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Foreword

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Part 1: Australia's Federal Relations

Overview

In 2026–27, the Australian Government will provide state and territory governments (states) with \$207.8 billion in total payments, estimated to be 24.9 per cent of total Australian Government expenditure. This includes payments of \$97.5 billion for specific purposes including for schools and hospitals, and general revenue assistance of \$110.3 billion.

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

- contributing \$168.7 billion from 2026–27 to 2029–30 for public health and hospital services under the National Health Reform Agreement
- investing \$147.0 billion from 2026–27 to 2029–30 in Better and Fairer Schools funding
- committing \$53.6 billion from 2026–27 to 2029–30 to invest in nation-building infrastructure
- contributing \$9.4 billion from 2026–27 to 2029–30 for the National Skills Agreement
- investing \$7.7 billion from 2026–27 to 2029–30 for the National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness
- contributing \$3.2 billion from 2026–27 to 2029–30 for the National Access to Justice Partnership
- contributing \$1.1 billion from 2026–27 to 2029–30 for the National Agreement on Foundational Supports
- providing an estimated \$21.8 billion from 2026–27 to 2029–30 in horizontal fiscal equalisation (HFE) transition payments (also known as the No Worse Off guarantee)
- continuing its permanent boost to the size of the GST pool distributed among the states, including by \$1.1 billion in 2026–27 (with this pool boost growing annually in line with the underlying growth of the pool).

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, including through investments in infrastructure, skills and national competition policy. 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 \$207.8 billion in 2026–27.

Payments to the states in 2026–27 are estimated to be 24.9 per cent of total Australian Government expenditure and 6.7 per cent of GDP.

Payments for specific purposes

In 2026–27, the Australian Government will provide the states with \$97.5 billion in payments for specific purposes. This represents a decrease of \$4.1 billion or 4.0 per cent compared with the 2025–26 estimate. This is primarily due to the bringing forward of funding under the Financial Assistance Grant program from 2026–27, for early payment in 2025–26, and the application of a temporary fuel and other materials disruption slippage adjustment at the national level in the Infrastructure Investment Program in this Budget. Payments for specific purposes are estimated to make up 11.7 per cent of total Australian Government expenditure in 2026–27 and 3.2 per cent of GDP.

Payments for the National Agreements, including National Health Reform funding, Better and Fairer Schools funding, the National Skills Agreement, the National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness, the National Agreement on Foundational Supports and the National Access to Justice Partnership, are expected to total \$77.3 billion in 2026–27.

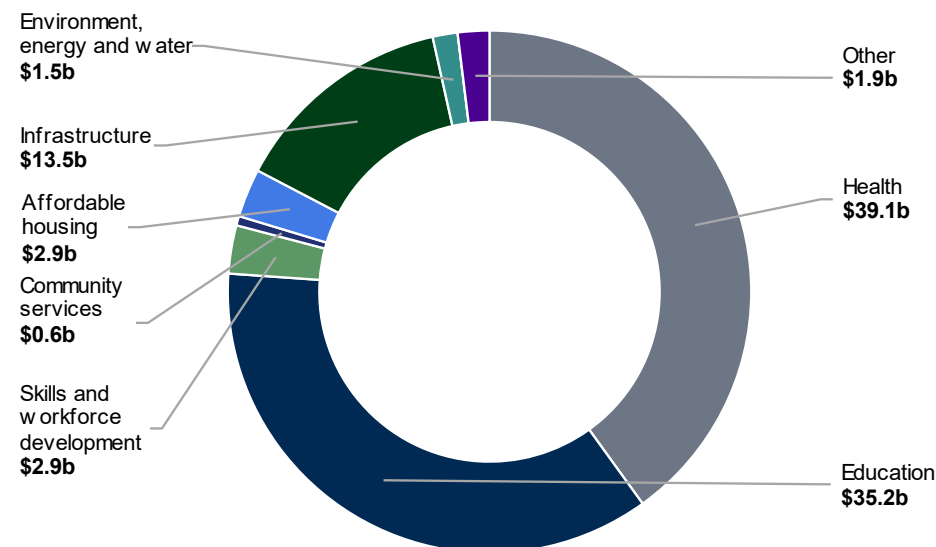
National Partnership payments are expected to total \$20.2 billion in 2026–27.

Chart 1.1 shows estimated payments for specific purposes to the states in 2026–27 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 1.1: Payments for specific purposes 2026–27, 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 2026–27, the states are expected to receive \$110.3 billion in general revenue assistance, including \$109.8 billion for the GST-related payments. General revenue assistance to the states is estimated to represent 13.2 per cent of total Australian Government expenditure in 2026–27 and 3.6 per cent of GDP.

Part 3 of this Budget Paper contains further detail on 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, 2025–26 to 2029–30

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26									
Payments for specific purposes(a)	28,096	25,790	22,572	11,242	8,166	2,420	1,693	2,523	101,598
GST-related payments(b)	28,268	28,466	16,932	8,055	9,779	3,863	2,125	4,850	102,338
Other general revenue assistance(c)	-	-	-	429	-	-	46	-	475
Total payments to the states	56,364	54,256	39,504	19,725	17,945	6,283	3,865	7,373	204,410
2026-27									
Payments for specific purposes(a)	26,845	24,548	22,754	10,887	7,855	2,557	1,750	2,685	97,519
GST-related payments(b)	28,704	30,144	19,577	9,506	10,186	4,184	2,246	5,273	109,820
Other general revenue assistance(c)	-	-	-	434	-	-	48	-	482
Total payments to the states	55,549	54,692	42,331	20,827	18,041	6,741	4,044	7,957	207,821
2027-28									
Payments for specific purposes(a)	28,638	25,309	25,371	11,173	8,102	2,640	1,710	2,474	103,880
GST-related payments(b)	29,956	31,572	20,501	10,015	10,593	4,337	2,349	5,490	114,812
Other general revenue assistance(c)	-	-	-	359	-	-	49	-	408
Total payments to the states	58,594	56,881	45,872	21,546	18,695	6,977	4,107	7,964	219,100
2028-29									
Payments for specific purposes(a)	29,511	26,042	26,200	11,009	8,047	2,592	1,719	2,523	107,551
GST-related payments(b)	31,364	33,251	21,533	10,636	11,098	4,540	2,474	5,794	120,689
Other general revenue assistance(c)	-	-	-	300	-	-	50	-	350
Total payments to the states	60,875	59,293	47,732	21,945	19,145	7,132	4,243	8,317	228,589
2029-30									
Payments for specific purposes(a)	30,809	26,615	26,336	11,353	8,048	2,856	1,692	2,561	111,580
GST-related payments(b)	32,727	34,871	22,531	11,213	11,570	4,726	2,595	6,070	126,303
Other general revenue assistance(c)	-	-	-	242	-	-	51	-	293
Total payments to the states	63,536	61,487	48,867	22,808	19,618	7,582	4,337	8,631	238,176

a) As 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. Additionally, a general slippage adjustment has been applied to Infrastructure Investment Program spending at the national level from 2025–26 to 2029–30 to take account of historical experiences, including the timing of states claiming payments against milestones and the complexity of delivery. A temporary Fuel and Other Materials Disruption slippage adjustment has also been applied at the national level from 2026–27 to 2028–29 to recognise the uncertain impacts of the Middle East conflict on the availability of key materials for the delivery of projects. State totals are unaffected by the slippage assumptions. The slippage adjustments are unwound from 2030–31.

- b) Includes GST entitlement and horizontal fiscal equalisation (HFE) transition payments (also known as the No Worse Off guarantee). State allocations depend on the GST revenue sharing relativities for each financial year. They are calculated using the Commonwealth Grants Commission's 2026–27 GST relativities. The estimates beyond 2026–27 do not reflect any attempt to project future GST relativities or GST entitlements. See Part 3 for further information.
- c) Includes ACT municipal services and royalty payments. See Table 3.7 for further information.

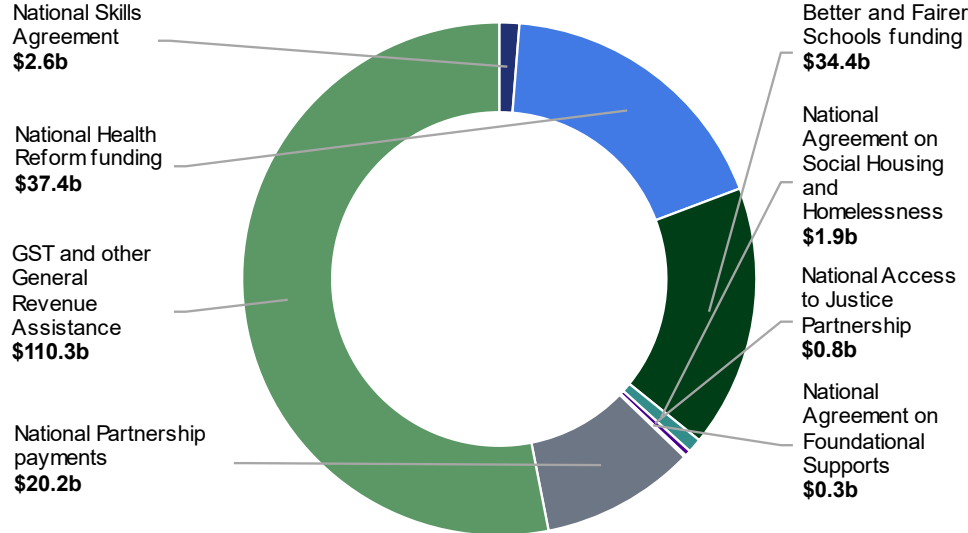
For 2026–27, total payments to the states are estimated to be 6.7 per cent of GDP. Payments for specific purposes are estimated to be 3.2 per cent of GDP and general revenue assistance is estimated to be 3.6 per cent of GDP.

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

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
<i>Payments for specific purposes</i>					
National Health Reform funding	32,214	37,421	40,454	43,690	47,185
Better and Fairer Schools funding(a)	32,979	34,394	35,873	37,471	39,277
National Skills Agreement	2,505	2,614	2,623	2,277	1,933
National Agreement on Foundational Supports	-	280	280	280	280
National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness	1,817	1,864	1,905	1,945	1,990
Energy Bill Relief	1,733	-	-	-	-
National Access to Justice Partnership	738	760	777	791	824
National Partnership payments(b)(c)	29,612	20,186	21,969	21,096	20,092
Total payments for specific purposes	101,598	97,519	103,880	107,551	111,580
Per cent change from previous year	4.3	-4.0	6.5	3.5	3.7
Per cent of GDP	3.4	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.2
<i>General revenue assistance</i>					
GST-related payments(d)	102,338	109,820	114,812	120,689	126,303
Other general revenue assistance	475	482	408	350	293
Total general revenue assistance	102,813	110,302	115,220	121,038	126,595
Per cent change from previous year	5.7	7.3	4.5	5.1	4.6
Per cent of GDP	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6
Total payments to the states	204,410	207,821	219,100	228,589	238,176
Per cent change from previous year	5.0	1.7	5.4	4.3	4.2
Per cent of GDP	6.9	6.7	6.9	6.9	6.8

- a) Includes funding for non-government representative bodies.
- b) Excludes National Partnership payments made under the National Skills Agreement, National Agreement on Foundational Supports, Energy Bill Relief and National Access to Justice Partnership, which are shown separately.
- c) Includes financial assistance grants for local governments, payments direct to local governments, and payments funded through legislative appropriations other than section 16 (National Partnership payments) of the *Federal Financial Relations Act 2009*.
- d) Includes GST entitlement and horizontal fiscal equalisation (HFE) transition payments (also known as the No Worse Off guarantee). State allocations depend on the GST revenue sharing relativities for each financial year. They are calculated using the Commonwealth Grants Commission's 2026–27 GST relativities. The estimates beyond 2026–27 do not reflect any attempt to project future GST relativities or GST entitlements. See Part 3 for further information.

Chart 1.2: Total Australian Government payments to the states, 2026–27



Note: National Partnership payments made under National Agreements are shown separately. These include the National Skills Agreement, National Access to Justice Partnership and National Agreement on Foundational Supports.

Table 1.3 provides information on the Australian Government’s financial contributions to state expenditure in key sectors in 2024–25 (the latest year for which there are data to enable this calculation). It shows that Australian Government financial assistance in 2024–25 effectively supported 47.4 per cent of state expenditure.

Table 1.3: Australian Government’s contribution to state expenditure

	Australian Government tied payments (\$million)	State spending supported by general revenue assistance (a) (\$million)	Total state spending (\$million)	State spending supported by Australian Government payments (per cent)
2024-25				
Health	30,889	29,259	125,001	48.1
Education	33,997	14,682	81,224	59.9
Housing and community amenities	4,560	1,483	9,329	64.8
Transport	13,094	8,087	39,107	54.2
Economic affairs	4,706	3,571	16,191	51.1
Social protection	1,132	12,807	42,325	32.9
Other functions (b)	9,035	27,400	97,168	37.5
Payments for specific purposes	97,411			
General revenue assistance		97,288		
Total			410,345	47.4

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), *Government Finance Statistics 2024–25*; and Australian Government, *Final Budget Outcome 2024–25*.

Note: Australian Government payments to the states in 2024–25 are 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 is provided to the states without conditions to spend according to their own budget priorities. For illustrative purposes, general revenue assistance is allocated to expense functions based on the ratio of discretionary spending in each function as a share of states’ total discretionary spending.
- b) ‘Other functions’ include additional functions not elsewhere itemised.

Measures affecting payments to the states

Table 1.4 lists measures in the 2026–27 Budget that affect payments to the states. Details of the measures are available in Budget Paper No. 2, *Budget Measures 2026–27*, 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
National Health Reform funding	Part 2 – Health	National Health Reform Agreement – hospital funding and Commonwealth investment in the public hospital system	Payments – Health, Disability and Ageing
Access to HIV treatment and prevention	Part 2 – Health	Health Protection	Payments – Health, Disability and Ageing
Additional assistance for public hospitals	Part 2 – Health	National Health Reform Agreement – hospital funding and Commonwealth investment in the public hospital system	Payments – Health, Disability and Ageing
Medicare Urgent Care Clinics	Part 2 – Health	Strengthening Medicare	Payments – Health, Disability and Ageing
National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Agreement – bilateral schedules	Part 2 – Health	Mental Health	Payments – Health, Disability and Ageing
Reducing Stillbirths	Part 2 – Health	Supporting families who experience stillbirth	Payments – Social Services
Specialist dementia care	Part 2 – Health	Residential Aged Care Supply and Equity of Access	Payments – Health, Disability and Ageing
First Nations Health Reform Fund	Part 2 – Health	National Health Reform Agreement – hospital funding and Commonwealth investment in the public hospital system	Payments – Health, Disability and Ageing
Essential vaccines	Part 2 – Health	Improving Access and Uptake of Medicines and Vaccines	Payments – Health, Disability and Ageing
Illicit Tobacco Compliance and Enforcement Package	Part 2 – Health	Combatting Illicit Tobacco	Payments – Home Affairs
Increasing specialist services for children who have displayed harmful sexual behaviours in the Northern Territory	Part 2 – Health	National Strategy to Prevent and Respond to Child Sexual Abuse – continuation	Payments – Attorney-General's

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

Payment	Section of Budget Paper 3	Measure title	Section of Budget Paper 2
NHRA Enabling Reforms – Digital	Part 2 – Health	National Health Reform Agreement – hospital funding and Commonwealth investment in the public hospital system	Payments – Health, Disability and Ageing
Public dental services for adults	Part 2 – Health	Preventive Health	Payments – Health, Disability and Ageing
Schools Pathways Program	Part 2 – Education	Supporting Defence Industry and Strategic Policy Sector	Payments – Defence
National Skills Agreement(a)	Part 2 – Skills and workforce development	Employment and Workplace Relations and Skills – reprioritisation	Payments – Employment and Workplace Relations
TAFE Technology Fund and Mobile TAFE(a)	Part 2 – Skills and workforce development	Employment and Workplace Relations and Skills – reprioritisation	Payments – Employment and Workplace Relations
National Agreement on Foundational Supports	Part 2 – Community Services	Thriving Kids	Payments – Health, Disability and Ageing
Family, domestic and sexual violence responses agreement – 500 community sector and frontline workers	Part 2 – Community Services	Ending Gender-Based Violence – continued investment	Payments – Cross Portfolio
Our Ways – Strong Ways – Our Voices ACCO network	Part 2 – Community Services	Ending Gender-Based Violence – continued investment	Payments – Cross Portfolio
Housing Support Program – Local Infrastructure Fund	Part 2 – Affordable Housing	Boosting Home Ownership	Payments – Treasury
Supporting youth into Community Housing	Part 2 – Affordable Housing	Supporting Youth into Community Housing	Payments – Treasury
Infrastructure Investment Program	Part 2 – Infrastructure	Building a Better Future through Considered Infrastructure Investment	Payments – Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sports and the Arts
Growing Regions Program(a)	Part 2 – Infrastructure	Community Infrastructure	Payments – Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sports and the Arts
National Water Grid Fund(a)	Part 2 – Infrastructure	Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water – savings	Payments – Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
White City Sports Complex	Part 2 – Infrastructure	Government Response to the Antisemitic Bondi Terrorist Attack	Payments – Cross Portfolio

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

Payment	Section of Budget Paper 3	Measure title	Section of Budget Paper 2
Explore the feasibility of new fuel security initiatives	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Energy Sovereignty – Fuel Security and Resilience	Payments – Cross Portfolio
Fast-tracking Approvals – Bilateral Agreements and Bioregional Plans	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Boosting Productivity – Accelerating Approvals	Payments – Cross Portfolio
Fast-tracking Approvals – Strategic Assessments	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Boosting Productivity – Accelerating Approvals	Payments – Cross Portfolio
Food Waste for Healthy Soils Fund(a)	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water – savings	Payments – Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
Implementing Reforms for Regional Forest Agreements	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Implementing the Government's Environmental Reforms	Payments – Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
Investing in Australia's First Nations Culture and World Heritage	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Investing in Australia's Indigenous Culture and World Heritage	Payments – Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
Low-Carbon Aluminium Credit for the Boyne Smelter	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Supporting Australian Industry	Payments – Industry Science and Resources
Pest and disease preparedness and response programs(a)	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Portfolio – reprioritisation	Payments – Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
Recycling Modernisation Fund – Plastics technology stream(a)	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	National Solar Panel Recycling Pilot	Payments – Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
Urban Rivers and Catchments Program(a)	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water – savings	Payments – Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
Yellow crazy ant control	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Protecting Australia's Native Species – continuing funding	Payments – Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
Sustainable rural water use and infrastructure program(a)	Part 2 – Environment, energy and water	Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water – savings	Payments – Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
Addressing Misuse of the Protection Visa System	Part 2 – Other	Strengthening the Integrity of the Migration System	Payments – Home Affairs
Assistance for the Liberty Bell Bay smelter	Part 2 – Other	Supporting Australian Industry	Payments – Industry Science and Resources
Assistance for the Whyalla steel industry	Part 2 – Other	Supporting Australian Industry	Payments – Industry Science and Resources
Commonwealth Community Safety Order Scheme (CSO)(a)	Part 2 – Other	Home Affairs – savings	Payments – Home Affairs

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

Payment	Section of Budget Paper 3	Measure title	Section of Budget Paper 2
Commonwealth High Risk Terrorist Offender Regime	Part 2 – Other	Home Affairs – additional resourcing	Payments – Home Affairs
Countering Violent Extremism initiatives – National Support and Intervention Program	Part 2 – Other	Government Response to the Antisemitic Bondi Terrorist Attack	Payments – Cross Portfolio
Financial Assistance Grants	Part 2 – Other	Financial Assistance Grants to Local Government	Payments – Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sports and the Arts
Financial assistance to local governments – Supplementary funding to South Australia for local roads	Part 2 – Other	Building a Better Future through Considered Infrastructure Investment	Payments – Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sports and the Arts
Henderson Stage 1 Funding	Part 2 – Other	2026 National Defence Strategy and Integrated Investment Program	Payments – Defence
Indigenous Tourism Fund(a)	Part 2 – Other	Closing the Gap – further investments	Payments – Cross Portfolio
Northern Presence Combatting Illegal Foreign Fishing	Part 2 – Other	Supporting Border Security	Payments – Home Affairs
GST entitlement	Part 3 – GST payments	Boosting Productivity – better selecting migrants and recognising their skills	Receipts – Home Affairs
GST entitlement	Part 3 – GST payments	Migration – uplift of Visa Application Charge for Temporary Graduate visas	Receipts – Home Affairs
GST entitlement	Part 3 – GST payments	Strengthening the Integrity of the Migration System	Receipts – Home Affairs
GST entitlement	Part 3 – GST payments	Electric car discount – more sustainable fringe benefits tax treatment of electric cars	Receipts – Treasury
GST entitlement	Part 3 – GST payments	Indirect Tax Concession Scheme – diplomatic and consular concessions	Receipts – Treasury
GST entitlement	Part 3 – GST payments	Protecting the tax system against fraud	Receipts – Treasury
GST entitlement	Part 3 – GST payments	Taking Pressure Off Australians – temporary reduction of fuel excise and heavy vehicle road user charge	Receipts – Treasury

a) Measure redirects funding allocated to states in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2025–26* 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.

