

**Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee**

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Additional Estimates 2014 - 2015

**Infrastructure and Regional Development**

**Question no.:** 178

**Program:** 3.1 Regional Development

**Division/Agency:** Local Government and Territories

**Topic:** Financial Assistance Grant funding

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**Senator Sterle, Glenn asked:**

**Senator STERLE:** I am going to try to put a lot on notice, and I want to talk about the FAG funding. We did touch on it today, and I am sure you would have heard it, so perhaps we can get straight to it. Could you let us know whether the department has done any analysis on the loss to each local government because of the FAG cut?

**Mr Mrdak:** We certainly have done analysis of the quantum of the impact on local government from the nonindexation, but we have not done an analysis of the impact of that. We have the quantum amounts but not an analysis impact.

**Senator STERLE:** Can you supply us with that, or are you taking it on notice? Do you have it here?

**Mr Mrdak:** No, we do not have that here.

**Senator STERLE:** Then perhaps you could take that on notice.

**Mr Mrdak:** For each council?

**Senator STERLE:** Yes, please...

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**Senator STERLE:** I have some rough calculations on a council—Western Downs in Queensland is one that was given to me. Under the cuts, they stand to lose about \$7.6 million over four years, I am told, because of the decision to pause the indexation of FAG. Could you confirm whether that is true? Would you have that in front of you?

**Mr Wilson:** We will take that on notice. I do not think we would be able to confirm the differential across the four years.

**Senator STERLE:** Yes, take that on notice, because you are going to come back to us with the figures that you do have so that we can put figures next to councils and states and all that sort of stuff...

**Answer:**

The Government has temporarily paused the rate of indexation of the Financial Assistance Grant programme.

Attachment A provides individual council's Financial Assistance Grant variation between the 2013-14 and 2014-15 financial years.

It is not possible to confirm the speculative loss identified by Senator Sterle. It is not possible to determine what individual local governing bodies' allocation of Financial Assistance Grants would be across the forward estimates as the quantum of the grant allocated across each financial year over the forward estimates will be determined on a yearly basis on variables that are currently unknown, and unknowable.

Every year population shifts across states will alter the proportion of the national Financial Assistance Grant funding pool allocation to states each year across the forward estimates. Further, this annual variable pool for each state is then allocated to individual local governing bodies within a jurisdiction on the recommendation of the relevant state based Local Government Grants Commission in accordance with the set of principles defined under the *Local Government (Financial Assistance) Act 1995*, including but not limited to, horizontal equalisation. Each year the recommended allocation to individual local governing bodies varies. Funding allocations fluctuate annually between local governing bodies within a state due to factors including remoteness, climate, population, ability to raise revenues, changes to council boundaries, amalgamations and establishment of new local governing bodies. By way of example, since Western Downs Council was formed in 2008 its annual Financial Assistance Grant allocation has fluctuated up and down from year to year, and there is no trend evident in these variations.

Attachment A – Funding received by local governing bodies in 2013-14 and 2014-15 under the Financial Assistance Grant programme.

State	Cash provided in 2013-14	Cash provided in 2014-15	Difference	% Change
<b>ACT</b>	<b>48,304,663</b>	<b>48,882,641</b>	<b>577,978</b>	<b>1.2%</b>
Australian Capital Territory	48,304,663	48,882,641	577,978	1.2%
<b>NSW</b>	<b>707,570,464</b>	<b>715,676,168</b>	<b>8,105,704</b>	<b>1.1%</b>
Albury City Council	6,307,581	6,233,093	- 74,488	-1.2%
Armidale Dumaresq Council	4,030,652	4,076,494	45,842	1.1%
Ashfield Council	1,273,141	1,238,026	- 35,115	-2.8%
Auburn City Council	3,514,620	3,511,224	- 3,396	-0.1%
Ballina Shire Council	3,588,628	3,717,750	129,122	3.6%
Balranald Shire Council	3,071,775	3,310,859	239,084	7.8%
Bankstown City Council	7,154,671	6,945,162	- 209,509	-2.9%
Bathurst Regional Council	6,316,395	6,313,888	- 2,507	0.0%
Bega Valley Shire Council	6,750,875	6,771,796	20,921	0.3%
Bellingen Shire Council	3,328,773	3,360,989	32,216	1.0%
Berrigan Shire Council	4,276,160	4,322,804	46,644	1.1%
Blacktown City Council	19,234,713	18,672,136	- 562,577	-2.9%
Bland Shire Council	6,242,026	6,612,752	370,726	5.9%
Blayney Shire Council	2,378,349	2,408,248	29,899	1.3%
Blue Mountains City Council	8,258,064	8,232,904	- 25,160	-0.3%
Bogan Shire Council	3,152,970	3,343,672	190,702	6.0%
Bombala Council	1,787,500	1,838,392	50,892	2.8%
Boorowa Council	1,517,572	1,541,107	23,535	1.6%
Botany Bay City Council	1,168,873	1,184,281	15,408	1.3%
Bourke Shire Council	4,394,936	4,777,615	382,679	8.7%
Brewarrina Shire Council	2,914,665	3,178,227	263,562	9.0%
Broken Hill City Council	4,659,076	4,541,434	- 117,642	-2.5%
Burwood Council	970,325	979,178	8,853	0.9%
Byron Shire Council	2,474,922	2,611,214	136,292	5.5%
Cabonne Council	4,417,043	4,485,120	68,077	1.5%
Campbelltown City Council (NSW)	10,341,871	10,269,220	- 72,651	-0.7%
Canterbury City Council	5,461,013	5,303,039	- 157,974	-2.9%
Carrathool Shire Council	4,573,777	4,928,679	354,902	7.8%
Central Darling Shire Council	4,093,827	4,448,379	354,552	8.7%
Cessnock City Council	7,043,320	7,025,468	- 17,852	-0.3%
City of Canada Bay Council	2,290,004	2,351,718	61,714	2.7%
City of Lithgow Council	4,595,486	4,621,575	26,089	0.6%
City of Sydney	5,456,170	5,309,679	- 146,491	-2.7%
Clarence Valley Council	10,223,174	10,255,398	32,224	0.3%
Cobar Shire Council	4,566,633	4,870,313	303,680	6.6%
Coffs Harbour City Council	6,991,653	6,987,262	- 4,391	-0.1%
Conargo Shire Council	2,552,172	2,644,965	92,793	3.6%
Coolamon Shire Council	3,070,757	3,191,992	121,235	3.9%
Cooma-Monaro Shire Council	3,547,662	3,596,217	48,555	1.4%
Coonamble Shire Council	3,395,273	3,529,553	134,280	4.0%
Cootamundra Shire Council	2,689,084	2,708,742	19,658	0.7%
Corowa Shire Council	4,412,359	4,507,684	95,325	2.2%
Council of the City of Ryde	3,162,171	3,202,982	40,811	1.3%
Council of the Municipality of Woollahra	1,605,554	1,616,696	11,142	0.7%
Cowra Council	4,216,639	4,251,542	34,903	0.8%
Deniliquin Council	2,346,682	2,328,754	- 17,928	-0.8%
Dubbo City Council	6,855,571	6,796,389	- 59,182	-0.9%
Dungog Shire Council	2,244,120	2,280,417	36,297	1.6%
Eurobodalla Shire Council	6,503,449	6,575,039	71,590	1.1%
Fairfield City Council	10,747,481	10,416,904	- 330,577	-3.1%
Forbes Shire Council	4,724,518	4,834,637	110,119	2.3%
Gilgandra Shire Council	3,012,284	3,232,959	220,675	7.3%
Glen Innes Severn Council	3,568,905	3,628,801	59,896	1.7%
Gloucester Shire Council	2,161,593	2,219,233	57,640	2.7%
Gosford City Council	10,079,363	10,323,650	244,287	2.4%
Goulburn Mulwaree Council	4,837,699	4,857,309	19,610	0.4%

