

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

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**Question: F3**

**Outcome 1 - Sustainable Government Finances, Output 1.1.2 - Financial Reporting**

**Topic: Reconciliation between CRF and Cash as per 2001-02 Consolidated Financial Statements**

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**Senator Conroy asked:**

The core bank account has \$1.5 billion, but the consolidated statement has \$2.2 billion. That is about a \$700 million difference.

Is it possible to get a list of those CAC entities, which are accounted for, in the General Government Sector?

**Answer:**

The core bank accounts represent the cash at bank holdings of Commonwealth *Financial Management and Accountability Act 1997* (FMA Act) agencies, amounting to just over \$1.5b as at 30 June 2002. The General Government Sector, however, includes coverage of not only the FMA Act agencies but also *Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997* (CAC Act) entities that implement public policy through the provision of primarily non-market services. These latter entities had aggregate cash balances totalling \$1041.7 million as at 30 June 2002.

After allowing for the CAC entities' cash balances (\$1041.7 million) and deducting for the impact of accrual adjustments, such as cash on hand and unrepresented cheques, which amounted to \$333.7 million, this gives a net difference between the balance of the core bank accounts and cash as shown in the Consolidated Financial Statements of \$708 million. This reconciliation may be shown as follows:

		\$m
Core bank accounts		1,523.0
Plus CAC entities	1,041.7	
Less Accrual adjustments, etc	<u>333.7</u>	<u>708.0</u>
CFS cash		\$2,231.0

A list of Commonwealth entities in the General Government Sector is published in Note 45 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2002. A copy of this note is attached.

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*Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Portfolio*

General government

Australian Fisheries Management Authority  
Australian Wine and Brandy Corporation  
Cotton Research and Development Corporation  
Dairy Adjustment Authority  
Dairy Research and Development Corporation  
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry Australia  
Fisheries Research and Development Corporation  
Forest and Wood Products Research and Development Corporation  
Grains Research and Development Corporation  
Grape and Wine Research and Development Corporation  
Land and Water Resources Research and Development Corporation  
National Registration Authority for Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals  
Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation  
Sugar Research and Development Corporation  
Tobacco Research and Development Corporation  
Wheat Export Authority

Public Non-financial Corporations

Australian Dairy Corporation

*Attorney-General's Portfolio*

General government

Administrative Appeals Tribunal  
Attorney-General's Department  
Australasian Centre for Policing Research  
Australian Bureau of Criminal Intelligence  
Australian Customs Service  
Australian Federal Police  
Australian Institute of Criminology  
Australian Law Reform Commission  
Australian Protective Service Account  
Australian Security Intelligence Organisation  
Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre (AUSTRAC)  
Criminology Research Council  
Family Court of Australia  
Federal Court of Australia  
Federal Magistrates Court  
High Court of Australia  
Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission

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*Attorney-General's Portfolio (continued)*

General government (continued)

Insolvency and Trustee Service Australia

National Crime Authority

National Native Title Tribunal

Office of Film and Literature Classification (including Classification Board and  
Classification Review Board)

Office of Parliamentary Counsel

Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions

Office of the Privacy Commissioner

Public Non-financial Corporations

Australian Government Solicitor

*Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Portfolio*

General government

Australia Business Arts Foundation

Australia Council

Australian Broadcasting Authority

Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Australian Communications Authority

Australian Film Commission

Australian Film, Television and Radio School

Australian National Maritime Museum

Australian Sports Commission

Australian Sports Drug Agency

Bundanon Trust (company limited by guarantee)

Department of Communications, Information Technology and the Arts

Film Australia Limited

National Archives of Australia

National Gallery of Australia

National Library of Australia

National Museum of Australia

National Office for the Information Economy

Special Broadcasting Service Corporation

Public Financial Corporations

Australian Film Finance Corporation Limited

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*Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Portfolio (continued)*

Public Non-financial Corporations

Australian Postal Corporation

Telstra Corporation Limited<sup>1</sup>

*Defence Portfolio*

General government

Army and Air Force Canteen Service

Australian Military Forces Relief Trust Fund

Australian Strategic Policy Institute Limited

Defence Housing Authority

Department of Defence

Royal Australian Air Force Veterans' Residences Trust Fund

Royal Australian Air Force Welfare Trust Fund

Royal Australian Navy Relief Trust Fund

*Education, Science and Training Portfolio*

General government

Australian Institute of Marine Science

Australian National Training Authority

Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation

Australian Research Council

Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation

Department of Education, Science and Training

Public Non-financial Corporations

Australian Marine Science and Technology Limited (by guarantee)

*Employment and Workplace Relations Portfolio*

General government

Australian Industrial Registry

COMCARE Australia

Department of Employment and Workplace Relations

Equal Opportunity for Women in the Workplace Agency

National Occupational Health and Safety Commission

Public Financial Corporations

Coal Mining Industry (Long Service Leave Funding) Corporation

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*Environment and Heritage Portfolio*

General government

Australian Greenhouse Office  
Australian Heritage Commission  
Department of Environment and Heritage  
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority  
National Oceans Office  
Office of the Renewable Energy Regulator  
Sydney Harbour Federation Trust  
The Director of National Parks

