per cent of total Australian Government expenditure in 2024–25 and be 3.3 per cent of GDP.

Payments for skills and workforce development activities (including through the new National Skills Agreement), National Health Reform, the National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness, and Quality Schools funding are expected to total \$64.5 billion in 2024–25.

National Partnership payments are expected to be \$24.0 billion in 2024–25.

Chart 1.2 shows estimated specific purpose payments to the states in 2024-25 by sector.

Part 2 of this Budget Paper provides further information on payments to the states for specific purposes.

The conditions for payments to states for specific purposes are documented in agreements between the Commonwealth and the states. The Federation Funding Agreement (FFA) Framework sets out the governance arrangements for these agreements. Further information on the FFA Framework can be found on the Federal Financial Relations website at www.federalfinancialrelations.gov.au.

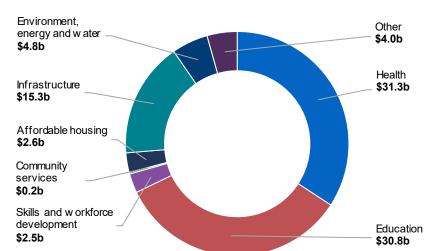


Chart 1.2: Payments for specific purposes 2024–25, by sector

General revenue assistance

General revenue assistance, which principally comprises the states' GST entitlement, provides untied funding to support the states' delivery of services.

In 2024–25, the states are expected to receive \$94.4 billion in general revenue assistance, including \$88.5 billion for the GST entitlement. General revenue assistance to the states is estimated to represent 12.9 per cent of total Australian Government expenditure in 2024–25 and be 3.4 per cent of GDP.

Part 3 of this Budget Paper contains further details of general revenue assistance to the states.

Payments to the states

Total Australian Government payments to the states are shown in Table 1.1 and as a proportion of GDP in Table 1.2.

Table 1.1: Australian Government payments to the states, 2023–24 to 2027–28

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assistance - - 410 - - 47 - 458 Total payments to the states 53,983 48,045 41,468 18,954 16,513 6,059 3,642 6,584 196,768 2027-28 Payments for specific purposes(a) 26,370 22,945 21,398 9,084 6,839 2,159 1,455 1,666 93,111 GST-related payments(b) 29,463 27,183 21,218 9,656 10,153 3,994 2,273 4,869 108,809 Other general revenue assistance - - 386 - - 48 - 434	GST-related payments(b)	28,358	26,016	20,385	9,152	9,761	3,834	2,173	4,635	104,314
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GST-related payments(b) 29,463 27,183 21,218 9,656 10,153 3,994 2,273 4,869 108,809 Other general revenue assistance	Payments for specific									
Other general revenue 386 48 434	purposes(a)	26,370	22,945	21,398	9,084	6,839	2,159	1,455	1,666	93,111
assistance <u> 386 48 - 434</u>	GST-related payments(b)	29,463	27,183	21,218	9,656	10,153	3,994	2,273	4,869	108,809
	Other general revenue									
Total payments to the states 55,833, 50,128, 42,616, 10,126, 16,001, 6,153, 3,776, 6,535, 202,354	assistance			-	386		-	48	-	434
Total payments to the states 35,000 50,120 42,010 19,120 10,991 0,100 3,170 0,000 202,304	Total payments to the states	55,833	50,128	42,616	19,126	16,991	6,153	3,776	6,535	202,354

a) State allocations for a number of programs have not yet been determined. These payments are not reflected in state totals. As a result, total payments for specific purposes may not equal the sum of the state figures.

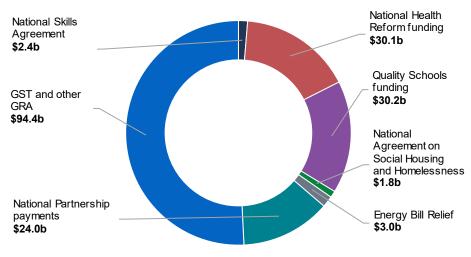
b) Includes GST entitlement and HFE transition payments. State allocations are dependent upon the GST revenue sharing relativities for each financial year. They are calculated using the Commonwealth Grants Commission's 2024–25 GST relativities as the starting point. The estimates do not reflect any attempt to project future GST relativities or GST entitlements. See Part 3 for further information.

Table 1.2: Total Australian Government payments to the states as a proportion of GDP

2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
2,015	2,432	2,457	2,496	2,535
27,995	30,149	32,187	34,229	36,454
29,154	30,156	31,356	32,584	33,834
1,706	1,778	1,814	1,856	1,888
1,110	3,000	872	-	-
21,985	24,004	21,969	20,833	18,400
83,965	91,519	90,654	91,997	93,111
1.6	9.0	-0.9	1.5	1.2
3.1	3.3	3.2	3.0	2.9
91,331	93,700	98,671	104,314	108,809
776	711	571	458	434
92,107	94,412	99,241	104,771	109,243
5.1	2.5	5.1	5.6	4.3
3.4	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.4
176,072	185,931	189,895	196,768	202,354
3.4	5.6	2.1	3.6	2.8
6.6	6.7	6.6	6.5	6.4
	2,015 27,995 29,154 1,706 1,110 21,985 83,965 1.6 3.1 91,331 776 92,107 5.1 3.4 176,072 3.4	2,015 2,432 27,995 30,149 29,154 30,156 1,706 1,778 1,110 3,000 21,985 24,004 83,965 91,519 1.6 9.0 3.1 3.3 91,331 93,700 776 711 92,107 94,412 5.1 2.5 3.4 3.4 176,072 185,931 3.4 5.6	2,015 2,432 2,457 27,995 30,149 32,187 29,154 30,156 31,356 1,706 1,778 1,814 1,110 3,000 872 21,985 24,004 21,969 83,965 91,519 90,654 1.6 9.0 -0.9 3.1 3.3 3.2 91,331 93,700 98,671 776 711 571 92,107 94,412 99,241 5.1 2.5 5.1 3.4 3.4 3.5 176,072 185,931 189,895 3.4 5.6 2.1	2,015 2,432 2,457 2,496 27,995 30,149 32,187 34,229 29,154 30,156 31,356 32,584 1,706 1,778 1,814 1,856 1,110 3,000 872 - 21,985 24,004 21,969 20,833 83,965 91,519 90,654 91,997 1.6 9.0 -0.9 1.5 3.1 3.3 3.2 3.0 91,331 93,700 98,671 104,314 776 711 571 458 92,107 94,412 99,241 104,771 5.1 2.5 5.1 5.6 3.4 3.4 3.5 3.5 176,072 185,931 189,895 196,768 3.4 5.6 2.1 3.6

a) Excludes National Skills Agreement and Energy Bill Relief payments which are shown separately.

Chart 1.3: Total Australian Government payments to the states, 2024–25



Note: National Partnership payments exclude National Skills Agreement and Energy Bill Relief payments which are shown separately.

b) Includes GST entitlement and HFE transition payments.

Table 1.3 provides information on the Australian Government's financial contributions to state expenditure in key sectors in 2022–23 (the latest year for which there are data to enable this calculation). It shows that Australian Government financial assistance in 2022–23 effectively supported 47.3 per cent of states' expenditure.

Table 1.3: Australian Government's contribution to state expenditure

				State spending
		State spending		supported by
	Australian	supported by		Australian
	Government tied	general revenue	Total state	Government
	payments	assistance (a)	spending	payments
2022-23	(\$million)	(\$million)	(\$million)	(per cent)
Health	29,495	25,233	109,336	50.1
Education	30,065	12,793	70,543	60.8
Housing and community amenities	4,815	1,277	8,854	68.8
Transport	9,338	8,465	36,123	49.3
Economic affairs (b)	822	5,308	17,616	34.8
Social protection	1,170	9,482	31,171	34.2
Other functions (c)	7,009	25,061	86,306	37.2
Payments for specific purpose	82,715			
General revenue assistance		87,618		
Total			359,949	47.3

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), Government Finance Statistics 2022–23; and Australian Government, Final Budget Outcome 2022–23.

Note: Australian Government payments to the states in 2022–23 is unavailable on an ABS Classification of the Functions of Government (COFOG-A) basis. These payments have been adjusted to align with COFOG-A.

- a) General Revenue Assistance (GRA) is provided to the states without conditions to spend according to their own budget priorities. For illustrative purposes, GRA is allocated to expense functions based on the ratio of discretionary spending in each function as a share of states' total discretionary spending.
- b) Economic affairs include COVID-19 Business Support Payments for 2022-23.
- c) Other functions include additional functions not elsewhere itemised.

Measures affecting payments to the states

Table 1.4 lists measures in the 2024–25 Budget that affect payments to the states. Details of the measures are available in Budget Paper No. 2, *Budget Measures* 2024–25, arranged by portfolio. Information on the payments affected is available in Parts 2 and 3 of this Budget Paper.

Table 1.4: Measures affecting payments to the states

Payment	Section of Budget Paper 3	Measure title	Section of Budget Paper 2
Access to HIV treatment	Part 2 – Health	Response to HIV Taskforce Recommendations – eliminating HIV in Australia	Payments – Health and Aged Care
Comprehensive palliative care in aged care	Part 2 – Health	Strengthening Medicare	Payments – Health and Aged Care
Hummingbird House	Part 2 – Health	Ensuring Service Delivery at Hummingbird House	Payments – Health and Aged Care
Management of Torres Strait / Papua New Guinea cross border health issues	Part 2 – Health	Management Of Torres Strait and Papua New Guinea Cross Border Health Issues	Payments – Health and Aged Care
Medicare Urgent Care Clinics	Part 2 – Health	Strengthening Medicare – Medicare Urgent Care Clinics – additional funding	Payments – Health and Aged Care
Mosquito control in the Torres Strait Protected Zone	Part 2 – Health	Management Of Torres Strait and Papua New Guinea Cross Border Health Issues	Payments – Health and Aged Care
National bowel cancer screening program – participant follow-up function	Part 2 – Health	Improving Cancer Outcomes	Payments – Health and Aged Care
National Critical Care and Trauma Response Centre	Part 2 – Health	Preventive Health	Payments – Health and Aged Care
OzFoodNet	Part 2 – Health	Preventive Health	Payments – Health and Aged Care
Specialist dementia care	Part 2 – Health	Improving Aged Care Support	Payments – Health and Aged Care
Supporting older Australian patients	Part 2 – Health	Strengthening Medicare	Payments – Health and Aged Care
Vaccine- preventable diseases surveillance	Part 2 – Health	Preventive Health	Payments – Health and Aged Care
Community Health, Hospitals and Infrastructure projects	Part 2 – Health	Portfolio Administrative Matters	Payments – Health and Aged Care

Table 1.4: Measures affecting payments to the states (continued)

Payment	Section of Budget Paper 3	Measure title	Section of Budget Paper 2
Addressing blood-borne viruses and sexually transmissible infections in the Torres Strait	Part 2 – Health	Management Of Torres Strait and Papua New Guinea Cross Border Health Issues	Payments – Health and Aged Care
Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment – Health component	Part 2 – Health	Further Investment to Closing the Gap	Payments – Prime Minister and Cabinet
Essential vaccines	Part 2 – Health	Supporting Ongoing Access to Vaccines	Payments – Health and Aged Care
Short-term workforce reforms – Kruk Review implementation	Part 2 – Health	Health Workforce	Payments – Health and Aged Care
Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment – Children and schooling implementation plan	Part 2 – Education	Further Investment to Closing the Gap	Payments – Prime Minister and Cabinet
Capital and Equipment Investment Fund	Part 2 – Skills and workforce development	Future Made in Australia – Workforce and Trade Partnerships for Renewable Energy Superpower Industries	Payments – Cross Portfolio
Fee-Free TAFE Skills Agreement	Part 2 – Skills and workforce development	Housing Support	Payments – Cross Portfolio
Turbocharge the Teacher, Trainer and Assessor Workforce	Part 2 – Skills and workforce development	Future Made in Australia – Workforce and Trade Partnerships for Renewable Energy Superpower Industries	Payments – Cross Portfolio
Extra high visibility police and law enforcement operations	Part 2 – Community services	Attorney-General's Portfolio – additional resourcing	Payments – Attorney General's
Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment – Community safety implementation plan	Part 2 – Community services	Further Investment to Closing the Gap	Payments – Prime Minister and Cabinet
Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment – Remote Australia strategies implementation plan	Part 2 – Community services	Further Investment to Closing the Gap	Payments – Prime Minister and Cabinet

Table 1.4: Measures affecting payments to the states (continued)

Payment	Section of Budget Paper 3	Measure title	Section of Budget Paper 2
National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness	Part 2 – Affordable housing	Housing Support	Payments – Cross Portfolio
Housing Support Program – Priority Works Stream	Part 2 – Affordable housing	Housing Support	Payments – Cross Portfolio
Improving housing and essential services on Northern Territory Homelands	Part 2 – Affordable housing	Northern Territory Homelands and Housing	Payments – Prime Minister and Cabinet
Northern Territory Remote Housing	Part 2 – Affordable housing	Northern Territory Homelands and Housing	Payments – Prime Minister and Cabinet
Infrastructure Investment Program	Part 2 – Infrastructure	Building a Better Future Through Considered Infrastructure Investment	Payments – Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts
Infrastructure Investment Program(a)	Part 2 – Infrastructure	Supporting Transport Priorities	Payments – Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts
Darwin Cyclone Tracy Memorial	Part 2 – Infrastructure	Funding for the Territories	Payments – Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts
Local Roads and Community Infrastructure	Part 2 – Infrastructure	Building a Better Future Through Considered Infrastructure Investment	Payments – Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts
National Water Grid Fund	Part 2 – Infrastructure	National Water Grid Fund – responsible investment in water infrastructure for the regions	Payments – Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
Upgrades to the Qtopia Sydney Museum	Part 2 – Infrastructure	Qtopia Sydney	Payments – Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts
Energy Bill Relief	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Energy Bill Relief Fund – extension and expansion	Payments – Treasury
Bilateral Energy and Emissions Reduction Agreements(a)	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Harnessing the Energy Transition to Benefit Consumers	Payments – Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

Table 1.4: Measures affecting payments to the states (continued)

Critical Minerals National	Part 2 – Environment,	Future Made in Australia – Making Australia a	Payments – Cross Portfolio
Productivity Initiative	energy and water	Renewable Energy Superpower	
Future Drought Fund – Farm business resilience	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Future Drought Fund – better support for farmers and communities to manage drought and adapt to climate change	Payments – Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
Future Drought Fund – Regional drought resilience planning	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Future Drought Fund – better support for farmers and communities to manage drought and adapt to climate change	Payments – Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
Great Artesian Basin Water Security Program	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Sustaining Water Functions	Payments – Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
Implementation of the live sheep exports by sea phase out	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Phase Out of Live Sheep Exports by Sea – transition support	Payments – Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
Implementing water reform in the Murray–Darling Basin	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Murray-Darling Basin Plan – continuing delivery	Payments – Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
Support Forestry Strategy Development	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Agriculture – other priorities	Payments – Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
Supporting Emissions Reduction in Queensland's Energy Resources Sector(a)	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Future Made in Australia – Making Australia a Renewable Energy Superpower	Payments – Cross Portfolio
Sustainable rural water use and infrastructure program	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Murray-Darling Basin Plan – continuing delivery	Payments – Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
Water for the Environment Special Account – Implementation of Constraints Measures	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Murray-Darling Basin Plan – continuing delivery	Payments – Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
Water for the Environment Special Account – Off-farm Efficiency Program	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Murray-Darling Basin Plan – continuing delivery	Payments – Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
Water for the Environment Special Account – Resilient Rivers Water Infrastructure Program	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Murray-Darling Basin Plan – continuing delivery	Payments – Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

Table 1.4: Measures affecting payments to the states (continued)

Water for the Environment Special Account – Sustainable Communities Program	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Murray-Darling Basin Plan – continuing delivery	Payments – Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
National Legal Assistance Partnership 2020–25	Part 2 – Other	National Legal Assistance Partnership	Payments – Attorney General's
Implementation of Mandatory Country of Origin Labelling for Seafood	Part 2 – Other	Investing in the Future of Industry and Science	Payments – Industry, Science and Resources
National Firearms Register	Part 2 – Other	National Firearms Register	Payments – Attorney General's
National Labour Hire	Part 2 – Other	Workplace Relations	Payments – Employment and Workplace Relations
North Bowen pipeline feasibility study(a)	Part 2 – Other	Supporting Safety and Responsible Decommissioning in the Offshore Resources Sector	Payments – Industry, Science and Resources
Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment – Evaluation	Part 2 – Other	Further Investment to Closing the Gap	Payments – Prime Minister and Cabinet
GST entitlement	Part 3 – GST payments	Strengthening Tax Compliance – extending the Shadow Economy Compliance Program	Receipts – Treasury
GST entitlement	Part 3 – GST payments	Migration – Mobility Arrangement for Talented Early-professionals Scheme (MATES) and extending the validity of the Business Visitor visa for Indian nationals	Receipts – Home Affairs
GST entitlement	Part 3 – GST payments	Permanent Migration Program – 2024-25 planning levels and multi-year planning	Receipts – Home Affairs
GST entitlement	Part 3 – GST payments	Migration System Reforms	Receipts – Home Affairs
GST entitlement	Part 3 – GST payments	Modernising Digital Assets and Payments Regulation	Receipts – Treasury
GST entitlement	Part 3 – GST payments	Strengthening Tax Compliance – Australian Taxation Office Counter Fraud Strategy	Receipts – Treasury
GST entitlement	Part 3 – GST payments	Amendments to existing measures	Receipts – Treasury

a) Measure redirects funding allocated to states in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2023–24* to fund other Australian Government policy priorities.

Part 2: Payments for specific purposes

Overview

The Australian Government provides payments to state and territory governments (states) for specific purposes in policy areas for which the states have primary responsibility. These payments cover most areas of state and local government activity, including health, education, skills and workforce development, community services, housing, Indigenous affairs, infrastructure, and the environment.

Schools funding payments under the *Australian Education Act 2013* is the largest specific purpose payment to the states, estimated to be \$30.2 billion in 2024–25, comprising funding for government schools of \$11.5 billion and non-government schools of \$18.7 billion.

Funding for public hospitals under the National Health Reform Agreement is the second largest specific purpose payment to the states, estimated to be \$30.1 billion in 2024–25.

In 2024–25, the Australian Government is supporting the states in the Skills and Workforce Development sector by providing \$2.4 billion through the National Skills Agreement.

In 2024–25, the Australian Government has offered the states an estimated \$1.8 billion under the National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness. Funding will support the effective operation of Australia's social housing and homelessness services and help those people who are at risk of or are experiencing homelessness.

In 2024-25, the Australian Government is providing \$3.0 billion for Energy Bill Relief, with an additional \$871.6 million to be provided in 2025-26.

National Partnership payments to the states are the key vehicle to facilitate reforms or support the delivery of particular projects and services. Funding agreements are typically entered into for a fixed period of time, reflecting the nature of the project or reform involved.

To the fullest extent possible, National Partnership payments are aligned to the achievement of milestones and are made after the states have achieved the outcomes or outputs specified in the relevant agreement. National Partnership payments are estimated to be \$24.0 billion in 2024–25.

Funding agreements and other Commonwealth-State agreements are publicly available on the Federal Financial Relations website at: www.federalfinancialrelations.gov.au. Details of the appropriation mechanisms for all payments to the states and the terms and conditions applying to them are set out in Appendix E, available online.

Further information on each of these payments is contained in this Part. Total payments to the states for specific purposes, categorised by functions, are set out in Appendix B, which is available online.

Table 2.1: Total paymen	ts for s	pecific	purpos	ses by	catego	ory, 20	023–2	4 to 2	027–28
\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total(a)
2023-24									
National Skills Agreement	628	510	412	219	141	45	37	23	2,015
National Health Reform									
funding	8,419	6,200	6,829	3,038	1,992	628	499	391	27,995
Quality Schools funding	8,743	7,307	6,379	3,037	2,144	654	436	454	29,154
National Agreement on									
Social Housing and									
Homelessness	515	436	355	190	120	37	30	22	1,706
Energy Bill Relief	361	282	246	83	95	22	11	9	1,110
National Partnership									
payments(b)	5,401	3,457	4,133	3,712	1,457	747	279	1,091	21,985
Total payments for specific									
purposes	24,068	18,191	18,355	10,279	5,948	2,134	1,293	1,989	83,965
2024-25									
National Skills Agreement	750	612	498	266	170	57	47	31	2,432
National Health Reform									
funding	8,895	7,302	7,088	3,195	2,045	658	540	426	30,149
Quality Schools funding	9,061	7,565	6,578	3,142	2,210	677	454	469	30,156
National Agreement on									
Social Housing and									
Homelessness(c)	540	451	355	190	120	37	30	56	1,778
Energy Bill Relief	958	752	606	288	232	87	51	25	3,000
National Partnership									
payments(b)	6,326	3,446	4,200	4,173	1,642	767	355	1,054	24,004
Total payments for specific									
purposes	26,530	20,128	19,326	11,254	6,418	2,283	1,478	2,061	91,519
2025-26									
National Skills Agreement	762	623	505	268	169	55	46	30	2,457
National Health Reform									
funding	9,479	7,788	7,602	3,403	2,181	703	574	456	32,187
Quality Schools funding	9,419	7,890	6,832	3,255	2,301	704	473	481	31,356
National Agreement on									
Social Housing and									
Homelessness(c)	552	461	364	195	122	38	31	57	1,814
Energy Bill Relief	279	219	175	87	67	22	16	7	872
National Partnership									
payments(b)	5,553	3,551	4,948	2,987	1,706	735	274	1,042	21,969
Total payments for specific									
purposes	26,045	20,533	20,425	10,193	6,546	2,256	1,414	2,073	90,654

Table 2.1: Total payments for specific purposes by category, 2023–24 to 2027–28 (continued)

(continuea)									
\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total(a)
2026-27									
National Skills Agreement	775	636	513	271	170	54	46	30	2,496
National Health Reform									
funding	10,090	8,285	8,064	3,624	2,322	748	611	485	34,229
Quality Schools funding	9,787	8,230	7,092	3,368	2,390	731	492	494	32,584
National Agreement on									
Social Housing and									
Homelessness(c)	564	472	372	199	125	39	32	58	1,856
Energy Bill Relief	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
National Partnership									
payments(b)	4,409	4,405	5,042	1,931	1,746	653	240	883	20,833
Total payments for specific									
purposes	25,625	22,028	21,082	9,392	6,752	2,225	1,421	1,949	91,997
2027-28									
National Skills Agreement	787	649	521	275	172	55	47	30	2,535
National Health Reform									
funding	10,746	8,824	8,588	3,859	2,472	796	651	516	36,454
Quality Schools funding	10,167	8,580	7,353	3,476	2,477	757	512	511	33,834
National Agreement on									
Social Housing and									
Homelessness(c)	575	481	379	203	128	40	32	59	1,888
Energy Bill Relief	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
National Partnership									
payments(b)	4,095	4,411	4,556	1,272	1,590	511	212	550	18,400
Total payments for specific									
purposes	26,370	22,945	21,398	9,084	6,839	2,159	1,455	1,666	93,111

a) State allocations for a number of programs have not yet been determined. These payments are not reflected in state totals. As a result, total payments for specific purposes may not equal the sum of the state figures.

b) Includes financial assistance grants for local government, payments direct to local government and payments funded through appropriations including but not limited to section 16 of the *Federal Financial Relations Act 2009*. Excludes National Skills Agreement and Energy Bill Relief payments which are shown separately.

c) Totals from 2024–25 onwards were correct as at 30 April 2024. State allocations have been updated to reflect the Commonwealth's offer to the states on 6 May 2024, indexed by Wage Cost Index 1 (see Appendix A). As a result, state allocations do not sum to totals.