State	Cash provided in 2013-14	Cash provided in 2014-15	Difference	% Change
Great Lakes Council	6,743,070	6,753,784	10,714	0.2%
Greater Hume Shire Council	4,877,878	4,864,085	- 13,793	-0.3%
Greater Taree City Council	7,336,249	7,451,364	115,115	1.6%
Griffith City Council	4,725,017	4,838,678	113,661	2.4%
Gundagai Shire Council	1,947,442	1,999,343	51,901	2.7%
Gunnedah Shire Council	4,010,299	4,098,399	88,100	2.2%
Guyra Shire Council	2,017,838	2,054,001	36,163	1.8%
Gwydir Shire Council	3,852,569	4,075,678	223,109	5.8%
Harden Shire Council	2,152,520	2,186,740	34,220	1.6%
Hawkesbury City Council	4,473,587	4,366,364	- 107,223	-2.4%
Hay Shire Council	2,548,224	2,624,849	76,625	3.0%
Holroyd City Council	4,345,300	4,247,819	- 97,481	-2.2%
Hornsby Shire Council	4,936,901	4,957,175	20,274	0.4%
Hunter's Hill Municipal Council	434,978	442,978	8,000	1.8%
Hurstville City Council	2,343,049	2,371,705	28,656	1.2%
Inverell Shire Council	5,225,493	5,372,061	146,568	2.8%
Jerilderie Shire Council	2,149,152	2,244,414	95,262	4.4%
Junee Shire Council	2,610,496	2,644,242	33,746	1.3%
Kempsey Shire Council	5,604,974	5,622,979	18,005	0.3%
Kiama Municipal Council	1,430,379	1,420,526	- 9,853	-0.7%
Kogarah City Council	1,680,932	1,690,354	9,422	0.6%
Ku-ring-gai Council	3,494,079	3,543,824	49,745	1.4%
Kyogle Council	3,827,446	3,896,552	69,106	1.8%
Lachlan Shire Council	7,456,164	7,811,804	355,640	4.8%
Lake Macquarie City Council	16,069,282	15,942,344	- 126,938	-0.8%
Lane Cove Council	956,183	960,735	4,552	0.5%
Leeton Shire Council	3,818,364	3,862,501	44,137	1.2%
Leichhardt Municipal Council	1,583,228	1,601,054	17,826	1.1%
Lismore City Council	6,319,933	6,244,268	- 75,665	-1.2%
Liverpool City Council	9,638,577	9,398,796	- 239,781	-2.5%
Liverpool Plains Shire Council	3,200,763	3,295,359	94,596	3.0%
Lockhart Shire Council	3,394,521	3,522,834	128,313	3.8%
Lord Howe Island Board	181,730	191,633	9,903	5.4%
Maitland City Council	6,560,226	6,570,480	10,254	0.2%
Manly Council	1,203,806	1,227,892	24,086	2.0%
Marrickville Council	3,090,401	2,998,318	- 92,083	-3.0%
Mid-Western Regional Council	5,946,234	5,992,049	45,815	0.8%
Moree Plains Shire Council	6,233,526	6,540,296	306,770	4.9%
Mosman Municipal Council	849,188	852,800	3,612	0.4%

State	Cash provided in 2013-14	Cash provided in 2014-15	Difference	% Change
Murray Shire Council	3,831,214	3,947,729	116,515	3.0%
Murrumbidgee Shire Council	1,660,734	1,701,160	40,426	2.4%
Muswellbrook Shire Council	3,371,674	3,376,047	4,373	0.1%
Nambucca Shire Council	3,621,072	3,644,212	23,140	0.6%
Narrabri Shire Council	6,106,144	6,330,802	224,658	3.7%
Narrandera Shire Council	3,903,773	4,060,476	156,703	4.0%
Narromine Shire Council	3,817,986	3,899,015	81,029	2.1%
Newcastle City Council	12,991,097	12,693,875	- 297,222	-2.3%
North Sydney Council	1,869,567	1,893,010	23,443	1.3%
Oberon Council	2,307,641	2,356,992	49,351	2.1%
Orange City Council	4,622,389	4,559,091	- 63,298	-1.4%
Palerang Council	2,917,547	2,970,594	53,047	1.8%
Parkes Shire Council	5,431,025	5,521,351	90,326	1.7%
Parramatta City Council	9,264,637	9,415,578	150,941	1.6%
Penrith City Council	11,531,640	11,246,955	- 284,685	-2.5%
Pittwater Council	1,844,255	1,891,350	47,095	2.6%
Port Macquarie Hastings Council	8,829,499	8,891,965	62,466	0.7%
Port Stephens Council	5,882,359	6,152,736	270,377	4.6%
Queanbeyan City Council	2,930,806	2,869,568	- 61,238	-2.1%
Randwick City Council	3,811,308	3,869,848	58,540	1.5%
Richmond Valley Council	4,680,484	4,682,965	2,481	0.1%
Rockdale City Council	2,949,376	2,991,328	41,952	1.4%
Shellharbour City Council	4,757,851	4,763,597	5,746	0.1%
Shire of Wakool	3,496,341	3,588,743	92,402	2.6%
Shoalhaven City Council	11,217,829	11,378,617	160,788	1.4%
Silverton Village Committee	29,703	30,265	562	1.9%
Singleton Council	3,346,050	3,377,408	31,358	0.9%
Snowy River Shire Council	3,161,903	3,201,014	39,111	1.2%
Strathfield Municipal Council	1,047,581	1,063,155	15,574	1.5%
Sutherland Shire Council	6,528,711	6,580,420	51,709	0.8%
Tamworth Regional Council	10,100,709	10,127,024	26,315	0.3%
Temora Shire Council	3,058,610	3,123,182	64,572	2.1%
Tenterfield Shire Council	4,071,985	4,190,475	118,490	2.9%
The Council of Camden	2,974,620	3,105,438	130,818	4.4%
The Hills Shire Council	5,631,818	5,724,393	92,575	1.6%
Tibooburra Village Committee	66,700	67,963	1,263	1.9%
Tumbarumba Shire Council	1,902,771	1,933,294	30,523	1.6%