- Funding for public health and hospital services under the National Health Reform Agreement is the largest payment to the states for a specific purpose, estimated to be \$37.4 billion in 2026–27.
- Better and Fairer Schools funding is the second largest payment to the states for a specific purpose, estimated to be \$34.4 billion in 2026–27, comprising funding for government schools of \$13.0 billion and non-government schools of \$21.4 billion.
- In 2026–27, the Australian Government is supporting the states in the skills and workforce development sector by providing \$2.6 billion through the National Skills Agreement.
- In 2026–27, the Australian Government is paying \$280.0 million to deliver Thriving Kids under the National Agreement on Foundational Supports.
- In 2026–27, the Australian Government is contributing \$1.9 billion under the National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness.
- In 2026–27, the Australian Government is providing \$759.9 million under the National Access to Justice Partnership for improved justice outcomes for people experiencing vulnerability and financial disadvantage.

National Partnership payments to the states are the key vehicle for facilitating reforms or supporting delivery of 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 a state has achieved the outcomes or outputs specified in the relevant agreement. National Partnership payments are estimated to be \$20.2 billion in 2026–27.

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 the International Monetary Fund’s Classification of the Functions of Government, are set out in Appendix B, available online.

Table 2.1: Total payments for specific purposes by category, 2025–26 to 2029–30

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total(a)
2025-26									
National Health Reform funding	9,484	7,779	7,537	3,466	2,179	704	579	486	32,214
Better and Fairer Schools funding(b)	9,657	8,319	7,214	3,577	2,406	747	500	558	32,979
National Skills Agreement	780	642	501	266	176	56	52	33	2,505
National Agreement on Foundational Supports	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness	551	461	363	194	122	38	31	57	1,817
Energy Bill Relief	529	450	359	185	125	39	31	14	1,733
National Access to Justice Partnership	193	129	158	98	58	24	15	62	738
National Partnership payments(c)	6,902	8,011	6,439	3,455	3,099	811	485	1,314	29,612
Total payments for specific purposes	28,096	25,790	22,572	11,242	8,166	2,420	1,693	2,523	101,598
2026-27									
National Health Reform funding	10,916	9,029	8,772	3,998	2,589	831	694	592	37,421
Better and Fairer Schools funding(b)	10,051	8,645	7,513	3,743	2,515	783	528	616	34,394
National Skills Agreement	800	649	536	294	181	66	51	37	2,614
National Agreement on Foundational Supports	88	72	57	30	19	6	5	3	280
National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness	565	472	372	200	125	39	32	58	1,864
Energy Bill Relief	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
National Access to Justice Partnership	199	133	163	101	60	25	15	63	760
National Partnership payments(c)	4,224	5,548	5,342	2,521	2,366	807	426	1,315	20,186
Total payments for specific purposes	26,845	24,548	22,754	10,887	7,855	2,557	1,750	2,685	97,519

Table 2.1: Total payments for specific purposes by category, 2025–26 to 2029–30 (continued)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total(a)
2027-28									
National Health Reform funding	11,790	9,751	9,473	4,318	2,796	937	750	639	40,454
Better and Fairer Schools funding(b)	10,465	9,025	7,827	3,899	2,623	808	548	678	35,873
National Skills Agreement	807	662	539	297	180	55	49	35	2,623
National Agreement on Foundational Supports	88	72	57	30	19	6	5	3	280
National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness	578	483	380	204	128	40	32	59	1,905
Energy Bill Relief	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
National Access to Justice Partnership	203	136	166	104	61	26	15	65	777
National Partnership payments(c)	4,706	5,179	6,928	2,322	2,294	769	311	995	21,969
Total payments for specific purposes	28,638	25,309	25,371	11,173	8,102	2,640	1,710	2,474	103,880
2028-29									
National Health Reform funding	12,733	10,531	10,231	4,663	3,019	1,012	810	690	43,690
Better and Fairer Schools funding(b)	10,940	9,415	8,155	4,062	2,752	836	568	743	37,471
National Skills Agreement	694	583	470	262	157	44	41	27	2,277
National Agreement on Foundational Supports	88	72	57	30	19	6	5	3	280
National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness	590	493	388	208	131	41	33	61	1,945
Energy Bill Relief	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
National Access to Justice Partnership	207	139	170	106	62	26	16	66	791
National Partnership payments(c)	4,259	4,809	6,729	1,678	1,907	626	248	933	21,096
Total payments for specific purposes	29,511	26,042	26,200	11,009	8,047	2,592	1,719	2,523	107,551

Table 2.1: Total payments for specific purposes by category, 2025–26 to 2029–30 (continued)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total(a)
2029-30									
National Health Reform funding	13,752	11,374	11,050	5,036	3,261	1,093	874	746	47,185
Better and Fairer Schools funding(b)	11,530	9,818	8,528	4,239	2,911	871	591	788	39,277
National Skills Agreement	597	500	399	216	130	39	34	18	1,933
National Agreement on Foundational Supports	88	72	57	30	19	6	5	3	280
National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness	603	504	397	213	134	42	34	62	1,990
Energy Bill Relief	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
National Access to Justice Partnership	216	145	177	110	65	27	16	69	824
National Partnership payments(c)	4,022	4,202	5,729	1,508	1,528	779	138	875	20,092
Total payments for specific purposes	30,809	26,615	26,336	11,353	8,048	2,856	1,692	2,561	111,580

- a) As state allocations for a number of programs have not yet been determined, these payments are not included in state totals. As a result, total payments may not equal the sum of state totals. Additionally, a general slippage adjustment has been applied to Infrastructure Investment Program spending at the national level from 2025–26 to 2029–30 to take account of historical experiences, including the timing of states claiming payments against milestones and the complexity of delivery. A temporary Fuel and Other Materials Disruption slippage adjustment has also been applied at the national level from 2026–27 to 2028–29 to recognise the uncertain impacts of the Middle East conflict on the availability of key materials for the delivery of projects. State totals are unaffected by the slippage assumptions. The slippage adjustments are unwound from 2030–31.
- b) Includes funding for non-government representative bodies.
- c) Includes financial assistance grants for local governments, payments direct to local governments, and payments funded through legislative appropriations other than section 16 (National Partnership payments) of the *Federal Financial Relations Act 2009*. Excludes National Partnership payments made under the National Skills Agreement, National Agreement on Foundational Supports, Energy Bill Relief and National Access to Justice Partnership, which are shown separately.

Table 2.2: Payments for specific purposes by sector and category, 2025–26 to 2029–30

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
<i>Health</i>					
National Health Reform funding	32,214	37,421	40,454	43,690	47,185
National Partnership payments	2,810	1,636	1,259	455	344
Total health payments	35,024	39,057	41,712	44,145	47,529
<i>Education</i>					
Better and Fairer Schools funding(a)	32,979	34,394	35,873	37,471	39,277
National Partnership payments(b)	840	777	690	652	610
Total education payments	33,819	35,171	36,563	38,123	39,887
<i>Skills and workforce development</i>					
National Skills Agreement	2,505	2,614	2,623	2,277	1,933
National Partnership payments(c)	256	294	212	182	188
Total skills and workforce development payments	2,761	2,908	2,835	2,459	2,121
<i>Community services</i>					
National Agreement on Foundational Supports	-	280	280	280	280
National Partnership payments(b)(d)	246	286	289	290	301
Total community services payments	246	566	569	570	581
<i>Affordable housing</i>					
National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness	1,817	1,864	1,905	1,945	1,990
National Partnership payments(b)	461	1,065	949	1,011	1,760
Total affordable housing payments	2,278	2,929	2,854	2,956	3,750
<i>Infrastructure</i>					
National Partnership payments(b)(e)	15,770	13,484	13,810	14,083	12,216
<i>Environment, energy and water</i>					
Energy Bill Relief	1,733	-	-	-	-
National Partnership payments(b)(f)	1,911	1,502	852	464	562
Total environment, energy and water payments	3,644	1,502	852	464	562
<i>Contingent payments</i>					
National Partnership payments	1,994	..	..	..	..
<i>Other</i>					
National Access to Justice Partnership	738	760	777	791	824
National Partnership payments(g)	5,324	1,141	3,908	3,959	4,109
Total other payments	6,062	1,901	4,685	4,750	4,933
Total payments for specific purposes	101,598	97,519	103,880	107,551	111,580

a) Includes funding for non-government representative bodies.

b) Includes financial assistance grants for local government, payments direct to local government, and/or payments funded through legislative appropriations other than section 16 (National Partnership payments) of the *Federal Financial Relations Act 2009*.

c) Excludes payments under the National Skills Agreement, which are shown separately.

d) Excludes National Partnership payments made under the National Agreement on Foundational Supports, which are shown separately.

e) A general slippage adjustment has been applied to Infrastructure Investment Program spending at the national level from 2025–26 to 2029–30 to take account of historical experiences, including the timing of states claiming payments against milestones and the complexity of delivery. A temporary Fuel and Other Materials Disruption slippage adjustment has also been applied at the national level from 2026–27 to 2028–29 to recognise the uncertain impacts of the Middle East conflict on the availability of key materials for the delivery of projects. The slippage adjustments are unwound from 2030–31.

f) Excludes National Partnership payments made under Energy Bill Relief, which are shown separately.

g) Excludes National Partnership payments made under the National Access to Justice Partnership, which are shown separately.

Health

In 2026–27, the Australian Government will provide funding of \$39.1 billion to support state health services, including \$37.4 billion in National Health Reform funding and \$1,636.3 million in National Partnership payments, as detailed in Table 2.3.

Table 2.3: Payments to support state health services

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
National Health Reform funding	32,214.2	37,420.7	40,453.5	43,689.8	47,185.0
National Partnership payments					
Health services	2,131.5	607.6	280.5	82.1	55.1
Health infrastructure	379.4	650.9	626.7	103.4	80.0
First Nations health	72.2	104.2	105.8	48.5	40.0
Other health payments	227.2	273.6	245.9	221.2	169.1
Total National Partnership payments	2,810.3	1,636.3	1,258.9	455.3	344.2
Total	35,024.4	39,057.1	41,712.4	44,145.1	47,529.2

National Health Reform funding

In 2026–27, National Health Reform funding is estimated to be \$37.4 billion.

National Health Reform funding

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26									
Hospital services(a)	9,300.2	7,627.2	7,415.6	3,400.4	2,138.1	691.9	569.1	480.2	31,622.6
Public health	184.0	151.6	121.6	65.4	40.7	12.3	10.4	5.7	591.5
Total	9,484.2	7,778.8	7,537.2	3,465.7	2,178.8	704.1	579.5	485.9	32,214.2
2026-27									
Hospital services	10,720.8	8,867.2	8,641.9	3,928.0	2,545.4	818.5	683.0	585.9	36,790.5
Public health	195.6	161.8	129.7	69.9	43.1	12.9	11.1	6.0	630.2
Total	10,916.4	9,028.9	8,771.6	3,997.9	2,588.5	831.4	694.0	591.9	37,420.7
2027-28									
Hospital services	11,581.7	9,578.6	9,335.0	4,243.1	2,749.9	923.4	737.7	632.8	39,782.2
Public health	208.1	172.6	138.4	74.7	45.7	13.7	11.8	6.4	671.3
Total	11,789.7	9,751.3	9,473.4	4,317.7	2,795.6	937.0	749.5	639.2	40,453.5
2028-29									
Hospital services	12,511.6	10,347.1	10,083.6	4,583.4	2,970.8	997.6	796.9	683.6	42,974.7
Public health	221.3	184.3	147.6	79.7	48.4	14.4	12.6	6.8	715.1
Total	12,732.9	10,531.4	10,231.2	4,663.2	3,019.3	1,012.0	809.5	690.4	43,689.8
2029-30									
Hospital services	13,516.2	11,177.2	10,892.3	4,951.1	3,209.5	1,077.7	860.8	738.4	46,423.2
Public health	235.4	196.7	157.4	85.1	51.3	15.2	13.4	7.2	761.8
Total	13,751.6	11,373.9	11,049.7	5,036.2	3,260.8	1,093.0	874.3	745.6	47,185.0

a) Funding estimates incorporate the 2024–25 annual reconciliation adjustments for hospital services and includes a one-off uplift in funding for the Northern Territory.

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.

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.

On 30 January 2026, the Commonwealth and states agreed the 2026–2031 Addendum to the National Health Reform Agreement (NHRA). National Health Reform funding estimates from 2026–27 onwards are based on the new funding model of the 2026–2031 Addendum. The new funding model includes annual Commonwealth cap increases of 10¼ per cent in 2026–27 and 8.0 per cent in 2027–28 to 2030–31.

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 2026–27*.

Final entitlements to National Health Reform funding, 2024–25

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
National Health Reform	8,905.3	7,304.0	7,077.2	3,254.2	2,045.8	661.2	544.1	422.9	30,214.7

In December 2025, the Assistant Minister for Competition, Charities and Treasury determined final entitlements for 2024–25 National Health Reform funding in accordance with advice from the Administrator of the National Health Funding Pool. Reconciliation adjustments have been made to state 2025–26 payment estimates based on the final 2024–25 entitlements.

National Partnership payments for health

The Australian Government will provide a total of \$1,636.3 million to the states in 2026–27 under the following categories:

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

Health services

In 2026–27, the Australian Government is estimated to provide \$607.6 million to support the delivery of health services in the states.

Table 2.3.1: Health services

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
National Partnership payments					
Access to Eflornithine	5.0	-	-	-	-
Access to HIV treatment and prevention	28.0	40.5	40.5	40.5	12.5
Additional assistance for public hospitals	-	221.0	-	-	-
Comprehensive palliative care in aged care	8.6	-	-	-	-
Eliminating cervical cancer in Australia	7.6	9.0	-	-	-
Management of Torres Strait / Papua New Guinea cross-border health issues	5.7	5.8	5.9	-	-
Medicare Urgent Care Clinics	78.3	45.2	46.2	24.8	25.4
Mosquito control in the Torres Strait Protected Zone	0.9	1.0	1.0	-	-
National bowel cancer screening program — participant follow-up function	9.5	9.9	10.2	-	-
National Critical Care and Trauma Response Centre	18.4	18.8	-	-	-
National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Agreement — bilateral schedules	71.9	79.5	-	-	-
One-time funding for hospital and related health services	1,701.3	-	-	-	-
OzFoodNet	2.1	2.1	-	-	-
Palliative Care Services Navigation Pilot	3.0	-	-	-	-
Reducing stillbirths	4.7	4.8	4.9	-	-
Smoking and vaping cessation activities	5.5	4.5	-	-	-
Specialist dementia care	10.1	10.3	15.9	16.8	17.2
Supporting older Australian patients	153.5	138.1	138.6	-	-
Vaccine-preventable diseases surveillance	1.1	1.2	-	-	-
World-class newborn bloodspot screening program	16.2	16.0	17.3	-	-
Total	2,131.5	607.6	280.5	82.1	55.1

Access to Eflornithine^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	5.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	5.0

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is providing funding to reimburse the cost of purchasing and transporting the medicine eflornithine (otherwise referred to as Difluroromethlornithine or DFMO) for eligible patients. The funding was time-limited while the Australian sponsor, Norgine Pty Ltd, established a compassionate access scheme or expanded access program, which became available on 7 October 2024.

Access to HIV treatment and prevention^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	10.5	8.2	4.6	2.3	1.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	28.0
2026-27	4.9	3.7	2.1	1.0	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.2	40.5
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	40.5
2028-29	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	40.5
2029-30	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	12.5
Total	15.4	11.9	6.7	3.3	2.0	0.5	0.7	0.6	162.0

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 2026–27*.

Additional assistance for public hospitals

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	80.0	75.0	66.0	221.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	80.0	75.0	66.0	221.0

The Australian Government will provide funding to Tasmania, the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory in 2026–27, in recognition of the additional cost challenges smaller jurisdictions currently face, ahead of a review of small state pricing methodology from the Independent Health and Aged Care Pricing Authority (IHACPA).

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 2026–27*.

Comprehensive palliative care in aged care

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	3.6	0.5	2.1	1.0	0.9	0.2	0.2	0.1	8.6
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	3.6	0.5	2.1	1.0	0.9	0.2	0.2	0.1	8.6

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.

Eliminating cervical cancer in Australia

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	1.8	1.5	1.3	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.4	0.3	7.6
2026-27	2.4	2.0	1.6	1.0	0.8	0.4	0.4	0.4	9.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	4.2	3.5	2.9	1.8	1.4	1.2	0.8	0.7	16.6

The Australian Government is providing funding to improve and expand cervical cancer screening services.

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

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	5.7	-	-	-	-	-	5.7
2026-27	-	-	5.8	-	-	-	-	-	5.8
2027-28	-	-	5.9	-	-	-	-	-	5.9
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	17.5	-	-	-	-	-	17.5

The Australian Government is contributing to the costs of providing health services at Queensland Health facilities to Papua New Guinean nationals who travel through the Torres Strait Protected Zone (TSPZ) for traditional activities recognised under the Torres Strait Treaty. Funding also contributes to communication and liaison activities to address health issues associated with cross-border movements in the TSPZ.

Medicare Urgent Care Clinics^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	41.7	-	-	-	9.6	3.9	20.9	78.3
2026-27	-	~	-	-	-	~	3.9	19.9	45.2
2027-28	-	~	-	-	-	~	3.9	20.4	46.2
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0	20.8	24.8
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.1	21.3	25.4
Total	-	41.7	-	-	-	9.6	19.8	103.2	219.9

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing ongoing funding certainty for 137 Medicare Urgent Care Clinics. Medicare Urgent Care Clinics aim to increase accessibility to bulk-billed, urgent healthcare and reduce the number of low-acuity attendances at nearby public hospital emergency departments, allowing hospitals to focus on life-threatening conditions. Since the first clinics opened in June 2023, Medicare Urgent Care Clinics have serviced around 3 million presentations, establishing themselves as an important feature of the Australian health 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 2026–27*.

Mosquito control in the Torres Strait Protected Zone

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	0.9	-	-	-	-	-	0.9
2026-27	-	-	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	1.0
2027-28	-	-	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	1.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	2.9	-	-	-	-	-	2.9

The Australian Government is contributing to the delivery of surveillance, control and, where possible, elimination of *Aedes albopictus* mosquitos at the main population and transport hubs of the Torres Strait. The program will also increase awareness in Torres Strait communities regarding dengue fever, Zika virus and other mosquito-borne diseases.

National bowel cancer screening program – participant follow-up function

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	2.9	2.4	1.9	1.0	0.7	0.3	0.2	0.2	9.5
2026-27	3.0	2.5	2.0	1.1	0.7	0.3	0.2	0.2	9.9
2027-28	3.1	2.5	2.0	1.1	0.7	0.3	0.2	0.2	10.2
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	8.9	7.3	5.9	3.2	2.2	0.8	0.7	0.5	29.6

The Australian Government is contributing to 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.

National Critical Care and Trauma Response Centre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18.4	18.4
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18.8	18.8
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37.2	37.2

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.

National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Agreement – bilateral schedules

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	6.4	41.4	6.5	3.0	9.4	1.8	3.5	-	71.9
2026-27	9.7	41.2	8.1	3.1	9.8	3.3	3.9	0.4	79.5
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	16.1	82.6	14.6	6.0	19.2	5.1	7.4	0.4	151.4

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. The agreement aims to ensure the sustainability and enhance the effectiveness 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, Disability and Ageing, and to 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 *2026–27 Health Portfolio Budget Statements – Program 1.2*.

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 2026–27*.

One-time funding for hospital and related health services

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	407.0	402.0	414.0	158.1	169.2	50.0	50.0	51.0	1,701.3
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	407.0	402.0	414.0	158.1	169.2	50.0	50.0	51.0	1,701.3

The Australian Government is providing one-time fixed additional funding of \$1.7 billion to states in 2025–26 through the Schedule K Addendum to the National Health Reform Agreement to support states’ delivery of hospital and related health services.

OzFoodNet

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	2.1
2026-27	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	2.1
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	4.2

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.

Palliative Care Services Navigation Pilot

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	3.0	-	-	-	3.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	3.0	-	-	-	3.0

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 palliative and end-of-life care pathways, for the benefit of the patient, carers and the health system.

Reducing stillbirths

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	1.1	0.9	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	4.7
2026-27	1.1	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	4.8
2027-28	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	4.9
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	3.3	2.8	2.4	1.7	1.4	1.0	0.9	0.9	14.3

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

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 2026–27*.