Table 2.2: Payments for specific purposes by sector and category, 2023–24 to 2027–28

\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
Health					
National Health Reform funding	27,995	30,149	32,187	34,229	36,454
National Partnership payments	805	1,144	942	591	492
Total health payments	28,800	31,293	33,128	34,820	36,946
Education					
Quality Schools funding	29,154	30,156	31,356	32,584	33,834
National Partnership payments(a)	940	673	624	642	655
Total education payments	30,094	30,829	31,979	33,226	34,489
Skills and workforce development					
National Skills Agreement	2,015	2,432	2,457	2,496	2,535
National Partnership payments(b)	338	108	197	161	7
Total skills and workforce development					
payments	2,353	2,540	2,654	2,657	2,542
Community services					
National Partnership payments	2,233	211	65	66	57
Affordable housing					
National Agreement on Social					
Housing and Homelessness	1,706	1,778	1,814	1,856	1,888
National Partnership payments	1,611	798	223	221	185
Total affordable housing payments	3,316	2,577	2,038	2,077	2,073
Infrastructure					
National Partnership payments(a)	13,078	15,278	15,238	14,406	12,853
Environment, energy and water					
Energy Bill Relief	1,110	3,000	872	-	-
National Partnership payments(a)(c)	1,495	1,812	1,128	1,137	453
Total environment, energy and water payments	2,605	4,811	2,000	1,137	453
Contingent payments					
National Partnership payments	591				
Other					
National Partnership payments(a)	895	3,980	3,551	3,609	3,698
Total payments for specific purposes	83,965	91,519	90,654	91,997	93,111

a) Includes financial assistance grants for local government, payments direct to local government and/or payments funded through appropriations including but not limited to section 16 of the Federal Financial Relations Act 2009.

b) Excludes National Skills Agreement payments which are shown separately.

c) Excludes Energy Bill Relief payments which are shown separately.

Health

In 2024–25, the Australian Government will provide funding of \$31.3 billion to support state health services, including \$30.1 billion in National Health Reform funding and \$1,143.6 million in National Partnership payments, as detailed in Table 2.3.

Table 2.3: Payments to support state health services

\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
National Health Reform funding	27.995.3	30.149.3	32.186.7	34.228.7	36.453.5
National Partnership payments	,	,	,	,==	,
Health services	258.1	415.2	417.1	249.4	183.2
Health infrastructure	356.8	464.3	401.6	210.3	175.3
First Nations health	16.4	63.1	48.8	50.3	51.7
Other health payments	173.4	201.0	74.1	81.5	82.0
Total National Partnership payments	804.6	1,143.6	941.6	591.4	492.2
Total	28,799.9	31,292.8	33,128.3	34,820.1	36,945.7

National Health Reform funding

In 2024–25, National Health Reform funding is estimated to be \$30.1 billion.

National Health Reform funding

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24									
Hospital services(a)	8,211.0	6,029.2	6,692.4	2,966.5	1,945.6	613.7	487.6	384.3	27,330.4
Public health	163.5	134.0	107.0	56.4	36.2	11.2	9.2	4.9	522.3
COVID-19 public									
health response(b)	44.8	36.4	29.2	15.1	10.0	3.1	2.6	1.4	142.6
Total	8,419.2	6,199.6	6,828.6	3,038.0	1,991.8	628.1	499.3	390.7	27,995.3
2024-25									
Hospital services	8,722.2	7,160.0	6,975.1	3,135.2	2,007.1	646.3	530.3	420.6	29,596.7
Public health	172.5	142.4	113.2	59.7	38.1	11.7	9.7	5.2	552.5
COVID-19 public									
health response	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	8,894.7	7,302.3	7,088.3	3,194.9	2,045.3	658.0	540.0	425.7	30,149.3
2025-26									
Hospital services	9,297.4	7,636.7	7,482.6	3,339.4	2,141.4	690.7	563.8	451.0	31,602.9
Public health	181.9	151.0	119.6	63.1	40.1	12.3	10.3	5.5	583.8
COVID-19 public									
health response	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	9,479.3	7,787.7	7,602.2	3,402.6	2,181.4	703.0	574.1	456.4	32,186.7
2026-27									
Hospital services	9,898.7	8,125.1	7,937.7	3,557.0	2,279.4	734.6	600.5	478.8	33,611.8
Public health	191.8	160.2	126.4	66.7	42.1	12.9	10.9	5.7	616.8
COVID-19 public									
health response	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	10,090.5	8,285.3	8,064.1	3,623.7	2,321.5	747.6	611.5	484.5	34,228.7
2027-28									
Hospital services	10,544.1	8,654.0	8,454.7	3,788.7	2,428.1	782.6	639.6	510.0	35,801.8
Public health	202.3	169.9	133.5	70.5	44.3	13.6	11.6	6.0	651.7
COVID-19 public									
health response	-	_	_	_	_		-	-	

a) Funding estimates incorporate the 2022–23 annual reconciliation adjustments for hospital services and the National Partnership on COVID-19 Response (which ceased on 31 December 2022).

National Health Reform funding is linked to growth in public hospital activity, the national efficient price and national efficient cost determined by the Independent Health and Aged Care Pricing Authority. The Australian Government funds up to 45 per cent of the efficient growth in the activity, price and cost of public hospital services, with growth in total Australian Government funding capped at 6.5 per cent a year.

National Health Reform funding estimates are routinely updated to account for reconciliation outcomes, as well as for activity estimates provided by states and the annual national efficient price and cost following determination.

Funding estimates for the one-year National Partnership for Priority Groups COVID-19 Testing and Vaccination.

On 6 December 2023, National Cabinet endorsed a number of reforms to the National Health Reform Agreement (NHRA). These reforms include the Commonwealth increasing its contribution to 45 per cent over ten years from 1 July 2025, with achievement of 42.5 per cent before 2030 as well as a more generous funding cap.

Negotiations of the 2025–2030 NHRA Addendum to embed the funding changes endorsed by National Cabinet are ongoing, as such, the National Health Reform funding estimates are based on the current 2020–2025 NHRA Addendum. The Commonwealth has provisioned for its expected increased contribution as part of the new NHRA Addendum in the Budget.

States' National Health Reform funding entitlements for 2023–24 will be determined by the Treasurer following a reconciliation of 2023–24 activity data by the Administrator of the National Health Funding Pool.

Final entitlements to National Health Reform funding, 2022-23

\$m	illion	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
Na	tional Health Reform(a)	8,249.9	6,734.1	6,466.4	2,975.1	1,836.6	611.8	502.9	383.1	27,759.9
a)	Final entitlements for N	lational H	ealth Ref	orm includ	de entitler	nents for	the COV	ID-19 pu	blic hea	lth
	response.									

In December 2023, the Assistant Minister for Competition, Charities and Treasury determined final entitlements for 2022–23 National Health Reform funding in accordance with advice from the Administrator of the National Health Funding Pool. Reconciliation adjustments have been made to state 2023–24 payment estimates based on the final 2022–23 entitlements.

National Partnership payments for health

A total of \$1,143.6 million will be provided to the states in 2024–25 under the following categories:

- health services
- health infrastructure
- First Nations health
- other health payments.

Health services

In 2024–25, the Australian Government is estimated to provide \$415.2 million to support the delivery of health services in the states.

Table 2.3.1 Health services

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\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
National Partnership payments					
Access to HIV treatment	15.0	15.0	27.9	28.1	12.5
Achieving better health outcomes	0.5	-	-	-	-
Additional assistance for public hospitals	25.4	-	15.0	15.0	15.0
Adult mental health centre	4.0	-	-	-	-
Comprehensive palliative care in aged care	10.3	10.7	11.1	-	-
Eliminating cervical cancer in Australia	-	2.8	4.5	14.5	-
Expansion of colonoscopy triage services	5.9	4.2	-	-	-
Hummingbird House	0.9	0.9	-	-	-
Management of Torres Strait / Papua New					
Guinea cross-border health issues	5.4	5.6	5.7	5.8	5.9
Medicare Urgent Care Clinics	19.8	58.5	57.6	-	-
Mosquito control in Tennant Creek	0.4	-	-	-	-
Mosquito control in the Torres Strait Protected Zone	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.0
Multidisciplinary outreach care	-	10.3	10.3	-	-
National bowel cancer screening					
program – participant follow-up function	8.5	9.2	9.5	9.9	10.2
National Critical Care and Trauma Response Centre	17.7	18.1	18.4	18.8	-
National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention					
Agreement – bilateral schedules	57.5	72.2	71.9	-	-
OzFoodNet	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.1	-
Palliative Care Services Navigation Pilot	3.1	3.2	-	-	-
Primary Care Pilots	50.0	-	-	-	-
Reducing stillbirths	4.5	4.6	-	-	-
Smoking and vaping cessation activities	1.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	-
Specialist dementia care	9.6	9.9	10.1	10.3	

Table 2.3.1 Health services (continued)

\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
Supporting older Australian patients	-	175.0	158.7	138.1	138.6
Surge capacity for BreastScreen Australia	7.8	-	-	-	-
Vaccine-preventable diseases surveillance	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	-
World-class newborn bloodspot screening program	6.3	6.4	7.7	-	_
Total	258.1	415.2	417.1	249.4	183.2

Access to HIV treatment(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	6.3	3.3	1.6	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.2	15.0
2024-25	6.3	3.3	1.6	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.2	15.0
2025-26	6.3	3.3	1.6	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.2	27.9
2026-27	6.3	3.3	1.6	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.2	28.1
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	12.5
Total	25.3	13.1	6.5	1.4	1.4	0.6	1.1	0.7	98.5

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the delivery of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) care to all people living with HIV in Australia who are not eligible for Medicare.

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* 2024–25.

Achieving better health outcomes

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5

The Australian Government is providing funding to improve emergency department facilities for vulnerable patients and those with mental health issues, and to help children with high medical needs and their families spend less time in hospital.

Additional assistance for public hospitals(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.4	-	25.4
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15.0	15.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15.0	15.0
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	15.0	15.0
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.4	45.0	70.4

a) Funding is indicative only and will depend on final entitlements to National Health Reform funding from 2023–24 to 2027–28.

The Australian Government will provide funding to Tasmania and the Australian Capital Territory if growth in National Health Reform funding is lower than growth in CPI and population in a given year. The Australian Government will provide funding to the Northern Territory should the national funding cap result in a funding shortfall for the Northern Territory.

Adult mental health centre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	4.0	-	-	-	4.0
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	-	-	-	-	4.0	-	-	-	4.0

The Australian Government is providing funding towards the establishment and operation of an adult mental health centre in South Australia, located in Adelaide. The centre provides a range of mental health support services.

Comprehensive palliative care in aged care

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	2.1	3.1	2.4	1.3	8.0	0.3	0.2	0.1	10.3
2024-25	3.5	2.8	2.1	1.0	0.9	0.2	0.2	0.1	10.7
2025-26	3.6	3.0	2.1	1.0	0.9	0.2	0.2	0.1	11.1
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	9.1	8.9	6.7	3.2	2.7	0.7	0.5	0.3	32.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to improve access to palliative care for older Australians living in residential aged care facilities, supporting new approaches, such as 'in reach' services, that will improve palliative and end-of-life care.

This measure includes a component of the \$1.2 billion package of Strengthening Medicare measures agreed at National Cabinet in December 2023.

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* 2024–25.

Eliminating cervical cancer in Australia(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	2.8
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	4.5
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	14.5
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	21.8

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide special funding to improve access to and expand cervical cancer screening services.

Expansion of colonoscopy triage services(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	5.9
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	4.2
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	10.2

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is providing funding to support and expand existing direct access colonoscopy triage models for participants of the National Bowel Cancer Screening Program who return a positive bowel cancer screening result.

Hummingbird House

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	0.9	-	-	-	-	-	0.9
2024-25	-	-	0.9	-	-	-	-	-	0.9
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	1.8	-	-	-	-	-	1.8

The Australian Government is providing funding for the operation of a dedicated respite and hospice care facility for children with life-limiting conditions and their families and carers.

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* 2024–25.

Management of Torres Strait / Papua New Guinea cross-border health issues

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	5.4	-	-	-	-	-	5.4
2024-25	-	-	5.6	-	-	-	-	-	5.6
2025-26	-	-	5.7	-	-	-	-	-	5.7
2026-27	-	-	5.8	-	-	-	-	-	5.8
2027-28		-	5.9	-	-	-	-	-	5.9
Total	-	-	28.5	-	-	-	-	-	28.5

The Australian Government is contributing to the costs of treating Papua New Guinean nationals who travel through the Torres Strait treaty zone and access healthcare facilities in the Queensland health and hospitals network.

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* 2024–25.

Medicare Urgent Care Clinics

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	10.1	-	-	-	4.3	2.6	2.9	19.8
2024-25	-	31.4	-	-	-	8.0	3.7	15.4	58.5
2025-26	-	30.1	-	-	-	7.7	3.9	16.0	57.6
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	71.5	-	-	-	20.0	10.2	34.2	135.9

The Australian Government is providing funding to ease the pressure on hospitals and give Australian families more options to see a healthcare professional when they have an urgent but not life-threatening need for care.

This measure includes a component of the \$1.2 billion package of Strengthening Medicare measures agreed at National Cabinet in December 2023.

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* 2024–25.

Mosquito control in Tennant Creek

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	0.4
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	0.4

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the surveillance, control and, where possible, elimination of *Aedes aegypti* mosquitos (known for transmitting dengue) in Tennant Creek and the wider Barkly region of the Northern Territory. The funding also supports efforts to increase awareness in communities regarding mosquito control practices.

Mosquito control in the Torres Strait Protected Zone

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	0.9	-	-	-	-	-	0.9
2024-25	-	-	0.9	-	-	-	-	-	0.9
2025-26	-	-	0.9	-	-	-	-	-	0.9
2026-27	-	-	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	1.0
2027-28	-	-	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	1.0
Total	-	-	4.7	-	-	-	-	-	4.7

The Australian Government is providing funding to assist with surveillance and control of, and efforts to eliminate, the *Aedes albopictus* mosquito in the Torres Strait. Funding also supports increasing awareness regarding dengue fever, zika virus and other mosquito borne diseases through increased community activity in controlling container-breeding mosquitos.

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* 2024–25.

Multidisciplinary outreach care^(a)

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	10.3
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	10.3
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	20.6

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide funding to trial models of multidisciplinary outreach care for residents of aged care facilities.

National bowel cancer screening program - participant follow-up function(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	2.6	2.1	1.7	0.9	0.6	0.3	0.2	0.1	8.5
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	9.2
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	9.5
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	9.9
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	10.2
Total	2.6	2.1	1.7	0.9	0.6	0.3	0.2	0.1	47.3

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

This initiative funds resourcing to follow-up participants who return a positive bowel cancer screening test result and are not recorded as having attended a consultation with a health professional.

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* 2024–25.

National Critical Care and Trauma Response Centre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17.7	17.7
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18.1	18.1
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18.4	18.4
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18.8	18.8
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	73.0	73.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to maintain the National Critical Care and Trauma Response Centre at the Royal Darwin Hospital in a state of readiness to respond to major health incidents in Australia and the region.

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* 2024–25.

National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Agreement - bilateral schedules

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	5.7	29.7	6.0	2.7	7.4	3.1	2.4	0.4	57.5
2024-25	6.7	39.4	7.0	2.8	9.2	3.2	3.7	0.4	72.2
2025-26	6.4	41.4	6.5	3.0	9.4	1.8	3.5	-	71.9
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	18.8	110.5	19.5	8.6	26.0	8.1	9.6	0.7	201.7

The National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Agreement sets out the shared intention of the Commonwealth and states to work in partnership to improve the mental health of all Australians and ensure the sustainability and enhance the services of the Australian mental health and suicide prevention system.

The Australian Government's funding contributions are outlined in the bilateral schedules to this Agreement. These include payments to the states, which are outlined in the table above, and payments made to the Department of Health and Aged Care and Primary Health Networks to commission services and activities under the bilateral schedules. For further information on funding administered by the Department of Health and Aged Care, please refer to the 2024–25 Health Portfolio Budget Statements – Program 1.2.

OzFoodNet(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	1.9
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	2.0
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	2.1
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	2.1
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	8.2

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is continuing to provide funding for a collaborative initiative with state health authorities to undertake enhanced surveillance of foodborne disease. OzFoodNet coordinates investigations into foodborne disease outbreaks, particularly those that cross state and country borders.

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* 2024–25.

Palliative Care Services Navigation Pilot

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	3.1	-	-	-	3.1
2024-25	-	-	-	-	3.2	-	-	-	3.2
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	6.3	-	-	-	6.3

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the delivery of a pilot to test a palliative care services navigation model. The pilot will develop a better supported and more comprehensive approach to end-of-life care pathways, for the benefit of the patient, carers and the health system, through increasing access to and update of palliative care via a multi-channel approach.

Primary Care Pilots

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	10.4	9.1	8.0	5.9	5.0	4.0	3.9	3.7	50.0
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	10.4	9.1	8.0	5.9	5.0	4.0	3.9	3.7	50.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to co-develop and pilot innovative models that reduce pressure on emergency departments.

Reducing stillbirths

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	1.1	0.9	8.0	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	4.5
2024-25	1.1	0.9	8.0	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	4.6
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	2.1	1.8	1.6	1.1	0.9	0.6	0.6	0.6	9.2

The Australian Government is providing funding to increase the rate of stillbirth autopsies and investigations.

Smoking and vaping cessation activities

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	1.5
2024-25	1.1	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	4.5
2025-26	1.1	8.0	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	4.5
2026-27	1.1	8.0	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	4.5
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	3.7	2.7	2.3	1.6	1.3	1.4	1.1	1.0	15.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to scale-up state Quitline capacity and quit services to support increased demand through additional workforce, training for Quitline counsellors, and enhanced use of technology. This will enable equitable access to smoking and vaping cessation advice and support regardless of location, including through minimum hours of operation and targeted approaches for high-risk populations to remedy disparities in areas of need.

Specialist dementia care(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	9.6
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	9.9
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	10.1
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	10.3
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	39.9

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is providing funding to deliver a program which provides intensive, specialised care for people with very severe behavioural and psychological symptoms of dementia.

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* 2024–25.

Supporting older Australian patients

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
2024-25	52.6	49.1	42.5	12.3	10.2	2.6	2.1	3.7	175.0
2025-26	46.2	35.8	42.5	15.4	10.4	2.5	2.2	3.7	158.7
2026-27	49.1	35.3	18.3	15.9	11.3	2.5	2.3	3.7	138.1
2027-28	49.1	35.8	18.3	16.0	11.0	2.4	2.3	3.7	138.6
Total	196.9	155.8	121.7	59.6	42.9	9.9	8.9	14.7	610.4

The Australian Government will provide funding to invest in state initiatives that address long stay older patient challenges through avoided hospital admission and earlier discharge from hospital.

This measure is a component of the \$1.2 billion package of Strengthening Medicare measures agreed at National Cabinet in December 2023.

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* 2024–25.

Surge capacity for BreastScreen Australia

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	2.4	1.9	1.6	0.8	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.1	7.8
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	2.4	1.9	1.6	0.8	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.1	7.8

The Australian Government is providing funding as a one-off to boost the capacity of the BreastScreen Australia program. This will enable services to re-engage women and catch up on delayed appointments due to the impact of the pandemic.

Vaccine-preventable diseases surveillance(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1			0.1	1.1
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	1.1
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	1.1
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	1.2
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1			0.1	4.5

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding to improve surveillance reporting of nationally notifiable vaccine-preventable diseases. This program facilitates national monitoring, analysis and timely reporting of data to provide an evidence base for policy formulation.

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* 2024–25.

World-class newborn bloodspot screening program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	2.1	1.7	1.3	0.6	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	6.3
2024-25	2.1	1.7	1.3	0.6	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	6.4
2025-26	2.5	2.1	1.6	0.8	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	7.7
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	6.6	5.5	4.1	2.1	1.2	0.4	0.4	0.2	20.4

The Australian Government is providing funding to increase the number and consistency of conditions screened through the newborn bloodspot screening program.

Health infrastructure

In 2024–25, the Australian Government is estimated to provide \$464.3 million to support the development of health-related infrastructure.

Table 2.3.2 Health infrastructure(a)

\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27 2	2027-28
National Partnership payments					
Bentley Hospital Surgicentre	0.6	15.0	17.5	17.5	24.5
Birthing Unit and Maternity Ward at					
Yass Hospital	-	2.9	0.6	0.6	0.6
Community Health, Hospitals and					
Infrastructure projects	287.9	103.4	50.0	-	-
Comprehensive Cancer Centres	30.0	294.5	278.1	132.0	90.0
Expansion of the Flinders Medical Centre	10.5	20.0	50.0	59.8	59.8
Health and Medical Research Centre for					
Launceston	2.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
Health infrastructure projects	7.1	3.2	-	-	-
Proton beam therapy facility	5.3	-	-	-	-
South Australia Genomics Lab	8.0	-	-	-	-
Supporting Palliative Care in Launceston	5.0	5.0	5.0	-	-
Total	356.8	464.3	401.6	210.3	175.3

a) Total figures include items not for publication.

Bentley Hospital Surgicentre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	0.6	-	-	-	-	0.6
2024-25	-	-	-	15.0	-	-	-	-	15.0
2025-26	-	-	-	17.5	-	-	-	-	17.5
2026-27	-	-	-	17.5	-	-	-	-	17.5
2027-28		-	-	24.5	-	-	-	-	24.5
Total	-	-	-	75.1	-	-	-	-	75.1

The Australian Government is providing funding to deliver a new Bentley Hospital Surgicentre. The new Surgicentre will separate non-complex elective surgery from emergency surgery. This means fewer interruptions and fewer delays for elective surgery, and a safer and more efficient service.