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Tumut Shire Council	3,291,123	3,301,792	10,669	0.3%
Tweed Shire Council	9,219,600	9,408,972	189,372	2.1%
Upper Hunter Shire Council	4,287,280	4,416,634	129,354	3.0%
Upper Lachlan Council	4,029,575	4,140,310	110,735	2.7%
Uralla Shire Council	2,229,339	2,287,639	58,300	2.6%
Urana Shire Council	1,783,422	1,823,212	39,790	2.2%
Wagga Wagga City Council	10,126,781	10,109,032	- 17,749	-0.2%
Walcha Council	1,749,330	1,852,035	102,705	5.9%
Walgett Shire Council	5,527,746	5,623,000	95,254	1.7%
Warren Shire Council	2,347,420	2,435,309	87,889	3.7%
Warringah Council	4,336,398	4,400,744	64,346	1.5%
Warrumbungle Shire Council	6,076,574	6,270,050	193,476	3.2%
Waverley Council	1,939,423	1,887,894	- 51,529	-2.7%
Weddin Shire Council	2,418,451	2,440,648	22,197	0.9%
Wellington Council	3,668,067	3,754,810	86,743	2.4%
Wentworth Shire Council	4,991,982	5,307,953	315,971	6.3%
Willoughby City Council	2,073,556	2,084,130	10,574	0.5%
Wingecarribee Shire Council	4,417,352	4,523,121	105,769	2.4%
Wollondilly Shire Council	3,368,435	3,431,629	63,194	1.9%
Wollongong City Council	17,269,737	17,491,193	221,456	1.3%
Wyong Shire Council	12,602,737	12,878,175	275,438	2.2%
Yass Valley Council	2,879,312	2,899,109	19,797	0.7%
Young Shire Council	3,542,848	3,582,505	39,657	1.1%

State	Cash provided in 2013-14	Cash provided in 2014-15	Difference	% Change
<b>NT</b>	<b>32,572,484</b>	<b>33,205,531</b>	<b>633,047</b>	<b>1.9%</b>
Alice Springs Town Council	1,669,507	1,731,308	61,801	3.7%
Barkly Regional Council	2,054,023	2,015,039	- 38,984	-1.9%
Belyuen Community Government Council	58,717	59,907	1,190	2.0%
Central Desert Regional Council	1,890,052	1,758,291	- 131,761	-7.0%
City of Darwin	3,513,908	3,606,572	92,664	2.6%
City of Palmerston	1,405,411	1,487,638	82,227	5.9%
Coomalie Community Government Council	422,947	437,822	14,875	3.5%
East Arnhem Regional Council	4,466,208	4,607,726	141,518	3.2%
Katherine Town Council	975,665	1,010,143	34,478	3.5%
Litchfield Council	2,954,074	3,019,199	65,125	2.2%
Local Government Association of the Northern Territory	2,674,713	1,427,862	- 1,246,851	-46.6%
MacDonnell Regional Council	2,788,063	2,848,982	60,919	2.2%
Roper Gulf Regional Council	1,286,901	2,707,257	1,420,356	110.4%
Tiwi Islands Regional Council	1,320,090	1,398,765	78,675	6.0%
Victoria Daly Regional Council	2,705,962	1,298,597	- 1,407,365	-52.0%
Wagait Shire Council	63,519	65,363	1,844	2.9%
West Arnhem Regional Council	2,322,724	2,559,962	237,238	10.2%
West Daly Regional Council	-	1,165,098	1,165,098	100.0%

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<b>Qld</b>	<b>446,382,696</b>	<b>453,140,573</b>	<b>6,757,877</b>	<b>1.5%</b>
Aurukun Council	2,211,363	1,899,156	- 312,207	-14.1%
Balonne Shire Council	4,756,547	4,702,665	- 53,882	-1.1%
Banana Shire Council	8,032,550	7,945,401	- 87,149	-1.1%
Barcaldine Regional Council	6,781,502	6,701,659	- 79,843	-1.2%
Barcoo Shire Council	3,859,672	3,758,180	- 101,492	-2.6%
Blackall-Tambo Regional Council	3,851,053	3,808,560	- 42,493	-1.1%
Boulia Shire Council	2,929,265	2,893,816	- 35,449	-1.2%
Brisbane City Council	37,930,716	38,430,655	499,939	1.3%
Bulloo Shire Council	5,542,706	5,725,398	182,692	3.3%
Bundaberg Regional Council	7,698,707	7,622,042	- 76,665	-1.0%
Burdekin Shire Council	3,303,544	3,259,723	- 43,821	-1.3%
Burke Shire Council	2,885,518	2,842,777	- 42,741	-1.5%
Cairns Regional Council	5,821,378	5,623,534	- 197,844	-3.4%
Carpentaria Shire Council	4,844,329	4,757,702	- 86,627	-1.8%
Cassowary Coast Regional Council	3,172,230	3,133,070	- 39,160	-1.2%
Central Highlands Regional Council	9,011,773	8,927,236	- 84,537	-0.9%
Charters Towers Regional Council	6,821,000	6,663,359	- 157,641	-2.3%
Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council	532,861	552,669	19,808	3.7%
City of Gold Coast	18,358,621	18,981,535	622,914	3.4%
Cloncurry Shire Council	5,225,170	5,164,084	- 61,086	-1.2%
Cook Shire Council	8,663,069	8,534,753	- 128,316	-1.5%
Croydon Shire Council	3,201,742	3,312,473	110,731	3.5%
Diamantina Shire Council	2,801,658	2,878,002	76,344	2.7%
Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council	1,224,205	1,207,122	- 17,083	-1.4%
Douglas Shire Council	293,837	1,340,794	1,046,957	356.3%
Etheridge Shire Council	4,375,056	4,507,875	132,819	3.0%
Flinders Shire Council	5,537,982	5,734,075	196,093	3.5%
Fraser Coast Regional Council	7,511,122	7,425,733	- 85,389	-1.1%
Gladstone Regional Council	7,747,194	7,690,523	- 56,671	-0.7%
Goondiwindi Regional Council	5,862,414	5,793,397	- 69,017	-1.2%
Gympie Regional Council	5,274,108	5,226,472	- 47,636	-0.9%
Hinchinbrook Shire Council	2,052,162	2,022,926	- 29,236	-1.4%
Hope Vale Aboriginal Council	923,030	957,460	34,430	3.7%
Ipswich City Council	6,449,658	6,612,222	162,564	2.5%
Isaac Regional Council	5,108,155	5,076,092	- 32,063	-0.6%
Kowanyama Aboriginal Shire Council	1,533,667	1,508,743	- 24,924	-1.6%
Livingstone Shire Council	1,147,748	3,783,811	2,636,063	229.7%
Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council	1,526,821	1,582,304	55,483	3.6%
Lockyer Valley Regional Council	4,162,202	4,120,813	- 41,389	-1.0%
Logan City Council	10,437,060	10,626,560	189,500	1.8%
Longreach Regional Council	7,909,127	7,803,530	- 105,597	-1.3%
Mackay Regional Council	6,433,116	6,433,934	818	0.0%
Mapoon Aboriginal Shire Council	1,023,566	1,003,618	- 19,948	-1.9%
Maranoa Regional Council	15,515,880	16,044,238	528,358	3.4%
Mareeba Shire Council	1,547,727	6,321,722	4,773,995	308.5%
Mckinlay Shire Council	5,198,451	5,375,523	177,072	3.4%
Moreton Bay Regional Council	14,427,493	14,694,205	266,712	1.8%
Mornington Shire Council	1,539,750	1,513,574	- 26,176	-1.7%
Mount Isa City Council	5,211,451	5,377,728	166,277	3.2%
Murweh Shire Council	6,694,873	6,597,316	- 97,557	-1.5%
Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council	1,020,563	1,057,865	37,302	3.7%
Noosa Council	1,226,466	2,120,771	894,305	72.9%
North Burnett Regional Council	11,368,113	10,791,969	- 576,144	-5.1%
Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council	3,773,949	3,703,875	- 70,074	-1.9%
Palm Island Aboriginal Council	1,077,700	1,117,329	39,629	3.7%
Paroo Shire Council	4,651,830	4,714,103	62,273	1.3%
Pormpuraaw Aboriginal Shire Council	1,472,610	1,520,200	47,590	3.2%
Quilpie Shire Council	4,791,816	4,731,225	- 60,591	-1.3%