Smoking and vaping cessation activities

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	2.1	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	5.5
2026-27	1.1	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	4.5
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	3.2	1.6	1.4	1.0	0.8	0.9	0.6	0.6	10.0

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
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	10.1
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	10.3
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	15.9
2028-29	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	16.8
2029-30	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	17.2
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	70.4

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is providing funding to deliver specialist clinical in-reach services to support units established under the Specialist Dementia Care program which provides transitional, 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 2026–27*.

Supporting older Australian patients

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	46.2	30.5	42.5	15.4	10.4	2.5	2.2	3.7	153.5
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
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	144.3	101.5	79.1	47.3	32.7	7.3	6.8	11.0	430.2

The Australian Government is providing funding to invest in state initiatives that address delayed hospital discharge older patients through avoided hospital admission and earlier discharge from hospital.

Vaccine-preventable diseases surveillance

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	..	..	..	1.1
2026-27	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	1.2
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	2.3

The Australian Government is continuing to provide 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.

World-class newborn bloodspot screening program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	4.1	3.7	3.2	2.4	2.1	0.3	0.3	0.2	16.2
2026-27	4.7	3.8	3.1	2.0	1.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	16.0
2027-28	5.3	4.2	3.4	2.0	1.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	17.3
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	14.1	11.8	9.7	6.4	4.8	1.0	1.0	0.8	49.5

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

Health infrastructure

In 2026–27, the Australian Government is estimated to provide \$650.9 million to support the development of health-related infrastructure.

Table 2.3.2: Health infrastructure

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
National Partnership payments					
Bentley Hospital Surgicentre	17.5	17.5	24.5	-	-
Community Health, Hospitals and Infrastructure projects	126.4	49.2	49.4	7.4	-
Community Sport Initiatives and Infrastructure – Leichhardt Oval	-	13.0	7.0	-	-
Comprehensive Cancer Centres	110.1	325.5	372.1	-	-
Emergency Department at Fairfield Hospital	-	10.0	20.0	40.0	10.0
Expansion of St John of God Midland Public Hospital	15.0	40.0	35.0	30.0	40.0
Expansion of the Flinders Medical Centre	70.0	59.8	59.8	-	-
Health and Medical Research Centre for Launceston	0.4	0.4	0.4	-	-
Health infrastructure projects	2.8	-	-	-	-
Northern Heart Centre in Launceston	8.0	60.0	20.0	-	10.0
Nursing and Midwifery Academy at Epworth	-	17.0	11.0	-	-
St George Illawarra Dragons Community and High Performance Centre	13.6	-	-	-	-
Support for maternity service delivery and infrastructure	10.0	53.0	27.0	26.0	20.0
Supporting Palliative Care in Launceston	5.0	-	-	-	-
Upgrades to the Intensive Care Unit at Dandenong Hospital	-	5.0	-	-	-
Yass Maternity Care Centre	0.6	0.6	0.6	-	-
Total	379.4	650.9	626.7	103.4	80.0

Bentley Hospital Surgicentre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	17.5	-	-	-	-	17.5
2026-27	-	-	-	17.5	-	-	-	-	17.5
2027-28	-	-	-	24.5	-	-	-	-	24.5
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	59.5	-	-	-	-	59.5

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.

Community Health, Hospitals and Infrastructure projects

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	90.0	2.0	-	21.4	7.5	3.5	2.0	-	126.4
2026-27	-	26.7	-	21.0	-	1.5	-	-	49.2
2027-28	40.0	2.0	-	7.4	-	-	-	-	49.4
2028-29	-	-	-	7.4	-	-	-	-	7.4
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	130.0	30.7	-	57.2	7.5	5.0	2.0	-	232.4

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.

Community Sport Initiatives and Infrastructure – Leichhardt Oval

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	13.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13.0
2027-28	7.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	20.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to upgrade and restore Leichhardt Oval in Sydney.

Comprehensive Cancer Centres

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	90.0	0.1	20.0	-	-	-	110.1
2026-27	-	-	100.0	199.5	26.0	-	-	-	325.5
2027-28	-	-	183.0	173.1	16.0	-	-	-	372.1
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	373.0	372.6	62.0	-	-	-	807.6

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

Emergency Department at Fairfield Hospital

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	10.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0
2027-28	20.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.0
2028-29	40.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40.0
2029-30	10.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0
Total	80.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to support an expansion of the Emergency Department (ED) at Fairfield Hospital, including general treatment spaces and specific clinical areas such as ED Short Stay, Paediatric Emergency treatment spaces and enhanced Adult and Paediatric emergency resuscitation capacity.

Expansion of St John of God Midland Public Hospital

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	15.0	-	-	-	-	15.0
2026-27	-	-	-	40.0	-	-	-	-	40.0
2027-28	-	-	-	35.0	-	-	-	-	35.0
2028-29	-	-	-	30.0	-	-	-	-	30.0
2029-30	-	-	-	40.0	-	-	-	-	40.0
Total	-	-	-	160.0	-	-	-	-	160.0

The Australian Government is providing funding towards the expansion of the St John of God Midland Public Hospital to deliver more hospital beds, operating theatres, intensive care unit beds, neonatal care beds, as well as a redesign of the obstetrics and neonatal unit.

Expansion of the Flinders Medical Centre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	70.0	-	-	-	70.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	59.8	-	-	-	59.8
2027-28	-	-	-	-	59.8	-	-	-	59.8
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	189.5	-	-	-	189.5

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 128 extra beds at Flinders Medical Centre and 32 additional beds at the Repat Health Precinct.

Health and Medical Research Centre for Launceston

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	0.4
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	0.4
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	0.4
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	1.2	-	-	1.2

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

Health infrastructure projects

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	1.8	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.8
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1.8	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.8

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

Northern Heart Centre in Launceston

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	8.0	-	-	8.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	60.0	-	-	60.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	20.0	-	-	20.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	10.0	-	-	10.0
Total	-	-	-	-	-	98.0	-	-	98.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to establish the Northern Heart Centre in Launceston, delivering better health care for northern Tasmanians with heart disease. The Centre will help to take pressure off the Launceston General Hospital, freeing up hospital beds and reducing pressure on the emergency department.

Nursing and Midwifery Academy at Epworth

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	17.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	17.0
2027-28	-	11.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	11.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	28.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	28.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the construction of the Nursing and Midwifery Academy in Victoria, to be operated by the Epworth Medical Foundation.

St George Illawarra Dragons Community and High Performance Centre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	13.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13.6
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	13.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13.6

The Australian Government is providing funding for the St George Illawarra Dragons Community and High Performance Centre, providing sporting facilities for elite athletes and to support community programs and pathways.

Support for maternity service delivery and infrastructure

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	4.0	-	-	-	-	6.0	-	-	10.0
2026-27	53.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	53.0
2027-28	27.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27.0
2028-29	26.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26.0
2029-30	20.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.0
Total	130.0	-	-	-	-	6.0	-	-	136.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the expected increase in demand for maternity services on the New South Wales Central Coast and in Hobart, Tasmania. Additionally, the Australian Government is providing funding to support the delivery of a maternity and birthing infrastructure at the new Rouse Hill Hospital.

Supporting Palliative Care in Launceston

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	5.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	5.0

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.

Upgrades to the Intensive Care Unit at Dandenong Hospital

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to support infrastructure upgrades to modernise the Intensive Care Unit at Dandenong Hospital.

Yass Maternity Care Centre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.6
2026-27	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.6
2027-28	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.6
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.8

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the New South Wales Government to establish a new Women’s and Family Maternity Care Centre at Yass, which will provide women residing in the Yass Valley with greater access to maternity support services close to home.

First Nations health

In 2026–27, the Australian Government is estimated to provide \$104.2 million to the states for programs to improve the health of First Nations people.

Table 2.3.3: First Nations health

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
National Partnership payments					
Addressing blood-borne viruses and sexually transmissible infections in the Torres Strait	1.1	1.1	1.1	-	-
First Nations Health Reform Fund	-	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0
Improving trachoma control services for First Nations Australians	4.9	4.9	4.9	-	-
Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment – Health component	15.4	8.0	8.3	8.5	-
Primary Health Care Services in remote Northern Territory	47.7	47.1	48.5	-	-
Rheumatic fever strategy	3.1	3.1	3.1	-	-
Total	72.2	104.2	105.8	48.5	40.0

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

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	1.1
2026-27	-	-	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	1.1
2027-28	-	-	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	1.1
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	3.4	-	-	-	-	-	3.4

The Australian Government is providing funding for communicable disease testing, treatment, prevention and education activities in the Torres Strait region, to deliver culturally appropriate health services that are responsive to emerging communicable disease risks, reduce the prevalence of bloodborne viruses and sexually transmissible infections, and address vaccine-preventable diseases in the region.

First Nations Health Reform Fund^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	40.0
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	40.0
2028-29	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	40.0
2029-30	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	40.0
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	160.0

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide funding to support the implementation of the inaugural Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Schedule to the 2026–2031 Addendum to the National Health Reform Agreement. Commonwealth funding will support critical reforms that improve health system performance and accountability for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander outcomes and experiences.

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 2026–27*.

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

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	0.3	1.6	1.3	-	-	1.8	4.9
2026-27	-	-	~	~	~	-	-	~	4.9
2027-28	-	-	~	~	~	-	-	~	4.9
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	0.3	1.6	1.3	-	-	1.8	14.7

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
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15.4	15.4
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.0	8.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.3	8.3
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.5	8.5
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40.2	40.2

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 Government 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.

Primary Health Care Services in remote Northern Territory

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	47.7	47.7
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	47.1	47.1
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48.5	48.5
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	143.3	143.3

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.

Rheumatic fever strategy^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	~	~	~	-	-	~	3.1
2026-27	-	-	~	~	~	-	-	~	3.1
2027-28	-	-	~	~	~	-	-	~	3.1
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	~	~	~	-	-	~	9.2

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

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

Other health payments

In 2026–27, the Australian Government is estimated to provide \$273.6 million to the states in other health-related National Partnership payments.

Table 2.3.4: Other health National Partnership payments

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
National Partnership payments					
Australian Primary Care Prevocational Program	47.9	63.6	68.3	70.8	55.0
Canoe Slalom World Championship 2025	0.4	-	-	-	-
Encouraging more clinical trials in Australia	6.8	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4
Essential vaccines	32.3	31.6	33.8	8.7	2.4
Illicit Tobacco Compliance and Enforcement Package	24.5	36.3	-	-	-
Increasing specialist services for children who have displayed harmful sexual behaviours in the Northern Territory	1.4	1.4	-	-	-
Jack Jumper Ants Allergy Program	-	1.0	0.4	0.4	-
Lymphoedema garments and allied health therapy program	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	-
National Coronial Information System	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
NHRA Enabling Reforms – Digital	-	24.0	27.6	27.6	-
Public dental services for adults	107.8	107.8	107.8	107.8	107.8
Short-term workforce reforms – Kruk Review implementation	3.7	2.2	2.2	-	-
Total	227.2	273.6	245.9	221.2	169.1

Australian Primary Care Prevocational Program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	9.1	4.3	10.6	2.8	9.0	2.9	0.4	5.8	47.9
2026-27	5.6	2.6	13.7	1.7	5.5	3.6	1.0	7.0	63.6
2027-28	~	~	7.1	~	~	1.8	0.6	3.6	68.3
2028-29	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	70.8
2029-30	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	55.0
Total	14.7	6.9	31.4	4.6	14.5	8.3	2.1	16.4	305.6

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding for primary care training rotation for junior and prevocational doctors through the Australian Primary Care Prevocational Program.

Canoe Slalom World Championship 2025

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.4
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.4

The Australian Government provided funding towards the event planning and delivery of the 2025 ICF Slalom World Championships.

Encouraging more clinical trials in Australia^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	6.8
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	3.4
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	3.4
2028-29	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	3.4
2029-30	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	3.4
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	20.4

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

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
2025-26	9.3	7.5	6.2	3.4	2.5	1.2	1.1	1.0	32.3
2026-27	9.3	7.5	6.1	3.4	2.4	1.1	1.0	0.9	31.6
2027-28	10.0	8.0	6.6	3.6	2.5	1.2	1.0	0.9	33.8
2028-29	2.6	2.1	1.7	0.9	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.2	8.7
2029-30	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.1	..	..	2.4
Total	31.9	25.7	21.1	11.5	8.2	3.9	3.4	3.0	108.8

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 2026–27*.

Illicit Tobacco Compliance and Enforcement Package^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	~	~	~	1.8	1.4	0.7	~	~	24.5
2026-27	~	~	~	2.4	1.3	0.2	~	~	36.3
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	~	~	4.2	2.7	0.8	~	~	60.8

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding to strengthen compliance and enforcement actions relating to the trade of illicit tobacco and nicotine products. This will support jurisdictions to build local level capability and respond to their unique compliance and enforcement challenges. Additional funding is available to support the transport, storage and disposal of seized illicit vaping goods.

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 2026–27*.

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

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.4	1.4
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.4	1.4
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	2.7

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

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 2026–27*.

Jack Jumper Ants Allergy Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	1.0	-	-	1.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	0.4
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	0.4
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	1.8	-	-	1.8

The Australian Government is providing funding to the Tasmanian Government to support the manufacturing of Jack Jumper venom extract at the Royal Hobart Hospital. Funding will enable in-house microbiological testing capabilities and specialist technical and operational expertise, helping to secure the ongoing supply of this immunotherapy.

Lymphoedema garments and allied health therapy program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.1	..	..	..	2.0
2026-27	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.1	..	..	..	2.0
2027-28	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.1	..	..	..	2.0
2028-29	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.1	..	..	..	2.0
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2.6	2.1	1.6	0.8	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.1	8.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to contribute to improved access to specialised compression garments by eligible patients and training for allied health professionals.

National Coronial Information System

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.4
2026-27	-	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5
2027-28	-	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5
2028-29	-	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5
2029-30	-	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5
Total	-	2.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.3

The Australian Government is providing funding for the administration, maintenance and improvement of Australia’s national coronial information system database.

NHRA Enabling Reforms – Digital

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	24.0
2027-28	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	27.6
2028-29	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	27.6
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	79.2

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the implementation of national digital health reforms in the 2026–2031 Addendum to the National Health Reform Agreement. The Commonwealth will prioritise adoption of national digital health capabilities that improve health information sharing and progress alignment of state digital infrastructure with national infrastructure. This includes adoption of national Healthcare Identifiers and improved timeliness of digital discharge summaries when patients transition to other parts of Australia’s health system. This investment will deliver a modern, digitally connected health system that supports better integrated care through faster, safer and more consistent sharing of patient information.

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 2026–27*.

Public dental services for adults

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	34.4	26.9	21.7	9.7	9.4	3.4	1.0	1.4	107.8
2026-27	34.4	26.9	21.7	9.7	9.4	3.4	1.0	1.4	107.8
2027-28	34.4	26.9	21.7	9.7	9.4	3.4	1.0	1.4	107.8
2028-29	34.4	26.9	21.7	9.7	9.4	3.4	1.0	1.4	107.8
2029-30	34.4	26.9	21.7	9.7	9.4	3.4	1.0	1.4	107.8
Total	171.9	134.4	108.3	48.5	46.9	17.0	4.9	7.1	538.8

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the ongoing delivery of public dental services to eligible adults.

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 2026–27*.

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

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	3.2	0.5	~	~	~	~	~	~	3.7
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	2.2
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	2.2
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	3.2	0.5	~	~	~	~	~	~	8.1

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

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).

Education

In 2026–27, the Australian Government will provide funding of \$35.2 billion to support state education services, including \$34.4 billion in Better and Fairer Schools funding and \$777.3 million through National Partnership payments, as detailed in Table 2.4.

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

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
Better and Fairer Schools funding(b)	32,979.3	34,393.8	35,873.5	37,471.2	39,276.9
National Partnership payments					
Building Early Education Fund	138.5	97.9	52.8	28.0	0.4
Consent and respectful relationships education	20.4	8.3	8.3	-	-
Disadvantaged independent school students	31.4	15.7	-	-	-
Expansion of the Joint Compliance and Monitoring Program	5.0	5.8	5.8	5.8	-
Funding to establish a Hindu School in Australia	3.4	4.0	1.5	-	-
Mid-Year Reception in South Australian Non-Government Schools	13.3	8.7	-	-	-
National Student Wellbeing Program	61.4	61.4	61.4	61.4	61.4
Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment – Early Learning and Access to Education(b)	24.2	20.8	18.6	19.1	19.6
Operational Support for Manjali School	1.0	-	-	-	-
Preschool Reform Agreement	532.4	553.3	387.6	-	-
Schools Pathways Program	2.0	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5
Workload Reduction Fund	7.0	-	-	-	-
Total National Partnership payments	840.0	777.3	689.9	652.1	610.2
Total	33,819.4	35,171.1	36,563.4	38,123.3	39,887.2
<i>Memorandum item – payments for non-government schools included in payments above</i>					
Better and Fairer Schools funding(b)	20,537.1	21,421.8	22,411.3	23,448.5	24,543.6
Building Early Education Fund	3.9	1.4	-	-	-
Consent and respectful relationships education	6.2	2.5	2.5	-	-
Disadvantaged independent school students	31.4	15.7	-	-	-
Funding to establish a Hindu School in Australia	3.4	4.0	1.5	-	-
Mid-Year Reception in South Australian Non-Government Schools	13.3	8.7	-	-	-
Operational Support for Manjali School	1.0	-	-	-	-
Total	20,596.2	21,454.1	22,415.3	23,448.5	24,543.6

a) Total figures include items not for publication.

b) Includes funding for non-government representative bodies.

Better and Fairer Schools funding

The Australian Government’s Better and Fairer Schools policy aims to improve the educational outcomes of Australian students.

In 2026–27, the Australian Government will provide \$34.4 billion in Better and Fairer Schools funding to government and non-government schools in all states. This includes recurrent funding, capital funding, Choice and Affordability Fund funding and other prescribed purpose funding.

Better and Fairer Schools funding^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26									
Government schools(b)	3,536.0	3,048.4	2,770.9	1,491.6	804.7	289.5	198.4	302.9	12,442.3
Non-government schools(c)(d)	6,121.1	5,270.5	4,443.5	2,085.6	1,601.8	457.1	302.1	255.4	20,537.1
Total	9,657.0	8,318.9	7,214.3	3,577.2	2,406.5	746.6	500.5	558.3	32,979.3
2026-27									
Government schools(b)	3,663.2	3,155.4	2,877.1	1,579.6	831.0	304.3	209.4	352.1	12,972.0
Non-government schools(c)(d)	6,388.0	5,489.6	4,635.6	2,163.8	1,684.4	478.3	318.2	263.9	21,421.8
Total	10,051.2	8,645.0	7,512.6	3,743.4	2,515.4	782.5	527.6	616.0	34,393.8
2027-28									
Government schools(b)	3,798.5	3,278.3	2,974.0	1,633.2	849.0	309.3	215.3	404.5	13,462.2
Non-government schools(c)(d)	6,666.5	5,747.1	4,853.0	2,265.7	1,774.4	498.3	332.8	273.4	22,411.3
Total	10,465.0	9,025.4	7,827.1	3,898.9	2,623.5	807.6	548.1	677.9	35,873.5
2028-29									
Government schools(b)	3,980.9	3,398.1	3,071.4	1,687.2	887.4	316.1	221.1	460.5	14,022.6
Non-government schools(c)(d)	6,958.9	6,016.8	5,083.5	2,374.9	1,864.4	520.2	346.7	282.9	23,448.5
Total	10,939.8	9,414.9	8,155.0	4,062.1	2,751.8	836.3	567.8	743.5	37,471.2
2029-30									
Government schools(b)	4,260.9	3,520.9	3,195.6	1,749.5	954.4	327.8	228.0	496.3	14,733.3
Non-government schools(c)(d)	7,269.3	6,297.5	5,332.4	2,489.9	1,957.1	542.9	362.7	291.9	24,543.6
Total	11,530.2	9,818.4	8,528.0	4,239.4	2,911.5	870.7	590.7	788.2	39,276.9

- a) This table does not include additional funding that may result from ongoing negotiations with Victoria on the *Better and Fairer Schools Agreement – Full and Fair Funding 2025–2034* supporting bilateral agreement.
- b) Includes Literacy Support for Tasmanian Students and funding for the Northern Territory to accelerate evidence-based reforms to improve outcomes for vulnerable students.
- c) Includes capital funding.
- d) Includes funding for Choice and Affordability Fund.

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

National Partnership payments for education

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

Building Early Education Fund^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	3.9	42.3	25.0	-	7.7	9.2	5.0	-	138.5
2026-27	1.4	10.5	-	2.5	0.7	2.0	4.0	-	97.9
2027-28	-	8.8	15.0	6.5	4.2	9.7	1.0	-	52.8
2028-29	-	1.6	10.0	-	1.8	4.6	-	-	28.0
2029-30	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	0.4
Total	5.3	63.2	50.0	9.0	14.8	25.5	10.0	-	317.7

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government's Building Early Education Fund will build and expand early childhood education and care centres in areas of need, including in the outer suburbs and regional Australia. The Building Early Education Fund includes capital funding to be provided to the states to build and expand services on, or near, school sites.