Birthing Unit and Maternity Ward at Yass Hospital

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	2.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.9
2025-26	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.6
2026-27	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.6
2027-28	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.6
Total	4.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.7

The Australian Government will provide funding to support the New South Wales Government to establish a maternity care service, which will provide women residing in the Yass Valley with greater access to maternity support services closer to home.

Community Health, Hospitals and Infrastructure projects

Total	213.5	80.5	44.3	73.0	14.1	12.0	4.0	-	441.3
2027-28	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	50.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50.0
2024-25	80.0	3.0	4.7	7.3	8.4	-	-	-	103.4
2023-24	83.5	77.5	39.6	65.7	5.7	12.0	4.0	-	287.9
\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total

The Australian Government is providing funding to states for vital health infrastructure and services to ensure Australians can access the care they need, where they need it.

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* 2024–25.

Comprehensive Cancer Centres

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	15.0	-	15.0	-	-	-	30.0
2024-25	-	-	80.0	199.5	15.0	-	-	-	294.5
2025-26	-	-	90.0	173.1	15.0	-	-	-	278.1
2026-27	-	-	100.0	-	32.0	-	-	-	132.0
2027-28		-	90.0	-	-	-	-	-	90.0
Total	-	-	375.0	372.6	77.0	-	-	-	824.6

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the establishment of Comprehensive Cancer Centres in Brisbane, Perth and Adelaide.

Expansion of the Flinders Medical Centre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	10.5	-	-	-	10.5
2024-25	-	-	-	-	20.0	-	-	-	20.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	50.0	-	-	-	50.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	59.8	-	-	-	59.8
2027-28	-	-	-	-	59.8	-	-	-	59.8
Total	-	-	_		200.0		-		200.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to deliver an expansion of the Flinders Medical Centre, delivering 160 extra beds for the south of Adelaide, including 136 extra beds at Flinders Medical Centre and 24 additional beds at the Repat Health Precinct.

Health and Medical Research Centre for Launceston

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	2.4	-	-	2.4
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	0.4
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	0.4
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	0.4
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	0.4
Total	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	-	-	4.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to develop a medical research centre within the Launceston General Hospital in Tasmania.

Health infrastructure projects

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	4.6	-	-	-	2.5	-	-	-	7.1
2024-25	-	1.4	-	-	1.8	-	-	-	3.2
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	4.6	1.4	-	-	4.3	-	-	-	10.3

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the implementation of the Regional Cancer Treatment Centres for Radiation Therapy program in New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia.

Proton beam therapy facility

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	5.3	-	-	-	5.3
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	5.3	-	-	-	5.3

The Australian Government has provided funding to support the establishment of a proton beam therapy facility in Adelaide. This technology will be used as an alternative to conventional radiotherapy to treat people with certain types of cancer and for research.

South Australia Genomics Lab

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	8.0	-	-	-	8.0
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	8.0	-	-	-	8.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to help establish an innovative cancer genomics laboratory in South Australia, which aims to improve treatment options for Australians with cancer.

Supporting Palliative Care in Launceston

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	5.0
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	5.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	5.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	-	-	-	-	-	15.0	-	-	15.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the construction of a new hospice, located within the Launceston General Hospital Precinct, to improve palliative care in northern Tasmania.

First Nations health

In 2024–25, the Australian Government is estimated to provide \$63.1 million to the states for programs to improve the health of First Nations people.

Table 2.3.3 First Nations health

\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
National Partnership payments					
Addressing blood-borne viruses and					
sexually transmissible infections					
in the Torres Strait	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1
Improving trachoma control services for					
First Nations Australians	4.9	4.9	-	-	-
Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal					
Investment – Health component	7.4	7.6	-	-	-
Rheumatic fever strategy	3.1	3.1	-	-	-
Supporting the delivery of culturally appropriate					
primary health care services in remote					
Northern Territory	-	46.3	47.7	49.2	50.6
Total	16.4	63.1	48.8	50.3	51.7

Addressing blood-borne viruses and sexually transmissible infections in the Torres Strait

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	1.1
2024-25	-	-	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	1.1
2025-26	-	-	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	1.1
2026-27	-	-	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	1.1
2027-28		-	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	1.1
Total	-	-	5.6	-	-	-	-	-	5.6

The Australian Government is providing funding for disease prevention activities, testing and treatment, and sexual health checks, and to deliver a culturally appropriate sexual health education campaign.

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* 2024–25.

Improving trachoma control services for First Nations Australians^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
•	INOVV	VIC				170	AUT		
2023-24	-	-	0.3	1.6	1.3	-	-	1.7	4.9
2024-25	-	-	0.3	1.6	1.3	-	-	1.8	4.9
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	0.5	3.2	2.5	-	-	3.5	9.8

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding for trachoma control activities in jurisdictions where trachoma, an infectious disease which can lead to blindness, is endemic.

Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment - Health component

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.4	7.4
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.6	7.6
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14.9	14.9

The Australian Government is providing funding to support provision of integrated oral and hearing health services to children in remote communities in the Northern Territory.

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

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* 2024–25.

Rheumatic fever strategy^(a)

Total		-	0.8	0.8	0.4	-	-	0.9	6.2
2027-28	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	-	-	~	~	~	-	-	~	3.1
2023-24	-	-	8.0	8.0	0.4	-	-	0.9	3.1
\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding to programs that register and control acute rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease in First Nations people.

Supporting the delivery of culturally appropriate primary health care services in remote Northern Territory

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	46.3	46.3
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	47.7	47.7
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49.2	49.2
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50.6	50.6
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	193.8	193.8

The Australian Government will provide funding for the delivery of culturally appropriate, comprehensive primary health care for First Nations people in regional and remote Northern Territory communities where there is no Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation.

Other health payments

In 2024–25, the Australian Government is estimated to provide \$201.0 million to the states in other health-related National Partnership payments.

Table 2.3.4 Other health National Partnership payments

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\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
National Partnership payments					
Encouraging more clinical trials in Australia	1.5	1.5	-	-	-
Essential vaccines	17.2	33.0	28.2	25.9	25.7
Expansion of the John Flynn Prevocational					
Doctor Program	28.9	35.5	43.9	53.6	54.3
Increasing specialist services for children who					
have displayed harmful sexual behaviours in					
the Northern Territory	2.7	1.4	-	-	-
Integration and Empowerment Services and					
Wanneroo Seniors Club	0.2	-	-	-	-
Japanese Encephalitis Virus IDI Vaccine Trial	0.1	-	-	-	-
Lymphoedema garments and allied health					
therapy program	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
National Coronial Information System	0.4	0.4	-	-	-
Public dental services for adults	120.1	107.8	-	-	-
Registration Scheme for Personal Care Workers	0.2	10.0	-	-	-
Short-term workforce reforms –					
Kruk Review implementation	-	9.4	-	-	-
Total	173.4	201.0	74.1	81.5	82.0

Encouraging more clinical trials in Australia

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	1.5
2024-25	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	1.5
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	3.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to increase the number and value of clinical trials to deliver health benefits, provide jobs and improve the nation's innovative capacity.

Essential vaccines

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	5.0	4.0	3.3	1.8	1.3	0.7	0.6	0.5	17.2
2024-25	9.5	7.7	6.3	3.5	2.5	1.3	1.1	1.0	33.0
2025-26	8.1	6.6	5.4	3.0	2.1	1.1	1.0	0.9	28.2
2026-27	7.5	6.1	5.0	2.8	2.0	1.0	0.9	8.0	25.9
2027-28	7.4	6.0	4.9	2.7	2.0	1.0	0.9	0.8	25.7
Total	37.5	30.4	25.0	13.9	9.9	5.0	4.5	4.0	130.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to improve the health of Australians through the cost-effective delivery of the National Immunisation Program.

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* 2024–25.

Expansion of the John Flynn Prevocational Doctor Program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	5.4	2.6	6.3	1.8	5.8	1.9	-	3.8	28.9
2024-25	8.0	3.8	7.8	2.4	6.9	2.1	-	4.4	35.5
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	-	~	43.9
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	-	~	53.6
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	-	~	54.3
Total	13.4	6.4	14.1	4.2	12.7	4.1	-	8.2	216.2

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding for additional rural primary care training rotations for junior doctors through the *John Flynn Prevocational Doctor Program*.

Increasing specialist services for children who have displayed harmful sexual behaviours in the Northern Territory

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-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	2.7
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.4	1.4
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.1	4.1
	- - - -							2.7 1.4

The Australian Government is providing funding for increased specialist therapeutic services for children who have displayed harmful sexual behaviours in the Northern Territory.

Integration and Empowerment Services and Wanneroo Seniors Club

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	0.2	-	-	-	-	0.2
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	_	0.2	-	-	-	-	0.2

The Australian Government is providing funding to the Western Australia Government to facilitate funding to two Western Australian based organisations, Integration and Empowerment Services and Wanneroo Senior Citizens Club, to support delivery of services in their community for NDIS clients and Senior Australians.

Japanese Encephalitis Virus IDI Vaccine Trial

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	0.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	0.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1

The Australian Government is providing funding to enhance health emergency preparedness through the collection of evidence for intradermal administration of the Japanese encephalitis virus vaccine Imojev, through support to the New South Wales study Japanese encephalitis vaccine via intradermal route in children and adults (JEVID-2).

Lymphoedema garments and allied health therapy program^(a)

2027-28 _ Total	~ ~ 0.6	0.5	0.4	0.2	~ ~ 0.1	~ ~ 	~ ~ 	~ ~ 	2.0 2.0 10.0
2027-28									
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2026-27			~	~	~				2.0
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	2.0
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	2.0
2023-24	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.1				2.0
\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding to contribute to improved access to specialised compression garments by eligible patients.

National Coronial Information System

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.4
2024-25	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.4
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	-	0.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.9

The Australian Government is providing funding for the administration, maintenance, and improvement of Australia's national coronial data base.

Public dental services for adults(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	34.4	26.9	21.7	17.8	9.4	6.8	1.9	1.4	120.1
2024-25	34.4	26.9	21.7	9.7	9.4	3.4	1.0	1.4	107.8
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	68.7	53.8	43.3	27.5	18.8	10.2	2.9	2.8	227.9

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the delivery of additional dental services to adults who rely on the public dental system.

Registration Scheme for Personal Care Workers(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	0.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.2
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	10.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	0.2	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	10.2

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding to establish a national registration scheme and code of conduct for personal care workers in the aged care sector.

Short-term workforce reforms - Kruk Review implementation(a)

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	9.4
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	9.4

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide funding to implement, together with states, the health-related recommendations from the Independent Review of Health Practitioner Regulatory Settings (Kruk Review).

This measure is a component of the \$1.2 billion package of Strengthening Medicare measures agreed at National Cabinet in December 2023.

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* 2024–25.

Education

In 2024–25, the Australian Government will provide funding of \$30.8 billion to support state education services, including \$30.2 billion in Quality Schools funding and \$673.0 million through National Partnership payments, as detailed in Table 2.4.

Table 2.4: Payments to support state education services^(a)

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\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28					
Quality Schools funding(b)	29,154.3	30,155.7	31,355.8	32,583.7	33,834.1					
National Partnership payments										
Building Boarding Schools on Country	7.8	-	-	-	-					
Consent and respectful relationships										
education	20.4	20.4	20.4	8.3	8.3					
Disadvantaged independent school students	62.8	47.1	31.4	15.7	-					
National Student Wellbeing Program	61.4	61.4	61.4	61.4	61.4					
Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal										
Investment – Children and schooling										
implementation plan(b)	36.3	30.2	-	-	-					
On-Country Learning	30.0	10.0	-	-	-					
Preschool Reform Agreement	478.5	490.3	346.3	-	-					
Schools Pathways Program	1.7	1.7	1.7	-	-					
Schools Upgrade Fund										
Round 1	3.6	-	-	-	-					
Round 2	215.8	-	-	-	-					
Targeted Round Projects	9.1	-	-	-	-					
Student Wellbeing Boost	5.8	-	-	-	-					
Workload Reduction Fund	7.0	12.0	7.0	-	_					
Total National Partnership payments	940.0	673.0	623.5	642.0	654.9					
Total	30,094.3	30,828.7	31,979.3	33,225.8	34,489.0					
Memorandum item – payments for non-government										
schools included in payments above										
Quality Schools funding(b)	18,053.0	18,679.2	19,465.1	20,259.3	21,050.8					
Building Boarding Schools on Country	7.8	-	-	-	-					
Consent and respectful relationships										
education	6.2	6.2	6.2	2.5	2.5					
Disadvantaged independent school students	62.8	47.1	31.4	15.7						
Total	18,129.7	18,732.4	19,502.7	20,277.4	21,053.3					

a) Total figures include items not for publication.

b) Includes funding for non-government representative bodies.

Quality Schools funding

The Australian Government's Quality Schools policy aims to improve the educational outcomes of Australian students and their schools.

In 2024–25, the Australian Government will provide \$30.2 billion in Quality Schools funding to government and non-government schools in all states. This includes recurrent funding, capital funding, non-government school reform support funding, Choice and Affordability Fund funding and other prescribed purpose funding.

Quality Schools funding

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24									
Government									
schools(a)	3,279.2	2,723.2	2,486.5	1,224.1	748.0	247.5	164.4	228.6	11,101.3
Non-government									
schools(b)(c)(d)	5,463.4	4,583.8	3,892.8	1,812.5	1,396.0	406.7	271.9	225.9	18,053.0
Total	8,742.6	7,307.0	6,379.3	3,036.5	2,143.9	654.2	436.3	454.5	29,154.3
2024-25									
Government									
schools(a)	3,388.6	2,836.9	2,555.1	1,267.9	768.3	254.2	174.4	231.0	11,476.5
Non-government									
schools(b)(c)(d)	5,672.7	4,728.3	4,022.9	1,873.6	1,441.2	422.5	279.6	238.4	18,679.2
Total	9,061.2	7,565.2	6,578.0	3,141.5	2,209.5	676.8	453.9	469.4	30,155.7
2025-26									
Government									
schools(a)	3,500.8	2,964.1	2,645.3	1,314.6	789.6	261.6	182.4	232.3	11,890.7
Non-government									
schools(b)(c)(d)	5,918.4	4,926.1	4,186.9	1,940.4	1,511.3	442.6	290.5	248.9	19,465.1
Total	9,419.2	7,890.2	6,832.2	3,255.0	2,300.9	704.2	473.0	481.2	31,355.8
2026-27									
Government									
schools(a)	3,624.6	3,096.8	2,736.7	1,362.1	810.9	269.1	190.5	233.8	12,324.5
Non-government									
schools(b)(c)(d)	6,162.5		4,355.2		1,578.6		301.8	260.0	20,259.3
Total	9,787.1	8,230.4	7,091.9	3,367.7	2,389.5	731.1	492.3	493.7	32,583.7
2027-28									
Government									
schools(a)	3,761.3	3,232.6	2,831.0	1,410.8	833.0	276.0	199.1	239.5	12,783.3
Non-government									
schools(b)(c)(d)	6,405.5	5,347.7		2,065.2	1,644.2		313.4	271.6	21,050.8
Total	10,166.8	8,580.3	7,353.2	3,475.9	2,477.2	757.1	512.4	511.1	33,834.1

a) Includes Literacy Support for Tasmanian Students and funding for the Northern Territory to accelerate evidence-based reforms to improve outcomes for vulnerable students.

The Australian Government uses a needs-based model for school funding, which delivers a consistent national approach for all schools in all states.

b) Includes capital funding.

c) Includes prescribed circumstances funding.

d) Includes funding for non-government school reform support and the Choice and Affordability Fund.

National Partnership payments for education

In addition to Quality Schools funding, the Australian Government is providing funding for state education services through National Partnership payments.

Building Boarding Schools on Country

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	7.8	-	-	-	-	7.8
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	-	-	-	7.8	-	-	-	-	7.8

The Australian Government is providing funding to upgrade the existing Yiramalay school, build a new boarding school, and establish an Indigenous Education Research Centre. This forms part of First Nations Education initiatives.

Consent and respectful relationships education

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	6.7	4.8	3.8	2.4	1.5	0.5	0.3	0.4	20.4
2024-25	6.7	4.8	3.8	2.4	1.5	0.5	0.3	0.4	20.4
2025-26	6.7	4.8	3.8	2.4	1.5	0.5	0.3	0.4	20.4
2026-27	2.7	2.0	1.5	1.0	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.2	8.3
2027-28	2.7	2.0	1.5	1.0	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.2	8.3
Total	25.4	18.4	14.3	9.0	5.8	2.1	1.1	1.6	77.6

The Australian Government is providing funding to the government and non-government schools education sector to support consent and respectful relationships education in their schools.

Disadvantaged independent school students

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	19.9	10.2	19.6	7.5	2.8	0.6	0.3	1.8	62.8
2024-25	15.0	7.6	14.7	5.7	2.1	0.4	0.2	1.4	47.1
2025-26	10.0	5.1	9.8	3.8	1.4	0.3	0.2	0.9	31.4
2026-27	5.0	2.5	4.9	1.9	0.7	0.1	0.1	0.5	15.7
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	49.9	25.4	49.1	18.9	7.0	1.4	0.8	4.5	156.9

The Australian Government is providing funding to support disadvantaged independent schools as they transition to new funding arrangements.

National Student Wellbeing Program(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	11.3	12.8	18.4	7.7	7.6	2.2	1.0	0.5	61.4
2024-25	11.3	12.8	18.4	7.7	7.6	2.2	1.0	0.5	61.4
2025-26	11.3	12.8	18.4	7.7	7.6	2.2	1.0	0.5	61.4
2026-27	11.3	12.8	18.4	7.7	7.6	2.2	1.0	0.5	61.4
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	61.4
Total	45.1	51.2	73.4	30.9	30.4	8.9	3.9	2.0	307.2

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the wellbeing of students through the provision of pastoral care services in participating schools.

Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment – Children and schooling implementation plan^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36.3	36.3
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30.2	30.2
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	66.4	66.4

a) Includes funding for non-government representative bodies.

The Australian Government is providing funding to improve school readiness; pathways for secondary students to access opportunities for employment, training and further education; student attendance; educational attainment; First Nations workforce development, including increasing the number of local First Nations employees; and teacher housing in remote and very remote schools.

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* 2024–25.

On-Country Learning

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30.0	30.0
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	10.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40.0	40.0

The Australian Government is providing additional funding to all operating schools in Central Australia to support improved student enrolment, engagement, wellbeing and learning outcomes through community driven responses.

Preschool Reform Agreement(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	140.8	128.5	88.7	48.1	30.0	9.8	9.7	4.7	478.5
2024-25	141.5	128.5	91.0	48.8	28.2	9.8	9.7	4.8	490.3
2025-26	100.2	90.0	65.7	33.8	19.8	6.9	6.8	3.5	346.3
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	382.5	347.1	245.4	130.7	78.0	26.6	26.1	12.9	1,315.0

a) State allocations may not sum to total due to unallocated funds.

The Australian Government is providing funding to support continued universal access to 600 hours per year of preschool for children in the year before they start school. The Preschool Reform Agreement (2022–2025) aims to improve preschool participation and outcomes, including improved enrolment and attendance. Preschool funding is an ongoing commitment, with total funding amounts from 2026 onwards to be published once future funding arrangements are agreed.

Schools Pathways Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	0.8	8.0	-	-	-	1.7
2024-25	-	-	-	0.9	0.9	-	-	-	1.7
2025-26	-	-	-	0.9	0.9	-	-	-	1.7
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	2.6	2.6	-	-	-	5.1

The Australian Government is providing funding to assist in promoting defence industry as a potential career path for young people and to encourage student participation in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics subjects relevant to defence industry.

Schools Upgrade Fund

The Australian Government is providing the states with \$228.5 million as part of the Schools Upgrade Fund, supporting capital projects to keep students and school staff safe after disruptions due to COVID-19.

Round 1

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	1.5	-	2.1	-	-	-	-	3.6
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	1.5	-	2.1	-	-	-	-	3.6

The Australian Government is providing grants to Australian schools to help improve ventilation and air quality and make small scale improvements such as upgrading computing equipment and school facilities, as well as targeted grants for schools identified with priority needs.

Round 2

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	68.0	48.2	40.4	25.0	17.1	6.5	2.5	8.1	215.8
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	68.0	48.2	40.4	25.0	17.1	6.5	2.5	8.1	215.8

The Australian Government is providing funding to government schools to enable capital investments in new classrooms, buildings, or other major refurbishments and upgrades.

Targeted Round Projects

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	9.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.1
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	-	9.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.1

The Australian Government is providing additional funding to support the continued delivery of Round 1 capital projects.

Student Wellbeing Boost

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	2.4	2.1	0.4	0.4	0.3		0.1		5.8
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	2.4	2.1	0.4	0.4	0.3		0.1		5.8

The Australian Government is providing funding to schools for the purposes of social cohesion wellbeing support for students.

Workload Reduction Fund

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.6	0.6	0.6	7.0
2024-25	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	12.0
2025-26	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.6	0.6	0.6	7.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	26.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to states and territories to enable them to pilot new approaches to reduce teacher workloads and maximise the value of teachers' time.

Skills and workforce development

In 2024–25, the Australian Government will provide funding of \$2.5 billion to support state skills and workforce development services, including \$2.4 billion through the National Skills Agreement, and \$108.2 million through other payments, as detailed in Table 2.5.

Table 2.5: Payments to support state skills and workforce development services

\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
National Skills Agreement	2,014.8	2,432.0	2,457.0	2,495.7	2,535.4
National Partnership payments					
Capital and Equipment Investment Fund	-	35.0	7.5	7.5	-
Fee-Free TAFE Skills Agreement	335.9	51.3	167.4	146.3	-
Resources Centre of Excellence	2.0	-	-	-	-
Turbocharge the Teacher, Trainer and Assessor Workforce	-	15.0	15.0	-	-
Turbocharging TAFE Centres of Excellence	-	6.9	7.0	7.0	7.1
Total National Partnership payments(a)	337.9	108.2	196.9	160.9	7.1
Total	2,352.7	2,540.2	2,653.9	2,656.5	2,542.5

a) Excludes National Skills Agreement payments which are shown separately.

National Skills Agreement

The National Skills Agreement (NSA) commenced on 1 January 2024, replacing the National Agreement for Skills and Workforce Development.