*Family and Community Services Portfolio*

General government

Australian Institute of Family Studies  
Centrelink (Commonwealth Service Delivery Agency)  
Department of Family and Community Services

*Finance and Administration Portfolio*

General government

Australian Electoral Commission  
Commonwealth Grants Commission  
Commonwealth Superannuation Administration  
Department of Finance and Administration

Public Financial Corporations

Australian Industry Development Corporation

Public Non-financial Corporations

Australian River Co. Ltd  
Australian Submarine Corporation Pty Limited  
Bankstown Airport Limited  
Camden Airport Limited  
Comland Limited  
Employment National  
Hoxton Park Airport Limited

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*Foreign Affairs and Trade Portfolio*

General Government

Australia-Japan Foundation  
Australian Agency for International Development  
Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research  
Australian Secret Intelligence Service  
Australian Trade Commission  
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Public Financial Corporations

Export Finance and Insurance Corporation

*Health and Ageing Portfolio*

General government

Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency Limited  
Australian Institute of Health and Welfare  
Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency  
Department of Health and Ageing  
Food Standards Australia New Zealand  
General Practice Education and Training Limited  
Health Insurance Commission  
National Institute of Clinical Studies Australia Ltd  
Private Health Insurance Administration Council  
Private Health Insurance Ombudsman  
Professional Services Review Scheme

Public Financial Corporations

Medibank Private Limited

Public Non-financial Corporations

Australian Hearing Services  
Health Services Australia Limited

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*Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs Portfolio*

General government

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission  
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Fund  
Aboriginal Hostels Limited (by guarantee)  
Anindilyakwa Land Council  
Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies  
Central Land Council  
Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs  
Indigenous Business Australia  
Indigenous Land Corporation  
Migration Review Tribunal  
Northern Land Council  
Tiwi Land Council  
Refugee Review Tribunal  
Torres Strait Regional Authority

*Industry, Tourism and Resources Portfolio*

General government

Australian Tourist Commission  
Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources  
Geoscience Australia  
IP Australia  
National Standards Commission  
IIF Investments Pty Limited  
IIF (CM) Investments Pty Limited  
IIF BioVentures Pty Limited  
IIF Foundation Pty Limited  
IIF Newport Pty Limited

Public Non-financial Corporations

Australian Technology Group Pty Limited

*Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio*

General government

Australian National Audit Office  
Australian Public Service Commission  
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet  
National Australia Day Council (company limited by guarantee)  
Office of National Assessments  
Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman  
Office of the Inspector General of Intelligence and Security

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*Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio (continued)*

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Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor General

*Transport and Regional Services Portfolio*

General government

Australian Maritime Safety Authority  
Civil Aviation Safety Authority  
Department of Transport and Regional Services  
Maritime Industry Finance Company  
National Capital Authority  
Stevedoring Industry Finance Committee

*Transport and Regional Services Portfolio*

Public Non-financial Corporations

Airservices Australia  
Albury-Wodonga Development Corporation  
Australian Rail Track Corporation Limited

*Treasury Portfolio*

General government

Australian Accounting Standards Board  
Australian Bureau of Statistics  
Australian Competition and Consumer Commission  
Australian Office of Financial Management  
Australian Prudential Regulation Authority  
Australian Securities and Investments Commission  
Australian Taxation Office  
Corporations and Markets Advisory Committee  
Department of the Treasury  
National Competition Council  
Productivity Commission

Public Financial Corporations

Reserve Bank of Australia



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*Veterans' Affairs Portfolio*

General government

Department of Veterans' Affairs (including Defence Service Homes Insurance Scheme)

Australian War Memorial

*Parliamentary Departments*

General government

Department of the House of Representatives

Department of the Parliamentary Library

Department of the Parliamentary Reporting Staff

Department of the Senate

Joint House Department

***Other investments***

Australian Maritime College

Australian National University

Anglo-Australian Telescope Board

Beyond Blue Limited

Ceramic Fuel Cells

Enterprise and Career Education Foundation Limited

Law Courts Ltd

Murray-Darling Basin Commission

National Road Transport Commission

NEPC Service Corporation

PSMA Australia Limited

Snowy Hydro Limited

Wreck Bay Aboriginal Community Council

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***Entity changes during 2001-02***

*Entities no longer consolidated*

Australian Pork Corporation

Department of Reconciliation and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs (now consolidated into Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs)

Essendon Airport Limited

National Rail Corporation (the Commonwealth previously held a 68 per cent interest)

Office of Asset Sales and Commercial Support (now consolidated into Department of Finance and Administration)

Pig Research and Development Corporation

Sydney Airports Corporation Limited

Snowy Mountain Hydro-Electric Authority

*Entities newly controlled/ established in 2001-02*

Australian Protective Service (formerly consolidated into the Attorney General's Department)

Australian Research Council (formerly consolidated into the Department of Education, Science and Training)

Australian Strategic Policy Institute Limited

National Office for the Information Economy (formerly consolidated into Department of Communications, Information Technology and the Arts)

Office of the Renewable Energy Regulator (formerly consolidated into Australian Greenhouse Office)