

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

### SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2005-2006 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

**Outcome:** 2  
**Output Group:** 2.4 – Funding for Higher Education

#### DEST Question No. E323\_06

Senator Carr provided in writing.

#### Question:

Please provide an update of Senate Question on Notice asked by Senator McLucas on 27 March 2003.

- a) Please add results for 2002, 2003 and 2004 and provide:
  - (i) nominal results
  - (ii) results in constant 2004 prices.
- b) If 2004 results are not yet available, please provide data to 2003 as an interim answer and provide the full answer when it becomes available and indicate when it is anticipated it will become available.

#### Answer:

*Financial results:*

- a) (i)

Expenses (nominal)	1991 (\$ million)	2001 (\$ million)	2002* (\$ million)	2003* (\$ million)
academic staff (salaries + related)	1,809	3,030	3,245	3,449
non academic	1,458	2,664	2,876	3,058
all staff	3,266	5,694	6,121	6,507
other expenses	1,514	4,008	4,605	4,883
<b>total</b>	<b>4,780</b>	<b>9,702</b>	<b>10,726</b>	<b>11,390</b>
operating surplus (before income tax)	682	498	498	484

Note: Includes information for the higher education sector only and excludes deferred superannuation.

\* 2002 and 2003 does not include Avondale College and Marcus Oldham College.

- (ii) As 2003 is the latest year for which data are available, 2003 constant prices have been used.

Expenses (2003 prices)	1991 (\$ million)	2001 (\$ million)	2002* (\$ million)	2003* (\$ million)
academic staff (salaries + related)	2,301	3,174	3,321	3,449
non academic	1,855	2,790	2,944	3,058
all staff	4,155	5,963	6,265	6,507
other expenses	1,926	4,198	4,714	4,883
<b>total</b>	<b>6,081</b>	<b>10,161</b>	<b>10,980</b>	<b>11,390</b>
operating surplus (before income tax)	867	521	510	484

Note: Includes information for the higher education sector only and excludes deferred superannuation.

\* 2002 and 2003 does not include Avondale College and Marcus Oldham College.

- b) Universities' financial statements were due to the Department by 30 June. The sector-wide compilation of financial information will be finalised in August.