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QUESTION No. BI-12

CSIRO generates income through its partnerships with the private sector. What are the projected reductions in income that will result from these funding cuts or was any investigation carried out at all?

ANSWER

As stated in the 2008-09 Portfolio Budget Estimates Hearings, the projected impact of the budget outcomes on the external revenue of CSIRO over the forward estimates is approximately \$40 million. CSIRO does not distinguish between private and public components in projecting external revenue.