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Section 1: Screen Australia overview and resources

1.1 Strategic direction statement

Screen Australia is the Australian Government’s screen investment and administration agency. Screen Australia was established under the [*Screen Australia Act 2008*](https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2016C00421) (the Act), and is deeply involved in the domestic Australian screen industry, supporting screen projects across all genres and formats, creative businesses, IP and talent development.

Broadly, Screen Australia is responsible for:

* **Content:** developing, producing and promoting Australian programs
* **Culture:** supporting and promoting screen culture in Australia
* **Industry:** driving the development of a highly creative, innovative and commercially sustainable Australian screen production industry.

Screen Australia focuses on content genres most ‘at risk’, including drama, documentary and children’s content. Screen Australia supports the development and production of feature films, television programs for free–to–air and on–demand platforms, and content for online platforms such as YouTube, Facebook and Instagram. From 2022, Screen Australia recommenced support for local independent digital games development.

Screen Australia funds Australian practitioners – producers, writers, game developers and other screen creatives – to attend and promote local content at international markets, festivals and industry events. The agency also provides services to government, industry and the public, including administration of the Producer Offset and applications for international Official Co–productions, industry advice, insights and comprehensive analysis of sector performance and trends.

Screen Australia works closely with the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts on informing screen industry policy, and with other Government bodies such as the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, and Austrade to globally promote the interests of the Australian screen industry and Australia. Screen Australia also collaborates with the state screen agencies, Ausfilm, Creative Australia and the Australian Children’s Television Foundation, screen guilds and industry bodies in addition to sharing information and best practice with international screen agencies.

Screen Australia has a particular focus on First Nations content through its First Nations Department, which has been in existence for over 30 years. More generally, Screen Australia supports the screen industry to become more inclusive in front of and behind the camera, to better reflect the Australian population.

The Australian, and international, screen industry continues to experience a period of fundamental change. Market disruption caused by global economic conditions, the growth of streaming platforms and emerging forms of distribution have significantly impacted traditional platforms such as free–to–air and subscription television. At the same time, the theatrical market is challenged by changes to audience viewing patterns and consumer behaviour, impacting entertainment-related business models. In parallel to these market shifts, the Australian production sector has experienced a period of unprecedented growth. Competition for limited resources is intense, contributing to an ongoing increase in the cost of production and expanding financing ‘gaps’.

Screen Australia’s funding is under considerable pressure in the face of increased demand for production support, in terms of both volume and value. As the market becomes more competitive, the scope of this support has expanded to include independent games developers and small to medium games studios.

In 2025–26, Screen Australia will continue to identify efficiencies to maximise resource allocation to screen content and industry development. The agency will seek to prioritise its funding, focusing on building a sustainable creative industry through impactful funding programs with clear objectives and measures. Online content and digital games continue to represent a significant opportunity for growth, and will deepen our relevance with a new generation of Australians. First Nations content remains highly successful and culturally important. Screen Australia will continue to support local projects of scale and ambition, whilst providing opportunities for new creative voices.

Screen Australia will also deliver on an expanded research program to empower the local screen industry and related partners. This will include a new screen currency report, providing vital insights into the economic, social and cultural value of Australian screen and games production. A suite of audience research projects, the Viewfinder series, will also deepen our understanding of audience behaviour and attitudes, supporting the industry to respond to the evolving media landscape.

Screen Australia will work to ensure that the screen sector continues to thrive, creating distinct, culturally relevant stories that reflect and connect Australians. The agency will investigate new paths to sector sustainability and identify potential partners for local and inward investment.

In 2025–26, Screen Australia will continue to align with the pillars of the National Cultural Policy*,* as well as developing a new Screen Australia Strategic Framework and Corporate Plan 2025-2029. Screen Australia will evolve its practices to fulfil this framework and build a vibrant, viable screen industry that reflects the depth and diversity of Australian storytelling.

1.2 Entity resource statement

Table 1.1 shows the total resourcing from all sources available to Screen Australia for its operations and to deliver programs and services on behalf of the Government.

The table summarises how resources will be applied by outcome (government strategic policy objectives) and by Departmental (for Screen Australia’s operations) classification.