Consent and respectful relationships education

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
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
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	12.1	8.7	6.8	4.3	2.7	1.0	0.5	0.7	36.9

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

Disadvantaged independent school students

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	15.0	7.6	14.7	5.7	2.1	0.4	0.2	1.4	47.1

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

Expansion of the Joint Compliance and Monitoring Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.6	5.0
2026-27	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	5.8
2027-28	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	5.8
2028-29	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	5.8
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	3.4	3.4	2.7	2.4	2.7	2.7	2.4	2.7	22.3

The Australian Government is providing increased funding to expand the Joint Compliance and Monitoring Program, a collaborative initiative between the Commonwealth and all state and territory regulatory authorities and independent state-based regulators to strengthen regulatory oversight and streamline compliance processes.

Funding to establish a Hindu School in Australia

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	3.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.4
2026-27	4.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0
2027-28	1.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.5
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	8.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.9

The Australian Government is providing \$8.9 million to support the establishment and construction of Australia's first Hindu school.

Mid-Year Reception in South Australian Non-Government Schools

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	13.3	-	-	-	13.3
2026-27	-	-	-	-	8.7	-	-	-	8.7
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	22.0	-	-	-	22.0

The Australian Government is providing temporary funding of \$22.0 million over 2025 and 2026 for non-government schools in South Australia that provide an 18-month Reception program.

National Student Wellbeing Program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
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
2028-29	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	61.4
2029-30	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	61.4
Total	22.5	25.6	36.7	15.5	15.2	4.4	2.0	1.0	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 – Early Learning and Access to Education^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24.2	24.2
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.8	20.8
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18.6	18.6
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19.1	19.1
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19.6	19.6
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	102.3	102.3

a) Includes funding for non-government representative bodies.

The Australian Government is providing funding to deliver remote early learning, improve access for remote students to participate in education, and First Nations education workforce development.

Operational Support for Manjali School

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	1.0	-	-	-	-	1.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	1.0	-	-	-	-	1.0

The Australian Government is providing additional funding to support the operation of the Manjali Studio School, a new secondary boarding school in the Kimberley region of Western Australia for First Nations students, which opened in 2025.

Preschool Reform Agreement^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	147.5	129.4	98.5	68.6	30.4	9.8	9.7	4.9	532.4
2026-27	161.3	131.2	109.7	57.1	33.2	9.8	9.7	5.5	553.3
2027-28	110.1	91.8	75.9	39.6	23.1	6.9	6.8	3.8	387.6
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	419.0	352.4	284.1	165.3	86.7	26.6	26.1	14.2	1,473.4

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

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 (2022–2027) aims to improve preschool participation and outcomes, including improved enrolment and attendance. Preschool funding is an ongoing commitment, with total funding amounts from 2028 onwards to be published once future funding arrangements are agreed.

Schools Pathways Program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	1.1	0.9	-	-	-	2.0
2026-27	-	-	-	~	~	-	-	-	1.4
2027-28	-	-	-	~	~	-	-	-	1.4
2028-29	-	-	-	~	~	-	-	-	1.4
2029-30	-	-	-	~	~	-	-	-	1.5
Total	-	-	-	1.1	0.9	-	-	-	7.7

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

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.

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 2026–27*.

Workload Reduction Fund

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	1.0	1.0	-	-	1.0	1.3	1.3	1.3	7.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1.0	1.0	-	-	1.0	1.3	1.3	1.3	7.0

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

Skills and workforce development

In 2026–27, the Australian Government will provide funding of \$2.9 billion to support state skills and workforce development services, including \$2.6 billion through the National Skills Agreement, and \$294.0 million through other payments, as detailed in Table 2.5.

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

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
National Skills Agreement	2,504.9	2,614.3	2,622.6	2,277.4	1,932.8
National Partnership payments					
Advanced Entry Trades Training Program	19.5	39.0	19.5	-	-
Clean Energy Capital Investment Fund	24.5	-	10.5	-	-
Fee-Free TAFE Skills Agreement(a)	166.1	207.3	172.6	178.8	185.3
National Training Centre in					
New Energy Skills	10.0	5.0	5.0	-	-
TAFE Technology Fund and Mobile TAFE	5.6	23.8	4.4	3.0	3.0
Thrive and Dandenong Employment Hubs	1.4	1.0	0.2	-	-
Turbocharging TAFE Centres of Excellence	13.9	2.8	0.1	-	-
Turbocharging the VET Workforce	15.0	15.0	-	-	-
Total National Partnership payments(b)	256.0	294.0	212.3	181.8	188.3
Total	2,760.8	2,908.3	2,834.8	2,459.2	2,121.1

- a) The Fee-Free TAFE Skills Agreement expires on 30 June 2027, beyond which unallocated funding is subject to states signing a new agreement on Free TAFE.
- b) Excludes National Partnership payments made under the National Skills Agreement, which are shown separately.

National Skills Agreement

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	780.2	641.7	500.5	265.7	176.1	56.3	51.7	32.7	2,504.9
2026-27	800.4	648.8	536.3	294.1	181.0	65.8	50.5	37.4	2,614.3
2027-28	807.1	661.8	538.7	297.0	180.1	54.5	48.7	34.6	2,622.6
2028-29	693.6	582.6	469.8	262.2	156.8	44.5	40.6	27.2	2,277.4
2029-30	597.2	499.5	398.9	216.3	130.1	38.7	34.0	18.2	1,932.8
Total	3,678.6	3,034.5	2,444.2	1,335.3	824.0	259.7	225.5	150.1	11,952.0

Through the National Skills Agreement (NSA), the Australian Government is providing flexible funding to support state training systems and deliver national priorities. Funding for the NSA also includes National Partnership payments for seven Specific Policy Initiatives: Closing the Gap, Ensuring Access to Foundation 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.

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 2026–27*.

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.

Advanced Entry Trades Training Program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	19.5
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	39.0
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	19.5
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	78.0

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is providing funding to help experienced but unqualified workers in the residential housing and civil construction industry to gain nationally recognised vocational education and training qualifications through Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and gap training. The program will be delivered by TAFEs and other high quality Registered Training Organisations with a strong track record of delivering RPL in the residential housing and civil construction industry.

Clean Energy Capital Investment Fund

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	7.6	-	5.5	3.6	2.8	1.8	1.7	1.6	24.5
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	3.2	-	2.3	1.5	1.2	0.8	0.7	0.7	10.5
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	10.8	-	7.8	5.1	3.9	2.6	2.5	2.3	35.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to support state projects to assist with facility upgrades to expand clean energy training capacity across wind, solar, pumped hydro, grid battery storage, electricity networks and hydrogen, as well as key electrical and construction trades. Funding will be directed to facilities that are at capacity as well as regional, rural and remote communities experiencing workforce transitions.

Fee-Free TAFE Skills Agreement^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	51.7	42.9	34.1	17.9	11.4	3.6	2.9	1.6	166.1
2026-27	38.7	32.1	25.5	13.4	8.6	2.7	2.2	1.2	207.3
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	172.6
2028-29	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	178.8
2029-30	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	185.3
Total	90.3	75.0	59.6	31.2	20.0	6.2	5.2	2.8	910.0

a) The Fee-Free TAFE Skills Agreement expires on 30 June 2027, beyond which unallocated funding is subject to states signing a new agreement on Free TAFE.

The Australian Government is providing funding for the Fee-Free TAFE Skills Agreement, which commenced on 1 January 2023, for the delivery of Free TAFE and VET places to support training in areas of high demand and skills need.

The Australian Government will also provide ongoing funding for Free TAFE from 2026–27 for at least 100,000 Free TAFE and VET places per year from 2027.

National Training Centre in New Energy Skills

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	10.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0
2026-27	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0
2027-28	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	20.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to Victoria for the National Training Centre in New Energy Skills. The Centre is expected to train and upskill more than 2,000 tradespeople each year, including plumbers, gasfitters and refrigeration workers, helping to meet growing demand for workers in the renewable energy sector.

TAFE Technology Fund and Mobile TAFE^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	1.7	0.9	1.6	1.0	-	0.5	-	-	5.6
2026-27	~	~	~	1.2	0.6	~	1.0	~	23.8
2027-28	~	~	~	~	0.7	~	-	0.8	4.4
2028-29	~	~	~	~	~	~	-	~	3.0
2029-30	~	~	~	~	~	~	-	~	3.0
Total	1.7	0.9	1.6	2.2	1.3	0.5	1.0	0.8	39.8

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding to the states through the TAFE Technology Fund for TAFEs to upgrade facilities, such as laboratories, workshops and IT services, and ensure TAFE is delivering training to standards expected by students and industry.

The Australian Government is also providing funding to deliver Mobile TAFE. Mobile TAFE will enable VET providers to take skills on the road and train the next generation of workers in outer regional and remote communities.

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 2026–27*.

Thrive and Dandenong Employment Hubs

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	1.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.4
2026-27	-	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0
2027-28	-	0.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.2
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	2.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5

The Australian Government is providing funding to Victoria to support the delivery of two different time-limited employment hub services. These include funding for the Brotherhood of St Laurence, to deliver Thrive Hubs in Broadmeadows and Frankston through to 30 June 2027, and funding for the Greater Dandenong City Council, to establish and deliver a Dandenong Employment Hub to operate until 30 June 2029.

Turbocharging TAFE Centres of Excellence

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	1.8	-	2.5	3.0	1.8	0.3	2.1	2.5	13.9
2026-27	1.3	-	-	-	-	0.1	0.2	1.2	2.8
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1	-	0.1
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	3.2	-	2.5	3.0	1.8	0.4	2.4	3.7	16.9

The Australian Government is providing funding to fast-track establishment of new TAFE Centres of Excellence in addition to funding provided under the five-year National Skills Agreement. This funding supports 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.

Turbocharging the VET Workforce

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	3.8	3.2	2.7	1.7	1.3	0.8	0.8	0.7	15.0
2026-27	3.8	3.2	2.7	1.7	1.3	0.8	0.8	0.7	15.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	7.5	6.5	5.4	3.4	2.6	1.6	1.6	1.4	30.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to support state projects that increase the teacher, trainer and assessor workforce for clean energy occupations.

Community services

In 2026–27, the Australian Government will provide funding of \$566.1 million to support state community services as detailed in Table 2.6

Table 2.6: Payments to support state community services

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
National Agreement on Foundational Supports	-	280.0	280.0	280.0	280.0
National Partnership payments					
Accessible Australia	6.4	4.5	-	-	-
Alcohol Treatment Services in the Northern Territory	4.8	-	-	-	-
Extra high visibility police and law enforcement operations	6.2	-	-	-	-
Family, Domestic and Sexual Violence Responses Agreement					
500 community sector and frontline workers	54.5	70.3	72.1	73.7	75.6
Family, domestic and sexual violence responses	70.0	59.8	77.6	78.4	80.2
Innovative approaches to addressing perpetrator behaviour	9.6	9.6	-	-	-
Our Ways – Strong Ways – Our Voices ACCO network	-	41.0	41.0	41.0	41.0
Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment					
Aboriginal Interpreter Services	8.5	8.8	9.0	9.3	9.6
Community safety implementation plan	67.0	65.6	68.5	68.6	72.9
Law and Justice Groups, Peacemaking and Mediation	2.6	2.7	3.7	4.8	6.0
Place-Based Community Development	9.3	10.5	14.2	11.5	15.8
Outcomes Fund	4.0	8.7	2.8	3.0	0.3
Port Augusta Safety and Wellbeing Partnership	3.0	-	-	-	-
Social Impact Investments					
Vulnerable Priority Groups	0.5	4.8	-	-	-
Total National Partnership payments(a)	246.3	286.1	288.9	290.3	301.3
Total	246.3	566.1	568.9	570.3	581.3

a) Excludes payments under the National Agreement on Foundational Supports, which are shown separately.

National Agreement on Foundational Supports

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	88.5	72.0	57.0	29.7	19.0	5.9	5.2	2.8	280.0
2027-28	88.5	72.0	57.0	29.7	19.0	5.9	5.2	2.8	280.0
2028-29	88.5	72.0	57.0	29.7	19.0	5.9	5.2	2.8	280.0
2029-30	88.5	72.0	57.0	29.7	19.0	5.9	5.2	2.8	280.0
Total	353.9	288.0	227.9	118.8	75.9	23.5	20.9	11.3	1,120.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to states to deliver additional supports to those that are delivered through the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) and mainstream services. Foundational Supports will strengthen the broader support system outside the NDIS. This funding is for Thriving Kids which will be delivered under Foundational Supports.

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 2026–27*.

National Partnership payments for community services

In addition to the National Agreement on Foundational Supports, the Australian Government is providing funding through National Partnership payments for community services as detailed below.

Accessible Australia^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	1.0	-	-	1.0	0.6	0.8	0.1	-	6.4
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	4.5
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1.0	~	~	1.0	0.6	0.8	0.1	~	10.9

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding for eligible accessible infrastructure and amenities that improve access to built and natural environments for people living with disability.

Alcohol Treatment Services in the Northern Territory

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.8	4.8
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.8	4.8

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.

Extra high visibility police and law enforcement operation

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.2	6.2
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.2	6.2

The Australian Government is providing funding 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.

Family, Domestic and Sexual Violence Responses Agreement

The Australian Government is providing funding to support service providers to deliver critical family, domestic and sexual violence services to support those who need it most including women and children. It will also support the recruitment of 500 new frontline and community family, domestic and sexual violence sector workers nationally, and deliver innovative approaches to address perpetrator behaviour.

500 community sector and frontline workers^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	16.2	11.0	12.2	5.4	4.0	2.7	0.8	2.2	54.5
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	70.3
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	72.1
2028-29	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	73.7
2029-30	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	75.6
Total	16.2	11.0	12.2	5.4	4.0	2.7	0.8	2.2	346.2

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

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

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 2026–27*.

Family, domestic and sexual violence responses

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	21.2	17.2	14.5	8.2	5.0	1.5	1.2	1.3	70.0
2026-27	21.7	5.6	14.9	8.4	5.1	1.5	1.2	1.3	59.8
2027-28	22.1	22.4	15.1	8.6	5.2	1.6	1.2	1.3	77.6
2028-29	22.6	21.9	15.5	8.8	5.3	1.6	1.3	1.4	78.4
2029-30	23.1	22.5	15.8	9.0	5.5	1.6	1.3	1.4	80.2
Total	110.6	89.7	75.8	43.0	26.1	7.9	6.1	6.6	365.9

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, 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.

Innovative approaches to addressing perpetrator behaviour

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	1.5	1.5	0.7	1.5	1.0	1.5	0.7	1.3	9.6
2026-27	1.5	1.5	0.7	1.5	1.0	1.5	0.7	1.3	9.6
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2.9	3.1	1.3	2.9	1.9	3.0	1.3	2.6	19.1

The Australian Government is providing funding to states to develop innovative approaches to address family, domestic, and sexual violence perpetrator behaviour. This includes \$8.6 million to expand the initiative to target interventions for high-risk perpetrators and young people using or at risk of using violence, through specialist early interventions.

Our Ways – Strong Ways – Our Voices ACCO network^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	41.0
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	41.0
2028-29	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	41.0
2029-30	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	41.0
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	163.8

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is providing funding to states to support the Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation (ACCO) network measure under Our Ways – Strong Ways – Our Voices: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Plan to End Family, Domestic and Sexual Violence 2026–36 (Our Ways). Our Ways will focus on increasing the safety and wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and children through culturally responsive approaches and community-led solutions.

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 2026–27*.

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.

Aboriginal Interpreter Service

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.5	8.5
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.8	8.8
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.0	9.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.3	9.3
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.6	9.6
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	45.1	45.1

The Australian Government is providing funding to the Northern Territory Government to support a sustainable, professional and qualified Aboriginal interpreter service.

Community safety implementation plan

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	67.0	67.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	65.6	65.6
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	68.5	68.5
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	68.6	68.6
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	72.9	72.9
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	342.6	342.6

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

Law and Justice Groups, Peacemaking and Mediation

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.6	2.6
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	2.7
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.7	3.7
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.8	4.8
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.0	6.0
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19.8	19.8

The Australian Government is providing funding to the Northern Territory Government to support a range of initiatives based in cultural authority and leadership to prevent and respond to violence in remote communities.

Place-Based Community Development

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.3	9.3
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.5	10.5
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14.2	14.2
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11.5	11.5
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15.8	15.8
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	61.4	61.4

The Australian Government is providing funding to the Northern Territory Government to empower Aboriginal communities and regions to lead their own development, strengthening local governance and creating pathways for sustainable economic and social outcomes that reflect community aspirations.

Outcomes Fund

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	2.5	-	-	-	1.5	-	-	-	4.0
2026-27	2.5	4.9	-	-	1.3	-	-	-	8.7
2027-28	-	1.0	-	-	1.8	-	-	-	2.8
2028-29	-	1.0	-	-	2.0	-	-	-	3.0
2029-30	-	-	-	-	0.3	-	-	-	0.3
Total	5.0	6.9	-	-	6.9	-	-	-	18.8

The Australian Government committed \$100.0 million over 10 years from 2024–25 for the Outcomes Fund to support social impact investing projects addressing entrenched disadvantage. The Outcomes Fund will focus on outcomes supporting families and children, and people facing barriers to employment.

Port Augusta Safety and Wellbeing Partnership

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	3.0	-	-	-	3.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	3.0	-	-	-	3.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the Port Augusta Safety and Wellbeing Partnership. The Partnership aims to better coordinate investment in community services between the Australian Government and South Australia to improve the safety and wellbeing of people in Port Augusta and Davenport.

Social Impact Investments

The Australian Government has committed to work with states on social impact investment trials to support vulnerable priority groups and people at risk of homelessness.

Vulnerable Priority Groups^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	0.5	-	-	-	0.5
2026-27	~	~	~	~	1.6	~	~	~	4.8
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	~	~	~	2.1	~	~	~	5.3

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

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

Affordable housing

In 2026–27, the Australian Government will provide funding of \$2.9 billion for state affordable housing services, consisting of \$1.9 billion through the National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness and \$1.1 billion through National Partnership payments, as detailed in Table 2.7.

Table 2.7: Payments to support state affordable housing services

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness	1,816.6	1,863.9	1,904.9	1,944.9	1,989.6
National Partnership payments					
100,000 Homes for First Home Buyers – Grant component	20.0	326.1	203.4	203.3	76.3
Advancing Prefabricated and Modular Construction Projects	-	15.0	24.3	-	-
HomeBuilder	11.1	-	-	-	-
Housing Australia Future Fund – Remote Indigenous Housing	25.0	100.0	-	-	-
Housing Support Program					
Local Infrastructure Fund	-	250.0	500.0	600.0	650.0
Stream 1 and Community Enabling Infrastructure	206.3	11.6	-	-	-
Improving housing and essential services on Northern Territory homelands	44.0	88.0	28.0	-	-
New Homes Bonus	-	-	-	-	714.2
Northern Territory Remote Housing	152.4	265.6	181.5	189.4	298.7
Social Impact Investments					
People at risk of homelessness	2.3	3.5	-	-	-
Supporting youth into Community Housing	-	5.5	11.5	18.7	20.9
Total National Partnership payments	461.0	1,065.2	948.6	1,011.5	1,760.0
Total	2,277.7	2,929.1	2,853.5	2,956.4	3,749.7

National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	550.9	460.5	362.9	194.5	122.2	38.2	30.8	56.7	1,816.6
2026-27	565.3	472.5	372.3	199.5	125.4	39.2	31.6	58.2	1,863.9
2027-28	577.7	482.9	380.5	203.9	128.1	40.0	32.3	59.5	1,904.9
2028-29	589.8	493.0	388.5	208.2	130.8	40.9	32.9	60.7	1,944.9
2029-30	603.4	504.4	397.4	213.0	133.8	41.8	33.7	62.1	1,989.6
Total	2,887.1	2,413.3	1,901.5	1,019.0	640.3	200.1	161.3	297.3	9,519.9

Through the National Agreement on Social Housing and Homelessness (NASHH), the Australian Government is providing funding to states to help people who are experiencing, or at risk of, homelessness and supports the effective operation of Australia's social housing and homelessness services sector.

Annual funding under the NASHH is around \$1.9 billion. The Government is contributing over \$400 million per year in dedicated homelessness funding, which states are required to match.

National Partnership payments for affordable housing

The Australian Government will provide a total of \$1.1 billion in 2026–27 through National Partnership payments to support state affordable housing services. Further details are provided below.

100,000 Homes for First Home Buyers – Grant component

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	20.0	-	-	-	20.0
2026-27	-	-	120.2	79.2	113.0	13.8	-	-	326.1
2027-28	-	-	90.0	58.7	-	17.2	37.5	-	203.4
2028-29	-	-	105.0	74.5	0.6	11.8	11.5	-	203.3
2029-30	-	-	69.0	-	-	6.3	1.0	-	76.3
Total	-	-	384.2	212.3	133.6	49.1	50.0	-	829.1

The Australian Government will provide funding to states to support the delivery of up to 100,000 new homes reserved for sale to first home buyers. This initiative will fund direct construction of homes by 30 June 2034 as well as providing support for enabling infrastructure.