<b>State</b>	<b>Cash provided in 2013-14</b>	<b>Cash provided in 2014-15</b>	<b>Difference</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Redland City Council	5,134,482	5,181,152	46,670	0.9%
Richmond Shire Council	3,829,517	3,934,988	105,471	2.8%
Rockhampton Regional Council	7,243,501	6,961,109	- 282,392	-3.9%
Scenic Rim Regional Council	3,068,557	3,057,869	- 10,688	-0.3%
Somerset Regional Council	3,495,970	3,466,492	- 29,478	-0.8%
South Burnett Regional Council	7,177,839	7,103,699	- 74,140	-1.0%
Southern Downs Regional Council	7,113,338	7,046,977	- 66,361	-0.9%
Sunshine Coast Regional Council	10,734,224	10,295,853	- 438,371	-4.1%
Tablelands Regional Council	7,186,686	5,272,967	- 1,913,719	-26.6%
Toowoomba Regional Council	16,266,010	16,289,555	23,545	0.1%
Torres Shire Council	2,908,475	2,853,545	- 54,930	-1.9%
Torres Strait Island Regional Council	10,538,109	10,329,015	- 209,094	-2.0%
Townsville City Council	7,026,069	7,003,170	- 22,899	-0.3%
Western Downs Regional Council	18,411,607	18,179,217	- 232,390	-1.3%
Whitsunday Regional Council	4,740,842	4,690,002	- 50,840	-1.1%
Winton Shire Council	5,502,396	5,436,090	- 66,306	-1.2%
Woorabinda Aboriginal Council	490,547	508,522	17,975	3.7%
Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council	415,675	431,629	15,954	3.8%
Yarrabah Community Council	810,976	840,626	29,650	3.7%



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<b>SA</b>	<b>152,741,927</b>	<b>153,506,343</b>	<b>764,416</b>	<b>0.5%</b>
Adelaide Hills Council	1,722,415	1,529,797	- 192,618	-11.2%
Alexandrina Council	1,193,583	1,214,430	20,847	1.7%
Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara	1,269,569	1,284,058	14,489	1.1%
Campbelltown City Council (SA)	1,557,909	1,572,592	14,683	0.9%
City of Adelaide	682,895	696,775	13,880	2.0%
City of Charles Sturt	3,416,438	3,451,773	35,335	1.0%
City of Holdfast Bay	1,117,352	1,124,421	7,069	0.6%
City of Marion	2,709,837	2,736,897	27,060	1.0%
City of Mitcham	2,577,850	2,094,988	- 482,862	-18.7%
City of Mount Gambier	2,839,343	2,594,677	- 244,666	-8.6%
City of Norwood Payneham and St Peters	1,114,151	1,116,412	2,261	0.2%
City of Onkaparinga	8,170,429	7,855,187	- 315,242	-3.9%
City of Playford	9,897,868	9,934,917	37,049	0.4%
City of Port Adelaide Enfield	3,733,500	3,790,668	57,168	1.5%
City of Port Lincoln	1,320,323	1,324,873	4,550	0.3%
City of Prospect	632,739	635,692	2,953	0.5%
City of Salisbury	7,975,856	7,949,975	- 25,881	-0.3%
City of Tea Tree Gully	3,131,390	3,127,240	- 4,150	-0.1%
City of Victor Harbor	548,963	561,542	12,579	2.3%
City of West Torrens	1,779,677	1,795,598	15,921	0.9%
Clare and Gilbert Valleys Council	919,945	934,413	14,468	1.6%
Coorong District Council	3,095,457	3,525,120	429,663	13.9%
Corporation of The City of Unley	1,356,669	1,168,741	- 187,928	-13.9%
Corporation of the Town of Walkerville	225,811	226,071	260	0.1%
District Council of Barunga West	541,110	543,675	2,565	0.5%
District Council of Ceduna	2,513,163	2,520,386	7,223	0.3%
District Council of Cleve	1,815,748	1,872,847	57,099	3.1%
District Council of Coober Pedy	865,675	866,850	1,175	0.1%
District Council of Elliston	1,139,609	1,146,061	6,452	0.6%
District Council of Franklin Harbour	1,301,040	1,288,552	- 12,488	-1.0%
District Council of Grant	1,412,427	1,501,664	89,237	6.3%
District Council of Karoonda East Murray	1,555,562	2,360,764	805,202	51.8%
District Council of Kimba	1,314,163	1,319,176	5,013	0.4%
District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula	873,293	878,309	5,016	0.6%
District Council of Loxton Waikerie	4,362,336	4,373,363	11,027	0.3%
District Council of Mallala	1,283,518	1,288,216	4,698	0.4%
District Council of Mount Remarkable	2,038,057	2,042,687	4,630	0.2%
District Council of Ororoo/Carrieton	1,232,602	1,236,389	3,787	0.3%
District Council of Peterborough	1,587,876	1,592,649	4,773	0.3%
District Council of Robe	313,589	135,574	- 178,015	-56.8%
District Council of Streaky Bay	2,538,790	2,523,702	- 15,088	-0.6%
District Council of The Copper Coast	1,806,273	1,801,017	- 5,256	-0.3%
District Council of Tumby Bay	796,831	801,835	5,004	0.6%
District Council of Yankalilla	929,322	274,232	- 655,090	-70.5%
Gerard Reserve Council Inc	63,102	63,891	789	1.3%
Kangaroo Island Council	1,795,801	1,823,840	28,039	1.6%
Kingston District Council (SA)	797,541	796,532	- 1,009	-0.1%
Light Regional Council	689,489	702,222	12,733	1.8%
Maralinga Tjarutja	143,271	145,106	1,835	1.3%
Mid Murray Council	3,757,550	3,784,587	27,037	0.7%
Naracoorte Lucindale Council	2,992,098	2,719,785	- 272,313	-9.1%
Nipapanha Community Incorporated	47,269	47,886	617	1.3%
Northern Areas Council	1,812,008	1,817,905	5,897	0.3%
Outback Communities Authority	1,436,587	1,444,591	8,004	0.6%
Port Augusta City Council	2,989,098	2,995,212	6,114	0.2%
Port Pirie Regional Council	4,417,433	4,425,221	7,788	0.2%
Regional Council of Goyder	3,360,357	3,372,223	11,866	0.4%
Renmark Paringa Council	2,791,878	2,794,916	3,038	0.1%