National Skills Agreement

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	628.2	509.6	411.9	218.9	140.6	45.4	37.4	22.8	2,014.8
2024-25	750.3	612.3	498.0	266.0	170.1	56.6	47.3	31.4	2,432.0
2025-26	761.9	623.1	504.7	267.8	169.0	54.6	46.0	29.9	2,457.0
2026-27	774.6	636.5	513.1	271.1	170.1	54.4	46.2	29.6	2,495.7
2027-28	786.9	649.0	521.2	274.8	171.9	54.8	46.9	29.8	2,535.4
Total	3,701.9	3,030.5	2,449.0	1,298.6	821.7	265.9	223.8	143.5	11,934.8

Through the NSA, the Commonwealth and states committed to implementing improved funding arrangements to replace the National Specific Purpose Payments for Skills and Workforce Development (SPP) established by the *Federal Financial Relations Act* 2009.

As 2023–24 is a transitional year, amounts reflect the combined estimates for the SPP (1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023) and the NSA (1 January 2024 to 30 June 2024).

Funding for the NSA includes National Partnership Payments for seven Specific Policy Initiatives: Closing the Gap, Ensuring Access to Foundational Skills Training, TAFE Centres of Excellence, National TAFE Network, Measures to Strengthen the VET Workforce, Enhanced VET Data and Evidence and Improved Completions – Especially for Priority Groups.

National Partnership payments for skills and workforce development

In addition to the National Skills Agreement, the Australian Government is providing funding through National Partnership payments as detailed below.

Capital and Equipment Investment Fund(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	35.0
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	7.5
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	7.5
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	50.0

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide \$50.0 million to support co-investment with states on new and upgraded TAFE facilities. This funding will be used to ensure that TAFE facilities are equipped and ready to deliver cutting-edge training in clean energy qualifications and support more students to undertake this training.

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* 2024–25.

Fee-Free TAFE Skills Agreement(a)

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2027-28					_	_	_	_	
2026-27	45.4	38.0	30.0	15.8	10.0	3.1	2.6	1.4	146.3
2025-26	52.1	43.3	34.4	18.0	11.5	3.6	3.0	1.6	167.4
2024-25	12.0	11.1	9.1	5.9	5.7	1.2	3.7	2.7	51.3
2023-24	101.9	82.4	67.3	38.7	21.6	11.5	7.9	4.5	335.9
\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total

a) State allocations are indicative estimates only to be determined on the re-negotiation of the agreement.

The Australian Government is providing \$701.0 million for the Fee-Free TAFE Skills Agreement. This includes \$564.6 million for fee-free TAFE and \$50.0 million for a TAFE Technology Fund, to improve workshops, laboratories, and IT facilities across the country.

In order to address labour shortages in the building and construction sector, the Australian Government will provide an additional \$86.4 million to increase the pipeline of skilled workers. This includes \$24.6 million for pre-apprenticeships and \$61.7 million for new fee-free places in TAFEs and Industry Registered Training Organisations.

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* 2024–25.

Resources Centre of Excellence

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	2.0	-	-	-	-	-	2.0
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	2.0	-	-	-	-	-	2.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the Isaac Regional Council's initiative to establish a future Resources Centre of Excellence in Moranbah and for the North Bowen Basin Mines Rescue Station and Training Centre.

Turbocharge the Teacher, Trainer and Assessor Workforce(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	15.0
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	15.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	30.0

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide \$30.0 million to the states to support existing initiatives and new measures that will rapidly upskill teachers, trainers and assessors involved in the clean energy, manufacturing and construction sectors.

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* 2024–25.

Turbocharging TAFE Centres of Excellence(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	6.9
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	7.0
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	7.0
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	7.1
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	28.1

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide \$28.1 million funding to fast track up to six new TAFE Centres of Excellence in addition to the \$325.0 million provided under the five-year National Skills Agreement. This funding will support partnerships between TAFEs, Jobs and Skills Councils, industry and universities to: establish TAFE Centres of Excellence; design and teach world leading curriculum; and provide students with cutting edge skills.

Community services

In 2024–25, the Australian Government will provide funding of \$211.1 million to support state community services as detailed in Table 2.6.

Table 2.6: Payments to support state community services

\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
National Partnership payments					
Alcohol Treatment Services					
in the Northern Territory	3.4	4.8	-	-	-
Changing Places Implementation	7.2	7.0	0.2	-	-
Digital Connectivity Project	2.7	-	-	-	-
Extra high visibility police and law					
enforcement operations	9.1	9.5	4.7	-	-
Family, Domestic and Sexual Violence					
Responses Agreement					
Family, domestic and sexual violence					
responses	84.9	72.3	-	-	-
500 community sector and frontline					
workers	43.2	52.4	54.5	55.6	56.9
Innovative approaches to addressing					
perpetrator behaviour	9.7	6.2	5.3	5.3	-
Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal					
Investment					
Community safety implementation plan	50.3	52.6	-	-	-
Remote Australia strategies					
implementation plan	3.9	5.7	-	-	-
Payments from the DisabilityCare Australia					
Fund	2,015.0	-	-	-	-
Remote Community Store Licensing Scheme	1.5	-	-	-	-
Social Impact Investments					
Vulnerable Priority Groups	0.5	0.5	0.5	4.8	-
Strong and Resilient Communities		-	-	-	-
Tasmanian Emergency Food Distribution	1.3	-	-	-	-
Total	2,232.8	211.1	65.2	65.6	56.9

National Partnership payments for community services

The Australian Government provides National Partnership payments to the states for community services, as detailed below.

Alcohol Treatment Services in the Northern Territory

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.4	3.4
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.8	4.8
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.2	8.2

The Australian Government is providing funding to the Northern Territory Government to support First Nations communities to make decisions about alcohol treatment services that best suit their needs.

Changing Places Implementation^(a)

2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.2
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	7.0
2023-24	~	~	~	~	0.1	~	~	~	7.2
\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding of up to one-third of the build cost per facility, to support a Changing Places facility in each of the approximately 400 Local Government Areas currently without one.

Digital Connectivity Project	Digital	Conn	ectivity	Pro	ject
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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	2.7
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	2.7

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the delivery of digital connectivity uplift via the provision or enhancement of mobile connectivity to regional and remote communities of the Northern Territory through a one-off payment.

Extra high visibility police and law enforcement operation

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.1	9.1
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.5	9.5
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.7	4.7
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23.3	23.3

The Australian Government is providing funding over two years from 2024-25 to deliver additional policing and other community safety support measures in Alice Springs. This funding will be delivered through an 18-month extension of the national partnership agreement between the Commonwealth and Northern Territory Government for the Strengthening Community Safety in Central Australia program.

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* 2024–25.

Family, Domestic and Sexual Violence Responses Agreement

Family, domestic and sexual violence responses

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	25.8	20.7	17.5	9.9	6.1	1.9	1.4	1.6	84.9
2024-25	22.0	17.7	14.9	8.4	5.2	1.6	1.2	1.3	72.3
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	47.8	38.4	32.3	18.3	11.3	3.5	2.7	2.9	157.2

The Australian Government is providing funding to states to invest in services to support women and children who are experiencing or are at risk of violence, including in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, and to trial new initiatives to support women and children experiencing violence. The funding will enable states to respond to high levels of demand for domestic, family and sexual violence services, and will ensure these continue to support those who need it most.

500 community sector and frontline workers(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	11.8	10.9	9.1	3.8	3.0	2.2	0.6	1.8	43.2
2024-25	15.6	10.6	11.7	5.2	3.9	2.6	0.8	2.1	52.4
2025-26	16.2	11.0	12.2	5.4	4.0	2.7	8.0	2.2	54.5
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	55.6
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	56.9
Total	43.5	32.5	33.0	14.5	10.8	7.5	2.2	6.1	262.6

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is providing funding for new frontline and community sector workers to provide support to women and children experiencing family, domestic, and sexual violence. This initiative will generate 500 new jobs for community organisations nationally.

Innovative approaches to addressing perpetrator behaviour

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	8.0	1.3	9.7
2024-25	0.8	8.0	0.8	0.8	8.0	8.0	8.0	0.8	6.2
2025-26	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	5.3
2026-27	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	5.3
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	2.9	3.4	26.5

The Australian Government is providing funding to the states to develop innovative approaches to address family, domestic, and sexual violence perpetrator behaviour. These approaches, which may include technological solutions such as electronic monitoring, will help hold perpetrators to account, prevent them from reoffending, and improve protection for victim-survivors.

Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment

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

Community safety implementation plan

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50.3	50.3
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	52.6	52.6
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	102.9	102.9

The Australian Government is providing funding to the Northern Territory to make remote communities safer, improve child and family safety, and address alcohol-related harm through this implementation plan.

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* 2024–25.

Remote Australia strategies implementation plan

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.9	3.9
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.7	5.7
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.7	9.7

The Remote Australia Strategies Schedule provides funding to the Northern Territory Government to support a sustainable, professional and qualified Aboriginal interpreter service.

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* 2024–25.

Payments from the DisabilityCare Australia Fund(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	361.9	280.0	226.6	1,007.5	83.4	25.9	18.7	11.1	2,015.0
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	361.9	280.0	226.6	1,007.5	83.4	25.9	18.7	11.1	2,015.0

a) Funding amounts for WA are indicative estimates only. Negotiations are continuing on drawdown arrangements.

This funding agreement partially reimburses the states for expenditure incurred in relation to the *National Disability Insurance Scheme Act* 2013. Under the *DisabilityCare Australia Fund Act* 2013, a proportion of the funding held in the DisabilityCare Australia Fund has been allocated to the states over a 10-year period.

Remote Community Store Licensing Scheme

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.5	1.5
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.5	1.5

The Australian Government provided funding to transition the remote community store licensing scheme currently delivered by the Australian Government to the Northern Territory Government.

The scheme was introduced in 2007, with the aim of supporting improved store governance, management practices and quality of food in remote community stores. The scheme regulates around 100 stores across 70 remote First Nations communities.

Social Impact Investments

Vulnerable Priority Groups(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	0.5	-	-	-	0.5
2024-25	-	-	-	-	0.5	-	-	-	0.5
2025-26	-	-	-	-	0.5	-	-	-	0.5
2026-27	~	~	~	~	1.6	~	~	~	4.8
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	~	~	~	3.2	~	~	~	6.4

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

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

Strong and Resilient Communities

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-			-	-	-	-	
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-			-	-	-	-	

The Australian Government is supporting the delivery of the Community Outreach Project and the Disability and Vulnerable Member Accessibility Project by providing one-off funding through the Strong and Resilient Communities grant program.

Tasmanian Emergency Food Distribution

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	1.3	-	-	1.3
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	1.3	-	-	1.3

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the delivery of Loaves and Fishes Tasmania Emergency Food Distribution's food relief operations across Tasmania through one-off funding for the acquisition of a warehouse.

Affordable housing

In 2024–25, the Australian Government will provide funding of \$2.6 billion for state affordable housing services, consisting of \$1.8 billion through the National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness (NASHH) and \$798.5 million through National Partnership payments, as detailed in Table 2.7.

Table 2.7: Payments to support state affordable housing services

\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
National Agreement on Social					
Housing and Homelessness	1,705.7	1,778.3	1,814.1	1,855.7	1,887.5
National Partnership payments					
HomeBuilder	165.9	44.2	11.1	-	-
Housing Australia Future Fund –					
Remote Indigenous Housing	-	100.0	-	-	-
Housing Support Program					
Priority Works Stream	1,000.0	-	-	-	-
Streams 1 and 2	50.0	450.0	-	-	-
Improving housing and essential services					
on Northern Territory Homelands	75.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	-
Northern Territory Remote Housing	318.9	163.0	170.1	177.6	185.4
Social Impact Investments					
People at risk of homelessness	0.8	1.3	2.3	3.5	-
Total National Partnership payments	1,610.6	798.5	223.5	221.1	185.4
Total	3,316.3	2,576.8	2,037.6	2,076.8	2,072.9

National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness(a)(b)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	515.4	435.9	355.4	190.2	119.7	37.4	30.1	21.7	1,705.7
2024-25	539.6	451.0	355.4	190.2	119.7	37.4	30.1	55.6	1,778.3
2025-26	552.0	461.4	363.6	194.5	122.4	38.3	30.8	56.9	1,814.1
2026-27	564.2	471.6	371.6	198.8	125.1	39.1	31.5	58.1	1,855.7
2027-28	575.4	481.0	379.0	202.8	127.6	39.9	32.1	59.3	1,887.5
Total	2,746.6	2,300.9	1,824.9	976.5	614.6	192.0	154.8	251.4	9,041.3

Bilateral agreements under the National Housing and Homelessness Agreement (NHHA) expire at the end of 2023–24, beyond which funding is subject to states signing the new National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness (NASHH).

The Australian Government has offered the states a five-year, \$9.3 billion NASHH to replace the National Housing and Homelessness Agreement from 2024–25. Funding is subject to states signing the NASHH.

Under the NASHH, the Australian Government will double its funding component for homelessness services to \$400 million a year, subject to matching by states. Funding will support the effective operation of Australia's social housing and homelessness services and help those people who are at risk or are experiencing homelessness.

b) Totals from 2024–25 onwards were correct as at 30 April 2024. State allocations have been updated to reflect the Commonwealth's offer to the states on 6 May 2024, indexed by Wage Cost Index 1 (see Appendix A). As a result, state allocations do not sum to totals.

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* 2024–25.

National Partnership payments for affordable housing

The Australian Government will provide a total of \$798.5 million in 2024–25 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
2023-24	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	165.9
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	44.2
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	11.1
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	221.2

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

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. Applications for the program closed on 14 April 2021.

On 27 April 2023, the Government announced an extension to the HomeBuilder deadline for submitting supporting documentation.

Housing Australia Future Fund – Remote Indigenous Housing(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	100.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	100.0

State allocations have not yet been determined. The estimates reflect the first tranche of the Housing Australia Future Fund disbursements for this measure.

The Australian Government will provide funding for repair, maintenance and improvements to housing in remote Indigenous communities.

Housing Support Program

The Australian Government is working with states to build more homes for Australians.

Housing Support Program - Priority Works Stream(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	1,000.0
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	1,000.0

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is making available a further \$1 billion to states to fund urgent and significant enabling infrastructure projects to increase housing supply in well-located areas. Funding will unlock local infrastructure bottlenecks by supporting community amenity and essential services like water, power, and roads.

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* 2024–25.

Housing Support Program (Streams 1 and 2)(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	50.0
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	450.0
2025-26	-	-	_	-	-	_	-	-	_
2026-27	_	-	_	-	_	_	_	_	_
2027-28	_	-	_	-	_	_	_	_	_
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	500.0

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is encouraging the increase of housing supply by providing funding for enabling infrastructure, community amenity and planning capability through a competitive application process.

Improving housing and essential services on Northern Territory Homelands

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	75.0	75.0
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40.0	40.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40.0	40.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40.0	40.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-		-	_				195.0	195.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to the Northern Territory Government to deliver repairs and maintenance of critical housing and essential infrastructure on Northern Territory homelands.

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* 2024–25.

Northern Territory Remote Housing

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	318.9	318.9
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	163.0	163.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	170.1	170.1
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	177.6	177.6
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	185.4	185.4
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,015.0	1,015.0

The Australian Government is supporting the delivery of housing to remote Northern Territory communities to reduce overcrowding and improve housing outcomes. The investment is matched by the Northern Territory Government and includes a comprehensive repairs and maintenance program to improve existing 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* 2024–25.

Social Impact Investments

People at risk of homelessness(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	0.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.0
2024-25	1.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.3
2025-26	2.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.3
2026-27	2.6	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	3.5
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	6.9	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	7.7

a) Totals include unallocated funding.

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

Infrastructure

In 2024–25, the Australian Government will provide funding of \$15.3 billion to support state infrastructure projects, as detailed in Table 2.8.

Table 2.8: Payments to support state infrastructure services

\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
National Partnership payments					
Infrastructure Investment Program					
Active Transport Fund	-	-	25.0	30.0	25.0
Black Spots Program	130.0	131.6	140.0	140.0	150.0
Bridges Renewal Program(a)	95.0	-	-	-	
Developing Northern Australia					
Improving cattle supply chains	3.4	-		-	
Northern Australia Roads	3.4	68.9	124.4	99.8	0.6
Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity					
Program(a)	90.0	-	-	-	
Major Projects Business Case Fund	18.4	83.2	72.8	36.3	23.5
Rail investment component	2,888.5	3,642.8	3,166.9	3,655.2	2,735.2
Road investment component	7,392.2	8,259.1	8,884.3	8,284.9	7,699.4
Roads to Recovery	616.9	649.4	799.2	949.0	999.0
Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program(a)	-	200.0	200.0	200.0	205.0
Western Sydney Infrastructure Plan	454.0	276.7	140.8	44.7	
Total Infrastructure Investment Program	11,691.8	13,311.6	13,553.3	13,439.8	11,837.6
Other payments		·			-
Adelaide City Deal	14.1	96.2	13.0	-	
Albury Wodonga Regional Projects	7.0	46.5	24.0	-	
Armstrong Creek Stadium	-	6.0	-	-	
Australian Opal Centre – Lightning Ridge	-	7.5	-	-	
Barkly Regional Deal	0.3	15.5	5.6	-	
Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games	-	97.2	340.1	438.4	768.0
Busselton Jetty Village and Marine Discovery Centre	-	7.4	-	-	
Cairns Regional Development	9.0	31.0	73.3	63.3	53.4
Central Australia Plan – Community					
Infrastructure Package	2.7	17.3	15.0	15.0	
Darwin Cyclone Tracy Memorial	-	0.6	-	-	
Drought Communities Programme – Extension	5.7	-	-	-	
Geelong City Deal	31.6	90.5	16.6	-	
Hinkler Regional Deal	3.7	-	-	-	
Port of Bundaberg – multi-use conveyor	7.7	-	-	-	
Hobart and Launceston – urban renewal					
co-investments	5.0	8.0	95.6	136.4	60.0
Hunter region – supporting clean energy	11.9	63.1	25.0	-	
Launceston City Deal	20.5	4.6	-	-	
Local Roads and Community Infrastructure	780.5	291.9	249.7	-	
National Water Grid Fund	319.4	588.3	446.3	169.1	27.7
Perth Aboriginal Cultural Centre	-	50.0	-	-	
Perth City Deal	6.6	82.2	76.4	_	

Table 2.8: Payments to support state infrastructure services (continued)

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\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
Pilbara Ports Common User Upgrades	69.3	202.8	167.9	-	105.0
Regional Roads Australia Mobile Program –					
Pilot Program	-	30.0	20.0	-	-
South East Queensland City Deal	62.6	151.2	73.2	103.8	1.0
Townsville City Deal	20.0	69.0	43.5	40.0	-
Upgrades to the Qtopia Sydney Museum	-	1.5	-	-	-
Warburton Mountain Bike Destination Project	-	3.0	-	-	-
Western Sydney City Deal	6.2	4.9	-	-	-
WiFi and mobile coverage on trains	2.0	-	-	-	-
Total other payments	1,385.8	1,966.1	1,685.1	966.0	1,015.1
Total	13,077.6	15,277.7	15,238.3	14,405.8	12,852.7
Memorandum item – payments direct to local					
governments included in payments above					
Infrastructure Investment Program					
Roads to Recovery	586.2	615.6	757.6	899.6	947.0
Other payments					
Drought Communities Programme – Extension	5.7	-	-	-	-
Local Roads and Community Infrastructure	780.5	291.9	249.7	-	-
Total	1,372.5	907.4	1,007.3	899.6	947.0

a) From 2024–25 onwards, the existing Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program and Bridges Renewal Program will be merged into the Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program.

National Partnership payments for infrastructure

The Australian Government provides National Partnership payments to the states for infrastructure, as detailed below.

Infrastructure Investment Program

The Australian Government provides funding for road and rail infrastructure through the Infrastructure Investment Program under the National Partnership Agreement on Land Transport Infrastructure Projects. The Australian Government has a 10-year funding allocation for this program.

The Infrastructure Investment Program assists economic and social development regionally and nationally by providing funding to improve the standard of land transport infrastructure.

In November 2023, the Australian Government released its Infrastructure Policy Statement setting out the three strategic themes of productivity and resilience, liveability and sustainability to guide its future investment decisions.

The Government will work with states, territories and local governments to prioritise the delivery of projects in line with market capacity.

More information is available in Budget Paper No. 1, *Budget Strategy and Outlook* 2024–25, *Statement 1: Budget Overview*.

The Infrastructure Investment Program includes several components that involve payments to the states, detailed in the tables below.

Active Transport Fund(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	25.0
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	30.0
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	25.0
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	80.0

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide funding for the upgrade and construction of new bicycle paths in Australian communities. The funding stream will increase the safety of cyclists and pedestrians, support reduced emissions and improve productivity, health and community liveability.

New measures associated with this item are listed in Table 1.4 and described in more detail in Budget Paper No. 2, *Budget Measures* 2024–25.

Black Spots Program

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	38.8	33.4	26.5	14.6	9.2	3.3	1.9	2.3	130.0
2024-25	38.8	33.4	26.5	14.6	9.2	3.3	3.4	2.3	131.6
2025-26	41.8	36.0	28.5	15.8	9.9	3.5	2.0	2.5	140.0
2026-27	41.8	36.0	28.5	15.8	9.9	3.5	2.0	2.5	140.0
2027-28	44.3	35.8	32.4	18.4	11.1	3.6	2.0	2.4	150.0
Total	205.6	174.5	142.3	79.1	49.4	17.3	11.4	11.9	691.6

The Australian Government is providing funding for safety works under the Black Spots Program in places where there have been serious crashes or where serious crashes are likely to occur.

Bridges Renewal Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	35.3	14.7	18.6	11.0	7.8	5.0	2.1	0.5	95.0
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	35.3	14.7	18.6	11.0	7.8	5.0	2.1	0.5	95.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to upgrade bridges across the nation. This program renews and replaces bridges serving local communities and facilitates higher productivity vehicle access.

From 2024–25 onwards, the existing Bridges Renewal Program will be merged with the Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program into the Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program.

Developing Northern Australia

Improving cattle supply chains

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	3.0	0.5	-	-	-	-	3.4
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	3.0	0.5	-	-	-	-	3.4

The Australian Government is providing funding to Queensland and Western Australia for road infrastructure projects that will improve the resilience and productivity of the northern cattle supply chains.

Northern Australia Roads

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-		3.2	-	-	-	0.2	3.4
2024-25	-	-	3.7	22.4	-	-	-	42.8	68.9
2025-26	-	-	5.7	28.4	-	-	-	90.3	124.4
2026-27	-	-	9.5	24.0	-	-	-	66.3	99.8
2027-28	_	-	-	0.6	-	-	-	-	0.6
Total	-	-	18.9	78.5	-	-	-	199.6	296.9

The Australian Government is providing funding to Queensland, Western Australia and the Northern Territory for infrastructure projects that are essential to the movement of people and freight to support economic development in the region. Projects include links to roads connecting communities and regional towns to ports and airports.

Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	24.3	17.2	21.4	11.9	9.8	3.6	0.7	1.0	90.0
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	24.3	17.2	21.4	11.9	9.8	3.6	0.7	1.0	90.0

The Australian Government is providing funding for projects that contribute to the safety and productivity of heavy vehicles. These projects improve the safety of the road environment, enhance the capacity of existing roads and improve connections to freight networks.

From 2024–25 onwards, the existing Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program will be merged with the Bridges Renewal Program into the Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program.

Major Projects Business Case Fund

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	_	4.3	6.7	7.5	-	-	-	-	18.4
2024-25	13.4	5.3	40.8	5.2	6.0	-	5.0	7.5	83.2
2025-26	12.5	-	33.3	11.0	2.5	8.5	5.0	-	72.8
2026-27	10.0	-	6.3	10.0	2.5	-	7.5	-	36.3
2027-28		-	-	13.5	2.5	-	7.5	-	23.5
Total	35.9	9.6	87.0	47.2	13.5	8.5	25.0	7.5	234.2

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the development of business cases for road and rail infrastructure projects. Funding will support a range of scenarios relating to business case development, including supporting joint state, territory and Australian Government planning processes.

Rail investment component

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	1,079.2	721.0	293.5	766.5	5.2	18.0	5.0	-	2,888.5
2024-25	1,030.3	521.7	287.4	1,688.1	13.7	21.4	80.2	-	3,642.8
2025-26	859.4	623.6	793.9	752.2	21.0	46.6	70.3	-	3,166.9
2026-27	427.9	1,782.6	1,065.5	271.3	2.4	35.2	70.3	-	3,655.2
2027-28	276.3	1,578.7	717.6	84.8	-	33.6	44.2	-	2,735.2
Total	3,673.1	5,227.6	3,157.9	3,562.9	42.3	154.8	269.9	-	16,088.6

The rail investment component of the Infrastructure Investment Program delivers the Australian Government's rail investment. It targets nationally significant projects that will improve the efficiency and safety of Australia's rail network.

New measures associated with this item are listed in Table 1.4 and described in more detail in Budget Paper No. 2, *Budget Measures* 2024–25.

Road investment component

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	1,624.2	1,179.9	1,845.5	1,139.1	861.4	385.7	65.5	290.9	7,392.2
2024-25	2,552.9	1,104.2	1,883.4	1,074.0	922.9	361.4	115.5	244.7	8,259.1
2025-26	2,442.8	1,383.8	2,099.2	1,017.0	1,138.5	337.9	64.4	400.6	8,884.3
2026-27	2,105.7	1,254.5	1,984.9	922.5	1,265.7	294.7	48.4	408.5	8,284.9
2027-28	2,235.3	1,608.2	1,821.1	370.8	1,155.9	242.9	54.6	210.7	7,699.4
Total	10,960.8	6,530.6	9,634.1	4,523.4	5,344.4	1,622.6	348.4	1,555.4	40,519.8

The road investment component of the Infrastructure Investment Program delivers most of the Australian Government's investment in road infrastructure. It targets nationally significant projects that will improve the efficiency and safety of Australia's road network. Funding is provided for road construction projects and network maintenance, as well as transport development, innovation projects and grants to land transport research bodies.

A portion of Australian Government funding for road infrastructure is sourced from the additional net revenue received from the reintroduction of fuel excise indexation in 2014.

Roads to Recovery(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	187.0	124.6	109.5	94.5	55.1	21.5	7.1	17.6	616.9
2024-25	181.0	132.3	132.2	95.0	58.4	21.2	10.3	18.9	649.4
2025-26	222.8	162.8	162.7	117.0	71.9	26.1	12.7	23.2	799.2
2026-27	264.6	193.3	193.2	138.9	85.4	31.0	15.1	27.6	949.0
2027-28	278.5	203.5	203.4	146.2	89.9	32.6	15.9	29.0	999.0
Total	1,133.9	816.5	801.1	591.6	360.8	132.3	61.2	116.2	4,013.5

a) These figures include payments direct to local governments.

The Australian Government is providing funding for the Roads to Recovery program for road construction and maintenance projects at a local level. Funding recipients have a set program allocation for each 5-year program cycle and choose the projects on which they will spend their funding based on local priorities.

Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	64.4	34.5	43.3	24.8	19.0	9.3	3.0	1.6	200.0
2025-26	64.4	34.5	43.3	24.8	19.0	9.3	3.0	1.6	200.0
2026-27	64.4	34.5	43.3	24.8	19.0	9.3	3.0	1.6	200.0
2027-28	66.1	35.4	44.3	25.4	19.5	9.6	3.1	1.7	205.0
Total	259.4	138.8	174.1	99.9	76.6	37.5	12.0	6.5	805.0

The Australian Government is providing funding for the Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program (SLRIP) for projects to address current and emerging priorities in road infrastructure needs. The SLRIP will consolidate the existing Bridges Renewal Program and Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program into a single application-based ongoing funding stream.

New measures associated with this item are listed in Table 1.4 and described in more detail in Budget Paper No. 2, *Budget Measures* 2024–25.

Western Sydney Infrastructure Plan

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	454.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	454.0
2024-25	276.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	276.7
2025-26	140.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	140.8
2026-27	44.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44.7
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	916.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	916.2

The Australian Government is providing funding to enhance capacity and improve transport infrastructure in Sydney's western suburbs. This is in addition to the funding for the Western Sydney Airport at Badgerys Creek.

Other payments

Adelaide City Deal

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	14.1	-	-	-	14.1
2024-25	-	-	-	-	96.2	-	-	-	96.2
2025-26	-	-	-	-	13.0	-	-	-	13.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	-	-	-	-	123.3	-	-	-	123.3

The Australian Government is providing funding to support projects in Adelaide and the surrounding region, including the development of a new innovation and cultural precinct in the city centre.

Albury Wodonga Regional Projects

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	7.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.0
2024-25	32.5	14.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	46.5
2025-26	24.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	56.5	21.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	77.5

The Australian Government is providing funding to support projects in the Albury Wodonga region that deliver economic and education benefits and improve the liveability of the community.

Armstrong Creek Stadium

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	-	6.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	6.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.0

The Australian Government will provide funding towards the construction of a stadium to provide sporting facilities at Armstrong Creek, Victoria. The facility will provide for a range of community indoor sports to service local demand and allow for hosting of state and regional tournaments.

Australian Opal Centre - Lightning Ridge

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	7.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.5
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	7.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.5

The Australian Government will provide funding towards a new Australian Opal Centre as an international tourist attraction and world hub for opal-related knowledge, certification, education, training, research, heritage, arts and travel.

Barkly Regional Deal

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.3	0.3
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15.5	15.5
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.6	5.6
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21.4	21.4

The Australian Government is providing funding to deliver a range of economic, social and cultural initiatives in the Barkly region, including a purpose-built boarding facility in Tennant Creek.

Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	-	-	97.2	-	-	-	-	-	97.2
2025-26	-	-	340.1	-	-	-	-	-	340.1
2026-27	-	-	438.4	-	-	-	-	-	438.4
2027-28		-	768.0	-	-	-	-	-	768.0
Total	-	-	1,643.7	-	-	-	-	-	1,643.7

The Australian Government is providing up to \$3.4 billion for infrastructure investment to support the delivery of the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games. This includes up to \$2.5 billion for Brisbane Arena, and up to \$935.0 million for new and upgraded venue infrastructure across Queensland. The Australian Government's co-investment will support local jobs and create a lasting legacy by meeting local community needs for venue assets in the region.

Busselton Jetty Village and Marine Discovery Centre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	-	-	-	7.4	-	-	-	-	7.4
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	7.4	-	-	-	-	7.4

The Australian Government will provide funding towards the construction of a Marine Discovery Centre at Busselton, Western Australia.

Cairns Regional Development

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	9.0	-	-	-	-	-	9.0
2024-25	-	-	31.0	-	-	-	-	-	31.0
2025-26	-	-	73.3	-	-	-	-	-	73.3
2026-27	-	-	63.3	-	-	-	-	-	63.3
2027-28		-	53.4	-	-	-	-	-	53.4
Total	-	-	230.0	-	-	-	-	-	230.0

The Australian Government is providing \$230.0 million over five years from 2023–24 towards the delivery of two major construction projects in Cairns. This includes a major expansion to the Cairns Marine Precinct and a new Central Queensland University campus in the Cairns CBD.

Central Australia Plan - Community Infrastructure Package

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	2.7
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17.3	17.3
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15.0	15.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15.0	15.0
2027-28	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50.0	50.0

The Australian Government is providing \$50.0 million over four years from 2023–24 towards the delivery of community infrastructure projects that improve regional development, economic, social, and cultural outcomes across the Central Australia Region.

Darwin Cyclone Tracy Memorial

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.6	0.6
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	_
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.6	0.6

The Australian Government will provide funding to support construction of a memorial to honour those who died and those whose lives were irrevocably changed by Cyclone Tracy, which impacted the city of Darwin in December 1974.

New measures associated with this item are listed in Table 1.4 and described in more detail in Budget Paper No. 2, *Budget Measures* 2024–25.

Drought Communities Programme - Extension(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	2.1	0.3	0.3	2.2	8.0	-	-	-	5.7
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	2.1	0.3	0.3	2.2	0.8	-	-	-	5.7

a) These figures include payments direct to local governments.

The Australian Government is supporting local infrastructure projects and other drought relief activities with funding being provided to local government areas for projects that provide long lasting benefits to regional communities.

Geelong City Deal

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	31.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	31.6
2024-25	-	90.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	90.5
2025-26	-	16.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	16.6
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	138.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	138.6

The Australian Government is providing funding to support projects including the Shipwreck Coast Master Plan, Great Ocean Road projects and projects in the Geelong city centre.

Hinkler Regional Deal

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	3.7	-	-	-	-	-	3.7
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	-	-	3.7	-	-	-	-	-	3.7

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the construction of a multi-use conveyor at the Port of Bundaberg.

Port of Bundaberg – multi-use conveyor

NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
-	-	7.7	-	-	-	-	-	7.7
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
-	-	7.7	-	-	-	-	-	7.7
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The Australian Government is providing additional funding for a multi-use conveyor at the Port of Bundaberg. This funding is in addition to the Hinkler Regional Deal funding for this project.

Hobart and Launceston – urban renewal co-investments

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	5.0
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	8.0	-	-	8.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	95.6	-	-	95.6
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	136.4	-	-	136.4
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	60.0	-	-	60.0
Total	-	-	-	-	-	305.0	-	-	305.0

The Australian Government is providing \$305.0 million from 2023–24 to 2027–28 to deliver urban renewal projects in Hobart and Launceston, with \$240.0 million to help unlock the potential of the Macquarie Point precinct in Hobart and \$65.0 million for a stadium redevelopment in Launceston.

Hunter region - supporting clean energy

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	11.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11.9
2024-25	63.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	63.1
2025-26	25.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the Hunter region and the Port of Newcastle to become hydrogen ready.

Launceston City Deal

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	20.5	-	-	20.5
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	4.6	-	-	4.6
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-	25.1	-	-	25.1

The Australian Government is providing funding to support projects in Launceston to improve liveability and innovation, increasing incomes and reducing levels of disadvantage. This includes funding to reduce pollution and improve the health of the Tamar River.

Local Roads and Community Infrastructure(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	228.7	175.4	148.5	106.2	62.2	26.0	8.8	24.8	780.5
2024-25	88.7	67.5	48.7	41.5	22.2	11.9	3.1	8.3	291.9
2025-26	68.8	51.0	50.5	37.1	21.4	9.5	3.9	7.5	249.7
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	386.2	293.9	247.7	184.8	105.8	47.3	15.8	40.6	1,322.1

a) These figures include payments direct to local governments.

The Australian Government is providing funding to support local councils to deliver priority local road and community infrastructure projects across Australia, supporting jobs and the resilience of local economies.

National Water Grid Fund(a)

2023-24 60.1 39.8 66.9 8.7 2.8 58.2 ~ 80 2024-25 67.9 63.4 61.7 22.3 10.1 109.6 ~ 165 2025-26 19.2 28.9 72.1 19.7 2.1 44.6 ~ 115	6 1,550.8	361.6	~	229.0	15.8	77.8	262.9	162.2	151.0	Total
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2023-24 60.1 39.8 66.9 8.7 2.8 58.2 ~ 80 2024-25 67.9 63.4 61.7 22.3 10.1 109.6 ~ 165	.6 169.1	0.6	~	12.7	0.7	18.5	62.3	22.0	3.7	2026-27
2023-24 60.1 39.8 66.9 8.7 2.8 58.2 ~ 80	.6 446.3	115.6	~	44.6	2.1	19.7	72.1	28.9	19.2	2025-26
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a) State allocations are indicative estimates only to be determined on the signing of agreements. State allocations may not sum to total due to unallocated funds.

The Australian Government is providing \$2.7 billion over 12 years from 2023–24 to expand investment in nationally significant, transformational water infrastructure projects to assist in developing regional communities.

New measures associated with this item are listed in Table 1.4 and described in more detail in Budget Paper No. 2, *Budget Measures* 2024–25.

Perth Aboriginal Cultural Centre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	-	-	-	50.0	-	-	-	-	50.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	50.0	-	-	-	-	50.0

The Australian Government will provide funding towards the construction of an Aboriginal Cultural Centre in Perth, Western Australia. The centre will be a place of cultural celebration and significance that will provide spaces for art, performance, education, research and community.

Perth City Deal

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	6.6	-	-	-	-	6.6
2024-25	-	-	-	82.2	-	-	-	-	82.2
2025-26	-	-	-	76.4	-	-	-	-	76.4
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	165.2	-	-	-	-	165.2

The Australian Government is providing funding to support a range of projects in Perth, including the Edith Cowan University Cultural and Creative Industries Education CBD Campus.

Pilbara Ports Common User Upgrades

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	69.3	-	-	-	-	69.3
2024-25	-	-	-	202.8	-	-	-	-	202.8
2025-26	-	-	-	167.9	-	-	-	_	167.9
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	-
2027-28	-	-	-	105.0	-	-	-	_	105.0
Total	-	-	-	545.0	-	-	-	-	545.0

The Australian Government is providing \$565.0 million from 2023–24 to 2028–29 to support common-user upgrades of Pilbara-based ports, Dampier and Lumsden Point, to expand export and import capacity.

The Dampier Port upgrades will build capacity for critical mineral and renewables export. The Lumsden Point Port upgrades will support increased demand for minerals key to battery and electric vehicle markets and the import of equipment required to grow the hydrogen and renewable industry.

Regional Roads Australia Mobile Program - Pilot Program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	30.0
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	20.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	50.0

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide funding for a pilot program to help mobile coverage on regional highways and major roads.

South East Queensland City Deal

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	62.6	-	-	-	-	-	62.6
2024-25	-	-	151.2	-	-	-	-	-	151.2
2025-26	-	-	73.2	-	-	-	-	-	73.2
2026-27	-	-	103.8	-	-	-	-	-	103.8
2027-28		-	1.0	-	-		-	-	1.0
Total	-	-	391.7	-	-	-	-	-	391.7

The Australian Government is providing funding to support projects in the South East Queensland (SEQ) region that deliver jobs, greater digital and transport connectivity and more liveable communities, including the construction of the Kangaroo Point Green Bridge and infrastructure provided through the SEQ Innovation Economy Fund.

Townsville City Deal

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	20.0	-	-	-	-	-	20.0
2024-25	-	-	69.0	-	-	-	-	-	69.0
2025-26	-	-	43.5	-	-	-	-	-	43.5
2026-27	-	-	40.0	-	-	-	-	-	40.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	172.5	-	-	-	-	-	172.5

The Australian Government is providing funding to support projects in Townsville, including the Port of Townsville channel upgrade.

Upgrades to the Qtopia Sydney Museum

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	1.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.5
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	1.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.5

The Australian Government will provide funding towards further upgrades to Sydney's Qtopia museum, a dedicated space at the site of the former Darlinghurst Police Station, created as a centre for celebrating and educating on LGBTQIA+ history and culture.

New measures associated with this item are listed in Table 1.4 and described in more detail in Budget Paper No. 2, *Budget Measures* 2024–25.

Warburton Mountain Bike Destination Project

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	-	3.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	3.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0

The Australian Government will contribute funding to develop over 100 kilometres of mountain bike trails on the hills surrounding the town of Warburton.

Western Sydney City Deal

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	6.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.2
2024-25	4.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.9
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	11.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11.0

The Australian Government is providing funding in Western Sydney to deliver improved community facilities and urban amenities, and to cut development costs and boost housing supply.

WiFi and mobile coverage on trains

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	2.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0

The Australian Government is providing funding for mobile and internet connectivity along the train route between Hornsby and Wyong.

Environment, energy and water

In 2024-25, the Australian Government will provide funding of \$1.8 billion in National Partnership payments to support state environment, energy and water projects. In addition, \$3.0 billion in Energy Bill Relief will be provided through the states. This is detailed in Table 2.9.

Table 2.9: Payments to support state environment, energy and water services(a)

\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
Energy Bill Relief(b)	1,109.8	2,999.7	871.6	_	
National Partnership payments					
ACT Sustainable Household Scheme	7.5	-	-	-	-
Bolstering Australia's Biosecurity System —					
Protecting Australia from escalating exotic					
animal disease risks	2.5	2.2	-	-	-
Borumba Pumped Hydro Project	nfp	-	-	-	-
Building resilience to manage fruit fly	19.0	11.0	-	-	-
Capacity Investment Scheme	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
CarbonNet	5.0	5.0	-	-	-
Community Solar Banks Program	19.2	81.8	-	-	-
Construction Softwood Transport					
Assistance	14.4	-	-	-	-
Critical Minerals National Productivity Initiative	-	7.9	-	-	-
Disaster Ready Fund – Round 1	200.0	-	-	-	-
Disaster risk reduction	21.9	-	-	-	-
Ehrlichia canis pilot program	0.6	-	-	-	-
Environment Restoration Fund	1.2	0.3	-	-	-
Environmental assessment systems					
upgrade	0.5	-	-	-	-
Environmental management of the former					
Rum Jungle Mine site	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
Fishing and Camping Facilities Program	0.1	-	-	-	-
Food Waste for Healthy Soils Fund	8.6	17.7	9.3	-	-
Future Drought Fund					
Farm business resilience	39.5	-	20.0	20.0	20.0
Regional drought resilience planning	14.5	-	16.6	17.4	15.2
Great Artesian Basin Water Security Program	6.2	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0
Horse traceability	0.6	_	-	_	-
Household Energy Upgrades Fund (Social					
Housing)	7.3	69.9	102.5	111.0	-
Hydro Tasmania's Tarraleah Hydro Power					
Station Redevelopment	19.2	23.0	-	_	-
Hydrogen energy supply chain project	3.8	3.8	-	_	-
Hydrogen Highways	_	18.0	17.0	20.0	20.0
Implementation of the live sheep exports					
by sea phase out	_	4.0	3.0	-	_

Table 2.9: Payments to support state environment, energy and water services^(a) (continued)

(continued)					
\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
National Partnership payments					
Implementing water reform in the					
Murray-Darling Basin	23.3	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
Improving Compliance in the					
Murray-Darling Basin	1.4	8.0	9.0	4.3	-
Investing in Australia's First Nations					
Culture and World Heritage	1.1	0.8	0.6	-	-
Management of established pests and weeds	5.4	5.0	-	_	_
Marine Parks Management – Northern					
Territory Marine Parks	0.4	0.9	0.9	_	_
Marinus Link	25.0	15.0	-	_	_
National Plant Health Surveillance Program	1.0	1.0	-	_	_
North Queensland Strata Title Resilience					
Pilot Program	1.4	38.6	_	_	_
On-farm emergency water infrastructure					
rebate scheme	30.5	_	_	_	_
Partnering to implement the National Soil					
Action Plan	_	9.0	6.0	2.6	2.4
Pest and disease preparedness and					
response programs	108.6	123.5	98.8	90.7	49.6
Protecting Our Communities					
(Disaster Resilience) Program	12.5	16.9	_	_	_
Raine Island Recovery Project	0.7	_	_	_	_
Recycling Modernisation Fund					
Plastics technology stream	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	_
Recycling Infrastructure	111.1	16.4	6.4	-	_
Reef 2050 Plan					
Paddock to Reef Monitoring, Modelling					
and Reporting Program	4.3	4.1	4.6	_	_
Sustainable Fisheries	_	18.0	18.0	_	_
Restoring the upper Murrumbidgee River					
program	_	5.0	7.3	6.0	1.0
Saving Native Species	1.6	1.6	0.6	_	_
Strengthen Australia's frontline biosecurity					
capability and domestic preparedness	11.8	6.0	-	_	_
Support Forestry Strategy Development	_	1.2	0.6	_	_
Sustainable rural water use and					
infrastructure program	327.4	345.3	351.7	330.8	_
Temporary cap on the price of coal	nfp	nfp	_	-	_
Transforming Digital Environmental					
Assessments	5.1	4.2	_	_	_
Urban Rivers and Catchments Program	13.3	24.3	24.7	15.4	13.7

Table 2.9: Payments to support state environment, energy and water services^(a) (continued)

(continued)					
\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
National Partnership payments					
Water for the Environment Special Account					
Implementation of Constraints Measures	26.4	-	-	100.0	-
Off-Farm Efficiency Program	53.2	-	-	-	-
Resilient Rivers Water Infrastructure Program	29.5	199.0	179.8	85.7	-
Sustainable Communities Program	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
World Heritage Sites	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6
Yellow crazy ant control	6.2	6.4	6.3	2.9	-
Total National Partnership payments(c)	1,494.9	1,811.8	1,128.3	1,137.2	453.4
Total	2,604.7	4,811.5	1,999.9	1,137.2	453.4

- a) Total figures include items not for publication.
- b) From 2024–25 onwards, Energy Bill Relief will be partially funded through National Partnership payments.
- c) Excludes Energy Bill Relief payments which are shown separately.

Energy Bill Relief(a)

Total	1.598.1	1.253.3	1.026.6	458.2	393.9	131.3	78.6	41.1	4.981.1
2027-28									
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	279.3	219.3	174.5	86.9	66.7	21.6	15.9	7.4	871.6
2024-25	958.1	751.9	605.7	288.4	231.8	87.3	51.5	25.1	2,999.7
2023-24	360.8	282.1	246.4	82.9	95.4	22.4	11.2	8.6	1,109.8
\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total

a) From 2024–25 onwards, Energy Bill Relief payments will be partially funded through National Partnership payments.