Advancing Prefabricated and Modular Construction Projects^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	15.0
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	24.3
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	39.3

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide funding to participating states to deliver more homes through innovative methods of construction. This initiative supports the Government's target of 1.2 million new homes by 2029 under the National Housing Accord.

HomeBuilder^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	11.1
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	11.1

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. The program provided support for 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 from 30 April 2023 to 30 June 2025.

Housing Australia Future Fund – Remote Indigenous Housing

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.0	25.0
2026-27	-	-	25.0	25.0	25.0	-	-	25.0	100.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	25.0	25.0	25.0	-	-	50.0	125.0

The Australian Government is providing funding for the repairs, maintenance and improvements of housing in remote Indigenous communities.

Housing Support Program

The Australian Government is providing additional funding to support housing supply through infrastructure and planning work that enables new housing projects.

Local Infrastructure Fund^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	250.0
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	500.0
2028-29	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	600.0
2029-30	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	650.0
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	2,000.0

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is providing \$2.0 billion for the Local Infrastructure Fund under the Housing Support Program, to help local governments and utility providers build the critical 'last mile' infrastructure needed to support new housing developments. The Local Infrastructure Fund will be available in states that commit to further productivity enhancing reform.

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 2026–27*.

Stream 1 and Community Enabling Infrastructure^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	46.4	1.6	32.6	91.3	0.8	10.2	-	-	206.3
2026-27	9.9	0.1	-	0.2	..	-	-	1.4	11.6
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	56.3	1.8	32.6	91.4	0.9	10.2	-	1.4	217.9

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

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
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44.0	44.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	88.0	88.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28.0	28.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	160.0	160.0

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.

New Homes Bonus^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	714.2
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	714.2

a) State allocations to be finalised at the end of the National Housing Accord period.

The Australian Government will provide incentive payments to states that achieve above their share of the one million new well-located homes target under the National Housing Accord. The estimates in this Budget reflect the \$714.2 million in expected payments based on the latest forecasts of dwelling completions by the end of the National Housing Accord period. The Australian Government remains committed to providing up to \$3.0 billion in incentive payments should more homes be built than currently forecast. Estimates will be revised in future updates, if needed, in line with latest forecasts.

Northern Territory Remote Housing

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	152.4	152.4
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	265.6	265.6
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	181.5	181.5
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	189.4	189.4
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	298.7	298.7
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,087.6	1,087.6

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 remote property and tenancy management program, with cyclical repairs and maintenance to improve housing quality and liveability.

Social Impact Investments

The Australian Government has committed to work with states on social impact investment trials to support vulnerable priority groups and people at risk of homelessness.

People at risk of homelessness^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	2.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.3
2026-27	2.6	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	3.5
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	4.9	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	5.7

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

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

Supporting youth into Community Housing^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	5.5
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	11.5
2028-29	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	18.7
2029-30	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	20.9
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	56.6

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will invest \$59.4 million over four years from 2026–27 to provide states with funding to supplement rental income for Community Housing Providers providing social housing for over 4,000 young people aged 16 to 24 who are at risk of, or experiencing, homelessness. Young people at risk of, or experiencing, homelessness face distinct barriers to securing stable and secure community housing, including limited income, additional support needs and lack of rental history. This proposal provides young people with more equitable access to community 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 2026–27*.

Infrastructure

In 2026–27, the Australian Government will provide funding of \$13.5 billion to support state infrastructure projects, as detailed in Table 2.8.

Table 2.8: Payments to support state infrastructure services^(a)

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
National Partnership payments					
Infrastructure Investment Program					
Active Transport Fund	15.6	90.2	75.3	68.8	50.0
Black Spot Program	150.0	157.4	157.4	157.4	157.4
Developing Northern Australia					
Northern Australia Roads	13.3	66.9	89.3	88.2	-
Major Projects Business Case Fund	55.7	85.3	47.3	37.5	5.5
Rail investment component	4,967.1	2,053.9	2,053.5	2,787.8	3,796.9
Road investment component	7,766.3	8,179.3	8,728.1	8,256.6	5,780.8
Roads to Recovery	734.0	843.0	1,175.9	1,162.0	999.0
Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program	201.5	330.0	230.0	230.0	230.0
Western Sydney Infrastructure Plan	152.3	105.9	9.6	-	-
Total Infrastructure Investment Program	14,055.9	11,912.0	12,566.4	12,788.4	11,019.7
Other payments					
Adelaide City Deal	12.9	16.6	20.0	45.0	6.5
Adelaide Football Club Training and Administration Project	-	4.5	-	-	-
Albury Wodonga Regional Projects	30.5	10.5	-	-	-
Armstrong Creek Stadium	-	0.5	-	-	-
Australian Opal Centre – Lightning Ridge	0.3	-	-	-	-
Barkly Regional Deal	5.0	17.9	-	-	-
Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games	30.6	347.8	598.7	756.1	953.5
Cairns Regional Development	-	50.0	51.5	143.5	10.0
Central Australia Plan – Community Infrastructure Package	23.8	16.5	-	-	-
Darcy Street Oval Redevelopment	-	0.8	-	-	-
Football Northern Territory Infrastructure Package – Tracy Village	-	1.3	-	-	-
Geelong City Deal	38.2	14.1	-	-	-
Hillcrest Tragedy Memorial	0.9	-	-	-	-
Hobart and Launceston – urban renewal co-investments	51.8	36.4	102.3	105.5	-
Hunter region – supporting clean energy	13.0	8.0	44.0	18.1	5.0
Lake Macquarie Mines Grouting Fund	9.9	-	-	-	-
Lathlain Precinct Redevelopment Zone 1	-	4.0	-	-	-
Launceston City Deal	2.0	2.1	-	-	-
Local Roads and Community Infrastructure	415.6	14.8	-	-	-
National Capital Functions Program	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8	-
National Capital Investment Framework	12.1	12.5	27.5	47.9	-
National Vietnam Veterans Museum Building Stage 1	-	0.3	-	-	-
National Water Grid Fund	389.6	382.9	205.0	127.5	196.6

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

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
Other payments (continued)					
North Queensland Cowboys Community and Performance Centre	0.5	5.0	9.5	-	-
Orange Planetarium Conservatorium	-	6.0	-	-	-
Perth Aboriginal Cultural Centre	-	5.0	20.0	-	25.0
Perth City Deal	78.1	2.3	2.4	-	-
Pilbara Ports Common User Upgrades	133.0	257.0	20.0	20.0	-
Port Augusta Wharf Refurbishment	6.0	6.0	-	-	-
Queensland Academy for Health Sciences	-	35.0	45.0	-	-
Queensland Holocaust Museum and Education Centre	-	3.5	-	-	-
Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program	229.3	15.2	-	-	-
Regional Roads Australia Mobile Program – Pilot Program	7.1	20.6	3.9	-	-
South East Queensland City Deal	66.6	142.9	31.4	11.0	-
St Patrick's Cathedral Precinct Renewal	-	40.0	20.0	-	-
Swan Active Ellenbrook	17.5	5.0	2.5	-	-
Tasmanian Holocaust Education and Interpretation Centre	-	1.4	-	-	-
The Fox – National Gallery of Victoria Contemporary	30.0	25.0	25.0	15.0	-
Townsville City Deal	-	24.7	12.2	3.0	-
Urban Precincts and Partnerships Program	105.3	1.0	-	-	-
Warburton Mountain Bike Destination Project	-	3.0	-	-	-
Western Australia Vietnamese Community Centre	-	0.6	1.1	-	-
Western Sydney City Deal	2.7	-	-	-	-
White City Sport Complex	-	nfp	-	-	-
Whyalla Airport Upgrades	-	6.2	-	-	-
Yarrowonga Multisport Stadium	-	3.3	-	-	-
Total other payments	1,713.8	1,572.1	1,243.8	1,294.5	1,196.6
Total	15,769.7	13,484.0	13,810.2	14,082.9	12,216.3
<i>Memorandum item — payments direct to local governments included in payments above</i>					
Infrastructure Investment Program					
Roads to Recovery	675.0	790.1	1,126.7	1,120.2	946.9
Other payments					
Local Roads and Community Infrastructure	415.6	14.8	-	-	-
Total	1,090.6	804.9	1,126.7	1,120.2	946.9

a) Totals include items not for publication.

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 to the states, territories and local governments for road and rail infrastructure through the Infrastructure Investment Program under the Federation Funding Agreement Schedule on Land Transport Infrastructure Projects. The Australian Government has a ten-year funding allocation for this program.

The Infrastructure Investment Program assists economic and social development regionally and nationally by providing funding to deliver 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 works 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 2026–27, Statement 1: Budget Overview*.

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

Active Transport Fund^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	1.3	2.7	6.8	1.0	1.4	1.6	0.8	-	15.6
2026-27	11.2	8.6	7.0	6.1	2.3	0.9	3.4	0.8	90.2
2027-28	3.5	5.8	6.5	4.9	0.8	1.7	~	~	75.3
2028-29	1.6	4.3	3.8	3.5	~	~	4.2	~	68.8
2029-30	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	50.0
Total	17.6	21.3	24.1	15.4	4.5	4.3	8.5	0.8	299.9

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding for the upgrade and construction of new bicycle and walking paths in Australian communities. The funding will improve safety for vulnerable road users such as cyclists and pedestrians, support reduced emissions and improve productivity, health and community liveability.

Black Spot Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	44.4	40.5	29.5	16.8	10.4	3.9	2.0	2.5	150.0
2026-27	45.1	42.9	30.4	17.7	11.5	4.3	2.4	3.1	157.4
2027-28	45.1	42.9	30.4	17.7	11.5	4.3	2.4	3.1	157.4
2028-29	45.1	42.9	30.4	17.7	11.5	4.3	2.4	3.1	157.4
2029-30	45.1	42.9	30.4	17.7	11.5	4.3	2.4	3.1	157.4
Total	224.7	212.2	150.9	87.8	56.2	21.2	11.8	15.0	779.8

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

Developing Northern Australia**Northern Australia Roads**

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	1.1	1.5	-	-	-	10.8	13.3
2026-27	-	-	2.1	29.8	-	-	-	35.0	66.9
2027-28	-	-	-	14.3	-	-	-	75.0	89.3
2028-29	-	-	9.4	10.8	-	-	-	68.0	88.2
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	12.6	56.4	-	-	-	188.8	257.8

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.

Major Projects Business Case Fund

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	6.2	11.8	17.6	17.0	3.1	-	-	-	55.7
2026-27	9.8	10.1	9.3	21.0	5.4	-	27.5	2.2	85.3
2027-28	11.1	-	6.4	4.5	5.0	4.0	12.5	3.8	47.3
2028-29	3.5	-	15.4	-	-	12.0	5.0	1.6	37.5
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	0.5	5.0	-	5.5
Total	30.7	21.9	48.8	42.5	13.5	16.5	50.0	7.5	231.3

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 business case development activities, including supporting joint state, territory and Australian Government planning processes.

Rail investment component^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	961.5	2,979.2	440.9	869.4	19.3	28.0	164.5	-	4,967.1
2026-27	272.5	1,702.6	787.5	217.9	19.1	59.0	85.2	-	2,053.9
2027-28	141.8	1,595.1	1,022.2	145.6	71.1	40.7	25.0	-	2,053.5
2028-29	162.6	2,351.1	841.4	-	49.5	-	14.2	-	2,787.8
2029-30	420.3	2,160.8	1,556.0	48.7	4.0	-	-	-	3,796.9
Total	1,958.6	10,788.8	4,647.9	1,281.7	162.9	127.7	288.9	-	15,659.2

a) State totals do not sum to the national total. A general slippage adjustment has been applied to Infrastructure Investment Program spending at the national level from 2025–26 to 2029–30 to take account of historical experiences, including the timing of states claiming payments against milestones and the complexity of delivery. A temporary Fuel and Other Materials Disruption slippage adjustment has also been applied at the national level from 2026–27 to 2028–29 to recognise the uncertain impacts of the Middle East conflict on the availability of key materials for the delivery of projects. State totals are unaffected by the slippage assumptions. The slippage adjustments are unwound from 2030–31.

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.

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 2026–27*.

Road investment component^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	2,087.1	2,005.7	1,981.0	866.1	1,547.9	173.9	40.0	221.5	7,766.3
2026-27	2,159.5	2,622.0	2,597.6	1,064.4	1,461.0	297.2	102.4	418.0	8,179.3
2027-28	2,444.9	1,918.5	3,434.4	978.1	1,625.0	240.0	70.3	322.0	8,728.1
2028-29	2,231.0	1,021.0	3,638.3	808.6	1,369.6	198.7	55.2	406.4	8,256.6
2029-30	1,882.3	701.9	1,796.8	674.5	1,091.9	198.5	13.8	337.7	5,780.8
Total	10,804.9	8,269.1	13,448.1	4,391.6	7,095.4	1,108.3	281.7	1,705.6	38,711.1

a) State totals do not sum to the national total. A general slippage adjustment has been applied to Infrastructure Investment Program spending at the national level from 2025–26 to 2029–30 to take account of historical experiences, including the timing of states claiming payments against milestones and the complexity of delivery. A temporary Fuel and Other Materials Disruption slippage adjustment has also been applied at the national level from 2026–27 to 2028–29 to recognise the uncertain impacts of the Middle East conflict on the availability of key materials for the delivery of projects. State totals are unaffected by the slippage assumptions. The slippage adjustments are unwound from 2030–31.

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.

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.

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 2026–27*.

Roads to Recovery^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	192.2	136.2	142.7	125.5	62.8	22.3	30.9	21.4	734.0
2026-27	234.7	164.3	169.6	126.3	74.1	26.1	21.5	26.4	843.0
2027-28	337.5	240.8	248.6	163.0	102.4	38.6	7.4	37.7	1,175.9
2028-29	336.9	237.8	247.9	161.2	102.2	38.4	-	37.7	1,162.0
2029-30	278.5	203.5	203.4	146.2	89.9	32.6	15.9	29.1	999.0
Total	1,379.9	982.5	1,012.3	722.2	431.3	157.9	75.7	152.2	4,914.0

a) These figures include payments direct to local governments, but exclude payments to external territories.

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 five-year program cycle and choose the projects on which they will spend their funding based on local priorities.

Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	61.0	35.0	46.0	35.3	15.4	7.7	-	1.2	201.5
2026-27	112.9	69.9	70.9	33.4	20.4	16.8	1.6	4.1	330.0
2027-28	75.3	33.0	53.0	24.5	11.5	15.1	2.2	15.5	230.0
2028-29	78.5	52.0	52.6	22.1	14.9	4.8	3.4	1.7	230.0
2029-30	71.8	60.3	47.3	24.7	15.2	4.6	4.0	2.1	230.0
Total	399.4	250.3	269.7	139.9	77.4	49.0	11.3	24.5	1,221.5

a) State allocations are indicative estimates only, to be determined through a competitive process under program guidelines.

The Australian Government is providing funding for the Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program for projects to address current and emerging priorities in road infrastructure needs with a focus on improving road safety outcomes.

Western Sydney Infrastructure Plan

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	152.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	152.3
2026-27	105.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	105.9
2027-28	9.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.6
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	267.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	267.8

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 International (Nancy-Bird Walton) Airport.

Other payments

Adelaide City Deal

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	12.9	-	-	-	12.9
2026-27	-	-	-	-	16.6	-	-	-	16.6
2027-28	-	-	-	-	20.0	-	-	-	20.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	45.0	-	-	-	45.0
2029-30	-	-	-	-	6.5	-	-	-	6.5
Total	-	-	-	-	101.0	-	-	-	101.0

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.

Adelaide Football Club Training and Administration Project

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	4.5	-	-	-	4.5
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	4.5	-	-	-	4.5

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the construction of an Adelaide Football Club sports precinct.

Albury Wodonga Regional Projects

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	20.0	10.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	30.5
2026-27	10.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.5
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	30.5	10.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	41.0

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
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5

The Australian Government is providing funding towards the construction of a sports Centre 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
2025-26	0.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.3
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	0.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.3

The Australian Government is providing 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
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0	5.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17.9	17.9
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22.9	22.9

The Australian Government is providing funding to deliver a range of economic, social and cultural initiatives in the Barkly region, over a ten-year commitment through to 2029.

Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	30.6	-	-	-	-	-	30.6
2026-27	-	-	347.8	-	-	-	-	-	347.8
2027-28	-	-	598.7	-	-	-	-	-	598.7
2028-29	-	-	756.1	-	-	-	-	-	756.1
2029-30	-	-	953.5	-	-	-	-	-	953.5
Total	-	-	2,686.6	-	-	-	-	-	2,686.6

The Australian Government is providing up to \$3.4 billion for venue infrastructure to support the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games (the Games). The Australian Government's co-investment will support the delivery of a successful Games and provide a legacy by meeting ongoing local community needs.

Cairns Regional Development

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	50.0	-	-	-	-	-	50.0
2027-28	-	-	51.5	-	-	-	-	-	51.5
2028-29	-	-	143.5	-	-	-	-	-	143.5
2029-30	-	-	10.0	-	-	-	-	-	10.0
Total	-	-	255.0	-	-	-	-	-	255.0

The Australian Government is providing funding 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
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23.8	23.8
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16.5	16.5
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40.3	40.3

The Australian Government is providing funding towards the delivery of community infrastructure projects that improve regional development, economic, social, and cultural outcomes across the Central Australia Region.

Darcy Street Oval Redevelopment

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	0.8	-	-	0.8
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	0.8	-	-	0.8

The Australian Government is providing funding towards redeveloping and upgrading the facilities at Darcy Street Oval to position it as a premier football ground in Tasmania and promote increased female participation by upgrading female amenities.

Football Northern Territory Infrastructure Package – Tracy Village

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.3	1.3
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.3	1.3

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the construction of female friendly change rooms and sports facilities at Tracy Village.

Geelong City Deal

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	38.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	38.2
2026-27	-	14.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	14.1
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	52.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	52.3

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.

Hillcrest Tragedy Memorial

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	0.9	-	-	0.9
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	0.9	-	-	0.9

The Australian Government is providing funding towards a memorial to commemorate the victims of the Hillcrest Primary School tragedy.

Hobart and Launceston – urban renewal co-investments

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	51.8	-	-	51.8
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	36.4	-	-	36.4
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	102.3	-	-	102.3
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	105.5	-	-	105.5
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	296.0	-	-	296.0

The Australian Government is providing funding 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
2025-26	13.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13.0
2026-27	8.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.0
2027-28	44.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44.0
2028-29	18.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18.1
2029-30	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0
Total	88.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	88.1

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

Lake Macquarie Mines Grouting Fund

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	9.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.9
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	9.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.9

The Australian Government is providing funding to promote development in the Lake Macquarie area. The project will provide a contingency fund for contributions to mines grouting required to support ground stabilisation where historic underground mining activities have occurred.

Lathlain Precinct Redevelopment Zone 1

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	4.0	-	-	-	-	4.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	4.0	-	-	-	-	4.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the construction of the Community and Perth Football Club Facility.

Launceston City Deal

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	2.0	-	-	2.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	2.1	-	-	2.1
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	4.1	-	-	4.1

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
2025-26	119.9	98.4	86.3	54.0	30.3	11.9	2.8	12.0	415.6
2026-27	2.2	0.1	2.0	2.1	0.8	-	-	7.6	14.8
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	122.1	98.5	88.3	56.1	31.1	11.9	2.8	19.6	430.4

a) These figures include payments direct to local governments, but exclude payments to external territories.

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 Capital Functions Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.7	-	1.7
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.7	-	1.7
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.8	-	1.8
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.8	-	1.8
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.0	-	7.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to the ACT Government for delivery of services that fulfill Commonwealth responsibilities of diplomatic and treaty obligations and relevant legislative provisions.

National Capital Investment Framework

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	12.1	-	12.1
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	12.5	-	12.5
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	27.5	-	27.5
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	47.9	-	47.9
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0	-	100.0

The Australian Government is providing funding for priority urban infrastructure projects under the National Capital Investment Framework that support Canberra’s unique role as the nation’s capital: the Canberra Aquatic Centre and the Canberra Convention and Entertainment Centre Precinct.

National Vietnam Veterans Museum Building Stage 1

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	0.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.3
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	0.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.3

The Australian Government is providing funding towards the land purchase, design and site preparations for the new National Vietnam Veterans Museum in the Bass Coast Shire, Victoria.