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Roxby Downs Council	178,712	182,018	3,306	1.8%
Southern Mallee District Council	1,532,699	1,538,132	5,433	0.4%
Tatiara District Council	3,295,447	3,545,696	250,249	7.6%
The Barossa Council	975,613	991,884	16,271	1.7%
The Berri Barmera Council	2,657,456	2,659,618	2,162	0.1%
The City of Burnside	1,379,819	1,385,599	5,780	0.4%
The Corporation of the City of Whyalla	4,310,112	4,314,749	4,637	0.1%
The District Council of Mount Barker	1,202,404	2,213,106	1,010,702	84.1%
The Flinders Ranges Council	2,582,681	2,579,837	- 2,844	-0.1%
The Rural City of Murray Bridge	3,615,259	3,625,083	9,824	0.3%
Town of Gawler	1,784,035	2,074,464	290,429	16.3%
Wakefield Regional Council	2,286,605	2,323,149	36,544	1.6%
Wattle Range Council	2,601,128	2,445,769	- 155,359	-6.0%
Wudinna District Council	1,629,860	1,637,122	7,262	0.4%
Yalata Community Inc	199,575	201,959	2,384	1.2%
Yorke Peninsula Council	2,206,087	2,239,436	33,349	1.5%

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<b>Tas</b>	<b>72,364,065</b>	<b>72,613,290</b>	<b>249,225</b>	<b>0.3%</b>
Break O'Day Council	2,668,615	2,624,803	- 43,812	-1.6%
Brighton Council	1,607,851	1,619,769	11,918	0.7%
Central Coast Council	4,246,689	3,998,284	- 248,405	-5.8%
Central Highlands Council (TAS)	2,190,098	2,272,821	82,723	3.8%
Circular Head Council	2,757,163	2,989,685	232,522	8.4%
City of Burnie	2,679,439	2,519,901	- 159,538	-6.0%
Clarence City Council	2,648,642	2,666,635	17,993	0.7%
Derwent Valley Council	2,021,299	1,952,519	- 68,780	-3.4%
Devonport City Council	2,029,177	1,984,371	- 44,806	-2.2%
Dorset Council	3,341,851	3,496,026	154,175	4.6%
Flinders Council	1,321,721	1,321,478	- 243	0.0%
George Town Council	1,764,497	1,799,034	34,537	2.0%
Glamorgan Spring Bay Council	1,359,804	1,290,775	- 69,029	-5.1%
Glenorchy City Council	2,301,728	2,357,679	55,951	2.4%
Hobart City Council	2,720,811	2,726,469	5,658	0.2%
Huon Valley Council	2,939,778	3,206,781	267,003	9.1%
Kentish Council	2,560,015	2,586,621	26,606	1.0%
King Island Council	1,497,709	1,602,045	104,336	7.0%
Kingborough Council	2,035,441	2,034,683	- 758	0.0%
Latrobe Council (TAS)	1,412,141	1,413,139	998	0.1%
Launceston City Council	4,158,476	4,235,591	77,115	1.9%
Meander Valley Council	4,190,068	4,271,085	81,017	1.9%
Northern Midlands Council	3,816,991	3,625,091	- 191,900	-5.0%
Sorell Council	2,483,362	2,311,610	- 171,752	-6.9%
Southern Midlands Council	3,226,336	3,233,773	7,437	0.2%
Tasman Council	964,641	920,650	- 43,991	-4.6%
Waratah-Wynyard Council	3,063,050	2,887,904	- 175,146	-5.7%
West Coast Council	1,824,134	1,858,764	34,630	1.9%
West Tamar Council	2,532,538	2,805,304	272,766	10.8%

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<b>VIC</b>	<b>533,139,269</b>	<b>541,729,517</b>	<b>8,590,248</b>	<b>1.6%</b>
Alpine Shire Council	3,510,098	3,529,059	18,961	0.5%
Ararat Rural City Council	5,242,539	5,336,810	94,271	1.8%
Banyule City Council	4,589,928	4,588,241	- 1,687	0.0%
Bass Coast Shire Council	5,521,766	5,574,917	53,151	1.0%
Baw Baw Shire Council	8,347,149	8,302,218	- 44,931	-0.5%
Bayside City Council	2,523,243	2,553,254	30,011	1.2%
Benalla Rural City Council	3,690,120	3,849,768	159,648	4.3%
Borough of Queenscliffe	253,766	255,936	2,170	0.9%
Brimbank City Council	13,521,492	13,577,157	55,665	0.4%
Buloke Shire Council	5,289,727	5,497,996	208,269	3.9%
Campaspe Shire Council	11,244,943	11,347,245	102,302	0.9%
Cardinia Shire Council	9,533,358	9,778,717	245,359	2.6%
Casey City Council	17,200,729	17,547,373	346,644	2.0%
Central Goldfields Shire Council	3,498,701	3,607,482	108,781	3.1%
City of Ballarat	11,736,236	12,131,195	394,959	3.4%
City of Boroondara	4,298,808	4,346,043	47,235	1.1%
City of Darebin	4,980,100	4,970,405	- 9,695	-0.2%
City of Greater Bendigo	14,800,725	15,035,281	234,556	1.6%
City of Greater Dandenong	10,817,684	10,780,318	- 37,366	-0.3%
City of Melbourne	2,860,244	3,078,426	218,182	7.6%
City of Monash	4,873,875	4,914,739	40,864	0.8%
City of Port Phillip	2,481,904	2,519,732	37,828	1.5%
City of Warrnambool	3,517,537	3,562,559	45,022	1.3%
City of Wodonga	4,589,958	4,727,146	137,188	3.0%
Ciy of Greater Shepparton	11,152,577	11,531,195	378,618	3.4%
Colac Otway Shire Council	5,884,811	6,017,657	132,846	2.3%
Corangamite Shire Council	6,825,557	7,056,676	231,119	3.4%
East Gippsland Shire Council	13,800,179	13,828,659	28,480	0.2%
Frankston City Council	8,650,200	8,685,773	35,573	0.4%
Gannawarra Shire Council	5,052,411	5,126,240	73,829	1.5%
Glen Eira City Council	3,476,172	3,518,626	42,454	1.2%
Glenelg Shire Council	7,163,896	7,159,529	- 4,367	-0.1%
Golden Plains Shire Council	5,119,135	5,213,534	94,399	1.8%
Hepburn Shire Council	4,205,974	4,278,170	72,196	1.7%
Hindmarsh Shire Council	4,033,207	4,089,206	55,999	1.4%
Hobsons Bay City Council	2,507,219	2,527,543	20,324	0.8%
Horsham Rural City Council	5,620,011	5,692,951	72,940	1.3%
Hume City Council	12,683,767	12,893,669	209,902	1.7%
Indigo Shire Council	4,379,609	4,419,455	39,846	0.9%
Kingston City Council	4,320,157	4,340,245	20,088	0.5%
Knox City Council	7,680,442	7,637,317	- 43,125	-0.6%
Latrobe City Council (VIC)	11,472,716	11,427,473	- 45,243	-0.4%
Loddon Shire Council	7,503,780	7,762,242	258,462	3.4%
Macedon Ranges Shire Council	6,611,204	6,638,935	27,731	0.4%
Manningham City Council	3,202,999	3,192,986	- 10,013	-0.3%
Mansfield Shire Council	2,768,545	2,800,947	32,402	1.2%
Maribyrnong City Council	2,942,061	2,982,509	40,448	1.4%
Maroondah City Council	5,347,229	5,315,587	- 31,642	-0.6%
Melton City Council	12,144,678	12,623,595	478,917	3.9%
Mildura Rural City Council	12,735,905	13,268,312	532,407	4.2%
Mitchell Shire Council	6,249,214	6,422,067	172,853	2.8%
Moira Shire Council	9,456,459	9,745,168	288,709	3.1%
Moonee Valley City Council	3,009,197	3,043,155	33,958	1.1%
Moorabool Shire Council	5,650,818	5,760,541	109,723	1.9%
Moreland City Council	6,043,109	6,002,544	- 40,565	-0.7%
Mornington Peninsula Shire Council	6,609,970	6,558,941	- 51,029	-0.8%
Mount Alexander Shire Council	4,283,676	4,368,185	84,509	2.0%
Moyne Shire Council	7,279,945	7,393,249	113,304	1.6%

