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**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE – QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
2003-2004 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

Outcome: CSIRO
Output Group: CSIRO

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Senator Carr asked on 4 June 2003.

Question:

What percentage of this budget is expected to be derived from business, commercial or private sources?

What sources have been identified?

Answer:

CSIRO has provided the following response.

Light Metals Flagship

It is also anticipated that external earnings to enhance the growth of Light Metals Flagship will be around \$1m in 2003/4, although the size and proportion of external earnings from the Flagship are expected to grow over time.

The process for defining the projects to be carried out by the Flagship has involved wide consultation with the various partners ranging across the industry and government sectors. The aim of this consultation has been to select the appropriate areas of work, not to gain commitments to funding projects at the initial proof of concept stage. No financial commitments have yet been made towards the Flagship. The R&D work currently under way covers the alumina, aluminium, and titanium sectors.