

FEDERAL MAGISTRATES SERVICE

Outcomes and Outputs

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Total Administration Expenses \$0.614m (**no change**)

Outcome 1

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Output 1.1

Provision of a Federal Magistrates Service

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Section 1: Overview, variations and measures

OVERVIEW

There are no changes to the Federal Magistrates Court role, mission or its outcomes and outputs structures as a result of Additional Estimates.

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES AND VARIATIONS TO OUTCOMES

In 2002-03 the government decided to abolish the Capital Use Charge (CUC) and the Agency Banking Incentive Scheme (ABIS). Most agencies had previously been supplemented for the cost of the CUC and had their appropriations reduced by the estimated interest earnings under ABIS. However, the Federal Magistrates Service (FMS) was established after these two initiatives were introduced, and no appropriation adjustments were made at the time. Following the government's decision, all FMS interest earnings were re-paid in 2002-03, thereby addressing the ABIS repayment issue. The one-off supplementation for prior years' CUC payments will address the outstanding CUC issue.

The government has agreed to supplement agencies for the increased cost of Comcover premiums in 2003-04, and the cost of changes arising from the Budget Estimates Framework Review in 2003-04 and future years.

Measures

	2003-04 (\$'000)	2004-05 (\$'000)	2005-06 (\$'000)	2006-07 (\$'000)
Outcome 1				
Increase in departmental appropriations				
Budget estimates – enhanced quality and timeliness	64	65	67	68

Other Variations to Appropriations

	2003-04 (\$'000)	2004-05 (\$'000)	2005-06 (\$'000)	2006-07 (\$'000)
Outcome 1				
Variations in departmental appropriations				
Comcover supplementation	32	-	-	-
Capital Use Charge prior year supplementation	850	-	-	-
Total	882	-	-	-

MEASURES — AGENCY SUMMARY

Budget estimates – enhanced quality and timeliness

The Government will provide additional funding to agencies of \$88.5m over five years (including \$0.1m in 2007–08) to implement the Budget Estimates and Framework Review (BEFR) recommendations. This funding includes capital of \$7.4m over four years.

In the 2003–04 Budget the Government made provision for \$78.0m over five years to improve the accuracy, responsiveness and effectiveness of agencies' contribution to the Commonwealth's budget estimates and framework system and to assist agencies to drive improved financial management and reporting within their organisations. The Government has provided an extra \$10.5m over five years to fund agencies to implement BEFR recommendations.

The Government has provided the Federal Magistrates Service with funding of \$0.3m over five years to enhance the quality and timeliness of Budget estimates. Funding for each financial year from 2003–04 to 2006–07 is shown in Table 1.1 below. There is an additional component of capital in 2003–04.

Table 1.1: Summary of Measures since the 2003–04 Budget

Measure	Outcome	Outputs Affected	Appropriations 2003–04 (\$'000)			Appropriations 2004–05 (\$'000)			Appropriations 2005–06 (\$'000)			Appropriations 2006–07 (\$'000)		
			Admin Items	Dept Outputs	Total	Admin Items	Dept Outputs	Total	Admin Items	Dept Outputs	Total	Admin Items	Dept Outputs	Total
Budget estimates - enhanced quality and timeliness *	1	1.1	-	64	64	-	65	65	-	67	67	-	68	68
Total			-	64	64	-	65	65	-	67	67	-	68	68

Capital Measure

* \$0.025m received in 2003–04 as a result of Budget estimates - enhanced quality and timeliness, will be appropriated as capital injection in 2003–04.

