

Department of Finance

Response to Question on Notice

JOINT COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT

Commonwealth Financial Statements - Auditor-General's report No 24 (2017-18)

Wednesday 19 September 2018

GENERAL COMMENTS

Nil response.

SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Question 1 (Hansard Proof, Page 8)

ACTING CHAIR: Can you provide us, on notice, with a list of what the \$75 billion infrastructure package is, so we can gain an appreciation of what's funded in the budget and what's not?

Ms Carroll: We'll provide some information pointing back to the budget papers in relation to that. Is that what you're looking for?

ACTING CHAIR: I had a bit of a look. I can't quite find, and the Parliamentary Library can't quite piece together, what are the actual projects or components that make up the \$75 billion infrastructure package and how much is cash and how much is funny money, concessional loans, hopes and dreams—

Dr Helgeby: The budget papers will give the impacts. The accounting is about the budget impacts. That is the real treatment. To the extent that you're after details about particular components, we'll take that on notice and answer it.

Response

On 22 May 2018 the Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities provided the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee a breakdown of total allocations to transport infrastructure investment as at Budget 2018 (Attachment A: Total Allocations to Transport Infrastructure Investment refers).

Total Transport Infrastructure Expenditure including Payments for Specific Purposes to Support State Infrastructure Services in Budget and payments to non-state entities, equity and loans															
Financial Year	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
Payments to support state infrastructure services (BP3, Table 2.9)	2,490.82	6,159.62	5,789.48	3,735.02	7,754.40	3,635.73	6,910.29	4,873.52	5,540.34	7,401.00	7,173.93	6,336.41	5,567.29	5,021.05	4,546.28
IIP - payments to non-state entities*	46.25	71.34	66.70	54.48	44.30	48.21	54.72	77.05	79.30	109.48	155.52	139.14	167.04	130.32	60.32
FAGs (untied local road grants) (part of BP3, Table 2.12)#	542.73	728.68	600.73	647.77	842.12	663.19	365.50	1,059.07	351.67	1,067.16	761.76	397.75	786.69	817.68	851.45
Support through Alternative Funding and Financing^	0.00	422.00	766.90	558.20	409.30	211.70	18.00	25.00	21.00	740.21	1,362.49	1,734.55	2,139.04	2,241.39	3,036.28
TOTAL	3,079.80	7,381.64	7,223.81	4,995.47	9,050.12	4,558.83	7,348.51	6,034.64	5,992.30	9,317.85	9,453.70	8,607.85	8,660.06	8,210.44	8,494.34

Notes

- * Payments to support non-state entities are spread across the Budget Papers, and include: grants for transport infrastructure delivered by Commonwealth-owned Corporations, such as the Australian Rail Track Corporation; Transport Infrastructure Research, Development and Planning works undertaken by Commonwealth agencies; and other minor Commonwealth and non-state grant funding allocations.
- # Financial Assistance Grants are provided to local governments through State Governments to support local government services. This line includes the component of the FAGs provided on the basis of supporting local roads. Note that these figures include the supplementary Payments for South Australian local roads (detailed in the first half of Table 2.12 on page 64 of BP3) as well as the ongoing grants (detailed in the second half of Table 2.12 on page 65 of BP3).
- ^ Government support for transport infrastructure through Alternative Funding and Financing includes equity injections to support major project such as Inland Rail and Western Sydney Airport, as well as concessional loan arrangements, such as for WestConnex and Sunshine Coast Airport.

Funding Allocation	13-14 to 21-22	18-19 to 21-22	18-19 to 27-28
Grant funding under the Infrastructure Investment Program*			
Funding for continuing projects and programs and unallocated funding	45,907.0	17,676.4	24,545.4
Budget 2018: Funding for new Pipeline Projects (excepting projects under the National Rail Program)	3,027.5	3,027.5	19,670.5
Budget 2018: Funding for works under the National Rail Program	1,267.0	753.7	4,583.8
Grant funding under the Infrastructure Investment Program	50,201.5	21,457.6	48,799.7
Financial Assistance Grants (untied local road grants)			
FAGS (untied local road grants)	6,418.7	2,833.6	7,942.3
Additional FAGs funding for South Australia	40.0	20.0	20.0
Total FAGS (untied local road grants)	6,458.7	2,853.6	7,962.3
Equity Allocations and Concessional Loans			
Total Equity Allocations	11,318.0	9,151.3	14,967.1
Other Infrastructure Programs	0.0	0.0	0.0
Funding for projects under the Asset Recycling Initiative	2,298.4	369.6	369.6
Special payments to WA for Transport Infrastructure	1,215.1	0.0	0.0
Other minor transport infrastructure programs^	628.1	140.7	140.7
Total Minor Programs funding	4,141.5	510.3	510.3
Total Transport Infrastructure Investment as at Budget 2018 (without Contingent Liabilities)	72,119.7	33,972.7	72,239.3
Funding for specific projects as recorded as Contingent Liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0
East West Link	3,000.0	3,000.0	3,000.0
Perth Freight Link	1,160.0	1,160.0	1,160.0
Total allocations held as Contingent Liabilities	4,160.0	4,160.0	4,160.0
Total investment allocation, including Contingent Liabilities	76,279.7	38,132.7	76,399.3

Notes

* Funding under the Infrastructure Investment Program includes: grant funding, including payments and commitments to land transport projects and subprograms delivered by States, Territories, Commonwealth-owned Corporations (such as ARTC) and others through the IIP; new initiatives including the Urban Congestion Initiative, the Roads of Strategy Importance Initiative and the Major Project Business Case Fund; and funding for transport infrastructure research, development and planning works undertaken by the Commonwealth. It does not include funding held as Contingent Liabilities and/or within the Contingent Reserve for IIP projects.

^ Other minor programs include a range of allocations for works outside the IIP, such as funding for the Western Sydney City Deal. For a full list of additional programs, see BP3 Table 2.9