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Murrindindi Shire Council	4,337,526	4,335,976	- 1,550	0.0%
Nillumbik Shire Council	3,261,115	3,333,849	72,734	2.2%
Northern Grampians Shire Council	6,346,765	6,560,687	213,922	3.4%
Pyrenees Shire Council	4,768,666	5,000,943	232,277	4.9%
Rural City of Wangaratta	6,436,710	6,575,064	138,354	2.1%
South Gippsland Shire Council	8,314,651	8,583,318	268,667	3.2%
Southern Grampians Shire Council	6,806,627	6,778,865	- 27,762	-0.4%
Stonnington City Council	2,496,590	2,539,092	42,502	1.7%
Strathbogie Shire Council	4,862,164	4,997,359	135,195	2.8%
Surf Coast Shire	3,557,874	3,666,662	108,788	3.1%
Swan Hill Rural City Council	6,151,866	6,206,589	54,723	0.9%
The Greater Geelong City Council	19,118,540	19,441,597	323,057	1.7%
Towong Shire Council	3,585,555	3,666,358	80,803	2.3%
Wellington Shire Council	12,230,626	12,197,106	- 33,520	-0.3%
West Wimmera Shire Council	4,940,338	4,978,018	37,680	0.8%
Whitehorse City Council	4,169,624	4,202,578	32,954	0.8%
Whittlesea City Council	12,114,230	12,591,307	477,077	3.9%
Wyndham City Council	13,689,193	14,192,502	503,309	3.7%
Yarra City Council	2,064,184	2,121,222	57,038	2.8%
Yarra Ranges Shire Council	14,395,363	14,217,581	- 177,782	-1.2%
Yarriambiack Shire Council	4,699,603	4,807,946	108,343	2.3%

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<b>WA</b>	<b>274,746,706</b>	<b>282,720,564</b>	<b>7,973,858</b>	<b>2.9%</b>
City of Albany	5,356,704	3,875,646	- 1,481,058	-27.6%
City of Armadale	3,053,686	3,174,683	120,997	4.0%
City of Bayswater	2,120,851	2,169,671	48,820	2.3%
City of Belmont	1,322,013	1,357,170	35,157	2.7%
City of Bunbury	1,529,804	1,550,369	20,565	1.3%
City of Busselton	2,375,050	2,122,820	- 252,230	-10.6%
City of Canning	3,222,186	3,383,729	161,543	5.0%
City of Cockburn	3,486,639	3,626,479	139,840	4.0%
City of Fremantle	1,004,037	1,025,324	21,287	2.1%
City of Gosnells	3,950,722	4,087,983	137,261	3.5%
City of Greater Geraldton	5,668,047	5,799,551	131,504	2.3%
City of Joondalup	5,466,704	5,560,829	94,125	1.7%
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	2,444,321	2,412,862	- 31,459	-1.3%
City of Karratha (formerly Roebourne)	3,026,908	3,313,571	286,663	9.5%
City of Kwinana	1,339,166	1,393,400	54,234	4.0%
City of Mandurah	2,803,833	2,907,967	104,134	3.7%
City of Melville	3,208,928	3,275,549	66,621	2.1%
City of Nedlands	759,468	769,228	9,760	1.3%
City of Perth	809,992	839,397	29,405	3.6%
City of Rockingham	4,152,546	4,307,245	154,699	3.7%
City of South Perth	1,337,499	1,359,345	21,846	1.6%
City of Stirling	6,602,551	6,799,737	197,186	3.0%
City of Subiaco	606,743	621,905	15,162	2.5%
City of Swan	4,723,686	5,238,383	514,697	10.9%
City of Vincent	1,092,744	1,128,986	36,242	3.3%
City of Wanneroo	5,975,290	6,190,133	214,843	3.6%
Collie Shire Council	1,881,640	1,776,624	- 105,016	-5.6%
Morawa Shire Council	1,489,419	1,538,218	48,799	3.3%
Mt Magnet Shire Council	1,588,708	1,637,945	49,237	3.1%
Narembeen Shire Council	1,885,078	1,942,789	57,711	3.1%
Shire of Ashburton	4,643,180	4,739,866	96,686	2.1%
Shire of Augusta-Margaret River	1,217,641	1,360,312	142,671	11.7%
Shire of Beverley	1,338,660	1,335,936	- 2,724	-0.2%
Shire of Boddington	595,622	393,649	- 201,973	-33.9%
Shire of Boyup Brook	1,565,702	1,490,749	- 74,953	-4.8%
Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes	1,829,824	1,886,686	56,862	3.1%
Shire of Brookton	1,179,425	925,939	- 253,486	-21.5%
Shire of Broome	3,173,747	3,005,324	- 168,423	-5.3%
Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup	1,927,538	2,070,616	143,078	7.4%
Shire of Bruce Rock	2,150,342	2,446,588	296,246	13.8%
Shire of Capel	1,542,836	1,578,457	35,621	2.3%
Shire of Carnamah	1,209,116	1,240,806	31,690	2.6%
Shire of Carnarvon	4,767,987	4,864,054	96,067	2.0%
Shire of Chapman Valley	785,863	824,481	38,618	4.9%
Shire of Chittering	1,073,040	1,142,822	69,782	6.5%
Shire of Coolgardie	1,006,147	1,034,389	28,242	2.8%
Shire of Coorow	1,318,293	1,348,150	29,857	2.3%
Shire of Corrigin	1,668,687	1,708,857	40,170	2.4%
Shire of Cranbrook	1,171,945	1,599,333	427,388	36.5%
Shire of Cuballing	864,978	882,313	17,335	2.0%
Shire of Cue	1,521,885	1,666,776	144,891	9.5%
Shire of Cunderdin	1,352,094	1,378,930	26,836	2.0%
Shire of Dalwallinu	2,389,814	2,520,540	130,726	5.5%
Shire of Dandaragan	1,545,964	1,598,928	52,964	3.4%
Shire of Dardanup	1,437,365	1,537,978	100,613	7.0%
Shire of Denmark	1,040,473	1,044,564	4,091	0.4%
Shire of Derby/West Kimberley	5,269,537	5,399,959	130,422	2.5%
Shire of Donnybrook Balingup	1,784,330	2,480,539	696,209	39.0%