BREAKDOWN OF ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES BY APPROPRIATION BILL

Table 1.2: Appropriation Bill (No 3) 2003–04

	2002–03 Available \$'000	2003–04 Budget \$'000	2003–04 Revised \$'000	Additional Estimates \$'000	Reduced Estimates \$'000
DEPARTMENTAL OUTPUTS					
Outcome 1					
To provide the Australian community with a simple and accessible forum for the resolution of less complex disputes within the jurisdiction of the Federal Magistrates Service					
	12,057	14,803	15,749	946	-
Total	12,057	14,803	15,749	946	-

SUMMARY OF STAFFING CHANGES

Table 1.4: Average Staffing Level (ASL)

	2003–04 Budget	2003–04 Revised	Variation
Outcome 1			
To provide the Australian community with a simple and accessible forum for the resolution of less complex disputes within the jurisdiction of the Federal Magistrates Service			
	84	84	-
Total	84	84	-

REVENUE FROM INDEPENDENT SOURCES

Table 1.6: Revenue from Independent Sources

	Budget Estimate 2003–04 \$'000	Revised Estimate 2003–04 \$'000
ADMINISTERED REVENUE		
Other – fees and fines	9,600	10,200
Total non-appropriation administered revenue	9,600	10,200

Section 2: Revisions to outcomes and outputs

OUTCOMES AND OUTPUT GROUPS

There are no changes to the performance information for the Federal Magistrates Court of Australia's outcome and outputs arising from Additional Estimates, variations and measures.

Section 3: Budgeted financial statements

Revisions to the budgeted departmental and administered financial statements for the department since the 2003–04 Portfolio Budget Statements are presented in this section.

ANALYSIS OF BUDGETED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The major change at Additional Estimates 2003–04 relates to a one-off adjustment for prior years Capital Use Charge (CUC). In 2002–03 the government decided to abolish the CUC and the Agency Banking Incentive Scheme (ABIS). The Federal Magistrates Service repaid interest earnings in 2002–03 in accordance with the decision regarding ABIS, which had a negative impact on equity. The supplementation in the 2003–04 Additional Estimates will finalise the Capital Use Charge adjustment, and will have a positive impact on equity.

Increased expenses are reflected in the 2003–04 Additional Estimates and Forward Estimate years as a consequence of a Remuneration Tribunal determination which increased the remuneration of federal magistrates with effect from 1 July 2003.

Departmental financial statements

Budgeted departmental statement of financial performance

There has been a one-off increase in revenue in additional estimates, compared with the 2003–04 Budget, mainly because of the supplementation for prior years CUC.

Expenses have increased largely as a consequence of increased employee expenses arising from remuneration increases for federal magistrates.

Budgeted departmental statement of financial position

The FMS changed budgeted net position at the end of 2003–04 shows a restoration of equity, largely reflecting forecast retained earnings from the supplementation for CUC.

Budgeted departmental statement of cash flows

The budgeted cash at the end of 2003–04 reflects a forecast working cash balance.

Departmental capital budget statement

The FMS will receive a departmental equity injection of \$0.025m during 2003–04 to assist in implementing the whole of government measure relating to enhanced quality and timeliness of budget estimates.

Departmental non-financial assets — summary of movement

There are no major changes from the budget statement.

Schedule of administered activity

Schedule of budgeted revenues and expenses administered on behalf of government

The forecast revenue from court fees has been increased to reflect the revenue trend established in 2002–03.

Schedule of budgeted assets and liabilities administered on behalf of government

There are no major changes from the budget statement.

Schedule of budgeted administered cash flows

The forecast cash received has increased to reflect the trend in cash receipts established in 2002–03.

Table 3.1: Budgeted Departmental Statement of Financial Performance for the period ended 30 June