The Australian Government provided \$1.5 billion to establish the Energy Bill Relief Fund and partner with the states to deliver targeted energy bill relief to eligible Australian households and small businesses in the 2023–24 Budget.

In the 2024–25 Budget, the Australian Government is providing \$3.5 billion to expand the Energy Bill Relief Fund and provide cost of living relief to all Australian households (more than ten million) and around one million small businesses.

National Partnership payments for environment, energy and water

ACT Sustainable Household Scheme

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.5	-	7.5
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.5	-	7.5

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the Australian Capital Territory's Sustainable Household Scheme.

Bolstering Australia's Biosecurity System – Protecting Australia from escalating exotic animal disease risks^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	0.6	0.6	-	-	-	0.8	2.5
2024-25	-	-	~	~	-	-	-	~	2.2
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	0.6	0.6	-	-	-	0.8	4.7

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding to build regional resilience through bolstering response and preparedness capability to manage biosecurity risks across the animal, plant and aquatic sectors in northern Australia. The funding supports targeted actions by developing an inter-jurisdictional plant biosecurity network that will enhance detection and response capacity within northern Australia to combat new detections of pest and diseases. The network will proactively enhance Australian Government partnerships with industry and First Nations people and strengthen links between partners as part of our strategy for defending northern Australia from biosecurity risks.

Borumba Pumped Hydro Project

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	nfp
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	nfp

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the Borumba Pumped Hydro Project in Queensland.

Building resilience to manage fruit fly

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	4.0	3.5	-	11.5	-	-	-	19.0
2024-25	-	1.3	1.2	-	8.5	-	-	-	11.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	5.3	4.7	-	20.0	-	-	-	30.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to build resilience of Australia's fruit fly management system. This investment will reduce the significant impact of fruit flies by helping to stop their spread, driving down pest pressure in vulnerable areas and growing horticulture exports by providing critical post-harvest treatment and market access research infrastructure.

Capacity Investment Scheme

Total	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp
2027-28	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp
2026-27	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp
2025-26	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp
2024-25	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp
2023-24	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp
\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total

The Australian Government is providing support for additional clean dispatchable energy capacity projects, such as battery storage projects, through an expansion of the NSW Electricity Infrastructure Roadmap 2023 Round 2 – Firming Infrastructure Tender. The partnership with NSW is designed to improve reliability outcomes of the energy system in NSW by bringing on additional clean dispatchable capacity sooner whilst ensuring that support is consistent with the objectives and scope of the national Capacity Investment Scheme.

CarbonNet

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0
2024-25	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	10.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to support CarbonNet's Stage 3 activities, focused on establishing a commercial carbon capture and storage network in Victoria's Gippsland Basin. The funding will enable CarbonNet to undertake key regulatory works and complete the Front End Engineering Design for onshore and offshore infrastructure.

Community Solar Banks Program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	~	8.1	~	3.7	~	~	0.9	~	19.2
2024-25	~	14.2	~	3.7	~	~	0.9	~	81.8
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	22.2	~	7.3	~	~	1.8	~	101.0

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding to support community-scale solar and clean energy technologies for 25,000 households unable to access the benefits of these technologies. The Community Solar Banks Program will have a particular focus on those who live in low-income households and people in apartments and rental accommodation.

Construction Softwood Transport Assistance

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	14.1	-	-	-	0.3	-	-	-	14.4
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	14.1	-	-	-	0.3	-	-	-	14.4

The Australian Government has provided funding to the states to support forestry entities to transport bushfire-salvaged softwood to timber mills. Funding was available to reduce transport costs associated with moving bushfire-affected softwood to mills that have capacity to manufacture structural timbers for the domestic building industry, which has experienced timber shortages.

Critical Minerals National Productivity Initiative^(a)

Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	7.9
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	7.9
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is helping the critical minerals sector, by collaborating with states to identify potential common user facilities for critical minerals processing.

Disaster Ready Fund - Round 1

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	31.8	26.4	84.2	8.9	22.7	14.4	6.9	4.9	200.0
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	31.8	26.4	84.2	8.9	22.7	14.4	6.9	4.9	200.0

The Australian Government is helping communities to prepare for natural disasters through the Disaster Ready Fund. The Disaster Ready Fund provides a dedicated ongoing source of funding for natural disaster resilience and risk reduction initiatives. The Australian Government is providing \$200.0 million in 2023–24 under Round 1 of the Disaster Ready Fund to support disaster mitigation priorities. This will fund projects that build resilience to, prepare for, or reduce the risk of, future natural hazard impacts.

Disaster risk reduction

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	5.4	3.3	4.8	2.5	1.7	1.0	1.0	2.1	21.9
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	5.4	3.3	4.8	2.5	1.7	1.0	1.0	2.1	21.9

The Australian Government is providing funding to the states to reduce the risk and impact of disasters on Australians in line with the priorities of the National Disaster Risk Reduction Framework. The funding forms part of a broader \$130.5 million package over five years which commenced in 2019–20 to support resilience to disasters triggered by natural hazards.

Ehrlichia canis pilot program(a)

Total	0.2	-	0.2	-	0.2	-	-	-	0.6
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2023-24	0.2	-	0.2	-	0.2	-	-	-	0.6
\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total

a) Totals include unallocated funding.

The Australian Government is providing funding to support states in their efforts to raise awareness about *Ehrlichia canis* in several remote First Nations communities and provide targeted information on how to control the disease.

Environment Restoration Fund

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	1.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.2
2024-25	-	0.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.3
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	1.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.5

The Australian Government is providing funding to improve water quality and manage erosion in coasts and waterways, support the recovery and recycling of waste, and protect threatened species and their habitats.

Environmental assessment systems upgrade

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5	0.5
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5	0.5

The Australian Government is providing funding to support activities to establish new and interoperable environmental assessment systems. The activities include developing an online environmental assessment portal, an environmental assessment system and a biodiversity data repository.

Environmental management of the former Rum Jungle Mine site

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp	nfp
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp	nfp
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp	nfp
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp	nfp
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp	nfp
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp	nfp

The Australian Government is continuing to fund the program of work established to improve the management of the Rum Jungle Mine site. This funding supports the site's full rehabilitation, the participation of traditional owners in delivering work and ongoing engagement activities.

Fishing and Camping Facilities Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	0.1	-	-	-	0.1
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	0.1	-	-	-	0.1

The Australian Government is providing funding for local councils to improve, maintain or build new boating, marine rescue, fishing and camping facilities.

Food Waste for Healthy Soils Fund

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	0.9	4.7	0.7	1.1	0.2	1.0	-	-	8.6
2024-25	2.2	2.4	1.7	2.9	-	0.5	8.0	-	17.7
2025-26	1.0	0.3	2.6	0.5	-	-	5.0	-	9.3
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	4.1	7.4	4.9	4.5	0.2	1.5	13.0	-	35.6

The Australian Government is investing funding through the Food Waste for Healthy Soils Fund to support infrastructure that will increase Australia's processing capacity and diversion of organic waste from landfill for productive use on Australia's soils.

Future Drought Fund

The Future Drought Fund provides secure, continuous funding for resilience initiatives to help Australian farms and communities prepare for impacts of drought, along with other climate risks.

Farm business resilience(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	14.7	5.0	3.2	6.6	~	2.0	0.5	~	39.5
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	20.0
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	20.0
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	20.0
Total	14.7	5.0	3.2	6.6	~	2.0	0.5	~	99.5

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is working with state governments to provide farm businesses with learning opportunities to develop strategic management skills and support the development of Farm Business Plans. Participants are supported to develop a plan, tailored to their business and situation, and have the opportunity for professional feedback on the plan. Funding is provided from the Future Drought Fund.

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* 2024–25.

Regional drought resilience planning(a)

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	4.2	1.4	1.2	3.5	~	0.2	0.2	~	14.5
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	16.6
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	17.4
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	15.2
Total	4.2	1.4	1.2	3.5	~	0.2	0.2	~	63.8

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is working with state governments to support group partnerships of regional organisations, local government, communities and industry to develop regional drought resilience plans. Plans include actions identified by the region to prepare for and manage future drought risks. Grants will be available for regions to take forward priority actions identified in their plans. Funding is provided from the Future Drought Fund.

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* 2024–25.

Great Artesian Basin Water Security Program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	1.3	-	1.6	-	3.2	-	-	0.2	6.2
2024-25	~	-	~	-	~	-	-	-	8.0
2025-26	~	-	~	-	~	-	-	-	8.0
2026-27	~	-	~	-	~	-	-	-	8.0
2027-28	~	-	~	-	~	-	-	-	8.0
Total	1.3	-	1.6	-	3.2	-	-	0.2	38.2

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is providing funding under the Great Artesian Basin Water Security Program (extension to the Great Artesian Basin Sustainability Initiative) to continue the capping of uncontrolled bores and piping open bore drains to reduce water loss and recover groundwater pressure. In addition to infrastructure works, this program also funds education and communication programs and studies to assist with new water management arrangements.

Horse traceability

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.6
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.6

The Australian Government is providing funding to assist states in efforts to bring forward national traceability arrangements for all horses.

Household Energy Upgrades Fund (Social Housing)(a)

2026-27 2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	111.0
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	102.5
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	69.9
2023-24	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	7.3
\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide funding to support energy performance upgrades to social housing, co-funded and delivered in partnership with states. Co-funding will target a range of high value energy upgrades to deliver energy and cost saving benefits to households in both public and community social housing.

Hydro Tasmania's Tarraleah Hydro Power Station Redevelopment

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	19.2	-	-	19.2
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	23.0	-	-	23.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	42.2	-	-	42.2

The Australian Government is providing funding to support upgrade works on the Tarraleah hydro power scheme redevelopment in Tasmania's Central Highlands – a cornerstone project of the Battery of the Nation initiative.

Hydrogen energy supply chain proje	Hydrogen	energy	supply	chain	projec
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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	3.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8
2024-25	-	3.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	7.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.5

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the pre-commercialisation phase of the Hydrogen Energy Supply Chain (HESC) project. The project aims to transport liquid hydrogen produced through the gasification of brown coal in Victoria's Latrobe Valley to Japan. The outcomes of the project's pre-commercialisation phase will inform further decisions for the HESC consortium and partners.

Hydrogen Highways^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	18.0
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	17.0
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	20.0
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	20.0
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	75.0

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide funding to roll out hydrogen refuelling infrastructure on key freight routes to help decarbonise heavy transport. This program forms part of the Driving the Nation Fund.

Implementation of the live sheep exports by sea phase out^(a)

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	4.0
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	3.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	7.0

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide \$7.0 million to deliver targeted business planning and mental wellbeing support as part of the transition support package for the phase out of live sheep exports by sea.

Implementing water reform in the Murray-Darling Basin^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	10.2	7.3	2.6	-	2.2	-	1.0	-	23.3
2024-25	nfp	nfp	nfp	-	nfp	-	nfp	-	nfp
2025-26	nfp	nfp	nfp	-	nfp	-	nfp	-	nfp
2026-27	nfp	nfp	nfp	-	nfp	-	nfp	-	nfp
2027-28	nfp	nfp	nfp	-	nfp	-	nfp	-	nfp
Total	10.2	7.3	2.6	-	2.2	-	1.0	-	23.3

a) State allocations from 2024-25 are not for publication due to ongoing Basin Plan negotiations.

The Australian Government is providing funding to Murray–Darling Basin jurisdictions (New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, and the Australian Capital Territory) for new and ongoing activities required to implement water reform associated with the Basin Plan.

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* 2024–25.

Improving Compliance in the Murray-Darling Basin^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	~	~	~	-	~	-	~	-	1.4
2024-25	~	~	~	-	~	-	~	-	8.0
2025-26	~	~	~	-	~	-	~	-	9.0
2026-27	~	~	~	-	~	-	~	-	4.3
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	~	~	-	~	-	~	-	22.6

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide funding to improve the automated measurement of water use and the subsequent transmission of the data to regulators. This will provide more timely and accurate data on water use, and increase public confidence in the use of water across the Murray–Darling Basin and compliance with sustainable limits.

Investing in Australia's First Nations Culture and World Heritage

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	0.9	0.2	-	-	-	1.1
2024-25	-	-	-	0.7	0.1	-	-	-	0.8
2025-26	-	-	-	0.5	0.1	-	-	-	0.6
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	2.0	0.4	-	-	-	2.4

The Australian Government is providing funding to protect First Nations heritage and improve engagement with First Nations people to support their heritage. This funding aims to support the addition of First Nations heritage values to World Heritage and National Heritage listed areas, and progression of the World Heritage listing of Murujuga Cultural Landscape, the Flinders Ranges, Cape York Peninsula, the West Kimberley, Parramatta Female Factory and the Trades Halls transnational listing.

Management of established pests and weeds

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	1.1	1.3	0.7		1.0	0.5	0.2	0.5	5.4
2024-25	0.9	1.3	0.5	0.4	0.9	0.5	0.2	0.3	5.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1.9	2.6	1.2	0.5	1.9	1.0	0.5	0.8	10.4

This program supports states to build the skills and capacity of land managers, communities and industry to better manage established pest animals and weeds, and undertake on-ground reduction and prevention activities for established pests and weeds.

Marine Parks Management – Northern Territory Marine Parks

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	0.4
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.9	0.9
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.9	0.9
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.1	2.1

The Australian Government is funding a partnership between the Director of National Parks and the Northern Territory Government to support integrated management across contiguous Commonwealth and Northern Territory marine parks.

Marinus Link

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	25.0	-	-	25.0
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	15.0	-	-	15.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	40.0	-	-	40.0

The Australian Government committed \$75.0 million over three years from 2022–23 to progress the design and approvals phase of the Marinus Link project (including associated on-island transmission augmentation known as the North West Transmission Developments) to a final investment decision in 2024.

National Plant Health Surveillance Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1		0.1	1.0
2024-25	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	••	0.1	1.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	2.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to support Australia's plant biosecurity system through the National Plant Health Surveillance Program. The program focuses on early detection of national priority plant pests that can enter and establish in Australia. The program is implemented through effective collaboration with all Australian jurisdictions and aims to minimise the impact of pest incursions on agricultural industries, environmental assets and communities through timely pest detection, and provide surveillance data that supports trade and market access.

North Queensland Strata Title Resilience Pilot Program

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	1.4	-	-	-	-	-	1.4
2024-25	-	-	38.6	-	-	-	-	-	38.6
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	40.0	-	-	-	-	-	40.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to support strata title properties in North Queensland to undertake disaster mitigation works to improve resilience. The Queensland Government will implement and administer the initiative.

On-farm emergency water infrastructure rebate scheme^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	~	~	~	~	4.3	0.6	0.1	~	30.5
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	~	~	~	4.3	0.6	0.1	~	30.5

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government has made available funding for rebates to eligible primary producers and horticulture farmers impacted by drought or natural disasters. The rebates provide support to farmers to replace damaged water infrastructure or build new infrastructure to improve water use efficiency and flexibility.

Partnering to implement the National Soil Action Plan^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	9.0
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	6.0
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	2.6
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	2.4
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	20.0

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide \$20.0 million to support state initiatives that make progress against the Four Priority Actions of the first National Soil Action Plan (2023–28). The Australian Government will provide national coordination and leadership to drive progress against the nationally agreed Priority Actions, while working in partnership with the states to deliver programs and initiatives that are tailored to regional soil needs and conditions.

Pest and disease preparedness and response programs(a)

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	53.4	2.8	34.8	11.4	1.0	-	-	5.2	108.6
2024-25	26.6	-	87.1	7.6	-	-	-	2.2	123.5
2025-26	5.3	-	89.3	3.6	-	-	-	0.6	98.8
2026-27	-	-	90.6	-	-	-	-	0.1	90.7
2027-28	-	-	49.6	-	-	-	-	-	49.6
Total	85.3	2.8	351.4	22.5	1.0	-	-	8.2	471.1

a) State allocations are indicative estimates only. Funding is conditional on agreed national responses to pest or disease incursions.

The Australian Government is supporting agricultural producers and protecting Australia's unique environment by contributing to the eradication of exotic animal, plant and environmental pests and diseases.

This program protects Australia's enviable animal and plant pest and disease status, enabling continued access to export markets. It also protects Australia's unique environment and the tourism industries it supports, with direct positive effects on rural communities, businesses and employees.

Protecting Our Communities (Disaster Resilience) Program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	3.9	••	2.5	1.8	0.1	0.4	~	2.4	12.5
2024-25	4.3		2.8	2.0	0.1	0.1	~	2.6	16.9
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	8.2	0.1	5.3	3.8	0.2	0.5	~	5.0	29.4

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is delivering important disaster resilience projects across Australia that have been identified by communities to improve their disaster resilience and announced ahead of the 2022 Federal Election. The program is being delivered in two tranches. Tranche 2, commencing in 2023–24, provides \$29.4 million for 15 projects nationally, administered through the states.

Raine Island Recovery Project

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	0.7	-	-	-	-	-	0.7
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	_	-	0.7	-	-	-	-	-	0.7

The Australian Government is providing funding to re-establish and maintain Raine Island as a viable island ecosystem that supports sustainable populations of green turtles and seabirds through collaboration with Wuthathi and Meriam Nation (Ugar, Mer, Erub) Traditional Owners.

Recycling Modernisation Fund

The Australian Government is providing funding for improved recycling outcomes by addressing critical infrastructure and technology gaps in Australia's waste management and resource recovery system.

Funding is being provided via a number of streams including a main Recycling Modernisation Fund stream, a Regional and Remote stream, a National Paper Solutions stream and a Plastics Technology stream.

Plastics technology stream(a)

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	15.0
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	15.0
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	15.0
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	15.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	60.0

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is investing in advanced recycling technologies to build Australia's recycling capability for hard-to-recycle plastics and address low plastics recycling rates. This will drive progress on the National Packaging Targets and deliver food grade recycled plastic for packaging.

Recycling Infrastructure(a)

Total	8.9	15.1	26.6	11.9	2.3	1.3	2.0	2.0	133.9
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	6.4
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.5	16.4
2023-24	8.9	15.1	26.6	11.9	2.3	1.3	2.0	1.5	111.1
\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is investing in waste recovery, processing and recycling infrastructure to respond to the ban on the export of waste paper, plastic, glass and tyres, agreed by all Australian governments in March 2020. Funding has been provided towards a national solution for paper recycling, projects that address regional and remote recycling challenges and to help overcome the urban–regional divide, and projects that increase Australia's waste processing and recycling capacity and support Australia's circular economy.

Reef 2050 Plan

The Australian Government is investing in implementation of the Reef 2050 Long-Term Sustainability Plan (Reef 2050 Plan) as part of its broader commitment to protect the Great Barrier Reef and secure reef jobs.

Paddock to Reef Monitoring, Modelling and Reporting Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	4.3	-	-	-	-	-	4.3
2024-25	-	-	4.1	-	-	-	-	-	4.1
2025-26	-	-	4.6	-	-	-	-	-	4.6
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	13.0	-	-	-	-	-	13.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to the Queensland Government to support stronger paddock to reef monitoring, modelling and reporting. This will enhance Australia's understanding of the impacts of investments in land and sea country restoration and measures to further prevent degradation. It will also better enable governments to track progress towards all water quality targets, produce report cards and provide information and tools for efficient targeting of investments to the highest priority areas and actions.

Sustainable Fisheries

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	-	-	18.0	-	-	-	-	-	18.0
2025-26	-	-	18.0	-	-	-	-	-	18.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	36.0	-	-	-	-	-	36.0

The Australian Government will provide funding to decrease risks to threatened and protected species listed under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* and position reef fisheries at the forefront of best practice and sustainability.

Restoring the upper Murrumbidgee River program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	~	-	-	-	-	-	~	-	5.0
2025-26	~	-	-	-	-	-	~	-	7.3
2026-27	~	-	-	-	-	-	~	-	6.0
2027-28	~	-	-	-	-	-	~	-	1.0
Total	~	-	-	-	-	-	~	-	19.3

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide funding to New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory for activities that will improve the health of the upper Murrumbidgee River. This includes projects that will address the decline in river health, and science and monitoring activities.

Saving Native Species

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	1.6	-	-	-	1.6
2024-25	-	-	-	-	1.6	-	-	-	1.6
2025-26	-	-	-	-	0.6	-	-	-	0.6
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	-	-	-	-	3.8	-	-	-	3.8

The Australian Government is supporting South Australia to create a new safe haven on Flinders Island for nationally threatened bird and mammal species, to protect and enhance the island's unique ecosystems.

Strengthen Australia's frontline biosecurity capability and domestic preparedness

2023-24 2.8 1.0 0.8 2024-25 2.9 1.0 0.2 2025-26 2026-27 2027-28					0.2	17.8
2023-24 2.8 1.0 0.8 2024-25 2.9 1.0 0.2 2025-26 - - -	-	-	-	-	-	
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2023-24 2.8 1.0 0.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
·	0.8	8.0	0.2		0.1	6.0
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\$million NSW VIC QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the delivery of on-farm and off-farm traceability improvements, including to support states transition to a national system for the individual electronic identification (eID) of sheep and goats, to be delivered and co-funded by state governments and industry.

Support Forestry Strategy Development(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	1.2
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.6
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	1.8

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide \$1.8 million to assist states to participate in a review of the 1992 National Forest Policy Statement to ensure it meets Australia's contemporary forest management objectives.

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* 2024–25.

Sustainable rural water use and infrastructure program(a)

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	208.8	17.9	4.4	-	36.4	-	59.9	-	327.4
2024-25	244.0	50.1	15.1	-	36.1	-	-	-	345.3
2025-26	238.9	84.6	7.5	-	20.7	-	-	-	351.7
2026-27	215.3	114.0	-	-	1.6	-	-	-	330.8
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	907.0	266.6	27.0	-	94.8	-	59.9	-	1,355.2

a) State allocations are indicative estimates only and to be determined on the signing of agreements.

The Australian Government funds several measures under this program to support delivery of the Murray–Darling Basin Plan, including water recovery investment for 'bridging the gap' to Sustainable Diversion Limits. The program also funds implementation of supply measures, support for communities throughout the Murray–Darling Basin and efforts to improve the health of wetlands and freshwater ecosystems.

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* 2024–25.

Temporary cap on the price of coal

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total		
2023-24	nfp	-	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	nfp		
2024-25	nfp	-	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	nfp		
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Total	nfp	-	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	nfp		

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the New South Wales and Queensland governments to implement a temporary cap of \$125 per tonne on the price of coal used for electricity generation.