National Water Grid Fund^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	32.2	46.3	130.7	26.6	5.9	72.4	-	75.5	389.6
2026-27	30.0	45.5	90.0	29.8	63.3	58.4	-	65.9	382.9
2027-28	9.6	24.2	12.5	33.5	6.1	66.4	-	52.7	205.0
2028-29	9.4	24.1	-	8.0	2.2	64.8	-	19.1	127.5
2029-30	-	0.7	140.0	8.0	-	48.0	-	-	196.6
Total	81.2	140.7	373.1	106.0	77.5	310.0	-	213.1	1,301.7

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

Since 2022, more than \$1.0 billion has been committed to water infrastructure construction projects through the National Water Grid Fund, including for remote and regional First Nations communities, and to planning and science projects to support informed funding decisions.

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 2026–27*.

North Queensland Cowboys Community and Performance Centre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	0.5
2026-27	-	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	5.0
2027-28	-	-	9.5	-	-	-	-	-	9.5
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	15.0	-	-	-	-	-	15.0

The Australian Government is providing \$15.0 million over three years from 2025–26 to deliver its election commitment to support the construction of the North Queensland Cowboys Community, Development and High-Performance Centre at West Barlow Park in Cairns. The facility is to provide a new permanent headquarters for the Cowboys' National Rugby League Women's team, including a world-class training and recovery centre.

Orange Planetarium Conservatorium

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	6.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	6.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.0

The Australian Government is providing funding towards the construction of a Planetarium and Conservatorium, including performance and teaching spaces, within the existing cultural precinct in Orange, New South Wales.

Perth Aboriginal Cultural Centre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	5.0
2027-28	-	-	-	20.0	-	-	-	-	20.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	25.0	-	-	-	-	25.0
Total	-	-	-	50.0	-	-	-	-	50.0

The Australian Government is providing 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

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	78.1	-	-	-	-	78.1
2026-27	-	-	-	2.3	-	-	-	-	2.3
2027-28	-	-	-	2.4	-	-	-	-	2.4
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	82.8	-	-	-	-	82.8

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
2025-26	-	-	-	133.0	-	-	-	-	133.0
2026-27	-	-	-	257.0	-	-	-	-	257.0
2027-28	-	-	-	20.0	-	-	-	-	20.0
2028-29	-	-	-	20.0	-	-	-	-	20.0
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	430.0	-	-	-	-	430.0

The Australian Government is providing funding 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.

Port Augusta Wharf Refurbishment

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	6.0	-	-	-	6.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	6.0	-	-	-	6.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	12.0	-	-	-	12.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to upgrade the heritage-listed Port Augusta Wharf, improving accessibility and safety. The Port Augusta Wharf Refurbishment will improve the load-rating of the wharf for pedestrians and light vehicles, provide easier access for boats and other watercraft, and boost recreation and tourism.

Queensland Academy for Health Sciences

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	35.0	-	-	-	-	-	35.0
2027-28	-	-	45.0	-	-	-	-	-	45.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	80.0	-	-	-	-	-	80.0

The Australian Government is providing funding towards the establishment of a new Academy for Health Sciences in Rockhampton, supporting the transition for high-school aged students into health careers.

Queensland Holocaust Museum and Education Centre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	3.5	-	-	-	-	-	3.5
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	3.5	-	-	-	-	-	3.5

The Australian Government is providing funding towards the establishment of a permanent Queensland Holocaust Museum and Education Centre which will provide a facility to remember and teach the lessons of the Holocaust and allow for the collection and preservation of historic objects.

Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	30.9	4.8	9.4	3.4	7.1	5.8	-	9.1	229.3
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	1.1	-	0.3	15.2
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	30.9	4.8	9.4	3.4	7.1	6.9	-	9.5	244.4

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding to bring together governments and communities to fund the design, development and delivery of multi-purpose precincts across regional, rural and remote Australia.

Regional Roads Australia Mobile Program – Pilot Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	3.6	-	-	3.5	-	-	-	-	7.1
2026-27	3.6	4.7	5.8	0.1	2.3	2.5	-	1.7	20.6
2027-28	0.5	0.3	2.2	0.4	0.3	-	-	0.3	3.9
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	7.6	5.0	8.0	4.0	2.5	2.5	-	2.0	31.6

The Australian Government is providing funding for a pilot program to help expand mobile coverage on regional highways and major roads.

South East Queensland City Deal

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	66.6	-	-	-	-	-	66.6
2026-27	-	-	142.9	-	-	-	-	-	142.9
2027-28	-	-	31.4	-	-	-	-	-	31.4
2028-29	-	-	11.0	-	-	-	-	-	11.0
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	251.9	-	-	-	-	-	251.9

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.

St Patrick’s Cathedral Precinct Renewal

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	40.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	40.0
2027-28	-	20.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	60.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	60.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to deliver the ‘Light Into the City’ renewal project, which will renew the St Patrick’s Cathedral Precinct in East Melbourne. The project will support delivery of new community spaces and amenities within the precinct.

Swan Active Ellenbrook

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	17.5	-	-	-	-	17.5
2026-27	-	-	-	5.0	-	-	-	-	5.0
2027-28	-	-	-	2.5	-	-	-	-	2.5
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	25.0	-	-	-	-	25.0

The Australian Government is providing funding towards the construction of a facility that meets community demand by integrating aquatic, sport, health, wellbeing, and community elements within one leisure facility at Ellenbrook, Western Australia.

Tasmanian Holocaust Education and Interpretation Centre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	1.4	-	-	1.4
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	1.4	-	-	1.4

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the establishment of a permanent Tasmanian Holocaust Education and Interpretation Centre to raise awareness of the Holocaust.

The Fox – National Gallery of Victoria Contemporary

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	30.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	30.0
2026-27	-	25.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.0
2027-28	-	25.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.0
2028-29	-	15.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	15.0
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	95.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	95.0

The Australian Government is providing funding towards the delivery of The Fox – National Gallery of Victoria Contemporary building in Melbourne, Victoria. The Fox will be a new public art museum for contemporary art and design in Australia and a cultural hub for learning, education and community access.

Townsville City Deal

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	24.7	-	-	-	-	-	24.7
2027-28	-	-	12.2	-	-	-	-	-	12.2
2028-29	-	-	3.0	-	-	-	-	-	3.0
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	39.9	-	-	-	-	-	39.9

The Australian Government is providing funding to support projects in Townsville, including the Royal Flying Doctor Service ‘super hub’ and Lansdown Eco-Industrial Precinct.

Urban Precincts and Partnerships Program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	2.6	7.1	4.0	6.8	1.0	5.0	3.0	-	105.3
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	-	1.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2.6	7.1	4.0	6.8	1.0	5.0	3.0	-	106.3

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding to bring together governments and communities to fund the design, development and delivery of multi-purpose precincts that showcase best-practice investment in urban infrastructure.

Warburton Mountain Bike Destination Project

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	3.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	3.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0

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

Western Australia Vietnamese Community Centre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	0.6	-	-	-	-	0.6
2027-28	-	-	-	1.1	-	-	-	-	1.1
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	1.7	-	-	-	-	1.7

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the construction of a Vietnamese Community Centre in Western Australia.

Western Sydney City Deal

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	2.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.7

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.

White City Sport Complex

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp

The Australian Government will provide funding to support the delivery of new sporting facilities and a community hub at the White City sport complex.

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 2026–27*.

Whyalla Airport Upgrades

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	6.2	-	-	-	6.2
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	6.2	-	-	-	6.2

The Australian Government is providing funding to support delivery of upgrades to strengthen the Whyalla Airport runway to enable larger, heavier aircraft to land safely.

Yarrawonga Multisport Stadium

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	3.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	3.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.3

The Australian Government is providing funding to support the construction of a two court multi-use indoor stadium.

Environment, energy and water

In 2026–27, the Australian Government will provide funding of \$1.5 billion in National Partnership payments to support state environment, energy and water projects. This is detailed in Table 2.9.

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

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
Energy Bill Relief	1,732.9	-	-	-	-
National Partnership payments					
Environment and energy	1,192.6	693.5	542.2	365.8	562.1
Water services and infrastructure	718.2	808.9	310.0	97.9	-
Total National Partnership payments	1,910.8	1,502.3	852.2	463.6	562.1
Total	3,643.8	1,502.3	852.2	463.6	562.1

a) Total figures include items not for publication.

Energy Bill Relief

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	528.5	449.9	359.5	185.3	125.4	39.4	31.1	13.8	1,732.9
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	528.5	449.9	359.5	185.3	125.4	39.4	31.1	13.8	1,732.9

In the 2025–26 Budget, the Australian Government committed \$1.8 billion to extend energy bill relief rebates to 31 December 2025. The rebates have provided cost of living relief to households and eligible small businesses with active electricity accounts.

National Partnership payments for environment, energy and water

The Australian Government will provide a total of \$1.5 billion to the states in 2026–27 under the following categories:

- environment and energy services and infrastructure
- water services and infrastructure.

Environment and energy

In 2026–27, the Australian Government is estimated to provide \$693.5 million to support the delivery of environment and energy projects in the states.

Table 2.9.1: Environment and energy services and infrastructure^(a)

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
National Partnership payments					
Algal Bloom Support Package	66.3	-	-	-	-
Bolstering Australia's Biosecurity System – Protecting Australia from escalating exotic animal disease risks	1.4	-	-	-	-
Boosting HPAI biosecurity response capability	4.6	-	-	-	-
Building resilience to manage fruit fly	0.6	7.1	-	-	-
Bushfire Community Recovery and Resilience Program	17.1	-	-	-	-
Capacity Investment Scheme	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
Community Solar Banks Program	37.8	11.8	8.8	-	-
Critical Minerals National Productivity Initiative	5.4	1.9	-	-	-
Disaster Ready Fund	200.0	-	-	-	-
Environmental management of the former Rum Jungle Mine site	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	-
Explore the feasibility of new fuel security initiatives	-	10.0	-	-	-
Fast-tracking Approvals					
Bilateral Agreements and Bioregional Plans	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
Strategic Assessments	-	nfp	nfp	-	-
Food Waste for Healthy Soils Fund	5.7	9.8	8.4	-	-
Future Drought Fund					
Farm business resilience	20.9	20.0	20.0	20.0	-
Regional drought resilience planning	17.3	17.4	15.2	14.8	-
Household Energy Upgrades Fund (Social Housing)	114.8	106.1	-	-	-
Household Energy Upgrades Fund (Social Housing) – Expansion	1.0	36.7	167.4	168.6	100.7
Hydro Tasmania's Tarraleah Hydro Power Station Redevelopment	23.0	-	-	-	-
Hydrogen Energy Supply Chain Project	3.8	-	-	-	-
Implementation of the live sheep exports by sea phase out	16.3	15.6	10.5	0.2	-

Table 2.9.1: Environment and energy services and infrastructure^(a) (continued)

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
National Partnership payments					
Implementing Reforms for Regional Forest Agreements	-	12.0	10.5	-	-
Investing in Australia's First Nations Culture and World Heritage	1.6	1.4	-	-	-
Local Environment Projects – Heritage	9.7	-	-	-	-
Low Carbon Aluminium Credit for the Boyne Smelter	-	-	-	-	50.0
Macquarie Wharf 6 (Port of Hobart)	47.0	47.0	47.0	47.0	-
Management of established pests and weeds	3.3	2.9	-	-	-
Marine Parks Management – Northern Territory Marine Parks	0.9	-	-	-	-
Marinus Link	15.0	-	-	-	346.0
National Circularity Centre	2.8	4.5	1.2	-	-
National Hydrogen Technology Skills Training Centre	2.0	4.0	4.0	-	-
National Plant Health Surveillance Program	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	-
North Queensland strata title resilience pilot program	0.4	-	-	-	-
Partnering to implement the National Soil Action Plan	7.1	3.8	2.0	-	-
Pest and disease preparedness and response programs	176.8	131.2	80.8	29.7	21.7
Protecting Our Communities (Disaster Resilience) Program	18.3	4.4	0.5	-	-
Recycling Modernisation Fund					
Plastics technology stream	3.7	3.6	-	-	-
Recycling Infrastructure	50.4	52.9	-	-	-
Reef 2050 Plan					
Paddock to Reef Monitoring, Modelling and Reporting Program	2.3	2.3	-	-	-
Sustainable Fisheries	17.0	10.0	-	-	-
Saving Native Species	0.6	-	-	-	-
Strengthen Australia's frontline biosecurity capability and domestic preparedness	1.0	-	-	-	-
Support Forestry Strategy Development	1.2	0.6	-	-	-
Urban Rivers and Catchments Program	30.5	18.9	11.9	1.0	-
Victorian Renewable Energy Zone Development Plan	96.6	4.4	-	-	-
World Heritage Sites	9.6	9.6	9.6	-	-
Yellow crazy ant control	6.3	5.9	3.0	-	-
Total	1,192.6	693.5	542.2	365.8	562.1

a) Total figures include items not for publication.

Algal Bloom Support Package

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	66.3	-	-	-	66.3
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	66.3	-	-	-	66.3

The Australian Government is providing funding to support South Australian Government initiatives to respond to the impacts of the harmful algal bloom in South Australia. The funding is delivering a comprehensive suite of measures focused on maintaining the social wellbeing of the community, protecting the environment, and ensuring business and industry resilience.

Bolstering Australia’s Biosecurity System – Protecting Australia from escalating exotic animal disease risks

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	0.5	0.5	-	-	-	0.4	1.4
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	0.5	0.5	-	-	-	0.4	1.4

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. This funding will be used for a network to 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.

Boosting HPAI biosecurity response capability

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	0.5	0.4	2.1	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	4.6
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	0.5	0.4	2.1	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.3	4.6

The Australian Government is committed to working with states to enhance Australia’s High Pathogenicity Avian Influenza (HPAI) preparedness and response capability. The Australian Government is providing funding for states to boost biosecurity response capability through the procurement of specialist equipment for biosecurity surveillance and response, to assist in the event of outbreaks in the production sector and/or Australian wildlife. Specialist equipment may include items such as mobile laboratories, biosecurity trailers, long distance drones and depopulation equipment.

Building resilience to manage fruit fly

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	0.6
2026-27	-	-	0.4	-	6.7	-	-	-	7.1
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	1.0	-	6.7	-	-	-	7.7

The Australian Government is providing funding to build the 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.

Bushfire Community Recovery and Resilience Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	7.3	9.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	17.1
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	7.3	9.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	17.1

The Bushfire Community Recovery and Resilience Program supports a small number of critical bushfire recovery and resilience projects that were not able to be completed under the former Black Summer Bushfire Recovery Program.

Capacity Investment Scheme

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp
2026-27	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp
2027-28	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp
2028-29	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp
2029-30	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp
Total	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp

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.

Community Solar Banks Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	28.0	5.1	-	3.7	1.0	-	-	-	37.8
2026-27	-	2.0	-	-	7.9	-	0.9	1.0	11.8
2027-28	-	6.1	-	-	-	-	-	2.7	8.8
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	28.0	13.2	-	3.7	8.9	-	0.9	3.7	58.3

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

Critical Minerals National Productivity Initiative^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	~	0.2	~	-	~	0.1	~	0.2	5.4
2026-27	-	0.1	0.2	1.4	-	0.1	-	0.1	1.9
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	0.4	0.2	1.4	~	0.2	~	0.3	7.3

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

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

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	69.3	40.8	52.6	12.1	10.0	9.7	3.9	1.5	200.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	69.3	40.8	52.6	12.1	10.0	9.7	3.9	1.5	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 2025–26 under Round 3 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.

Environmental management of the former Rum Jungle Mine site

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp	nfp
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp	nfp
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp	nfp
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp	nfp
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	nfp	nfp

The Australian Government is continuing to fund the program of work established to improve the management of the former Rum Jungle Mine site. This funding is to progress rehabilitation at the former Rum Jungle Mine site in the Northern Territory by prioritising leading sources of environmental contamination.

Explore the feasibility of new fuel security initiatives^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	10.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	10.0

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government will provide \$10.0 million to support pre-feasibility or feasibility studies into new or expanded refinery capabilities, with a requirement for joint funding from state governments. This funding will strengthen Australia's fuel security by supporting states to investigate options to build new or expand existing refineries.

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 2026–27*.

Fast-tracking Approvals

The Australian Government is providing funding to fast-track approvals under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*, by working with states to finalise bilateral agreements, bioregional plans and strategic assessments.

Bilateral Agreements and Bioregional Plans

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
2027-28	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
2028-29	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
2029-30	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
Total	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Australian Government is providing targeted funding to negotiate approvals of bilateral agreements across all jurisdictions to reduce duplication with states on environmental assessment and approval processes.

Funding is also being provided for bioregional plans in priority regions that will accelerate approvals by establishing clear ‘go’ and ‘no-go’ zones for developers that remove the need for a project-level approval while delivering better environmental outcomes.

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 2026–27*.

Strategic Assessments

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
2027-28	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Australian Government is providing funding to progress strategic assessments in priority regions. These will streamline approvals under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* by allowing classes of actions to be assessed and approved together, rather than separately.

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 2026–27*.

Food Waste for Healthy Soils Fund^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	0.9	0.2	1.0	2.3	..	-	1.0	-	5.7
2026-27	0.2	-	1.8	1.4	-	0.5	6.0	-	9.8
2027-28	-	-	1.5	0.9	-	-	6.0	-	8.4
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1.1	0.2	4.2	4.5	..	0.5	13.0	-	23.9

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

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 divert organic waste from landfill for productive use on Australia's soils.

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 2026–27*.

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
2025-26	5.4	4.8	4.2	2.1	2.1	0.8	0.2	0.3	20.9
2026-27	5.4	4.8	4.2	2.1	2.1	0.8	0.2	0.3	20.0
2027-28	5.4	4.8	4.2	2.1	2.1	0.8	0.2	0.3	20.0
2028-29	5.4	4.8	4.2	2.1	2.1	0.8	0.2	0.3	20.0
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	21.6	19.4	16.8	8.5	8.5	3.1	0.9	1.2	80.9

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is working with states to provide farm businesses with learning opportunities to build skills and capabilities to plan for and manage all kinds of risk, including drought and other climate risks. Funding is provided from the Future Drought Fund.

Regional drought resilience planning^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	3.8	4.1	3.4	2.0	1.8	0.8	0.3	0.4	17.3
2026-27	4.0	4.4	3.6	2.1	1.9	0.8	0.3	0.4	17.4
2027-28	3.5	3.8	3.1	1.9	1.6	0.7	0.3	0.4	15.2
2028-29	3.4	3.6	3.0	1.8	1.6	0.7	0.3	0.4	14.8
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	14.7	15.9	13.1	7.8	6.9	3.0	1.1	1.5	64.7

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is working with states 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. Implementation funding is provided for eligible activities in approved plans, and regions are supported to govern and improve their plans. Funding is provided from the Future Drought Fund.

Household Energy Upgrades Fund (Social Housing)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	30.5	34.8	22.5	10.9	8.0	3.4	2.2	2.5	114.8
2026-27	30.6	31.1	13.1	18.3	9.3	-	2.5	1.1	106.1
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	61.1	65.9	35.6	29.3	17.3	3.4	4.7	3.6	220.8

The Australian Government is providing 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.

Household Energy Upgrades Fund (Social Housing) – Expansion^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	1.0	-	-	1.0
2026-27	~	15.1	~	~	2.0	4.4	4.3	~	36.7
2027-28	~	55.4	~	~	11.5	4.8	4.3	~	167.4
2028-29	~	49.8	~	~	11.5	4.4	4.3	~	168.6
2029-30	~	-	~	~	11.1	~	~	~	100.7
Total	~	120.3	~	~	36.1	14.6	12.9	~	474.4

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding to expand the existing Household Energy Upgrades Fund (Social Housing) to improve energy efficiency and access to solar and batteries to households in both public and community social housing, in partnership with states.

Hydro Tasmania’s Tarraleah Hydro Power Station Redevelopment

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	23.0	-	-	23.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	23.0	-	-	23.0

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 Project

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	3.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	3.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.8

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.

Implementation of the live sheep exports by sea phase out

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	16.3	-	-	-	-	16.3
2026-27	-	-	-	15.6	-	-	-	-	15.6
2027-28	-	-	-	10.5	-	-	-	-	10.5
2028-29	-	-	-	0.2	-	-	-	-	0.2
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	42.5	-	-	-	-	42.5

The Australian Government is providing funding to expand onshore processing supply chain capacity and activities to foster community wellbeing and strengthen community resilience as part of the transition support package for the phase out of live sheep exports by sea.

Implementing Reforms for Regional Forest Agreements

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	4.5	-	-	3.0	-	4.5	-	-	12.0
2027-28	4.0	-	-	2.5	-	4.0	-	-	10.5
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	8.5	-	-	5.5	-	8.5	-	-	22.5

The Australian Government is providing funding to enable states with Regional Forest Agreements to transition their forest management systems to meet the requirements of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

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 2026–27*.

Investing in Australia’s First Nations Culture and World Heritage

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	1.5	0.1	-	-	-	1.6
2026-27	0.9	-	-	-	0.6	-	-	-	1.4
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	0.9	-	-	1.5	0.7	-	-	-	3.0

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.

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 2026–27*.