Note	Actual 2002–03 \$'000	Revised Budget 2003–04 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2004–05 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2005–06 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2006–07 \$'000
Revenues from ordinary activities					
Revenue from Government	12,057	15,749	15,154	15,385	15,635
Resources received free of charge	12,509	12,509	12,509	12,509	12,509
Goods and Services	28	-	-	-	-
Revenues from ordinary activities	24,594	28,258	27,663	27,894	28,144
Expenses from ordinary activities (excluding borrowing costs expense)					
Employees	7,892	9,507	9,988	10,364	10,728
Suppliers	17,699	17,195	17,082	17,178	17,227
Depreciation and amortisation	262	326	388	280	280
Write-down of assets	2	-	-	-	-
Expenses from ordinary activities (excluding borrowing costs expenses)	25,855	27,028	27,458	27,822	28,235
Operating surplus or deficit from ordinary activities					
	(1,261)	1,230	205	72	(91)
Gain or loss on extraordinary items	(75)	-	-	-	-
Net surplus or deficit	(1,336)	1,230	205	72	(91)
Capital Use Charge *	406	-	-	-	-
Net surplus or deficit attributable to Commonwealth	(1,742)	1,230	205	72	(91)

* The Capital Use Charge was discontinued from 1 July 2003

Table 3.2: Budgeted Departmental Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June

	Note	Actual 2002-03 \$'000	Revised Budget 2003-04 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2004-05 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2005-06 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2006-07 \$'000
ASSETS						
Financial assets						
Cash		623	500	500	500	500
Receivables		2,849	4,272	4,773	5,473	6,026
Total financial assets		3,472	4,772	5,273	5,973	6,526
Non-financial assets						
Infrastructure, plant and equipment		706	1,027	944	706	469
Intangibles		73	51	146	104	61
Other		100	48	48	48	48
Total non-financial assets		879	1,126	1,138	858	578
Total assets		4,351	5,898	6,411	6,831	7,104
LIABILITIES						
Provisions						
Employees		1,746	2,078	2,350	2,640	2,948
Total provisions		1,746	2,078	2,350	2,640	2,948
Payables						
Suppliers		577	537	573	631	687
Total payables		577	537	573	631	687
Total liabilities		2,323	2,615	2,923	3,271	3,635
EQUITY						
Parent equity interest						
Contributed equity		(4,400)	(4,375)	(4,375)	(4,375)	(4,375)
Retained surpluses or accumulated deficits		6,428	7,658	7,863	7,935	7,844
Total parent equity interest		2,028	3,283	3,488	3,560	3,469
Total equity		2,028	3,283	3,488	3,560	3,469
Current liabilities		1,534	1,495	1,533	1,591	1,655
Non-current liabilities		789	1,120	1,390	1,680	1,980
Current assets		3,572	4,820	5,321	6,021	6,574
Non-current assets		779	1,078	1,090	810	530

Table 3.3: Budgeted Departmental Statement of Cash Flows for the period ended 30 June

	Actual 2002-03 \$'000	Revised Budget 2003-04 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2004-05 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2005-06 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2006-07 \$'000
OPERATING ACTIVITIES					
Cash received					
Appropriations	14,816	14,326	14,653	14,685	15,082
Goods and services	127	-	-	-	-
Interest	11	-	-	-	-
Other	485	462	455	464	470
Total cash received	15,439	14,788	15,108	15,149	15,552
Cash used					
Employees	7,636	9,175	9,716	10,074	10,420
Suppliers	5,521	5,136	4,992	5,075	5,132
Total cash used	13,157	14,311	14,708	15,149	15,552
Net cash from/(used by) operating activities	2,282	477	400	-	-
INVESTING ACTIVITIES					
Cash used					
Purchase of property, plant and equipment and intangibles	83	625	400	-	-
Total cash used	83	625	400	-	-
Net cash from/(used by) investing activities	(83)	(625)	(400)	-	-
FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES					
Cash received					
Other	-	25	-	-	-
Total cash received	-	25	-	-	-
Cash used					
Capital use charge paid	395	-	-	-	-
Return of contributed equity	4,400	-	-	-	-
Other	439	-	-	-	-
Total cash used	5,234	-	-	-	-
Net cash from/(used by) financing activities	(5,234)	25	-	-	-
Net increase in cash held	(3,035)	(123)	-	-	-
Cash at the beginning of the reporting period	3,658	623	500	500	500
Cash at the end of the reporting period	623	500	500	500	500