Information in this table is presented on a resourcing (that is, appropriations/cash available) basis, whilst the ‘Budgeted expenses by Outcome 1 tables in Section 2 and the financial statements in Section 3 are presented on an accrual basis. Amounts presented below are consistent with amounts presented in the Appropriation Bills themselves.

Table 1.1: Screen Australia resource statement – Budget estimates for 2025–26 as at Budget March 2025

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|   | 2024-25Estimatedactual$'000 | 2025-26Estimate$'000 |
| **Opening balance/cash reserves at 1 July** | **17,410**  | **17,410**  |
| **Funds from Government** |   |   |
| Annual appropriations - ordinary annual services(a) |   |   |
| Outcome 1 | 13,226  | 13,352  |
| Total annual appropriations | 13,226  | 13,352  |
| Amounts received from related entities |   |   |
| Amounts from portfolio Department(b) | 72,564  | 72,564  |
| Total amounts received from related entities | 72,564  | 72,564  |
| **Total funds from Government** | **85,790**  | **85,916**  |
| **Funds from other sources** |   |   |
| Interest | 4,200  | 3,650  |
| Royalties | 3,800  | 3,800  |
| Sale of goods and services | 160  | 180  |
| Other | 250  | 250  |
| **Total funds from other sources** | **8,410**  | **7,880**  |
| **Total net resourcing for Screen Australia** | **111,610**  | **111,206**  |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|   | 2024-25 | 2025-26 |
| **Average staffing level (number)** | 105 | 105 |

All figures shown above are GST exclusive - these may not match figures in the cash flow statement.

1. Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2025-26 and Supply Bill (No. 1) 2025-26.
2. Funding provided by the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts that is not specified within the annual Appropriation Bills as a payment to Screen Australia.

Screen Australia is not directly appropriated as a corporate Commonwealth entity. Appropriations are made to the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communication and the Arts (a Non-corporate Commonwealth entity), which are then paid to Screen Australia and are considered ‘Departmental’ for all purposes.

1.3 Budget measures

Budget measures in Part 1 relating to Screen Australia are detailed in the Budget Paper No. 2 and are summarised below.

Table 1.2: Screen Australia 2025–26 Budget measures

**Part 1: Measures announced since the 2024–25 Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|   | Program | 2024-25$'000 | 2025-26$'000 | 2026-27$'000 | 2027-28$'000 | 2028-29$'000 |
| **Payment measures** |  |   |  |   |  |   |
| Savings from External Labour – extension(a) | 1.1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Departmental payments |  | - | - | - | - | (63) |
| **Total**  |  | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **(63)** |
| **Total payment measures** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Departmental |  | - | - | - | - | (63) |
| **Total** |  | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **(63)** |

Prepared on a Government Finance Statistics (Underlying Cash) basis. Figures displayed as a negative (‑) represent a decrease in funds and a positive (+) represent an increase in funds.

1. This is a cross portfolio measure. The full measure description and package details appear in the Budget Paper No. 2 as ‘various agencies’ under the cross portfolio section.

Section 2: Outcomes and planned performance

Government outcomes are the intended results, impacts or consequences of actions by the Government on the Australian community. Commonwealth programs are the primary vehicle by which government entities achieve the intended results of their outcome statements. Entities are required to identify the programs which contribute to government outcomes over the Budget and forward years.

Each outcome is described below together with its related programs. The following provides detailed information on expenses for each outcome and program, further broken down by funding source.

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| --- |
| **Note:**Performance reporting requirements in the Portfolio Budget Statements are part of the Commonwealth performance framework established by the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013*. It is anticipated that the performance measure described in Portfolio Budget Statements will be read with broader information provided in an entity’s corporate plans and annual performance statements – included in Annual Reports – to provide a complete picture of an entity’s planned and actual performance.The most recent corporate plan for Screen Australia can be found at: <https://www.screenaustralia.gov.au/getmedia/bd7cf2de-1c31-44ed-a8bf-ac49bd2f89c2/Screen-Australia-Corporate-Plan-2023-2027.pdf>The most recent annual performance statement can be found at: <https://www.screenaustralia.gov.au/getmedia/e0e77bd8-b721-48ac-946b-cebc56493707/SA-Annual-Report-2023-24.pdf?ext=.pdf> |

2.1 Budgeted expenses and performance for Outcome 1

|  |
| --- |
| Outcome 1: Promote engaged audiences and support a creative, innovative and commercially sustainable screen industry through the funding and promotion of diverse Australian screen product |

**Budgeted expenses for Outcome 1**

This table shows how much Screen Australia intends to spend (on an accrual basis) on achieving the outcome, broken down by program.

