

## Appendix D: Debt transactions

The Australian Government holds a stock of around \$1.5 billion in loans advanced to state and territory governments (states) for public policy purposes. The states make interest payments and repayments to the Australian Government in respect of these loans.

The Australian Government advances the states loans under a range of agreements. These advances have often been over very long repayment periods (some in excess of 50 years), although the terms of each agreement vary considerably.

Most of the interest payments and repayments relate to housing, infrastructure and agriculture. Payments are also made against loans under agreements for natural disasters and other purposes.

The Australian Government stock of outstanding loans to the states as at 30 June 2024 is shown in Table D.1.

Total advances to the states, repayments and interest from the states to the Australian Government by financial year are shown in Table D.2.

**Table D.1: Outstanding loans as at 30 June 2024, by state**

\$'000	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
Agriculture									
Drought Concessional Loans Scheme	13,713	67,846	23,288	-	2,678	8,146	-	-	115,671
Drought Recovery Loans Scheme	6,944	15,549	6,194	-	1,914	1,476	-	-	32,077
Farm Finance Concessional Loans									
Scheme	357	499	-	159	-	-	-	274	1,289
Debt sinking fund	150	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	171
Environment									
Northern Territory – water and sewerage assistance									
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,204	8,204
Housing									
Commonwealth–State Housing									
Agreement loans	250,259	-	75,805	70,045	14,926	-	-	15,557	426,592
Housing for service personnel	23,653	-	12,871	1,676	1,116	-	-	-	39,316
Other housing	-	-	-	-	-	-	73,231	23,492	96,723
Loan to NSW to assist beneficiaries of the									
Asbestos Injuries Compensation Fund	15,953	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,953
Natural disaster relief	536	-	18,109	-	1,728	-	-	-	20,373
Other purposes									
Loan Council – housing nominations	269,376	-	96,205	163,583	118,474	-	-	95,760	743,398
<b>Total</b>	<b>580,941</b>	<b>83,914</b>	<b>232,471</b>	<b>235,462</b>	<b>140,836</b>	<b>9,622</b>	<b>73,231</b>	<b>143,288</b>	<b>1,499,766</b>

**Table D.2: Summary of advances, repayments and interest, by year and state**

\$'000	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
<b>2024-25</b>									
<b>Advances</b>									
Natural disaster relief	17,134	-	6,329	-	1,404	-	-	-	24,867
<b>Total Advances</b>	<b>17,134</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,329</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,404</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>24,867</b>
<b>Repayments</b>									
<b>Agriculture</b>									
Drought Concessional Loans Scheme	-1,613	-5,194	-3,338	-	-286	-745	-	-	-11,176
Drought Recovery Loans Scheme	-1,214	-897	-1,271	-	-447	-481	-	-	-4,310
<b>Environment</b>									
Northern Territory – water and sewerage assistance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-136	-136
<b>Housing</b>									
<b>Commonwealth–State Housing</b>									
Agreement loans	-33,833	-	-10,014	-9,197	-1,470	-	-	-1,230	-55,744
Housing for service personnel	-2,697	-	-1,365	-197	-139	-	-	-	-4,398
Other housing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-8,285	-4,014	-12,299
<b>Loan to NSW to assist beneficiaries of the Asbestos Injuries Compensation Fund</b>									
Asbestos Injuries Compensation Fund	-15,953	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-15,953
Natural disaster relief	-181	-	-3,979	-	-232	-	-	-	-4,392
<b>Other purposes</b>									
Loan Council – housing nominations	-13,325	-	-4,902	-8,500	-5,575	-	-	-4,436	-36,738
<b>Total Repayments</b>	<b>-68,816</b>	<b>-6,091</b>	<b>-24,869</b>	<b>-17,894</b>	<b>-8,149</b>	<b>-1,226</b>	<b>-8,285</b>	<b>-9,816</b>	<b>-145,146</b>