Transforming	Digital	Environmental	Assessments
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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	0.6	0.9	0.9	-	0.6	0.9	0.6	0.6	5.1
2024-25	0.6	0.6	0.6	-	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	4.2
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1.2	1.5	1.5	-	1.2	1.5	1.2	1.2	9.3

The Australian Government is building on previous work to implement programs, tools and mechanisms to harmonise and share biodiversity data among Commonwealth and state governments. Under this program, states will transform and share biodiversity data with the new National Biodiversity Data Repository that, among other activities, will support states to share environmental assessment processes and co-design environmental assessment portals.

Urban Rivers and Catchments Program(a)

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	0.7	2.2	1.6	1.2	2.0	0.6	0.5	0.2	13.3
2024-25	3.8	5.8	2.7	3.9	4.6	1.2	0.9	8.0	24.3
2025-26	4.6	5.7	1.9	3.7	4.2	2.3	0.9	1.1	24.7
2026-27	3.3	1.5	0.9	3.5	1.3	2.2	0.9	1.1	15.4
2027-28	4.3	0.7	0.4	2.6	1.0	2.3		0.6	13.7
Total	16.8	15.9	7.6	14.9	13.2	8.5	3.2	3.8	91.2

a) Totals include unallocated funding.

The Australian Government is providing funding to improve local waterways through an Urban Rivers and Catchments Program. Funding over six years from 2022–23 will restore natural habitats for aquatic species, improve water quality and improve community access to nature, open green space and biodiversity. Projects will be delivered by local government, water utilities and non-government organisations, with funding to be provided via the states.

Water for the Environment Special Account

The Water for the Environment Special Account (WESA) sets aside Commonwealth funding to pay for projects that contribute to enhancing the environmental outcomes that can be achieved by the Basin Plan. This may include improving the water efficiency of irrigation infrastructure, purchasing water for the environment, or addressing any detrimental social or economic impact associated with a project or water purchase.

Implementation of Constraints Measures(a)

Total	20.0	6.4	-	-	~	-	-	-	126.4
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2026-27	~	~	-	-	~	-	-	-	100.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2023-24	20.0	6.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	26.4
\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total

a) Totals include unallocated funding.

The Australian Government is providing funding to New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia to ease or remove physical and operational constraints that restrict the delivery of water to environmental assets. Measures are being implemented in and along the Murray, Murrumbidgee and Goulburn rivers of the Murray–Darling Basin. Funding for constraints measures is also provided under the Sustainable Rural and Water Use and Infrastructure Program.

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* 2024–25.

Off-farm Efficiency Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	18.8	34.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	53.2
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	18.8	34.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	53.2

The Australian Government is providing funding for state-led efficiency measures in the Murray-Darling Basin under the WESA. This will improve the efficiency of water delivery infrastructure and increase the volume of environmental water in the Murray-Darling Basin, leading to improved river health, agricultural activity and generating benefits for the local and regional communities. This program is being replaced by the Resilient Rivers Water Infrastructure Program to deliver against the *Water Amendment (Restoring Our Rivers) Act* 2023.

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* 2024–25.

Resilient Rivers Water Infrastructure Program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	~	~	~	-	~	-	~	-	29.5
2024-25	~	~	~	-	~	-	~	-	199.0
2025-26	~	~	~	-	~	-	~	-	179.8
2026-27	~	~	~	-	~	-	~	-	85.7
2027-28	~	~	~	-	~	-	~	-	_
Total	~	~	~	-	~	-	~	-	494.0

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide funding for state-led water management, water delivery and efficiency measures to recover water towards Murray-Darling Basin Plan recovery targets in the WESA. This investment reduces water losses and improves water management by upgrading infrastructure leading to improved river health, agricultural activity and generating benefits for the local and regional communities. This program replaces the Off-farm Efficiency Program to deliver against the *Water Amendment (Restoring Our Rivers) Act* 2023.

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* 2024–25.

Sustainable Communities Program^(a)

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\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	nfp	nfp	nfp	-	nfp	-	-	-	nfp
2025-26	nfp	nfp	nfp	-	nfp	-	-	-	nfp
2026-27	nfp	nfp	nfp	-	nfp	-	-	-	nfp
2027-28	nfp	nfp	nfp	-	nfp	-	-	-	nfp
Total	nfp	nfp	nfp	-	nfp	-	-	-	nfp

a) State allocations are not for publication due to ongoing Basin Plan negotiations.

The Australian Government will provide funding for community adjustment assistance to minimise socio-economic impacts of water purchase towards the Murray-Darling Basin Plan recovery target of 450 gigalitres per year of additional environmental water. Further information on this program will be released in due course.

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* 2024–25.

World Heritage Sites

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	8.0	-	3.1	0.4	0.1	5.1	-	-	9.6
2024-25	8.0	-	3.1	0.4	0.1	5.1	-	-	9.6
2025-26	0.8	-	3.1	0.4	0.1	5.1	-	-	9.6
2026-27	0.8	-	3.1	0.4	0.1	5.1	-	-	9.6
2027-28	0.8	-	3.1	0.4	0.1	5.1	-	-	9.6
Total	4.2	-	15.7	2.1	0.5	25.5	-	-	48.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to assist addressing critical threats such as feral animals and weeds, and changed fire regimes, to conserve and restore the biodiversity of World Heritage sites, and for Executive Officers and Advisory Committees who support the provision of advice to government on the protection of World Heritage sites.

Yellow crazy ant control

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	6.2	-	-	-	-	-	6.2
2024-25	-	-	6.4	-	-	-	-	-	6.4
2025-26	-	-	6.3	-	-	-	-	-	6.3
2026-27	-	-	2.9	-	-	-	-	-	2.9
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	21.8	-	-	-	-	-	21.8

The Australian Government is providing funding to ensure a more concerted approach to yellow crazy ant eradication activities in Townsville and in and adjacent to the Wet Tropics of Queensland World Heritage Area in Cairns.

Contingent payments

Contingent payments arise where the Australian Government has committed to provide compensation when an event occurs or has otherwise guaranteed a state's financial position. Payments to the states will only arise if the relevant event occurs.

Table 2.10: Contingent payments to the states

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\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
National Partnership payments					
Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements	591.1	-	-	-	-
Hepatitis C settlement fund	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total	591.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1

National Partnership payments for contingent services

Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements - expense estimates

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	38.3	1.2	550.9	-	-	-	-	0.7	591.1
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	38.3	1.2	550.9	-	-	-	-	0.7	591.1

The Australian Government provides funding under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) to assist the states in relief and recovery efforts following natural disasters. The Government recognises a liability equal to the present value of future payments expected to be made to the states under the DRFA. The liability is based on estimated data provided by the states. It includes both known and future estimated expenditure for relief and recovery measures prior to states submitting a claim to the Australian Government.

The total cost of relief and recovery from disaster events may not be completely realised for some years. Current estimates for the DRFA are based on the information available at the time of preparation for past events. These estimates do not include other, as yet, unquantifiable support payments in relation to disasters that will be provided through the DRFA.

Estimated expenditure related to all natural disasters is regularly reviewed and revised by the states as new information becomes available, and this, or the occurrence of future natural disasters, can significantly affect the estimated DRFA liability and payments. More information is available in Budget Paper No. 1, *Budget Strategy and Outlook* 2024–25, *Statement 9: Statement of Risks*.

Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements – cash estimates

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	26.7	-	1,464.2	-	-	-	-	-	1,490.9
2024-25	2,117.5	573.9	1,189.1	85.9	79.8	16.7	-	13.5	4,076.5
2025-26	1,351.3	388.3	600.5	419.5	-	5.4	-	4.4	2,769.5
2026-27	2,818.1	-	-	43.3	-	8.0	-	-	2,862.2
2027-28	175.0	-	-	6.0	-	-	-	-	181.0
Total	6,488.6	962.3	3,253.8	554.8	79.8	23.0	-	17.9	11,380.1

Estimated cash payments for the DRFA illustrate when the Australian Government expects to reimburse the states for costs incurred in relation to past disasters. Revisions to the estimates since MYEFO are based on updated data received from the states.

Hepatitis C settlement fund(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.1
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.1
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.1
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.1
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.1
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.5

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is contributing to out-of-court settlement costs for eligible people who contracted Hepatitis C as a result of blood transfusions in Australia between 1985 and 1991.

Other payments

The Australian Government makes payments to the states to support a range of other services, as detailed in Table 2.11.

Table 2.11: Payments to support other state services

\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
National Partnership payments					
National Legal Assistance Partnership 2020-25					
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander					
Legal Services	89.6	106.4	-	-	
Community Legal Centres	57.6	67.9	-	-	
Coronial inquiries and expensive and					
complex cases	2.7	2.7	-	-	
Domestic Violence Units and Health					
Justice Partnerships	14.7	14.9	-	-	
Family advocacy and support services	27.7	28.3	-	-	
Frontline support to address workplace					
sexual harassment	11.0	11.2	-	-	
Increased legal assistance funding					
for vulnerable women	32.5	32.9	-	-	
Justice Policy Partnership	0.7	_	-	-	
Legal aid commissions	260.0	274.9	-	-	
Legal assistance family law pilot program	3.6	3.6	-	-	
State and territory legal assistance					
administration	4.9	4.9	-	-	
Support Criminal Justice Reform					
through Coronial Inquiries	5.4	5.4	-	-	
Supporting increased child sexual					
abuse prosecutions	1.7	1.7	-	-	
Supporting people with mental health					
conditions access the justice system	14.5	14.5	_	_	
Total National Legal Assistance					
Partnership 2020-25	526.5	569.4	_	_	
Additional Funding for Legal Aid Commissions					
to support court reform	17.1	_	_	_	
Commonwealth High Risk Terrorist Offender					
Regime	21.7	14.2	_	_	
Countering Violent Extremism initiatives					
High Risk Extremist De-radicalisation Program	4.5	3.3	_	_	
Living Safe Together Intervention Program	6.0	5.6	_	_	
Family law information sharing	6.4	6.4	_	_	
Financial assistance to local governments					
Financial Assistance Grant program	8.7	3,271.0	3.425.7	3,557.6	3,697.
Supplementary funding to South Australia		-,	-,	-,	-,
for local roads	20.0	20.0	20.0	_	
Implementation of Mandatory Country	=3.0				
of Origin Labelling for Seafood	_	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
Indigenous Tourism Fund	12.8	4.3	-	-	٥.
Legal assistance for floods in QLD and NSW	3.0	3.0	3.0	_	

Table 2.11: Payments to support other state services (continued)

Table 2.11. Fayinelits to support other si	late Servic	es (conti	iiueu)		
\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
National Partnership payments					
National Firearms Register	-	18.3	66.1	17.3	-
National Labour Hire	-	2.0	-	-	-
National Tourism Icons Package	0.6	0.9	3.0	2.6	-
Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal					
Investment – Evaluation	-	0.7	-	-	-
Preventing harm in Australian Prisons and					
other places of detention (OPCAT)	1.1	-	-	-	-
Provision of fire services	27.9	29.3	30.5	31.5	-
Restoring integrity to our protection system	7.7	28.8	-	-	-
Scotdesco Water Security Project	0.3	-	-	-	-
Sinking fund on state debt					
Specialised and trauma-informed legal					
services for victim-survivors of sexual assault	2.6	2.6	2.6	-	-
Support for businesses impacted by					
COVID-19 lockdowns	228.4	-	-	-	-
Total	895.1	3,980.1	3,551.2	3,609.4	3,697.8

National Partnership payments for other services

National Legal Assistance Partnership 2020–25

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	143.3	101.8	113.2	63.7	42.4	17.7	11.6	32.9	526.5
2024-25	154.8	108.9	123.3	69.2	45.4	19.0	12.2	36.5	569.4
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	298.1	210.8	236.4	132.8	87.8	36.7	23.8	69.4	1,095.9

From 1 July 2020 over five years, the National Legal Assistance Partnership 2020–25 provides funding to all states for legal assistance services delivered by legal aid commissions, community legal centres and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Services.

Table 2.11 lists all programs funded under the National Legal Assistance Partnership 2020–25.

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* 2024–25.

Additional funding for Legal Aid Commissions to support court reform

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	5.1	4.3	4.3	-	1.8	0.7	0.5	0.3	17.1
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	5.1	4.3	4.3	-	1.8	0.7	0.5	0.3	17.1

The Australian Government is providing funding for legal aid commissions to improve their capacity to support the implementation of, and transition to, a new case management approach in the Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia. The funding supports the delivery of timely and effective family law services by legal aid commissions in response to increased demand arising from the new approach to case management.

Commonwealth High Risk Terrorist Offender Regime^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	5.6	4.5	~	~	~	~	~	~	21.7
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	14.2
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	5.6	4.5	~	~	~	~	~	~	35.9

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding to the states to assist in protecting the Australian community from the threat posed by convicted high risk terrorist offenders. The states are providing support with detention and supervision orders and assist with assessment of ongoing risks.

Countering Violent Extremism initiatives

The Australian Government is providing funding to the states to strengthen national efforts to counter violent extremism.

High Risk Extremist De-radicalisation Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	0.6	1.5	1.0	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	4.5
2024-25	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	3.3
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1.2	2.1	1.6	1.0	0.8	0.4	0.3	0.4	7.8

The Australian Government is providing funding to states to enhance their capability to deliver interventions to high risk violent extremists in custody and in the community and support their disengagement from violent extremism.

Living Safe Together Intervention Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	1.5	1.1	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.4	6.0
2024-25	1.1	1.1	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.4	0.4	5.6
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	2.6	2.2	1.5	1.5	1.5	0.8	0.8	0.8	11.6

The Australian Government is providing funding to expand the national Living Safe Together Intervention Program online and into regional and rural Australia. The program provides tailored intervention services to individuals at risk of radicalising to violent extremism.

Family law information sharing

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INOVV	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
1.5	1.0	1.4	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.2	6.4
1.5	1.0	1.4	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.2	6.4
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.0	2.0	2.9	1.6	0.9	1.0	1.0	0.4	12.9
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The Australian Government is supporting the placement of state child protection and policing officials in the family law courts across Australia. These co-located officials are facilitating information sharing between the family law, child protection and family violence systems. They are also fostering a more coordinated response to safety issues, to promote the safety and wellbeing of families and children.

Financial assistance to local governments

Financial Assistance Grant program

\$million	NSW	VIC							
		VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24									
General purpose assistance	1.9	1.5	1.2	0.6	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	6.0
Local road component	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	2.7
Total financial assistance to									
local governments(a)	2.7	2.1	1.7	1.1	0.6	0.3	0.2	0.1	8.7
2024-25									
General purpose assistance	708.8	580.4	464.7	245.6	156.9	48.3	39.6	21.3	2,265.6
Local road component	291.7	207.3	188.4	153.7	55.2	53.3	32.2	23.5	1,005.3
Total financial assistance to									
local governments	1,000.5	787.7	653.1	399.3	212.2	101.6	71.9	44.8	3,271.0
2025-26									
General purpose assistance	741.4	609.7	487.4	257.9	163.2	49.8	41.4	22.0	2,372.8
Local road component	305.5	217.1	197.3	161.0	57.9	55.8	33.8	24.7	1,052.9
Total financial assistance to									
local governments	1,046.8	826.8	684.6	418.9	221.0	105.6	75.2	46.7	3,425.7
2026-27									
General purpose assistance	769.5	635.4	506.4	267.5	168.4	51.3	43.1	22.7	2,464.1
Local road component	317.2	225.4	204.9	167.2	60.1	57.9	35.1	25.6	1,093.4
Total financial assistance to									
local governments	1,086.7	860.9	711.3	434.6	228.5	109.2	78.1	48.3	3,557.6
2027-28									
General purpose assistance	799.6	662.8	526.3	277.3	173.9	52.9	44.8	23.5	2,561.0
Local road component	329.7	234.3	212.9	173.8	62.5	60.2	36.4	26.6	1,136.4
Total financial assistance to									
local governments	1,129.3	897.1	739.2	451.0	236.3	113.1	81.3	50.1	3,697.4

a) Funding of \$3.1 billion was brought forward from 2023–24 and paid in 2022–23 in recognition of the workforce, supply chain and cashflow pressures that local governments face, hence the figures in 2023–24 are lower than in other years.

The Financial Assistance Grant program consists of two components: a general purpose component and a local road component. The general purpose component is the larger component and is distributed between the states on a per-capita basis, while the local road component is distributed between the states according to fixed historical shares.

Funding under the Financial Assistance Grant program is paid through state governments to local governments. State grants commissions determine the intrastate distribution of the grants between local governments. Both funding components are untied and can be spent according to each local government's own priorities.

The Australian Government will continue to work with states in relation to the financial support of the local government sector, including advancing funding earlier than would usually occur.

Supplementary funding to South Australia for local roads

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	20.0	-	-	-	20.0
2024-25	-	-	-	-	20.0	-	-	-	20.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	20.0	-	-	-	20.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	-	-		-	60.0		-	-	60.0

The Australian Government is providing supplementary funding to South Australia for local roads.

Implementation of Mandatory Country of Origin Labelling for Seafood^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.4
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.4
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.4
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.4
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	1.6

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide funding to introduce a new Country of Origin Fish Labelling Standard for seafood sold in hospitality settings.

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* 2024–25.

Indigenous Tourism Fund(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	~	~	1.6	~	~	~	~	0.9	12.8
2024-25	~	~	1.4	~	~	~	~	2.1	4.3
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	~	~	3.0	~	~	~	~	3.0	17.0

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding to co-invest with states on strategic projects that increase the supply of First Nations tourism experiences and create supply chain opportunities for First Nations tourism businesses. This program uses the Indigenous Tourism Fund to leverage and co-invest in significant First Nations tourism projects that align with strategic priorities of states and deliver long-term benefits for the First Nations tourism sector in each state.

Legal assistance for floods in QLD and NSW

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	1.8	-	1.3	-	-	-	-	-	3.0
2024-25	1.8	-	1.3	-	-	-	-	-	3.0
2025-26	1.8	-	1.3	-	-	-	-	-	3.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	5.3	-	3.8	-	-	-	-	-	9.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to community legal centres in New South Wales and Queensland, in areas that were affected by the 2019–20 bushfires and the 2022 floods. This funding will help meet the increase in demand for legal assistance services to individuals, small businesses, and primary producers following these unprecedented natural disasters.

National Firearms Register(a)

Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	101.7
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	17.3
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	66.1
2024-25	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	18.3
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is providing funding over three years to the states to implement the National Firearms Register, a signature community and police safety initiative.

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* 2024–25.

National Labour Hire

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	-	2.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	2.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to progress a harmonised national labour hire regulatory system.

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* 2024–25.

National Tourism Icons Package

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	0.6
2024-25	-	-	0.6	-	-	0.3	-	-	0.9
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	3.0	-	-	3.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	2.6	-	-	2.6
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	1.2	-	-	5.9	-	-	7.1

The National Tourism Icons Package provides a catalyst for developing tourism within each region, creating jobs, and helping to diversify local economies. Projects are the construction of the Wangetti Trail in Queensland and upgrade of tourist facilities at Freycinet in Tasmania.

Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment - Evaluation

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.7	0.7
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	-	-	-	-	-		-	0.7	0.7

The Australian Government will provide funding to the Northern Territory Government to commence evaluation activities of existing Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment to strengthen the evidence base for future investment.

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

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* 2024–25.

Preventing harm in Australian Prisons and other places of detention (OPCAT)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	0.9	-	-	0.2	-	-	1.1
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	0.9	-	-	0.2	-	-	1.1

The Australian Government is providing funding to support implementation of the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (OPCAT) in each jurisdiction. OPCAT establishes mechanisms to prevent mistreatment of people deprived of their liberty and creates a framework for continuously improving oversight of places of detention.

Provision of fire services

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	6.6	3.7	4.7	2.4	1.6	0.2	5.8	2.8	27.9
2024-25	7.0	3.9	4.9	2.5	1.7	0.2	6.1	2.9	29.3
2025-26	7.3	4.1	5.1	2.7	1.7	0.2	6.3	3.1	30.5
2026-27	7.5	4.2	5.3	2.7	1.8	0.3	6.5	3.2	31.5
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
Total	28.4	15.9	20.1	10.4	6.7	0.9	24.8	11.9	119.2

The Australian Government is contributing to the provision of standard fire services to Australian Government-owned property in the states and territories.

Restoring integrity to our protection system

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	3.1	2.4	8.0	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	7.7
2024-25	12.2	9.4	3.0	1.8	1.2	0.3	0.6	0.3	28.8
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	15.3	11.9	3.8	2.3	1.5	0.5	0.8	0.5	36.5

The Australian Government is funding the delivery of efficient and effective legal assistance services to individuals seeking to appeal Permanent Protection Visa decisions made by the Department of Home Affairs and/or the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (or its successor body).

Scotdesco Water Security Project

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	-	-	-	0.3	-	-	-	0.3
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	0.3	-	-	-	0.3

The Australian Government is providing funding to contribute towards the investigation and delivery of a permanent solution to drinking water for the remote community of Scotdesco in South Australia.

Sinking fund on state debt

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24			-	-	-	-	-	-	
2024-25			-	-	-	-	-	-	
2025-26			-	-	-	-	-	-	
2026-27			-	-	-	-	-	-	
2027-28			-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total			-	-	-	-	-	-	

The Australian Government is contributing to the Debt Retirement Reserve Trust Account on behalf of New South Wales and Victoria in accordance with the *Financial Agreement Act* 1994. Monies standing to the credit of the account are applied to repurchase state debt that is governed by this legislation.

Specialised and trauma-informed legal services for victim-survivors of sexual assault

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	-	0.9	-	0.9	-	-	0.9	-	2.6
2024-25	-	0.9	-	0.9	-	-	0.9	-	2.6
2025-26	-	0.9	-	0.9	-	-	0.9	-	2.6
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	2.6	-	2.6	-	-	2.6	-	7.7

The Australian Government is providing funding over three years from 2023–24 to pilot a new service model in three locations across Australia to provide victim-survivors of sexual assault with greater access to specialised and trauma-informed legal support and guidance in navigating the criminal justice system.

Support for businesses impacted by COVID-19 lockdowns

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2023-24	113.0	41.9	-	73.5	-	-	-	-	228.4
2024-25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	113.0	41.9	-	73.5	-	-	-	-	228.4

The Australian Government is providing funding for the remainder of COVID-19 Business Support Payments made by the states to assist businesses that were impacted by extended lockdowns and border closures due to COVID-19. State and territory governments administered the Business Support Payments with the Australian Government contributing around 50 per cent of the costs.

Part 3: General revenue assistance

Overview

General revenue assistance is provided to state and territory governments (states), without conditions, to spend according to their own budget priorities. In 2024–25, the states are expected to receive \$94.4 billion from the Australian Government in total general revenue assistance, which is estimated to represent 12.9 per cent of total Australian Government expenditure in that year. This consists of the GST entitlement of \$88.5 billion (comprising GST revenue and the Commonwealth funded GST pool boost), horizontal fiscal equalisation (HFE) transition payments of \$5.2 billion (also known as the No Worse Off guarantee) and \$711.4 million of other general revenue assistance.