Table 3.4: Departmental Capital Budget Statement

	Actual 2002-03 \$'000	Revised Budget 2003-04 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2004-05 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2005-06 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2006-07 \$'000
CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS					
Total equity injections	-	25	-	-	-
Represented by:					
Purchase of non-financial assets	-	25	-	-	-
Total	-	25	-	-	-
PURCHASE OF NON-CURRENT ASSETS					
Funded by capital appropriation	-	25	-	-	-
Funded internally by departmental resources	83	600	400	-	-
Total	83	625	400	-	-

Table 3.5: Departmental Non-financial Assets – Summary of Movement (Budget Year 2003-04)

	Other Infrastructure Plant and Equipment \$'000	Computer Software \$'000	Total \$'000
Carrying amount at the start of year	706	73	779
Additions	600	25	625
Depreciation/amortisation expense	279	47	326
Carrying amount at the end of year	1,027	51	1078
Total additions			
Self funded	600	-	600
Appropriations	-	25	25
Total	600	25	625

Table 3.6: Schedule of Budgeted Revenues and Expenses Administered on behalf of Government for the period ended 30 June

	Actual 2002-03 \$'000	Revised Budget 2003-04 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2004-05 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2005-06 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2006-07 \$'000
REVENUES					
Non-taxation					
Revenue from government	625	614	628	642	656
Other sources of non-taxation revenues	10,112	10,200	10,200	10,200	10,200
Total non-taxation	10,737	10,814	10,828	10,842	10,856
Total revenues administered on behalf of the Government	10,737	10,814	10,828	10,842	10,856
EXPENSES					
Suppliers	625	614	628	642	656
Other	28	-	-	-	-
Total expenses administered on behalf of the Government	653	614	628	642	656

Table 3.7: Schedule of Budgeted Assets and Liabilities Administered on behalf of Government as at 30 June

	Actual 2002-03 \$'000	Revised Budget 2003-04 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2004-05 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2005-06 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2006-07 \$'000
ASSETS					
Financial assets					
Cash	1	-	-	-	-
Receivables	66	51	51	51	51
Total financial assets	67	51	51	51	51
Total assets administered on behalf of the Government	67	51	51	51	51
LIABILITIES					
Payables					
Suppliers	59	43	43	43	43
Total liabilities administered on behalf of the Government	59	43	43	43	43
Current liabilities	59	43	43	43	43
Non-current liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
Current assets	67	51	51	51	51
Non-current assets	-	-	-	-	-

Table 3.8: Schedule of Budgeted Administered Cash Flows for the period ended 30 June

	Actual 2002-03 \$'000	Revised Budget 2003-04 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2004-05 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2005-06 \$'000	Forward Estimate 2006-07 \$'000
OPERATING ACTIVITIES					
Cash received					
Other taxes, fees and fines	10,103	10,215	10,200	10,200	10,200
Cash from Official Public Account	708	669	683	697	711
Other	49	55	55	55	55
Total cash received	10,860	10,939	10,938	10,952	10,966
Cash used					
Suppliers	679	685	683	697	711
Cash to Official Public Account	10,152	10,255	10,255	10,255	10,255
Other	28	-	-	-	-
Total cash used	10,859	10,940	10,938	10,952	10,966
Net cash from operating activities	1	(1)	-	-	-
Net increase/decrease in cash held	1	(1)	-	-	-
Cash at beginning of reporting period	-	1	-	-	-
Cash at end of reporting period	1	-	-	-	-

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Basis of accounting

The agency budget statements are prepared in compliance with Australian Accounting Standards, Accounting Guidance Releases and having regard to Statements of Accounting Concepts.

Departmental

The Federal Magistrates Service receives resources free of charge from the Family Court and Federal Court. These are included in the Statement of Financial Performance based on estimates provided by these courts in 2002-03.