**Table D.2: Summary of advances, repayments and interest, by year and state (continued)**

\$'000	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
<b>2024-25</b>									
<b>Interest</b>									
Agriculture									
Drought Concessional Loans Scheme	-641	-3,526	-1,214	-	-112	-302	-	-	-5,795
Drought Recovery Loans Scheme	-297	-849	-320	-	-141	-208	-	-	-1,815
Environment									
Northern Territory – water and sewerage assistance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-487	-487
Housing									
Commonwealth–State Housing									
Agreement loans	-11,743	-	-3,508	-3,296	-775	-	-	-753	-20,075
Housing for service personnel	-1,064	-	-579	-75	-50	-	-	-	-1,768
Other housing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-3,295	-1,222	-4,517
Loan to NSW to assist beneficiaries of the Asbestos Injuries Compensation Fund	-452	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-452
Natural disaster relief	-12	-	-400	-	-40	-	-	-	-452
Other purposes									
Loan Council – housing nominations	-13,386	-	-4,764	-8,090	-5,892	-	-	-4,767	-36,899
<b>Total Interest</b>	<b>-27,595</b>	<b>-4,375</b>	<b>-10,785</b>	<b>-11,461</b>	<b>-7,010</b>	<b>-510</b>	<b>-3,295</b>	<b>-7,229</b>	<b>-72,260</b>
<b>Net Financial Flow</b>	<b>-79,277</b>	<b>-10,466</b>	<b>-29,325</b>	<b>-29,355</b>	<b>-13,755</b>	<b>-1,736</b>	<b>-11,580</b>	<b>-17,045</b>	<b>-192,539</b>

**Table D.2: Summary of advances, repayments and interest, by year and state (continued)**

\$'000	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
<b>2025-26</b>									
<b>Advances</b>									
Natural disaster relief	5,292	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,292
<b>Total Advances</b>	<b>5,292</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,292</b>
<b>Repayments</b>									
<b>Agriculture</b>									
Drought Concessional Loans Scheme	-1,613	-5,214	-3,338	-	-286	-745	-	-	-11,196
Drought Recovery Loans Scheme	-3,887	-966	-1,659	-	-528	-581	-	-	-7,621
<b>Environment</b>									
Northern Territory – water and sewerage assistance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-136	-136
<b>Housing</b>									
<b>Commonwealth–State Housing</b>									
Agreement loans	-35,303	-	-10,443	-9,599	-1,544	-	-	-1,286	-58,175
Housing for service personnel	-2,779	-	-1,506	-200	-153	-	-	-	-4,638
Other housing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-8,209	-4,215	-12,424
Loan to NSW to assist beneficiaries of the Asbestos Injuries Compensation Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Natural disaster relief	-4,095	-	-7,103	-	-408	-	-	-	-11,606
<b>Other purposes</b>									
Loan Council – housing nominations	-13,925	-	-5,123	-8,882	-5,825	-	-	-4,635	-38,390
<b>Total Repayments</b>	<b>-61,602</b>	<b>-6,180</b>	<b>-29,172</b>	<b>-18,681</b>	<b>-8,744</b>	<b>-1,326</b>	<b>-8,209</b>	<b>-10,272</b>	<b>-144,186</b>

**Table D.2: Summary of advances, repayments and interest, by year and state (continued)**

\$'000	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
<b>2025-26</b>									
<b>Interest</b>									
Agriculture									
Drought Concessional Loans Scheme	-570	-3,294	-1,065	-	-99	-269	-	-	-5,297
Drought Recovery Loans Scheme	-194	-811	-260	-	-121	-186	-	-	-1,572
Environment									
Northern Territory – water and sewerage assistance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-480	-480
Housing									
Commonwealth–State Housing									
Agreement loans	-10,272	-	-3,079	-2,895	-702	-	-	-697	-17,645
Housing for service personnel	-943	-	-518	-67	-44	-	-	-	-1,572
Other housing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2,923	-1,021	-3,944
Loan to NSW to assist beneficiaries of the Asbestos Injuries Compensation Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Natural disaster relief	-804	-	-638	-	-54	-	-	-	-1,496
Other purposes									
Loan Council – housing nominations	-12,787	-	-4,543	-7,708	-5,641	-	-	-4,567	-35,246
<b>Total Interest</b>	<b>-25,570</b>	<b>-4,105</b>	<b>-10,103</b>	<b>-10,670</b>	<b>-6,661</b>	<b>-455</b>	<b>-2,923</b>	<b>-6,765</b>	<b>-67,252</b>
<b>Net Financial Flow</b>	<b>-81,880</b>	<b>-10,285</b>	<b>-39,275</b>	<b>-29,351</b>	<b>-15,405</b>	<b>-1,781</b>	<b>-11,132</b>	<b>-17,037</b>	<b>-206,146</b>