Total GST-related payments to the states (GST entitlements plus HFE transition payments) are estimated to increase from \$93.7 billion in 2024–25 and reach \$108.8 billion by 2027–28.

2024–25 is the fourth year in the 6-year transition to the updated GST distribution system, which will ensure that no state will have a per capita GST share lower than the fiscally stronger of New South Wales or Victoria. It is also the first year that the GST relativity floor of 0.75 is in effect, which means a state's GST share cannot fall below this level. During this transition, the Australian Government has guaranteed, through legislation, that each state will not receive less than they would have under the previous GST distribution system using, if necessary, HFE transition payments. In December 2023, the Australian Government agreed to extend this guarantee for three years until 2029–30.

Estimated general revenue assistance provided to the states by the Australian Government is shown in Table 3.1. Table 1.1 in Part 1 shows a breakdown by state.

Table 3.1: General revenue assistance

\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
GST-related payments					
GST entitlement	86,368.6	88,534.1	93,245.4	98,826.1	104,467.6
HFE transition payments(a)	4,962.6	5,166.2	5,425.4	5,487.4	4,341.4
Total GST-related payments	91,331.1	93,700.3	98,670.8	104,313.5	108,809.0
Other general revenue assistance(b)	776.1	711.4	570.7	457.6	434.5
Total	92,107.3	94,411.8	99,241.5	104,771.2	109,243.4

a) Estimates of the HFE transition payments for 2025–26 and later years are based upon the 2024–25 GST relativities and adjusted to take into account the transition to the new HFE system. The 2026–27 and 2027–28 HFE transition payment is assumed to be 80 per cent and 60 per cent respectively of that implied using the 2024–25 relativities.

b) More detail about other general revenue assistance payments is provided in Table 3.7.

GST payments

Under the *Federal Financial Relations Act* 2009, the states are entitled to receive payments from the Australian Government equivalent to the revenue raised from the GST in any given financial year, subject to some minor adjustments. From 2021–22, the states' GST entitlements are boosted each year by additional Australian Government funding as discussed below.

The Australian Government makes monthly payments (advances) to the states throughout the year based on GST estimates for that year. Estimates of the GST are used as the actual amount of GST revenue for the financial year is unknown until after the end of the financial year. Once the amount of GST revenue is known, the Treasurer makes a determination of the GST entitlement for that year. A balancing adjustment is made to each state's payments to ensure they receive the GST to which they are entitled. These balancing adjustments (referred to as the 'prior year balancing adjustment') are made in the following financial year.

Calculating the GST payments

Adjustments and additions are made to GST revenue to calculate the amount of GST paid to the states in any given year. In particular, adjustments are made to move from GST revenue (an accrual concept) to GST (cash) receipts as GST receipts are the basis for the GST paid to the states.

- Some GST revenue accrued during a financial year is not remitted to the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) by 30 June of that year because it is not due to be paid until Business Activity Statements (BAS) are lodged in the following financial year. For taxpayers other than Australian Government agencies, this accrued amount is included in GST revenue but not in GST receipts.
- Penalties owed to the ATO, other than general interest charge (GIC) penalties, are not included in the GST to be paid to the states as defined in the *Federal Financial Relations* Act 2009.
- Some GST collected by Australian Government agencies is not remitted to the ATO by 30 June in each financial year because it is not due to be paid until the next BAS is lodged. This amount is included in Australian Government receipts but is not included in GST payments to the states until it is remitted to the ATO.
- From 2021–22, the Australian Government is boosting the states' GST entitlement each year with additional funding. From 2021–22, the Australian Government has injected \$600.0 million annually into the GST pool, with this amount growing in line with the underlying growth of the GST. From 2024–25 the Australian Government will further boost the GST pool by an additional \$250.0 million annually. This additional funding will be distributed to the states in the same way as GST revenue.

In 2022–23, the states' GST entitlement was \$350.9 million higher than the advances paid during that year. A prior year balancing adjustment has been made to states' GST payments in 2023–24 to reflect this.

Table 3.2 reconciles GST revenue, GST entitlement and GST payments to the states.

Table 3.2: Reconciling GST revenue, GST entitlement and GST payments to the states

\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
GST revenue	90,180	92,070	97,290	103,050	109,000
less Change in GST receivables	4,422	4,397	4,952	5,184	5,562
GST receipts	85,758	87,673	92,338	97,866	103,438
less Non-GIC penalties collected	90	100	110	120	110
less GST collected by Commonwealth					
agencies but not yet remitted to					
the ATO	-2	3	-2	-4	-2
plus GST pool boost	699	964	1,015	1,076	1,138
GST entitlement	86,369	88,534	93,245	98,826	104,468
plus Prior year balancing adjustment	-351				
GST payments to the States(a)	86,018	88,534	93,245	98,826	104,468

a) These GST payment estimates do not take into account the ATO's GST administration costs, which will be deducted from GST payments to the states throughout the year on a monthly basis. They also do not take into account the HFE transition payments.

Table 3.3 reconciles the GST entitlement estimates since the 2023–24 MYEFO. The reconciliation accounts for policy decisions and parameter and other variations. The GST entitlement in 2024–25 has been revised down by \$927.5 million since the 2023–24 MYEFO.

Table 3.3: Reconciliation of the GST entitlement estimates since the 2023–24 MYEFO

\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
GST entitlement at 2023-24 MYEFO	84,675	89,462	95,325	101,239
Changes between 2023-24 MYEFO and 2024-25 Budget				
Effect of policy decisions	-	-5	-5	153
Effect of parameter and other variations	1,694	-923	-2,075	-2,566
Total variations	1,694	-928	-2,080	-2,413
GST entitlement at 2024-25 Budget	86,369	88,534	93,245	98,826

The states' GST entitlement is expected to reach \$104.5 billion by 2027–28. Since the 2023–24 MYEFO, the GST entitlement has been revised down by \$927.5 million in 2024–25 and \$5.5 billion over the five years from 2023–24 to 2027–28.

Excluding new policy decisions, the GST entitlement has been revised down by \$922.5 million in 2024–25 and \$5.9 billion over the five years from 2023–24 to 2027–28, driven by the change in GST receipts. GST receipts have been upgraded in 2023–24 due to stronger than expected collections. From 2024–25 the downgrade is driven by the lower outlook for nominal consumption subject to GST, partially offset by higher nominal dwelling investment.

New tax policy measures announced since the 2023–24 MYEFO are expected to decrease GST entitlement by \$5.0 million in 2024–25 but increase GST entitlement by \$399.6 million over the five years from 2023–24 to 2027–28.

Table 3.4: Policy decisions since the 2023–24 MYEFO that affect the GST entitlement

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\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
Strengthening Tax Compliance – extending the	-	-	-	158.0	271.6
Shadow Economy Compliance Program					
Migration – Mobility Arrangement for Talented	-		15.0	25.0	25.0
Early-professionals Scheme (MATES) and extending the					
validity of the Business Visitor visa for Indian nationals					
Permanent Migration Program – 2024-25 planning levels	-		- 5.0	- 5.0	-10.0
and multi-year planning					
Migration System Reforms	-	*	*	*	*
Modernising Digital Assets and Payments Regulation	-	-	*	*	*
Strengthening Tax Compliance - Australian Taxation Office	-	-	*	*	*
Counter Fraud Strategy					
Amendments to existing measures					
Decisions taken but not yet announced	-	-5.0	-15.0	-25.0	-30.0
Total		-5.0	-5.0	153.0	256.6

Detailed information on policy decisions taken since the 2023–24 MYEFO is included in Budget Paper No. 2.

Distribution of the GST among the states

The Australian Government distributes the GST among the states based on the GST revenue sharing relativities recommended by the Commonwealth Grants Commission (the CGC).

The detailed calculation for the distribution of the GST entitlement in 2024–25 is shown in Table 3.5. This method of calculation is prescribed in the *Federal Financial Relations Act* 2009.

Table 3.5: Calculation of GST entitlements

	Estimated		Adjusted	Share of	Share of
	31 December	GST	population	adjusted	GST pool
	population	relativities	(1) x (2)	population	\$million
2024-25	(1)	(2)			
NSW	8,554,010	0.86736	7,419,406	27.1%	24,015
VIC	7,035,214	0.96502	6,789,122	24.8%	21,974
QLD	5,623,915	0.95232	5,355,767	19.6%	17,335
WA	2,975,463	0.75000	2,231,597	8.2%	7,223
SA	1,883,059	1.40312	2,642,158	9.7%	8,552
TAS	575,193	1.82832	1,051,637	3.8%	3,404
ACT	477,958	1.20419	575,552	2.1%	1,863
NT	254,164	5.06681	1,287,801	4.7%	4,168
Total	27,378,976	na	27,353,040	100%	88,534

In 2018, the Australian Government reformed the system of HFE to provide a fairer way to distribute the GST among the states. From 2021–22, the system began its transition to a more stable and predictable equalisation standard that will reduce volatility in states' GST payments.

To support the states' transition to the new system, the Australian Government provided an additional \$5.2 billion in transitional GST top-up payments over the three years to 2021–22 to ensure that no state had an effective GST relativity below 0.7, or 4.66024 for the Northern Territory. At the time of the 2018 reforms, it was estimated that \$1.8 billion in top-up payments would be required over those three years.

From 2022–23, the new HFE system included a relativity floor of 0.7, permanently increasing to 0.75 in 2024–25. Further, the Australian Government has guaranteed that each state will receive at least the cumulative better of the old or the new HFE system for the nine years from 2021–22 to 2029–30. The HFE transition payments associated with this guarantee are outlined in Table 3.1.

The CGC does not forecast GST sharing relativities beyond the budget year. The distribution of GST among the states and any resulting transitional payments for 2025–26 is calculated based on a technical assumption that uses the 2024–25 relativities as the starting point, which are then adjusted to reflect the transition to the updated distribution system.

In 2026–27 and 2027–28, this assumption is changed on the basis that relativities will slowly begin to revert toward historical averages as commodity prices are assumed to fall from their current levels. However, the three year lag in the CGC's relativity calculations means that the reversion will be more gradual than previously anticipated. Given this, the transitional payments for 2026–27 and 2027–28 are assumed to be 80 per cent and 60 per cent respectively, of what would be expected from using the 2024–25 relativities. The estimates (shown in Table 3.1) do not reflect any attempt to project future GST relativities or GST entitlements.

The Australian Government is expected to provide an estimated \$20.4 billion in HFE transition payments from 2024–25 to 2027–28 to support the transition to the new HFE system.

GST administration

States compensate the Australian Government for the costs incurred by the ATO for administering the GST, including costs incurred by the Department of Home Affairs. In practice, this is achieved by the Australian Government reducing the monthly GST payments to the states by the GST administration costs.

The GST administration budget for the ATO is estimated to be \$709.0 million for 2024–25, as shown in Table 3.6.

Table 3.6: Reconciliation of the GST administration budget

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\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
Administration budget at 2023-24 Budget	719.4	724.1	735.6	734.1	na
Total variations from 2023-24 Budget					
to 2023-24 MYEFO	-69.2	-15.1	-13.0	-9.4	na
Administration budget at 2023-24 MYEFO	650.2	709.0	722.6	724.7	na
Changes from 2023-24 MYEFO					
to 2024-25 Budget					
Parameter variations	-	-0.6	-2.6	-2.0	-5.9
Other variations		0.6	1.6	0.8	
Total variations	-	-	-1.0	-1.2	-5.9
Administration budget at 2024-25 Budget (a)	650.2	709.0	721.6	723.5	482.0
less Prior year adjustment	-23.9	-	-	-	-
equals State government payments	626.3	709.0	721.6	723.5	482.0

a) Decreases in estimates from 2027–28 reflect the end of GST Compliance Program announced at the 2023–24 Budget.

Other general revenue assistance

Like GST, other general revenue assistance is provided to the states, without conditions, to spend according to their own budget priorities.

Table 3.7: Other general revenue assistance

\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
ACT municipal services	43.9	45.4	46.4	47.5	48.4
Royalty payments	732.2	666.1	524.3	410.2	386.1
Total other general revenue assistance	776.1	711.4	570.7	457.6	434.5

Australian Capital Territory municipal services

The Australian Government provides general revenue assistance to the Australian Capital Territory to assist in meeting the additional municipal costs that arise from Canberra's role as the national capital. The payments also compensate the Australian Capital Territory for additional costs resulting from the national capital planning influences on the provision of water and sewerage services.

Royalty payments

Western Australia

The Australian Government provides general revenue assistance to Western Australia from royalties collected under the *Offshore Petroleum (Royalty) Act 2006* in respect of the North West Shelf oil and gas project off the coast of Western Australia. The Australian Government collects these royalties because it has jurisdiction over offshore areas.

Royalties are shared between the Australian Government (approximately one third) and Western Australia (approximately two thirds). These revenue sharing arrangements are set out in the Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006.

Compensation for reduced royalties

The Australian Government provides general revenue assistance to compensate Western Australia for the loss of royalty revenue resulting from the removal of the exemption of condensate from crude oil excise in the 2009–10 Budget.

Mirror tax arrangements

The Australian Government introduced mirror tax arrangements in 1998 to ensure that the states were not financially disadvantaged by the High Court decision in *Allders International Pty Ltd v Commissioner of State Revenue (Victoria)*, which invalidated state taxes on Commonwealth places. These arrangements mirror certain state taxes, including payroll taxes, land taxes and stamp duties, with respect to Commonwealth places. The states collect these mirror taxes on behalf of the Australian Government and bear the administrative costs of collection.

All mirror tax revenues are credited to the Australian Government and simultaneously appropriated to the states with no net impact on the Australian Government's budget position as shown in Table 3.8.

Table 3.8: Mirror taxes accrued on behalf of the states

\$million	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
Mirror taxes	838	878	920	970	1021
less Transfers to state governments	838	878	920	970	1021
Australian Government budget impact	-	-	-	-	_

Appendix A: Parameters and further information

This appendix provides information on the parameters used in producing this Budget Paper.

Budget Paper No. 1, *Budget Strategy and Outlook* 2024–25, *Statement 2: Economic Outlook* provides information on the forecasting approach used in the 2024–25 Budget.

Population

Population data are used to distribute funding between the state and territory governments (states) and in the calculation of annual growth factors.

Estimates of state populations

The Centre for Population in the Department of the Treasury (the Centre) constructs state population projections using the latest demographic data and incorporating assumptions regarding fertility, mortality, net overseas migration and net interstate migration.

The Centre estimates population and components of change on a financial year basis. Projected population for the mid-point of the financial year (31 December, Table A.1) is the simple average of the population at the beginning and end of the financial year (Table A.2).

Table A.1: Population by state, at 31 December

million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total(a)	Australia
2023	8.419	6.894	5.520	2.917	1.864	0.574	0.471	0.253	26.910	26.915
2024	8.554	7.035	5.624	2.975	1.883	0.575	0.478	0.254	27.379	27.384
2025	8.675	7.164	5.710	3.016	1.898	0.578	0.485	0.256	27.782	27.787
2026	8.796	7.291	5.790	3.050	1.912	0.581	0.493	0.258	28.172	28.177
2027	8.913	7.416	5.867	3.084	1.926	0.585	0.501	0.260	28.551	28.556

a) 'Total' is the sum of the states and territories shown, and excludes Jervis Bay Territory, Christmas Island, the Cocos (Keeling) Islands and Norfolk Island.

Table A.2: Population by state, at 30 June

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million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total(a)	Australia
2022-23(b)	8.342	6.815	5.460	2.881	1.852	0.573	0.467	0.253	26.644	26.649
2023-24	8.495	6.972	5.579	2.953	1.875	0.574	0.475	0.253	27.177	27.182
2024-25	8.613	7.098	5.669	2.998	1.891	0.576	0.481	0.255	27.581	27.586
2025-26	8.738	7.229	5.751	3.033	1.906	0.580	0.490	0.257	27.983	27.988
2026-27	8.855	7.354	5.829	3.067	1.919	0.583	0.497	0.259	28.362	28.367
2027-28	8.971	7.478	5.906	3.101	1.933	0.586	0.504	0.261	28.740	28.745

a) 'Total' is the sum of the states and territories shown, and excludes Jervis Bay Territory, Christmas Island, the Cocos (Keeling) Islands and Norfolk Island.

b) Estimate for 2022–23, from ABS National, state and territory population, September 2023.

Fertility

Assumptions about the fertility rate are based on analysis undertaken and commissioned by the Centre (Table A.3). The total fertility rate is assumed to be 1.64 babies per woman in 2023–24 before falling to 1.63 by 2027–28. Projected state fertility rates are assumed to move in line with the national fertility rate.

Table A.3: Total fertility rate, for years ending 30 June

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	2022-23(a)	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
Total fertility rate, Australia	1.58	1.64	1.64	1.64	1.63	1.63
a) Outcome for 2022–23, f	rom ABS Nation	al, state and	territory popu	lation, Septen	nber 2023.	

Mortality

Assumptions about life expectancy at birth are based on the Australian Government Actuary mortality improvement factors and the 2019–21 Australian Bureau of Statistics life tables (Table A.4). Life expectancies have been adjusted until 2025–26 to account for the impact of COVID-19. Life expectancies are then assumed to improve at the same average annual rate that has been observed over the past three decades. Projected state mortality rates are assumed to move in line with the national mortality rate.

Table A.4: Projected life expectancy at birth, for years ending 30 June

_	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
Male life expectancy at birth, Australia	81.1	81.6	82.0	82.3	82.5	82.7
Female life expectancy at birth, Australia	85.0	85.5	85.9	86.1	86.3	86.4

Net overseas migration

The Centre forecasts net overseas migration (Table A.5). The forecasts incorporate official statistics prepared by the Australian Bureau of Statistics, as well as information provided by the Department of Home Affairs, including data on international arrivals and departures, offshore visa grants, and the number of temporary visa holders in Australia.

Table A.5: Net overseas migration, for years ending 30 June

	2022-23(a)	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28			
Net overseas migration, Australia	260,000	255,000	235,000	235,000					
a) Outcome for 2022–23, from ABS National, state and territory population, September 2023.									

Interstate migration

The Centre produces assumptions about future net interstate migration (Table A.6). Assumptions are modelled using historical interstate movements data supplied by the Australian Bureau of Statistics. They are also informed by recent population revisions to account for data from the 2021 Census.

Table A.6: Net interstate migration by state, for years ending 30 June

	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT
2022-23(a)	-34,200	-1,900	32,300	11,600	-400	-2,600	-1,600	-3,300
2023-24	-28,200	1,500	28,500	7,000	-2,000	-2,200	-1,300	-3,200
2024-25	-23,100	3,100	23,000	3,000	-2,900	-700	-300	-2,100
2025-26	-20,000	4,000	19,700	500	-3,500	200	400	-1,400
2026-27	-20,100	3,800	19,800	600	-3,400	300	400	-1,300
2027-28	-20,300	3,500	19,900	700	-3,300	400	400	-1,300

a) Outcome for 2022–23, from ABS National, state and territory population, September 2023.

Wage cost indices

Table A.7 shows estimated growth in the wage cost indices used in this Budget Paper, rounded to the nearest quarter of a per cent.

Table A.7: Wage cost indices

Per cent	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
Wage cost index – 1	3 1/2	3 1/4	2 1/4	2 1/4	2
Wage cost index – 3	4 1/2	3 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/4	2
Wage cost index – 6	5 1/2	3 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/4

Data sources

The information in Appendix B and Appendix C of this Budget Paper is consistent with the ABS Government Finance Statistics reporting framework for the public sector.

Australian Government data are sourced from the Australian Government Consolidated Financial Statements, Australian Government Final Budget Outcomes, and ABS Government Finance Statistics. See Budget Paper No. 1, Budget Strategy and Outlook 2024–25 Statement 10: Australian Government Budget Financial Statements, and Statement 11: Historical Australian Government Data, for more information.

Further information

A range of publications provide information that is relevant to analysing federal financial relations data, including:

- National, state and territory population
- Overseas Arrivals and Departures, Australia
- Migration, Australia
- Births, Australia
- Life tables
- Deaths, Australia
- Taxation Revenue, Australia
- Government Finance Statistics, Australia
- Australian System of Government Finance Statistics Concepts, Sources and Methods
- Information Paper: Developments in Government Finance Statistics
- Information Paper: Accruals Based Government Finance Statistics
- McDonald, P (2020), A Projection of Australia's Future Fertility Rates, Centre for Population Research Paper, Australian Government, Canberra.

Commonwealth Grants Commission publications provide information about the distribution of GST revenue. In relation to the 2024–25 financial year, the most relevant publication is the report *GST Revenue Sharing Relativities – 2024 Update*.

Notes

- (a) The following definitions are used in this Budget Paper:
 - Budget year refers to 2024–25, while the forward years refer to 2025–26, 2026–27 and 2027–28.
 - One billion is equal to one thousand million.
- (b) Except where otherwise indicated, payments to the states in this Budget Paper are reported in expense terms, not cash terms.
- (c) Figures in tables and the text have generally been rounded. Discrepancies in tables between totals and sums of components reflect rounding unless otherwise noted.
 - Estimates of \$100,000 and over are generally rounded to the nearest tenth of a million.
 - Estimates midway between rounding points are rounded up.
 - Percentage changes in tables are based on the underlying unrounded amounts.
- (d) Tables use the following notations:
 - nil
 - na not applicable
 - \$m millions of dollars
 - \$b billions of dollars
 - nfp not for publication
 - * unquantifiable
 - .. not zero, but rounded to zero
 - ~ allocation not yet determined
- (e) This Budget Paper uses the following conventions.
 - The Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory of Australia are referred to as 'the territories'.
 - References to the 'states' or 'each state' include state governments and territory governments.

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- Local governments are instrumentalities of state governments. Consequently, payments made to the state government sector include payments made to the local government sector unless otherwise specified.
- The following abbreviations are used, where appropriate:

NSW New South Wales

VIC Victoria

QLD Queensland

WA Western Australia

SA South Australia

TAS Tasmania

ACT Australian Capital Territory

NT Northern Territory

GST Goods and Services Tax

(f) The term 'Commonwealth' refers to the Commonwealth of Australia. The term is used when referring to the legal entity of the Commonwealth of Australia.

The term 'Australian Government' is used when referring to the Government of, and the decisions and activities made by the Government on behalf of, the Commonwealth of Australia.

Appendix B, Total Payments to the States by Function; Appendix C, Supplementary Tables; Appendix D, Debt Transactions; and Appendix E, Appropriations and Conditions are available online at: www.budget.gov.au.

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