Local Environment Projects – Heritage

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	9.7	-	-	9.7
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	9.7	-	-	9.7

The Australian Government is providing funding to support conservation, management and/or maintenance projects at three sites in the Australian Convict Sites World Heritage Property: Port Arthur, Woolmers Estate and Brickendon Estate.

Low-Carbon Aluminium Credit for the Boyne Smelter

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	50.0	-	-	-	-	-	50.0
Total	-	-	50.0	-	-	-	-	-	50.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to the Boyne Aluminium smelter to support the facility's green energy transition and decarbonisation, enable the production of green aluminium and secure the future of aluminium smelting in Central Queensland.

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 2026–27*.

Macquarie Wharf 6 (Port of Hobart)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	47.0	-	-	47.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	47.0	-	-	47.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	47.0	-	-	47.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	47.0	-	-	47.0
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	188.0	-	-	188.0

The Australian Government is providing a funding contribution to the redevelopment of Macquarie Wharf 6 in the Port of Hobart to provide a long-term, fit-for-purpose home berth with shore power for the Australian Antarctic Division's icebreaker, RSV Nuyina. These works will also support other Commonwealth, Antarctic and commercial vessels.

Management of established pests and weeds

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	0.4	0.7	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.3	3.3
2026-27	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	-	0.2	0.5	2.9
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	0.9	1.1	0.6	0.9	0.9	0.6	0.4	0.8	6.2

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
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.9	0.9
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.9	0.9

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
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	15.0	-	-	15.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	346.0	-	-	346.0
Total	-	-	-	-	-	361.0	-	-	361.0

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). The Australian, Victorian and Tasmanian Governments (collectively the shareholder governments) reached a positive Final Investment Decision to proceed with Stage 1 of Marinus Link on 1 August 2025.

The Australian Government will also provide support for network cost reductions to defray the increased costs borne by Tasmanian consumers due to Project Marinus.

National Circularity Centre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	2.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.8
2026-27	4.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.5
2027-28	1.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.2
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	8.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.5

The Australian Government will support the delivery of a National Circularity Centre in Bega, New South Wales. The centre will include a circular economy education centre, café and restaurant, tourist information and heritage centre, and a location for circularity experts to come together to research and collaborate to drive the circular economy. The project is expected to deliver increased collaboration and information sharing, diversification in local jobs and industries and increased supply chain collaboration.

National Hydrogen Technology Skills Training Centre

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	2.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0
2026-27	-	4.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0
2027-28	-	4.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	10.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	10.0

The Australian Government is providing funding of \$10.0 million over three years from 2025–26 to establish a National Hydrogen Technology Skills Training Centre in Victoria. The training centre will provide a focal point for hydrogen workforce development, benefiting both those seeking to learn new competencies and those seeking to teach the new techniques required for the hydrogen sector.

National Plant Health Surveillance Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	1.2
2026-27	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	1.2
2027-28	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	1.3
2028-29	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	1.3
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.5	5.0

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 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

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	0.4
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	0.4

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.

Partnering to implement the National Soil Action Plan

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	1.1	1.6	1.1	0.9	1.1	0.7	0.2	0.5	7.1
2026-27	-	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.7	3.8
2027-28	-	-	0.1	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.3	2.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1.1	2.4	1.7	2.1	2.0	1.6	0.7	1.4	12.9

The Australian Government is providing funding to support state initiatives that make progress against the Four Priority Actions of the first National Soil Action Plan (2023–28). The Australian Government is providing 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)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	21.3	23.3	92.7	27.2	5.2	-	0.9	6.2	176.8
2026-27	15.2	-	107.1	8.0	-	-	-	0.9	131.2
2027-28	5.0	-	73.2	2.0	-	-	-	0.6	80.8
2028-29	-	-	28.4	1.3	-	-	-	-	29.7
2029-30	-	-	21.7	-	-	-	-	-	21.7
Total	41.5	23.3	323.1	38.4	5.2	-	0.9	7.7	440.2

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.

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 2026–27*.

Protecting Our Communities (Disaster Resilience) Program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	3.6	..	2.2	5.7	0.1	0.1	-	6.5	18.3
2026-27	0.9	-	0.6	1.9	-	-	-	1.0	4.4
2027-28	-	-	-	0.5	-	-	-	-	0.5
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	4.4	..	2.8	8.1	0.1	0.1	-	7.5	23.1

The Australian Government is delivering important disaster resilience projects across Australia that were identified by communities to improve their disaster resilience. Announced ahead of the 2022 and 2025 Federal Elections, the program is being delivered in two tranches. Tranche 2 commenced in 2023–24 and provides \$34.5 million for 17 projects nationally, administered through the states.

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

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	0.9	1.5	1.3	-	-	-	-	-	3.7
2026-27	1.8	0.6	-	-	1.2	-	-	-	3.6
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2.7	2.1	1.3	-	1.2	-	-	-	7.3

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.

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 2026–27*.

Recycling Infrastructure

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	7.2	1.9	17.2	16.1	2.2	1.7	2.0	2.0	50.4
2026-27	11.9	3.1	19.2	12.4	1.2	-	3.0	2.2	52.9
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	19.1	5.0	36.4	28.5	3.4	1.7	5.0	4.1	103.3

The Australian Government is investing in waste recovery, processing and recycling infrastructure to respond to the decision to regulate 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
2025-26	-	-	2.3	-	-	-	-	-	2.3
2026-27	-	-	2.3	-	-	-	-	-	2.3
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	4.6	-	-	-	-	-	4.6

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
2025-26	-	-	17.0	-	-	-	-	-	17.0
2026-27	-	-	10.0	-	-	-	-	-	10.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	27.0	-	-	-	-	-	27.0

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.

Saving Native Species

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	0.6	-	-	-	0.6
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	0.6	-	-	-	0.6

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^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0

a) Totals include unallocated funding.

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
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	1.2
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.6
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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.

Urban Rivers and Catchments Program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	4.3	10.6	2.7	3.9	4.0	3.0	0.9	1.1	30.5
2026-27	3.6	2.2	1.7	3.9	3.3	2.2	0.9	1.1	18.9
2027-28	3.4	1.1	1.3	2.2	1.0	2.3	..	0.6	11.9
2028-29	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	12.2	13.9	5.7	9.9	8.3	7.5	1.8	2.9	62.2

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 are being delivered by local government, water utilities and non-government organisations, with funding provided via the states.

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 2026–27*.

Victorian Renewable Energy Zone Development Plan

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	96.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	96.6
2026-27	-	4.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.4
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	101.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	101.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to support projects in Stage 1 of the Victorian Renewable Energy Zone Development Plan. The funding will support the Australian Government’s commitment to providing reliable, secure and affordable energy to all Australians.

World Heritage Sites

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
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
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2.5	-	9.4	1.3	0.3	15.3	-	-	28.8

The Australian Government is providing funding to address 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
2025-26	-	-	6.3	-	-	-	-	-	6.3
2026-27	-	-	5.9	-	-	-	-	-	5.9
2027-28	-	-	3.0	-	-	-	-	-	3.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	15.2	-	-	-	-	-	15.2

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

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 2026–27*.

Water services and infrastructure

In 2026–27, the Australian Government is estimated to provide \$808.9 million to support the delivery of water services and infrastructure in the states.

Table 2.9.2: Water services and infrastructure^(a)

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
National Partnership payments					
Great Artesian Basin Water Security Program	6.4	12.7	9.7	-	-
Implementing water reform in the Murray–Darling Basin	18.0	15.0	9.0	-	-
Improving Compliance in the Murray–Darling Basin	9.0	4.3	-	-	-
Restoring the upper Murrumbidgee River program	7.3	6.0	1.0	1.0	-
Sustainable rural water use and infrastructure program	479.2	357.1	3.0	-	-
Water for the Environment Special Account					
Implementation of Constraints Measures	35.4	69.3	-	-	-
Resilient Rivers Water Infrastructure Program	139.0	210.4	131.8	-	-
Sustainable Communities Program	15.9	72.5	55.5	46.0	-
Total	718.2	808.9	310.0	97.9	-

a) Total figures include items not for publication.

Great Artesian Basin Water Security Program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	3.8	-	2.0	-	-	-	6.4
2026-27	-	-	10.0	-	1.2	-	-	1.4	12.7
2027-28	-	-	7.5	-	1.2	-	-	0.6	9.7
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	21.3	-	4.5	-	-	2.0	28.8

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

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.

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

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	7.7	5.7	2.1	-	1.7	-	0.8	-	18.0
2026-27	6.4	4.8	1.7	-	1.4	-	0.7	-	15.0
2027-28	3.9	2.9	1.0	-	0.8	-	0.4	-	9.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	18.0	13.4	4.8	-	3.9	-	1.8	-	42.0

a) A portion of funding is 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.

Improving Compliance in the Murray–Darling Basin

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	4.9	0.7	1.9	-	1.5	-	-	-	9.0
2026-27	0.9	0.9	0.6	-	1.9	-	-	-	4.3
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	5.8	1.5	2.6	-	3.4	-	-	-	13.3

The Australian Government is providing 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.

Restoring the upper Murrumbidgee River program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	4.7	-	-	-	-	-	2.6	-	7.3
2026-27	3.8	-	-	-	-	-	2.2	-	6.0
2027-28	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	0.5	-	1.0
2028-29	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	0.5	-	1.0
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	9.5	-	-	-	-	-	5.8	-	15.3

The Australian Government is providing 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.

Sustainable rural water use and infrastructure program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	313.4	126.4	1.5	-	31.6	-	-	-	479.2
2026-27	289.8	41.9	-	-	24.7	-	-	-	357.1
2027-28	-	-	-	-	3.0	-	-	-	3.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	603.2	168.3	1.5	-	59.3	-	-	-	839.4

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 implementation of supply measures. The program also funds 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 2026–27*.

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)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	8.4	2.3	-	-	22.8	-	-	-	35.4
2026-27	12.5	6.5	-	-	49.8	-	-	-	69.3
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	20.9	8.8	-	-	72.7	-	-	-	104.7

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.

Resilient Rivers Water Infrastructure Program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	33.6	2.0	-	-	19.6	-	-	-	139.0
2026-27	12.3	75.2	-	-	6.7	-	-	-	210.4
2027-28	~	50.0	-	-	4.9	-	-	-	131.8
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	45.8	127.2	-	-	31.2	-	-	-	481.2

a) Totals include unallocated funding.

The Australian Government is providing 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 replaced the Off-farm Efficiency Program to deliver against the *Water Amendment (Restoring Our Rivers) Act 2023*.

Sustainable Communities Program^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	2.9	nfp	nfp	-	13.0	-	-	-	15.9
2026-27	64.5	nfp	nfp	-	8.0	-	-	-	72.5
2027-28	54.5	nfp	nfp	-	1.0	-	-	-	55.5
2028-29	46.0	nfp	nfp	-	-	-	-	-	46.0
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	167.9	nfp	nfp	-	22.0	-	-	-	189.9

a) A portion of funding is not for publication due to ongoing Basin Plan negotiations.

The Australian Government is providing 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.

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

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
National Partnership payments					
Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements	1,993.5	-	-	-	-
Hepatitis C settlement fund	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total	1,993.6	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
2025-26	98.4	164.8	1,326.7	..	104.3	4.4	-	294.8	1,993.5
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	98.4	164.8	1,326.7	..	104.3	4.4	-	294.8	1,993.5

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 state data estimates. 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 about past events, at the time of preparation of this Budget. These estimates do not include other, as yet unquantifiable, disaster support payments that will be provided through the DRFA. More information is available in Budget Paper No. 1, *Budget Strategy and Outlook 2026–27*, *Statement 9: Statement of Risks*.

Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements – estimated cash payments^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	2,519.3	555.2	2,463.1	26.2	28.7	2.8	0.2	9.9	5,605.4
2026-27	3,216.9	83.1	3,106.4	315.4	31.8	30.0	-	64.0	6,847.5
2027-28	1,460.4	181.2	653.7	26.5	72.4	4.5	-	6.5	2,405.1
2028-29	986.6	31.5	68.1	9.5	1.5	0.6	-	3.1	1,100.9
2029-30	-	4.8	26.9	5.0	-	-	-	-	36.8
Total	8,183.2	855.8	6,318.2	382.5	134.3	37.9	0.2	83.5	15,995.6

a) The total cost of relief and recovery from disaster events may not be completely realised for some years. These estimates for the DRFA are based on the information available at the time of preparation for past events and do not include the Australian Government Actuary's actuarial valuation of the Commonwealth's DRFA liability.

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
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.1
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.1
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.1
2028-29	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.1
2029-30	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	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^(a)

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
National Access to Justice Partnership					
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander					
Legal Services	160.7	164.6	168.2	171.4	178.5
Community Legal Centres	104.5	110.1	112.6	114.7	119.5
Family Violence Prevention Legal Services	70.4	72.1	73.6	75.0	78.2
Legal Aid Commissions	341.4	350.9	358.6	365.5	380.6
State and territory legal assistance administration	7.8	8.0	8.2	8.4	8.7
Women's Legal Services	52.9	54.1	55.4	56.4	58.8
Total National Access to Justice Partnership	737.7	759.9	776.6	791.4	824.2
National Partnership payments					
Addressing Misuse of the Protection Visa System	-	0.9	1.0	1.1	0.9
Assistance for the Liberty Bell Bay smelter	nfp	nfp	-	-	-
Assistance for the Whyalla steel industry	288.0	121.0	-	-	-
Bedford Sale Process Support	17.6	-	-	-	-
Commonwealth Community Safety Order Scheme (CSO)	12.0	-	-	-	-
Commonwealth High Risk Terrorist Offender Regime	21.4	23.3	-	-	-
Countering Violent Extremism initiatives					
National Support and Intervention Program	23.8	25.0	26.1	26.8	27.4
Step Together Project	3.0	1.9	2.0	-	-
Family law information sharing	14.8	15.0	15.3	3.2	-
Financial assistance for police officers	32.0	-	-	-	-
Financial assistance to local governments					
Financial Assistance Grant program	4,638.9	724.4	3,756.8	3,903.7	4,056.8
Supplementary funding to South Australia for local roads	20.0	20.6	21.1	21.6	22.2
Focussed Deterrence and Domestic Violence Threat Assessment Centre pilots	7.5	8.4	9.4	-	-
Greek Orthodox Church Restoration Project	8.1	12.9	4.2	-	-
Henderson Stage 1 Funding	30.0	-	-	-	-
Implementation of Mandatory Country of Origin Labelling for Seafood	0.8	0.4	0.4	-	-
Indigenous Tourism Fund – Strategic Indigenous Tourism Projects	7.7	1.2	-	-	-
Legal assistance for floods in QLD and NSW	3.0	-	-	-	-
National Competition Policy	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
National Firearms Register	42.5	28.6	12.7	-	-
National Labour Hire	1.4	-	-	-	-
National Tourism Icons Package	0.4	6.1	-	-	-

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

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
National Partnership payments					
Northern Presence Combatting Illegal Foreign Fishing	-	0.3	-	-	-
Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment – Monitoring, Evaluation, Accountability and Learning	1.1	1.1	1.6	1.5	1.1
Provision of fire services	30.5	31.5	-	-	-
Remediation master plans for Hunter mine sites	4.0	1.0	-	-	-
Securing future Glencore Mount Isa operations	50.0	100.0	50.0	-	-
Securing future Nyrstar operations	57.5	-	-	-	-
Sinking fund on state debt	..	..	..	..	..
Specialised and trauma-informed legal services for victim-survivors of sexual assault	6.3	9.4	4.8	-	-
Support to Host Giant Pandas in South Australia	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
Total National Partnership payments	5,324.2	1,140.9	3,908.2	3,958.7	4,109.2
Total	6,062.0	1,900.8	4,684.8	4,750.1	4,933.4

a) Total figures include items not for publication.

National Access to Justice Partnership

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	193.2	129.0	158.5	98.4	58.2	23.9	14.5	61.9	737.7
2026-27	199.1	133.4	162.8	101.3	60.0	25.1	14.9	63.4	759.9
2027-28	203.5	136.3	166.3	103.5	61.3	25.6	15.2	64.8	776.6
2028-29	207.3	138.9	169.5	105.5	62.5	26.1	15.5	66.0	791.4
2029-30	215.9	144.7	176.5	109.9	65.1	27.2	16.2	68.8	824.2
Total	1,019.1	682.4	833.6	518.6	307.1	127.9	76.3	324.9	3,889.9

The Australian Government is providing ongoing funding from 1 July 2025 to all states via the National Access to Justice Partnership 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 Access to Justice Partnership.

National Partnership payments for other services

Addressing Misuse of the Protection Visa System^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.9
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	1.0
2028-29	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	1.1
2029-30	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	0.9
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	3.9

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is providing funding to support a migration duty lawyer pilot. The pilot will deliver pre-filing legal assistance in migration matters before the Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia to help prospective judicial review applicants make informed, merit-based decisions to file, not file, or withdraw by the first court date.

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 2026–27*.

Assistance for the Liberty Bell Bay smelter

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	nfp	-	-	nfp
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	nfp	-	-	nfp
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	nfp	-	-	nfp

The Australian Government is working with the Tasmanian Government to fund certain employee costs during the administration of the Bell Bay manganese smelter, while a sales process is undertaken.

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 2026–27*.

Assistance for the Whyalla steel industry

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	288.0	-	-	-	288.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	121.0	-	-	-	121.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	409.0	-	-	-	409.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to the South Australian Government for the administration, including ongoing operations, of the Whyalla Steelworks, as well as support for eligible business creditors that remain out-of-pocket for debts owed during the administration period.

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 2026–27*.

Bedford Sale Process Support

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	17.6	-	-	-	17.6
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	17.6	-	-	-	17.6

The Australian Government is providing funding to the South Australian Government to support National Disability Insurance Scheme participants and supported employees during the sale and restructure of Bedford Group.

Commonwealth Community Safety Order Scheme (CSO)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	8.3	3.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	12.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	8.3	3.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	12.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to states to assist in implementing the CSO scheme, through which the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship can apply to the Supreme Court in the relevant jurisdiction for the making of supervision or detention orders in line with the *Criminal Code Act 1995*, in relation to certain non-citizens who pose a risk of harm to the community.

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 2026–27*.

Commonwealth High Risk Terrorist Offender Regime^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	9.3	11.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	21.4
2026-27	4.7	2.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	23.3
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	13.9	14.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	44.6

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.

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 2026–27*.

Countering Violent Extremism initiatives

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

National Support and Intervention Program^{(a)(b)}

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	4.9	5.2	4.0	3.1	2.6	1.4	1.3	1.3	23.8
2026-27	5.1	5.4	4.2	3.2	2.7	1.4	1.4	1.4	25.0
2027-28	5.4	5.7	4.4	3.4	2.9	1.5	1.5	1.5	26.1
2028-29	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	26.8
2029-30	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	27.4
Total	15.4	16.3	12.5	9.7	8.2	4.3	4.2	4.2	129.0

a) Total figures in 2026–27 and 2027–28 include items not for publication.

b) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is providing funding to support states to deliver a consolidated CVE Intervention Program that supports individuals at-risk of radicalising to violent extremism, whether they are in the community or in custodial 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 2026–27*.

Step Together Project

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	3.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.0
2026-27	1.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.9
2027-28	2.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	6.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.8

The Australian Government is partnering with the NSW Department of Communities and Justice to nationalise the ‘Step Together’ program. The program provides a helpline, online referral tool and digital support service that allows people in the community to receive support from qualified case managers in real-time. It is a resource for friends and families of individuals showing signs of violent extremism, and provides information and support to protect those who may be vulnerable.

Family law information sharing^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	3.4	3.6	2.9	1.2	1.2	1.0	0.7	0.5	14.8
2026-27	3.5	3.7	3.0	1.2	1.2	1.0	0.7	0.5	15.0
2027-28	3.5	3.8	3.0	1.3	1.3	1.0	0.7	0.5	15.3
2028-29	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	3.2
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	10.4	11.1	9.0	3.7	3.7	3.0	2.0	1.5	48.2

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

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 for police officers

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	32.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	32.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to the NSW Government to reimburse NSW police officers adversely impacted by the method of payment of insurance premiums under the former Police Blue Ribbon Insurance scheme.