**Table D.2: Summary of advances, repayments and interest, by year and state (continued)**

\$'000	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
<b>2026-27</b>									
<b>Advances</b>									
Natural disaster relief	29,877	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29,877
<b>Total Advances</b>	<b>29,877</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>29,877</b>
<b>Repayments</b>									
<b>Agriculture</b>									
Drought Concessional Loans Scheme	-2,113	-25,303	-11,328	-	-286	-745	-	-	-39,775
Drought Recovery Loans Scheme	-2,396	-15,494	-4,884	-	-1,959	-581	-	-	-25,314
<b>Environment</b>									
Northern Territory – water and sewerage assistance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-136	-136
<b>Housing</b>									
<b>Commonwealth–State Housing</b>									
Agreement loans	-36,678	-	-10,875	-10,000	-1,621	-	-	-1,344	-60,518
Housing for service personnel	-2,935	-	-1,648	-212	-168	-	-	-	-4,963
Other housing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-8,143	-4,426	-12,569
Loan to NSW to assist beneficiaries of the Asbestos Injuries Compensation Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Natural disaster relief	-5,747	-	-4,786	-	-408	-	-	-	-10,941
<b>Other purposes</b>									
Loan Council – housing nominations	-14,552	-	-5,354	-9,282	-6,088	-	-	-4,844	-40,120
<b>Total Repayments</b>	<b>-64,421</b>	<b>-40,797</b>	<b>-38,875</b>	<b>-19,494</b>	<b>-10,530</b>	<b>-1,326</b>	<b>-8,143</b>	<b>-10,750</b>	<b>-194,336</b>

**Table D.2: Summary of advances, repayments and interest, by year and state (continued)**

\$'000	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
<b>2026-27</b>									
<b>Interest</b>									
Agriculture									
Drought Concessional Loans Scheme	-486	-2,613	-738	-	-86	-236	-	-	-4,159
Drought Recovery Loans Scheme	-66	-477	-128	-	-70	-163	-	-	-904
Environment									
Northern Territory – water and sewerage assistance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-474	-474
Housing									
Commonwealth–State Housing									
Agreement loans	-8,738	-	-2,631	-2,475	-625	-	-	-639	-15,108
Housing for service personnel	-818	-	-450	-58	-37	-	-	-	-1,363
Other housing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2,553	-810	-3,363
Loan to NSW to assist beneficiaries of the Asbestos Injuries Compensation Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Natural disaster relief	-730	-	-511	-	-47	-	-	-	-1,288
Other purposes									
Loan Council – housing nominations	-12,160	-	-4,313	-7,308	-5,379	-	-	-4,359	-33,519
<b>Total Interest</b>	<b>-22,998</b>	<b>-3,090</b>	<b>-8,771</b>	<b>-9,841</b>	<b>-6,244</b>	<b>-399</b>	<b>-2,553</b>	<b>-6,282</b>	<b>-60,178</b>
<b>Net Financial Flow</b>	<b>-57,542</b>	<b>-43,887</b>	<b>-47,646</b>	<b>-29,335</b>	<b>-16,774</b>	<b>-1,725</b>	<b>-10,696</b>	<b>-17,032</b>	<b>-224,637</b>

**Table D.2: Summary of advances, repayments and interest, by year and state (continued)**

\$'000	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
<b>2027-28</b>									
<b>Advances</b>									
Natural disaster relief	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Advances</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Repayments</b>									
<b>Agriculture</b>									
Drought Concessional Loans Scheme	-5,276	-38,132	-8,357	-	-1,345	-2,202	-	-	-55,312
Drought Recovery Loans Scheme	-434	-732	-100	-	-753	-2,807	-	-	-4,826
<b>Environment</b>									
Northern Territory – water and sewerage assistance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-136	-136
<b>Housing</b>									
<b>Commonwealth–State Housing</b>									
Agreement loans	-34,235	-	-10,525	-9,826	-1,702	-	-	-1,404	-57,692
Housing for service personnel	-3,032	-	-1,811	-221	-185	-	-	-	-5,249
Other housing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-7,375	-4,647	-12,022
Loan to NSW to assist beneficiaries of the Asbestos Injuries Compensation Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Natural disaster relief	-4,112	-	-1,661	-	-465	-	-	-	-6,238
<b>Other purposes</b>									
Loan Council – housing nominations	-15,207	-	-5,594	-9,699	-6,361	-	-	-5,062	-41,923
<b>Total Repayments</b>	<b>-62,296</b>	<b>-38,864</b>	<b>-28,048</b>	<b>-19,746</b>	<b>-10,811</b>	<b>-5,009</b>	<b>-7,375</b>	<b>-11,249</b>	<b>-183,398</b>