Table 2.1.1: Budgeted expenses for Outcome 1

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | 2024-25Estimatedactual$'000 | 2025-26Budget$'000 | 2026-27Forwardestimate$'000 | 2027-28Forwardestimate$'000 | 2028-29Forwardestimate$'000 |
| **Program 1.1: Screen Australia** |
| Revenue from Government |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ordinary annual services (Appropriation Bill (No. 1) and Supply Bill (No. 1)) | 13,226 | 13,352 | 13,624 | 13,795 | 13,972 |
| Payment from related entities | 72,564 | 72,564 | 72,564 | 72,564 | 72,564 |
| Expenses not requiring appropriation in the budget year(a) | 205 | 84 | (41) | (173) | (173) |
| Revenues from other independent sources  | 8,410 | 7,880 | 7,880 | 7,880 | 7,880 |
| **Total expenses for Program 1.1** | **94,405** | **93,880** | **94,027** | **94,066** | **94,243** |
| **Outcome 1 Totals by resource type** |
| Revenue from Government |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ordinary annual services (Appropriation Bill (No. 1) and Supply Bill (No. 1)) | 13,226 | 13,352 | 13,624 | 13,795 | 13,972 |
| Payment from related entities | 72,564 | 72,564 | 72,564 | 72,564 | 72,564 |
| Expenses not requiring appropriation in the budget year(a) | 205 | 84 | (41) | (173) | (173) |
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|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|   | 2024-25 | 2025-26 |
| **Average staffing level (number)** | 105 | 105 |

1. Net impact of AASB 16 Leases relating to right of use (buildings) lease repayments and depreciation/amortisation expenses of right or use assets.

Table 2.1.2: Performance measures for Outcome 1

Table 2.1.2 details the performance measures for each program associated with Outcome 1. It is used by entities to describe the results they plan to achieve and the related key activities, as detailed in the current corporate plan, the context in which these activities are delivered, and how the performance of these activities will be measured. Where relevant, details of the 2025–26 Budget measures that have created new programs or materially changed existing programs are provided.

|  |
| --- |
| **Outcome 1** – Promote engaged audiences and support a creative, innovative and commercially sustainable screen industry through the funding and promotion of diverse Australian screen product |
| **Program 1.1 – Screen Australia**The key results will be for creative individuals and businesses, through financial and other assistance, to make high–quality film, television, interactive entertainment, and other screen programs and for these programs to attract Australian and international audiences. |
| Key Activities | Key activities reported in the current corporate plan that relate to this program, include:* Engage, educate and inspire
* Lead and collaborate
 |
| Year | Performance Measures | Expected Performance Results |
| Current Year2024–25 | **Engage, educate and inspire** – increaseengagement with national and international visitors through innovative exhibitions and programs that are accessed in a variety of ways | Target: Admissions and views for Australian productions, including 2 million admissions for Australian feature films shown at movie theatres (based on three–year average). 91 million cumulative views for Screen Australia funded projects shown on Free-to-Air (FTA) broadcast television and on broadcasters’ Video On Demand (BVOD) services1.8 million visits to Screen Australia’s website50 culturally diverse projects and events funded, with total funding of $8 millionTargets expected to be met |
| **Lead and collaborate** – be leaders in the sector and foster long–term relationships through partnerships and collaborations with key stakeholders and similar organisations/institutions nationally and internationally | 225 new Australian artwork projects supported, with total funding of $58 million provided$0.5 million total funding for research and development projectsScreen Australia specific indicators:* dollar value of production generated for each dollar of Screen Australia investment in features: $5.90
* dollar value of production generated for each dollar of Screen Australia investment in documentaries: $2.90
* dollar value of production generated for each dollar of Screen Australia investment in TV drama: $5.50
* dollar value of production generated for each dollar of Screen Australia investment in children’s TV drama: $3.60