Financial assistance to local governments

Financial Assistance Grant program

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26									
General purpose assistance	1,000.0	823.3	659.9	354.5	221.3	67.0	56.4	30.8	3,213.1
Local road component	413.7	293.9	267.1	218.0	78.4	75.6	45.7	33.4	1,425.8
Total financial assistance to local governments(a)	1,413.6	1,117.2	927.0	572.5	299.7	142.6	102.1	64.2	4,638.9
2026-27									
General purpose assistance	156.0	128.7	103.1	55.5	34.5	10.4	8.8	4.8	501.7
Local road component	64.6	45.9	41.7	34.0	12.2	11.8	7.1	5.2	222.6
Total financial assistance to local governments	220.6	174.6	144.8	89.5	46.7	22.2	15.9	10.0	724.4
2027-28									
General purpose assistance	807.3	668.6	535.2	289.1	178.1	53.5	45.6	24.8	2,602.2
Local road component	335.0	238.1	216.3	176.6	63.5	61.2	37.0	27.0	1,154.7
Total financial assistance to local governments	1,142.3	906.6	751.6	465.7	241.6	114.7	82.6	51.8	3,756.8
2028-29									
General purpose assistance	837.4	696.1	556.8	301.4	184.1	55.1	47.4	25.6	2,703.9
Local road component	348.1	247.4	224.8	183.5	65.9	63.6	38.5	28.1	1,199.8
Total financial assistance to local governments	1,185.5	943.4	781.6	484.9	250.1	118.6	85.9	53.7	3,903.7
2029-30									
General purpose assistance	869.1	724.8	579.3	313.9	190.3	56.7	49.3	26.5	2,809.9
Local road component	361.7	257.1	233.6	190.6	68.5	66.1	40.0	29.2	1,246.8
Total financial assistance to local governments	1,230.9	981.8	812.9	504.5	258.8	122.8	89.3	55.7	4,056.8

a) Funding of \$2.9 billion was brought forward from 2026–27 and paid in 2025–26 in recognition of the workforce, supply chain and cashflow pressures that local governments face, hence the figures in 2026–27 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.

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 2026–27*.

Supplementary funding to South Australia for local roads

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	20.0	-	-	-	20.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	20.6	-	-	-	20.6
2027-28	-	-	-	-	21.1	-	-	-	21.1
2028-29	-	-	-	-	21.6	-	-	-	21.6
2029-30	-	-	-	-	22.2	-	-	-	22.2
Total	-	-	-	-	105.6	-	-	-	105.6

The Australian Government is providing supplementary funding to the South Australian Government for local 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 2026–27*.

Focused Deterrence and Domestic Violence Threat Assessment Centre pilots^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	7.5
2026-27	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	8.4
2027-28	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	9.4
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	~	25.2

a) State allocations have not yet been determined.

The Australian Government is providing funding to pilot two new innovative models to engage law enforcement and community services to intervene in high-risk and serial family violence offending. The two models, focused deterrence and Domestic Violence Threat Assessment Centres, involve multi-agency partnerships that support the identification and case management of perpetrators, including those who may be on an intimate partner homicide trajectory.

Greek Orthodox Church Restoration Project

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	8.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.1
2026-27	12.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12.9
2027-28	4.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.2
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	25.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25.3

The Australian Government is providing up to \$25.3 million in funding towards major restoration works at the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of Australia site at Cleveland Street, Redfern, New South Wales.

Henderson Stage 1 Funding

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	30.0	-	-	-	-	30.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	30.0	-	-	-	-	30.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to the Western Australian Government to support the delivery of Continuity of Service arrangements. This Stage 1 funding will support the design and commencement of early works for interim facilities for non-defence industry displaced by Defence usage of the Australian Marine Complex–Common User Facility in Henderson for the Landing Craft Heavy build 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 2026–27*.

Implementation of Mandatory Country of Origin Labelling for Seafood

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.8
2026-27	0.1	0.1	0.1	..	..	..	..	..	0.4
2027-28	0.1	0.1	0.1	..	..	..	..	..	0.4
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	1.6

The Australian Government is providing funding to support implementation of mandatory Country of Origin Labelling for seafood sold in hospitality settings.

Indigenous Tourism Fund – Strategic Indigenous Tourism Projects^(a)

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	1.1	1.3	-	2.1	2.3	0.1	0.1	0.6	7.7
2026-27	0.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.6	1.2
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1.8	1.3	-	2.1	2.3	0.1	0.1	1.1	8.9

a) Totals include funding yet to be allocated.

The Australian Government is providing funding for 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 with states in significant First Nations tourism projects that align with their strategic priorities and deliver long-term benefits for the First Nations tourism sector.

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 2026–27*.

Legal assistance for floods in QLD and NSW

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	1.8	-	1.3	-	-	-	-	-	3.0
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	1.8	-	1.3	-	-	-	-	-	3.0

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 Competition Policy

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
2026-27	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
2027-28	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
2028-29	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
2029-30	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
Total	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Australian Government is working with states to support delivery and ongoing development of consistent and complementary reforms that will create a more seamless and competitive Australian economy.

National Firearms Register

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	5.9	6.1	7.0	1.3	2.9	5.9	6.0	7.5	42.5
2026-27	3.0	3.0	1.0	3.7	2.7	4.7	6.3	4.2	28.6
2027-28	1.0	1.0	0.6	1.7	2.4	1.5	2.9	1.6	12.7
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	9.9	10.1	8.6	6.7	8.0	12.1	15.2	13.3	83.8

The Australian Government is providing funding over four years from 2024–25 to jurisdictions to uplift their existing firearms registry systems and implement the National Firearms Register, a signature community and police safety initiative.

National Labour Hire

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	1.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.4
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	1.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.4

The Australian Government provided funding to the Victorian Government to progress development of a harmonised approach to national labour hire reform. Funding under this measure is complete.

National Tourism Icons Package

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	0.1	-	-	0.3	-	-	0.4
2026-27	-	-	0.5	-	-	5.6	-	-	6.1
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	0.6	-	-	5.9	-	-	6.5

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 Presence Combatting Illegal Foreign Fishing

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.3	0.3
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.3	0.3

The Australian Government is providing funding to the Northern Territory Government to support legal assistance in illegal foreign fishing matters. Legal Aid NT will be funded to provide duty lawyer services in Commonwealth prosecutions in the Darwin Local Court. This funding strengthens Australia's capacity to protect its sovereign waters, and our legal assistance capability.

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 2026–27*.

Northern Territory Remote Aboriginal Investment – Monitoring, Evaluation, Accountability and Learning

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1	1.1
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1	1.1
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.6	1.6
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.5	1.5
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.1	1.1
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.4	6.4

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 Government 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.

Provision of fire services

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	14.8	8.3	10.5	5.4	3.5	0.5	12.9	6.2	62.0

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

Remediation master plans for Hunter mine sites

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	4.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0
2026-27	1.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to support post-mining land use master plans for two Hunter region pilot project mine sites to attract new industry and create local jobs. The master plans will enable rezoning of the sites, with the aim of maximising future investment attraction, economic output and local employment opportunities.

Securing future Glencore Mount Isa operations

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	50.0	-	-	-	-	-	50.0
2026-27	-	-	100.0	-	-	-	-	-	100.0
2027-28	-	-	50.0	-	-	-	-	-	50.0
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	200.0	-	-	-	-	-	200.0

The Australian Government is providing funding to the Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery to alleviate immediate pressures on the facility and reinforce Australia’s position as a key global supplier of copper in an increasingly competitive market.

Securing future Nyrstar operations

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	nfp	nfp	-	-	57.5
2026-27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2027-28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	nfp	nfp	-	-	57.5

The Australian Government is providing funding to the South Australian and Tasmanian governments to support grant arrangements with Nyrstar Australia to fund transformation projects at Nyrstar Port Pirie and Nyrstar Hobart.

Sinking fund on state debt

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	..
2026-27	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	..
2027-28	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	..
2028-29	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	..
2029-30	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	..
Total	..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	..

The Australian Government is contributing to the Debt Retirement Reserve Trust Account on behalf of New South Wales 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
2025-26	0.6	1.2	0.6	1.2	0.6	0.6	1.2	0.6	6.3
2026-27	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	9.4
2027-28	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	4.8
2028-29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2029-30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2.4	2.9	2.4	2.9	2.4	2.4	2.9	2.4	20.6

The Australian Government is providing funding to pilot new service models across Australia to provide victim-survivors of sexual assault with greater access to specialised and trauma-informed legal support and guidance in navigating the justice system.

Support to Host Giant Pandas in South Australia

\$million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
2025-26	-	-	-	-	0.8	-	-	-	0.8
2026-27	-	-	-	-	0.8	-	-	-	0.8
2027-28	-	-	-	-	0.8	-	-	-	0.8
2028-29	-	-	-	-	0.8	-	-	-	0.8
2029-30	-	-	-	-	0.8	-	-	-	0.8
Total	-	-	-	-	3.8	-	-	-	3.8

The Australian Government is providing funding to the South Australian Government to host two giant pandas in the Adelaide Zoo.

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 2026–27, the states are expected to receive \$110.3 billion from the Australian Government in total general revenue assistance, which is estimated to represent 13.2 per cent of total Australian Government expenditure in that year. This consists of the GST entitlement of \$104.2 billion (comprising the GST pool and the Commonwealth funded GST pool boost), horizontal fiscal equalisation (HFE) transition payments of \$5.6 billion (also known as the No Worse Off guarantee) and \$481.7 million of other general revenue assistance.

Total GST-related payments to the states (GST entitlements plus HFE transition payments) are estimated to increase from \$109.8 billion in 2026–27 and reach \$126.3 billion by 2029–30.

2026–27 is the final year in the six-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 or below the GST floor of 0.75. 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 by using HFE transition payments.

In December 2023, the Australian Government agreed to extend this guarantee for three years until 2029–30. At the Council on Federal Financial Relations meeting on 29 November 2024, the Commonwealth and all states other than Western Australia agreed the Extension of the No Worse Off Guarantee funding agreement, which formalised the extension of the guarantee.

Estimated general revenue assistance provided to the states by the Australian Government is shown in Table 3.1. Table 1.1 in *Part 1: Australia's Federal Relations* shows a breakdown by state.

Table 3.1: General revenue assistance

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
GST-related payments					
GST entitlement	97,251	104,226	108,897	115,347	121,331
HFE transition payments(a)	5,087	5,593	5,915	5,342	4,971
Total GST-related payments	102,338	109,820	114,812	120,689	126,303
Other general revenue assistance(b)	475	482	408	350	293
Total	102,813	110,302	115,220	121,038	126,595

a) Estimates of the HFE transition payments for 2027–28 and later years are based on the Commonwealth Grants Commission's recommended 2026–27 GST relativities. The 2027–28, 2028–29 and 2029–30 HFE transition payments are assumed to be 100 per cent, 85 per cent and 75 per cent respectively of that implied using the 2026–27 GST 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 described 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 because 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 payment 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 receipts (cash) 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. Since 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. Since 2024–25, the Australian Government has further boosted the GST pool by an additional \$250.0 million annually. This additional funding is distributed to the states in the same way as GST revenue.

In 2024–25, the states' GST entitlement was \$892.9 million higher than the advances paid during that year. A prior year balancing adjustment has been made to states' GST payments in 2025–26 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	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
GST revenue	100,750	109,150	113,820	120,700	127,030
<i>less</i> Change in GST receivables	4,409	5,901	5,952	6,437	6,839
GST receipts	96,341	103,249	107,868	114,263	120,191
<i>less</i> Non-GIC penalties collected	140	150	150	160	170
<i>less</i> GST collected by Commonwealth agencies but not yet remitted to the ATO	1	-1	-2	3	1
<i>plus</i> GST pool boost	1,051	1,126	1,177	1,247	1,311
GST entitlement	97,251	104,226	108,897	115,347	121,331
<i>plus</i> Prior year balancing adjustment	893				
GST payments to the States(a)	98,144	104,226	108,897	115,347	121,331

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 2025–26 MYEFO. The reconciliation accounts for policy decisions and parameter and other variations. The GST entitlement in 2026–27 has been revised up by \$1.7 billion since the 2025–26 MYEFO.

Table 3.3: Reconciliation of the GST entitlement estimates since the 2025–26 MYEFO

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29
GST entitlement at 2025-26 MYEFO	96,554	102,518	107,866	114,781
Changes between 2025-26 MYEFO and 2026-27 Budget				
Effect of policy decisions	-101	-93	-203	-350
Effect of parameter and other variations	798	1,802	1,234	916
Total variations	698	1,708	1,031	566
GST entitlement at 2026-27 Budget	97,251	104,226	108,897	115,347

The states' GST entitlement is expected to reach \$121.3 billion by 2029–30. Since the 2025–26 MYEFO, the GST entitlement has been revised up by \$4.6 billion over the five years from 2025–26 to 2029–30.

Excluding new policy decisions, the GST entitlement has been revised up by \$1.8 billion in 2026–27 and by \$5.7 billion over the five years from 2025–26 to 2029–30, driven by the change in GST receipts. GST receipts have been upgraded reflecting stronger-than-expected collections in the near term, and higher nominal consumption subject to GST over the forward estimates.

New tax policy measures announced since the 2025–26 MYEFO have flow-on impacts to the GST head of revenue and are expected to decrease GST entitlement by \$93.2 million in 2026–27 and by \$370.0 million over the five years from 2025–26 to 2029–30.

Table 3.4: Policy decisions since the 2025–26 MYEFO that affect the GST entitlement

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
Taking Pressure Off Australians – temporary reduction of fuel excise and heavy vehicle road user charge	-100.0	-50.0	-	-	-
Protecting the tax system against fraud	-	1.8	2.4	0.3	0.1
Indirect Tax Concession Scheme – diplomatic and consular concessions	-0.5	-	..	..	..
Boosting Productivity – Better selecting migrants and recognising their skills	-	-20.0	-115.0	-190.0	-245.0
Strengthening the Integrity of the Migration System	-	*	*	*	-
Migration – uplift of Visa Application Charge for Temporary Graduate visas	-	-	-	-	-
Electric Car Discount – more sustainable fringe benefits tax treatment of electric cars	-	-	10.0	40.0	150.0
<i>Decisions taken but not yet announced</i>	-	-25.0	-100	-200	-275
Total	-101	-93.2	-203	-350	-370

Detailed information on policy decisions taken since the 2025–26 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 relativities recommended by the Commonwealth Grants Commission (the CGC).

The detailed calculation for the distribution of the GST entitlement in 2026–27 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 31 December population	GST relativities	Adjusted population	Share of adjusted population	Share of GST pool \$million
2026-27	(1)	(2)	(1) x (2)		
NSW	8,742,643	0.81964	7,165,820	25.5%	26,542
VIC	7,240,255	1.05742	7,655,990	27.2%	28,358
QLD	5,798,368	0.87237	5,058,322	18.0%	18,736
WA	3,131,269	0.81964	2,566,513	9.1%	9,506
SA	1,928,917	1.35920	2,621,784	9.3%	9,711
TAS	579,512	1.88285	1,091,134	3.9%	4,042
ACT	493,621	1.16179	573,484	2.0%	2,124
NT	268,258	5.24149	1,406,072	5.0%	5,208
Total	28,182,843	na	28,139,120	100%	104,226

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.

From 2026–27, the equalisation arrangements as set out by the *Treasury Laws Amendment (Making Sure Every State and Territory Gets Their Fair Share of GST) Act 2018* are in full effect. This establishes that no State or Territory will have a per capita GST share lower than the fiscally stronger of New South Wales or Victoria.

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 relativities beyond the budget year. The distribution of GST among the states and any resulting transitional payments beyond the budget year is calculated based on a technical assumption that uses the CGC's recommended 2026–27 GST relativities as the starting point.

In 2027–28, 2028–29, and 2029–30, the transitional payments are assumed to be 100 per cent, 85 per cent and 75 per cent respectively, of what would be expected using the 2026–27 GST relativities. Commodity prices are projected to fall from their current levels which will cause GST relativities to revert towards their historical averages. However, the three-year

lag in the CGC’s relativity calculations means that the reversion will be more gradual than previously anticipated. The estimates (shown in Table 3.1) do not reflect any attempt to project future GST relativities.

The Australian Government is expected to provide an estimated \$21.8 billion in HFE transition payments from 2026–27 to 2029–30 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 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 \$680.7 million for 2026–27, as shown in Table 3.6.

Table 3.6: Reconciliation of the GST administration budget

\$million	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
Administration budget at 2025-26 Budget	693	697	457	456	na
Total variations from 2025-26 Budget to 2025-26 MYEFO	-	-17	-2	8	na
Administration budget at 2025-26 MYEFO	693	681	456	464	na
Changes from 2025-26 MYEFO to 2026-27 Budget					
<i>Parameter variations</i>	-	1	1	1	11
<i>Other variations</i>	-	-1	1	-1	-
Total variations	-	-	2	..	11
Administration budget at 2026-27 Budget (a)	693	681	458	464	476
less Prior year adjustment	25	-	-	-	-
equals State government payments	719	681	458	464	476

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	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
ACT municipal services	46.3	47.5	48.6	49.6	50.8
Royalty payments	428.6	434.2	358.9	300.1	241.8
Total other general revenue assistance	474.9	481.7	407.5	349.7	292.5

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	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
Mirror taxes	1,060	1,112	1,168	1,229	1,286
/ess Transfers to state governments	1,060	1,112	1,168	1,229	1,286
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 2026–27, Statement 2: Economic Outlook* provides information on the forecasting approach used in the 2026–27 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 with demographic data and forecasts regarding fertility, mortality, net overseas migration and net interstate migration.

The Centre estimates population and the components of change on a financial year basis. The 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)

million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total(a)	Australia
2025(b)	8.645	7.131	5.714	3.075	1.912	0.577	0.488	0.266	27.808	27.813
2026	8.743	7.240	5.798	3.131	1.929	0.580	0.494	0.268	28.183	28.188
2027	8.833	7.342	5.879	3.180	1.942	0.582	0.500	0.270	28.527	28.532
2028	8.925	7.442	5.956	3.224	1.954	0.584	0.506	0.273	28.863	28.868
2029	9.016	7.543	6.033	3.268	1.966	0.585	0.513	0.275	29.199	29.204
2030	9.110	7.645	6.110	3.312	1.979	0.587	0.520	0.277	29.538	29.544

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 2024–25, from ABS National, state & territory population, September 2025.

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

million	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total(a)	Australia
2024-25(b)	8.593	7.074	5.670	3.044	1.903	0.576	0.485	0.265	27.609	27.614
2025-26	8.697	7.188	5.757	3.106	1.922	0.578	0.491	0.267	28.007	28.012
2026-27	8.788	7.292	5.839	3.157	1.936	0.581	0.497	0.269	28.359	28.364
2027-28	8.879	7.391	5.918	3.202	1.948	0.583	0.503	0.272	28.695	28.700
2028-29	8.970	7.492	5.995	3.246	1.960	0.584	0.509	0.274	29.031	29.036
2029-30	9.062	7.593	6.071	3.290	1.972	0.586	0.516	0.275	29.367	29.372

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 2024–25, from ABS National, state and territory population, September 2025.

Fertility

The projected fertility rates are based on analysis undertaken and commissioned by the Centre (Table A.3). Nationally, the total fertility rate is forecast to be 1.44 babies per woman in 2025–26 before rising to 1.50 by 2030–31. Projected state fertility rates broadly move in line with the national fertility rate.

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

	2024-25(a)	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
Total fertility rate, Australia	1.52	1.44	1.45	1.47	1.48	1.49

a) Estimate for 2024–25, from ABS National, state and territory population, September 2025.

Mortality

Projected life expectancy at birth is 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 2028–29 to account for the impact of COVID-19 on excess mortality. Life expectancies are then assumed to improve in line with historical trends. Projected state mortality rates broadly move in line with the national mortality rate.

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

	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
Male life expectancy at birth, Australia	81.9	82.1	82.3	82.4	82.6	82.7
Female life expectancy at birth, Australia	85.8	86.0	86.1	86.2	86.4	86.5

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

	2024-25 (a)	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
Net overseas migration, Australia	305,000	295,000	245,000	225,000	225,000	225,000

a) Estimate for 2024–25, from ABS National, state and territory population, September 2025.

Interstate migration

The Centre projects net interstate migration (Table A.6), using historical interstate movements data supplied by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

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

	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT
2024-25(a)	-24,300	-800	21,600	10,300	-1,300	-1,900	-1,500	-2,100
2025-26	-21,400	3,000	14,900	9,200	-700	-700	-1,600	-2,700
2026-27	-21,400	3,300	17,300	5,900	-2,000	-400	-600	-2,200
2027-28	-20,400	3,100	19,000	2,600	-3,100	0	100	-1,500
2028-29	-20,100	3,100	19,400	1,900	-3,300	100	300	-1,300
2029-30	-20,500	3,000	19,500	2,000	-3,300	200	300	-1,300

a) Estimate for 2024–25, from ABS National, state & territory population, September 2025.

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	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
Wage cost index – 1	2	2 1/2	2 1/4	2	2 1/4
Wage cost index – 3	2 1/4	2 3/4	2 1/2	2 1/4	2 1/4
Wage cost index – 6	2 1/4	3	2 3/4	2 1/4	2 1/2

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 2026–27 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*
- *2025 Population Statement*, Centre for Population
- *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*.

Commonwealth Grants Commission publications provide information about the distribution of GST revenue. In relation to the 2026–27 financial year, the most relevant publication is the report *GST Relativities 2026–27*.

Notes

- (a) The following definitions are used in this Budget Paper:
- Budget year refers to 2026–27, while the forward years refer to 2026–27, 2027–28, 2028–29 and 2029–30.
 - 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:
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| - | 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.

- 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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