**Table D.2: Summary of advances, repayments and interest, by year and state (continued)**

\$'000	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
<b>2027-28</b>									
<b>Interest</b>									
Agriculture									
Drought Concessional Loans Scheme	-321	-1,199	-298	-	-50	-170	-	-	-2,038
Drought Recovery Loans Scheme	-9	-148	-26	-	-15	-94	-	-	-292
Environment									
Northern Territory – water and sewerage assistance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-467	-467
Housing									
Commonwealth–State Housing									
Agreement loans	-7,142	-	-2,165	-2,039	-543	-	-	-579	-12,468
Housing for service personnel	-686	-	-376	-48	-30	-	-	-	-1,140
Other housing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2,187	-589	-2,776
Loan to NSW to assist beneficiaries of the Asbestos Injuries Compensation Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Natural disaster relief	-627	-	-426	-	-40	-	-	-	-1,093
Other purposes									
Loan Council – housing nominations	-11,505	-	-4,072	-6,890	-5,105	-	-	-4,141	-31,713
<b>Total Interest</b>	<b>-20,290</b>	<b>-1,347</b>	<b>-7,363</b>	<b>-8,977</b>	<b>-5,783</b>	<b>-264</b>	<b>-2,187</b>	<b>-5,776</b>	<b>-51,987</b>
<b>Net Financial Flow</b>	<b>-82,586</b>	<b>-40,211</b>	<b>-35,411</b>	<b>-28,723</b>	<b>-16,594</b>	<b>-5,273</b>	<b>-9,562</b>	<b>-17,025</b>	<b>-235,385</b>

**Table D.2: Summary of advances, repayments and interest, by year and state (continued)**

\$'000	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
<b>2028-29</b>									
<b>Advances</b>									
Natural disaster relief	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Advances</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Repayments</b>									
<b>Agriculture</b>									
Drought Concessional Loans Scheme	-5,276	-38,132	-8,357	-	-1,345	-2,202	-	-	-55,312
Drought Recovery Loans Scheme	-434	-732	-100	-	-753	-2,807	-	-	-4,826
<b>Environment</b>									
Northern Territory – water and sewerage assistance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-136	-136
<b>Housing</b>									
<b>Commonwealth–State Housing</b>									
Agreement loans	-29,890	-	-8,923	-8,475	-1,787	-	-	-1,467	-50,542
Housing for service personnel	-3,032	-	-1,811	-221	-185	-	-	-	-5,249
Other housing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-7,375	-2,261	-9,636
Loan to NSW to assist beneficiaries of the Asbestos Injuries Compensation Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Natural disaster relief	-4,112	-	-1,661	-	-465	-	-	-	-6,238
<b>Other purposes</b>									
Loan Council – housing nominations	-15,891	-	-5,846	-10,136	-6,648	-	-	-5,290	-43,811
<b>Total Repayments</b>	<b>-58,635</b>	<b>-38,864</b>	<b>-26,698</b>	<b>-18,832</b>	<b>-11,183</b>	<b>-5,009</b>	<b>-7,375</b>	<b>-9,154</b>	<b>-175,750</b>

**Table D.2: Summary of advances, repayments and interest, by year and state (continued)**

\$'000	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
<b>2028-29</b>									
<b>Interest</b>									
Agriculture									
Drought Concessional Loans Scheme	-321	-1,199	-298	-	-50	-170	-	-	-2,038
Drought Recovery Loans Scheme	-9	-148	-26	-	-15	-94	-	-	-292
Environment									
Northern Territory – water and sewerage assistance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-460	-460
Housing									
Commonwealth–State Housing									
Agreement loans	-5,645	-	-1,713	-1,608	-458	-	-	-516	-9,940
Housing for service personnel	-686	-	-376	-48	-30	-	-	-	-1,140
Other housing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2,187	-356	-2,543
Loan to NSW to assist beneficiaries of the Asbestos Injuries Compensation Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Natural disaster relief	-627	-	-426	-	-40	-	-	-	-1,093
Other purposes									
Loan Council – housing nominations	-10,821	-	-3,820	-6,454	-4,819	-	-	-3,913	-29,827
<b>Total Interest</b>	<b>-18,109</b>	<b>-1,347</b>	<b>-6,659</b>	<b>-8,110</b>	<b>-5,412</b>	<b>-264</b>	<b>-2,187</b>	<b>-5,245</b>	<b>-47,333</b>
<b>Net Financial Flow</b>	<b>-76,744</b>	<b>-40,211</b>	<b>-33,357</b>	<b>-26,942</b>	<b>-16,595</b>	<b>-5,273</b>	<b>-9,562</b>	<b>-14,399</b>	<b>-223,083</b>