Targets expected to be met |
| Year | Performance Measures | Planned Performance Results |
| Budget Year 2025–26 | **Engage, educate and inspire** – increaseengagement with national and international visitors through innovative exhibitions and programs that are accessed in a variety of ways | Target: Admissions and views for Australian productions, including 2 million admissions for Australian feature films shown at movie theatres (based on three–year average). 91 million cumulative views for Screen Australia funded projects shown on Free-to-Air (FTA) broadcast television and on broadcasters’ Video On Demand (BVOD) services1.8 million visits to Screen Australia’s website50 culturally diverse projects and events funded, with total funding of $8 million |
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* dollar value of production generated for each dollar of Screen Australia investment in documentaries: $2.90
* dollar value of production generated for each dollar of Screen Australia investment in TV drama: $5.50
* dollar value of production generated for each dollar of Screen Australia investment in children’s TV drama: $3.60
 |
| Forward Estimates 2026–29 | As per 2025–26 | As per 2025–26 |

Section 3: Budgeted financial statements

Section 3 presents budgeted financial statements which provide a comprehensive snapshot of Screen Australia’s finances for the 2025–26 budget year, including the impact of budget measures and resourcing on financial statements.

3.1 Budgeted financial statements

#### 3.1.2 Explanatory notes and analysis of budgeted financial statements

#### Screen Australia’s budget has been developed on the underlying principle of a balanced budget, (that is, annual expense matches the annual revenue forecast to be received) adjusted for any surplus/deficit impacts arising from accounting for leases under AASB 16 Leases.

#### Total expenses for 2025–26 are estimated to be $93.9 million and will be used in delivering the activities outlined in Program 1.1.

#### Total income for 2025–26 is estimated to be $93.8 million. Screen Australia’s revenue from Government for 2025–26 is $85.9 million. Screen Australia is also expecting to generate $7.9 million in own source revenue in 2025–26. This will be predominantly sourced from recoupment from screen investments, interest income, rendering of services and partnership contributions.

#### Screen Australia continues to focus on containing administrative operating expenses to maximise funds directed to on–screen production.

#### Screen Australia has budgeted $0.6 million in capital expenditure.

#### Screen Australia’s budgeted net asset position of $14.2 million is expected to comprise total assets of $77.4 million, less liabilities of $63.2 million.

#### Total financial assets as at 30 June 2026 are estimated to be $71.9 million which represents 93 per cent of the total asset value. A significant proportion of Screen Australia’s financial assets (cash and investments in term deposits) have been committed to funding screen projects.

Total liabilities are estimated to be $63.2 million as at 30 June 2026 of which 88 per cent relates to obligations to pay amounts under executed screen industry contracts.3.2 Budgeted financial statements tables

Table 3.1: Comprehensive income statement (showing net cost of services) for the period ended 30 June

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | 2024-25Estimatedactual$'000 | 2025-26Budget$'000 | 2026-27Forwardestimate$'000 | 2027-28Forwardestimate$'000 | 2028-29Forwardestimate$'000 |
| **EXPENSES** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Employee benefits | 16,728 | 16,757 | 16,688 | 16,694 | 16,743 |
| Suppliers | 8,435 | 8,465 | 8,581 | 8,590 | 8,577 |
| Grants  | 33,665 | 33,665 | 33,665 | 33,665 | 33,665 |
| Depreciation and amortisation | 1,876 | 1,865 | 1,865 | 1,865 | 1,865 |
| Finance costs | 201 | 167 | 114 | 55 | 55 |
| Write-down and impairment of assets | 33,500 | 32,961 | 33,114 | 33,197 | 33,338 |
| **Total expenses** | **94,405** | **93,880** | **94,027** | **94,066** | **94,243** |
| **LESS:**  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **OWN-SOURCE INCOME** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Own-source revenue** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sale of goods and rendering of services | 160 | 180 | 180 | 180 | 180 |
| Interest | 4,200 | 3,650 | 3,650 | 3,650 | 3,650 |
| Royalties | 3,800 | 3,800 | 3,800 | 3,800 | 3,800 |
| Other | 250 | 250 | 250 | 250 | 250 |
| **Total own-source revenue** | **8,410** | **7,880** | **7,880** | **7,880** | **7,880** |
| **Total own-source income** | **8,410** | **7,880** | **7,880** | **7,880** | **7,880** |
| **Net (cost of)/contribution by services** | **(85,995)** | **(86,000)** | **(86,147)** | **(86,186)** | **(86,363)** |
| Revenue from Government | 85,790 | 85,916 | 86,188 | 86,359 | 86,536 |
| **Surplus/(deficit) attributable to the Australian Government** | **(205)** | **(84)** | **41** | **173** | **173** |
| **Total comprehensive income/(loss)** | **(205)** | **(84)** | **41** | **173** | **173** |
| **Total comprehensive income/(loss) attributable to the Australian Government** | **(205)** | **(84)** | **41** | **173** | **173** |
| **Note: Impact of net cash appropriation arrangements** |   |   |   |
| **Total comprehensive income/(loss) as per statement of Comprehensive income** | **(205)** | **(84)** | **(41)** | **(173)** | **(173)** |
| plus: depreciation/amortisation expenses for ROU assets(a) | 1,453 | 1,271 | 1,521 | 1,785 | 1,785 |
| less: lease principal repayments(a) | (1,248) | (1,355) | (1,480) | (1,612) | (1,612) |
| **Net Cash Operating Surplus/(Deficit)** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** |

Prepared on Australian Accounting Standards basis.

* + - * 1. Applies to leases under AASB 16 leases.

Table 3.2: Budgeted Departmental balance sheet (as at 30 June)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | 2024-25Estimatedactual$'000 | 2025-26Budget$'000 | 2026-27Forwardestimate$'000 | 2027-28Forwardestimate$'000 | 2028-29Forwardestimate$'000 |
| **ASSETS** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Financial assets** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 17,410 | 17,410 | 17,410 | 17,410 | 17,410 |
| Trade and other receivables | 994 | 994 | 994 | 994 | 994 |
| Other investments | 53,596 | 53,509 | 53,035 | 53,303 | 53,432 |
| ***Total financial assets*** | ***72,000*** | ***71,913*** | ***71,439*** | ***71,707*** | ***71,836*** |
| **Non-financial assets** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Land and buildings | 5,067 | 3,487 | 1,907 | 327 | 6,247 |
| Property, plant and equipment | 843 | 1,158 | 1,173 | 1,188 | 1,203 |
| Other non-financial assets | 862 | 862 | 862 | 862 | 862 |
| ***Total non-financial assets*** | ***6,772*** | ***5,507*** | ***3,942*** | ***2,377*** | ***8,312*** |
| **Total assets** | **78,772** | **77,420** | **75,381** | **74,084** | **80,148** |
| **LIABILITIES** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Payables** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Suppliers | 335 | 335 | 335 | 335 | 335 |
| Other payables | 651 | 738 | 138 | 280 | 283 |
| ***Total payables*** | ***986*** | ***1,073*** | ***473*** | ***615*** | ***618*** |
| **Interest bearing liabilities** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Leases | 5,287 | 3,932 | 2,452 | 840 | 6,728 |
| ***Total interest bearing liabilities*** | ***5,287*** | ***3,932*** | ***2,452*** | ***840*** | ***6,728*** |
| **Provisions** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Employee provisions | 2,594 | 2,594 | 2,594 | 2,594 | 2,594 |
| Other provisions | 55,652 | 55,652 | 55,652 | 55,652 | 55,652 |
| ***Total provisions*** | ***58,246*** | ***58,246*** | ***58,246*** | ***58,246*** | ***58,246*** |
| **Total liabilities** | **64,519** | **63,251** | **61,171** | **59,701** | **65,592** |
| **Net assets** | **14,253** | **14,169** | **14,210** | **14,383** | **14,556** |
| **EQUITY** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Parent entity interest** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Contributed equity | 9,505 | 9,505 | 9,505 | 9,505 | 9,505 |
| Reserves | 45 | 45 | 45 | 45 | 45 |
| Retained surplus (accumulated deficit) | 4,703 | 4,619 | 4,660 | 4,833 | 5,006 |
| ***Total parent entity interest*** | ***14,253*** | ***14,169*** | ***14,210*** | ***14,383*** | ***14,556*** |
| **Total equity** | **14,253** | **14,169** | **14,210** | **14,383** | **14,556** |

Prepared on Australian Accounting Standards basis.

Table 3.3: Departmental statement of changes in equity – summary of movement (Budget year 2025–26)

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|   | Retainedearnings$'000 | Assetrevaluationreserve$'000 | Contributedequity/capital$'000 | Totalequity$'000 |
| **Opening balance as at 1 July 2024** |  |  |  |  |
| Balance carried forward from previous period | 4,703 | 45 | 9,505 | 14,253 |
| ***Adjusted opening balance*** | ***4,703*** | ***45*** | ***9,505*** | ***14,253*** |
| **Comprehensive income** |  |  |  |  |
| Surplus/(deficit) for the period | (84) | - | - | (84) |
| ***Total comprehensive income*** | ***(84)*** | ***-*** | ***-*** | ***(84)*** |
| of which: |  |  |  |  |
| Attributable to the Australian Government | (84) | - | - | (84) |
| **Estimated closing balance as at30 June 2025** | **4,619** | **45** | **9,505** | **14,169** |
| **Closing balance attributable to the Australian Government** | **4,619** | **45** | **9,505** | **14,169** |

Prepared on Australian Accounting Standards basis.

**Table 3.4: Budgeted Departmental statement of cash flows (for the period ended 30 June)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|   | 2024-25Estimatedactual$'000 | 2025-26Budget$'000 | 2026-27Forwardestimate$'000 | 2027-28Forwardestimate$'000 | 2028-29Forwardestimate$'000 |
| **OPERATING ACTIVITIES** |  |   |  |  |  |
| **Cash received** |  |   |  |  |  |
| Appropriations | 13,226 | 13,352 | 13,624 | 13,795 | 13,972 |
| Receipts from Government | 72,564 | 72,564 | 72,564 | 72,564 | 72,564 |
| Sale of goods and rendering of services | 176 | 198 | 198 | 198 | 198 |
| Interest | 4,200 | 3,650 | 3,650 | 3,650 | 3,650 |
| Net GST received | 7,000 | 7,000 | 7,000 | 7,000 | 7,000 |
| Other  | 4,145 | 4,143 | 4,143 | 4,143 | 4,143 |
| ***Total cash received*** | ***101,311*** | ***100,907*** | ***101,179*** | ***101,350*** | ***101,527*** |
| **Cash used** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Employees | 16,654 | 16,670 | 17,288 | 16,552 | 16,740 |
| Suppliers | 9,279 | 9,312 | 9,439 | 9,449 | 9,441 |
| Interest payments on lease liability | 201 | 167 | 114 | 55 | 55 |
| Other | 39,932 | 39,929 | 39,918 | 39,917 | 39,912 |
| ***Total cash used*** | ***66,066*** | ***66,078*** | ***66,759*** | ***65,973*** | ***66,148*** |
| **Net cash from/(used by) operating activities** | **35,245** | **34,829** | **34,420** | **35,377** | **35,379** |
| **INVESTING ACTIVITIES** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Cash received** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Proceeds from sales of financial instruments | 175,000 | 175,000 | 175,000 | 175,000 | 175,000 |
| ***Total cash received*** | ***175,000*** | ***175,000*** | ***175,000*** | ***175,000*** | ***175,000*** |
| **Cash used** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Purchase of property, plant and equipment and intangibles | 600 | 600 | 300 | 300 | 300 |
| Purchase of financial instruments | 174,846 | 174,913 | 174,526 | 175,268 | 175,129 |
| On-screen Investments | 33,500 | 32,961 | 33,114 | 33,197 | 33,338 |
| Other | 51 | - | - | - | - |
| ***Total cash used*** | ***208,997*** | ***208,474*** | ***207,940*** | ***208,765*** | ***208,767*** |
| **Net cash from/(used by) investing activities** | **(33,997)** | **(33,474)** | **(32,940)** | **(33,765)** | **(33,767)** |
| **FINANCING ACTIVITIES** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Cash used** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Principal payments on lease liability | 1,248 | 1,355 | 1,480 | 1,612 | 1,612 |
| ***Total cash used*** | ***1,248*** | ***1,355*** | ***1,480*** | ***1,612*** | ***1,612*** |
| **Net cash from/(used by) financing activities** | **(1,248)** | **(1,355)** | **(1,480)** | **(1,612)** | **(1,612)** |
| **Net increase/(decrease) in cash held** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** | **-** |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period | 17,410 | 17,410 | 17,410 | 17,410 | 17,410 |
| **Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period** | **17,410** | **17,410** | **17,410** | **17,410** | **17,410** |

Prepared on Australian Accounting Standards basis.

Table 3.5: Departmental capital budget statement (for the period ended 30 June)

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | 2024-25Estimatedactual$'000 | 2025-26Budget$'000 | 2026-27Forwardestimate$'000 | 2027-28Forwardestimate$'000 | 2028-29Forwardestimate$'000 |
| **PURCHASE OF NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Funded internally from Departmental resources(a) | 600 | 600 | 300 | 300 | 300 |
| **TOTAL** | **600** | **600** | **300** | **300** | **300** |
| **RECONCILIATION OF CASH USED TO ACQUIRE ASSETS TO ASSET MOVEMENT TABLE** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total purchases | 600 | 600 | 300 | 300 | 7,800 |
| less: ROU Additions | - | - | - | - | (7,500) |
| **Total cash used to acquire assets** | **600** | **600** | **300** | **300** | **300** |

Prepared on Australian Accounting Standards basis.

1. Includes both current Appropriation Bill (No. 1), Supply Bill (No. 1) and revenue from independent sources.

Table 3.6: Statement of Departmental asset movements (Budget year 2025–26)

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
|  | **Asset Category** |
|   | Buildings$'000 | Otherproperty,plant andequipment$'000 | Computersoftwareandintangibles$'000 | Total$'000 |
| **As at 1 July 2025** |  |  |  |  |
| Gross book value  | 4,068 | 2,533 | 933 | 7,534 |
| Gross book value - ROU assets | 16,203 | - | - | 16,203 |
| Accumulated depreciation/amortisation and impairment | (4,071) | (1,690) | (933) | (6,694) |
| Accumulated depreciation/amortisation and impairment - ROU assets | (11,133) | - | - | (11,133) |
| **Opening net book balance** | **5,067** | **843** | **-** | **5,910** |
| **Capital asset additions** |  |  |  |  |
| **Estimated expenditure on new or replacement assets** |  |  |  |  |
| By purchase - appropriation ordinary annual services(a) | - | 600 | - | 600 |
| **Total additions** | **-** | **600** | **-** | **600** |
| **Other movements** |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation/amortisation expense | (141) | (285) | - | (426) |
| Depreciation/amortisation on ROU assets | (1,439) | - | - | (1,439) |
| **Total other movements** | **(1,580)** | **(285)** | **-** | **(1,865)** |
| **As at 30 June 2026** |  |  |  |  |
| Gross book value | 4,068 | 3,133 | 933 | 8,134 |
| Gross book value - ROU assets | 16,203 | - | - | 16,203 |
| Accumulated depreciation/amortisation and impairment | (4,212) | (1,975) | (933) | (7,120) |
| Accumulated depreciation/amortisation and impairment - ROU assets | (12,572) | - | - | (12,572) |
| **Closing net book balance** | **3,487** | **1,158** | **-** | **4,645** |

Prepared on Australian Accounting Standards basis.

1. ‘Appropriation ordinary annual services’ refers to funding provided through Appropriation Bill (No. 1) 2025‑2026 and Supply Bill (No. 1) 2025-16 for depreciation/amortisation expenses, DCBs or other operational expenses