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Shire of Dowerin	1,310,813	1,355,845	45,032	3.4%
Shire of Dumbleyung	1,417,000	1,533,376	116,376	8.2%
Shire of Dundas	1,528,924	1,531,971	3,047	0.2%
Shire of East Pilbara	5,380,277	5,372,149	- 8,128	-0.2%
Shire of Esperance	4,748,771	4,854,511	105,740	2.2%
Shire of Exmouth	1,856,247	1,897,680	41,433	2.2%
Shire of Gingin	1,692,117	1,724,917	32,800	1.9%
Shire of Gnowangerup	1,179,969	1,255,948	75,979	6.4%
Shire of Goomalling	699,802	711,629	11,827	1.7%
Shire of Halls Creek	4,312,434	4,539,781	227,347	5.3%
Shire of Harvey	2,531,104	2,679,202	148,098	5.9%
Shire of Irwin	637,763	615,183	- 22,580	-3.5%
Shire of Jerramungup	1,093,815	1,181,913	88,098	8.1%
Shire of Kalamunda	2,282,273	2,337,811	55,538	2.4%
Shire of Katanning	2,027,664	1,968,449	- 59,215	-2.9%
Shire of Kellerberrin	1,773,315	2,534,369	761,054	42.9%
Shire of Kent	1,107,858	1,230,479	122,621	11.1%
Shire of Kojonup	1,313,174	1,396,473	83,299	6.3%
Shire of Kondinin	1,470,113	1,621,144	151,031	10.3%
Shire of Koorda	1,767,409	1,805,011	37,602	2.1%
Shire of Kulin	1,499,863	1,646,175	146,312	9.8%
Shire of Lake Grace	2,069,325	2,221,530	152,205	7.4%
Shire of Laverton	2,313,253	2,473,181	159,928	6.9%
Shire of Leonora	1,148,443	1,199,951	51,508	4.5%
Shire of Manjimup	4,329,984	4,234,792	- 95,192	-2.2%
Shire of Meekatharra	3,360,117	3,505,006	144,889	4.3%
Shire of Menzies	2,414,257	2,484,562	70,305	2.9%
Shire of Merredin	2,247,957	2,310,428	62,471	2.8%
Shire of Mingenerw	566,184	580,512	14,328	2.5%
Shire of Moora	1,536,237	1,447,285	- 88,952	-5.8%
Shire of Mt Marshall	2,157,071	2,223,160	66,089	3.1%
Shire of Mukinbudin	1,548,217	1,620,855	72,638	4.7%
Shire of Mundaring	3,018,817	2,868,014	- 150,803	-5.0%
Shire of Murchison	3,213,465	3,417,145	203,680	6.3%
Shire of Murray	2,022,291	2,135,101	112,810	5.6%
Shire of Nannup	1,671,050	1,703,916	32,866	2.0%
Shire of Narrogin	969,610	996,866	27,256	2.8%
Shire of Ngaanyatjarraku	4,375,014	4,456,048	81,034	1.9%
Shire of Northam	3,235,993	3,338,569	102,576	3.2%
Shire of Northampton	1,428,101	1,487,706	59,605	4.2%
Shire of Nungarin	1,175,093	1,207,979	32,886	2.8%
Shire of Peppermint Grove	55,554	55,182	- 372	-0.7%
Shire of Perenjori	1,759,690	1,843,419	83,729	4.8%
Shire of Pingelly	1,100,966	1,157,456	56,490	5.1%
Shire of Plantagenet	1,434,357	1,534,459	100,102	7.0%
Shire of Quairading	1,572,414	1,651,539	79,125	5.0%
Shire of Ravensthorpe	1,564,708	1,692,667	127,959	8.2%
Shire of Sandstone	1,890,738	1,930,132	39,394	2.1%
Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale	2,394,596	2,404,277	9,681	0.4%
Shire of Shark Bay	1,800,413	1,869,659	69,246	3.8%
Shire of Tammin	1,024,844	1,045,613	20,769	2.0%
Shire of Three Springs	874,939	933,813	58,874	6.7%
Shire of Toodyay	1,451,476	1,481,414	29,938	2.1%
Shire of Trayning	1,391,792	1,465,733	73,941	5.3%
Shire of Upper Gascoyne	3,431,309	3,510,924	79,615	2.3%
Shire of Victoria Plains	842,389	932,468	90,079	10.7%
Shire of Wagin	1,352,711	1,378,204	25,493	1.9%
Shire of Wandering	445,130	513,848	68,718	15.4%
Shire of Waroona	1,279,047	1,302,971	23,924	1.9%

<b>State</b>	<b>Cash provided in 2013-14</b>	<b>Cash provided in 2014-15</b>	<b>Difference</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Shire of West Arthur	860,270	901,950	41,680	4.8%
Shire of Westonia	1,150,263	1,201,104	50,841	4.4%
Shire of Wickepin	1,378,780	1,454,247	75,467	5.5%
Shire of Williams	429,874	469,394	39,520	9.2%
Shire of Wiluna	2,246,824	2,444,336	197,512	8.8%
Shire of Wongan-Ballidu	1,849,594	1,918,061	68,467	3.7%
Shire of Woodanilling	786,369	812,772	26,403	3.4%
Shire of Wyalkatchem	1,347,163	1,417,156	69,993	5.2%
Shire of Wyndham-East Kimberley	4,087,699	4,088,915	1,216	0.0%
Shire of Yalgoo	2,209,430	2,278,389	68,959	3.1%
Shire of Yilgarn	1,741,035	1,865,922	124,887	7.2%
Shire of York	1,524,243	1,444,119	- 80,124	-5.3%
Town of Bassendean	535,890	548,010	12,120	2.3%
Town of Cambridge	941,375	960,294	18,919	2.0%
Town of Claremont	314,803	318,337	3,534	1.1%
Town of Cottesloe	274,510	280,460	5,950	2.2%
Town of East Fremantle	229,646	233,413	3,767	1.6%
Town of Mosman Park	278,655	280,579	1,924	0.7%
Town of Narrogin	1,242,367	1,267,488	25,121	2.0%
Town of Port Hedland	2,477,516	2,302,241	- 175,275	-7.1%
Town of Victoria Park	1,085,145	1,127,898	42,753	3.9%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>2,267,822,274</b>	<b>2,301,474,627</b>	<b>33,652,353</b>	<b>1.5%</b>



**Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee**  
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Additional Estimates 2014 - 2015  
**Infrastructure and Regional Development**

**Question no.:** 179

**Program:** 3.1 Regional Development

**Division/Agency:** Local Government and Territories

**Topic:** Correspondence relating to Financial Assistance Grants

**Proof Hansard Page:** 145 (24 February 2015)

**Senator Sterle, Glenn asked:**

**Senator STERLE:** ...Has the minister received any correspondence from local governments complaining about the cuts?

**Mr Wilson:** Yes.

**Senator STERLE:** Could the department tell us which councils have written to the government?

**Mr Wilson:** We would have to take that on notice.

**Senator STERLE:** Please do, because I have written to every council in Western Australia. That is no secret. People know that. Half of them shit themselves because they think, 'Why is a Labor senator writing to a Liberal council?' It was because I actually wanted to know. It is amazing what they wrote back. Has the minister received any representations from any members of any parliaments regarding the paused indexation, to your knowledge?

**Mr Wilson:** I would think that the Deputy Prime Minister and the assistant minister would have had conversations with members of parliament regarding the issue. But I cannot give you a detailed—

**Senator STERLE:** Because you do not know.

**Mr Wilson:** list of who that might be at the moment.

**Senator STERLE:** But if you do know, can you give it to us?

**Mr Wilson:** Certainly.

**Senator STERLE:** You are taking that on notice. Great...

**Answer:**

The Deputy Prime Minister has received correspondence from 102 Councils relating to the Financial Assistance Grants temporary indexation pause. A list of Councils is provided at [Attachment A](#).

Parliamentarians have made representations to the Deputy Prime Minister relating to the Financial Assistance Grants temporary indexation pause.

The Department has no specific knowledge of conversations between the Deputy Prime Minister or the Assistant Minister with other Parliamentarians relating to the Financial Assistance Grants temporary indexation pause and is unable to provide a list.

[Attachment A](#) – List of councils and members who have written in relation to the indexation pause.

**Councils**

Alice Springs Town Council  
Ararat Rural City Council  
Ashfield Council  
Auburn City Council  
Ballina Shire Council  
Banyule City Council  
Barkly Regional Council  
Benalla Rural City Council  
Berrigan Shire  
Blayney Shire Council  
Blue Mountains City Council  
Borough of Queenscliffe  
Brimbank City Council  
Brisbane City Council  
Buloke Shire Council  
Bundaberg Regional Council  
Byron Shire Council  
Campbelltown City Council (NSW)  
Cardinia Shire Council  
Central Desert Regional Council  
City of Gold Coast  
City of Greater Bendigo  
City of Mandurah  
City of Monash  
City of Sydney  
City of Greater Shepparton  
Coffs Harbour City Council  
Conargo Shire Council  
Coolamon Shire Council  
Cootamundra Shire Council  
Council of the City of Ryde  
Cowra Council  
Deniliquin Council  
Gannawarra Shire Council  
Gloucester Shire Council  
Gosford City Council  
Greater Hume Shire Council  
Greater Taree City Council  
Gundagai Shire Council  
Hobsons Bay City Council  
Holroyd City Council  
Horsham Rural City Council  
Hume City Council  
Indigo Shire Council  
Junee Shire Council  
Katherine Town Council  
Kempsey Shire Council  
Kiama Municipal Council  
Lake Macquarie City Council  
Leeton Shire Council  
Leichhardt Municipal Council  
Lismore City Council  
Liverpool Plains Shire Council  
Longreach Shire Council  
Macedon Ranges Shire Council  
Manly Council  
Marrickville Council  
Meander Valley Council  
Mid Murray Council  
Mitchell Shire Council

Moira Shire Council  
Moorabool Shire Council  
Moreton Bay Regional Council  
Mount Alexander Shire Council  
Moyne Shire Council  
Narrabri Shire  
Narrandera Shire Council  
Nillumbik Shire Council  
North Sydney Council  
Outback Communities Authority  
Palerang Council  
Port Macquarie Hastings Council  
Pyrenees Shire Council  
Quilpie Shire Council  
Randwick City Council  
Regional Council of Goyder  
Shellharbour City Council  
Shire of Dandaragan  
Shire of Kondinin  
Shire of Murray  
Shire of Wagin  
Shire of Wyalkatchem  
Stonnington City Council  
Strathbogie Shire Council  
Swan Hill Rural City Council  
Tamworth Regional Council  
Temora Shire Council  
The Corporation of the City of Whyalla  
Tumbarumba Shire Council  
Tumut Shire Council  
Tweed Shire Council  
Uralla Shire Council  
Wagga Wagga City Council  
Warrumbungle Shire Council  
Wattle Range Council  
Weddin Shire Council  
Wellington Shire Council  
West Wimmera Shire Council  
Whittlesea City Council  
Willoughby City Council  
Wudinna District Council  
Yarriambiack Shire Council

**Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

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**Infrastructure and Regional Development**

**Question no.:** 180

**Program:** 3.2 Local Government

**Division/Agency:** Local Government and Territories

**Topic:** Local Government

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**Senator Sterle, Glenn asked:**

1. Has the Department been consulted on the Government's Reform of the Federation paper?
2. Has the Department been consulted on the funding arrangements for Local Government as part of the Reform of the Federation paper? If so, which aspects?
3. Has the Department been asked to do analysis on the Commonwealth Government funding for Local Government for the white paper? If so, what details?
4. Has the Department done any analysis on how the indexation pause has impacted on Local Governments now that they have been cut? If so, what details?
5. Has the Department received any correspondence relating to Local Governments having to increase their rates due to the indexation pause on FAGs? If so, which councils?

**Answer:**

1. Yes. The Department is represented on both a Secretaries' Committee and a Deputy Secretary Working Group for the Reform of the Federation White Paper.
2. No.
3. No.
4. Yes. Refer to Question 178 for details.
5. Yes. Refer to Question 179 for details.

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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Additional Estimates 2014 - 2015

**Infrastructure and Regional Development**

**Question no.:** 181

**Program:** 3.1 Regional Development

**Division/Agency:** Local Government and Territories

**Topic:** Regional Development Australia

**Proof Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Sterle, Glenn asked:**

1. Was there any independent oversight of the appointment process for the Chair and Deputy Chairs of the RDA Committees?
2. How many people nominated for the Chair and Deputy Chair roles of the RDAs committees? Can we get a list by RDA?
3. Has Government made any further decisions on how and when the review of the RDA Committee system will occur?
4. When do you expect a terms of reference for the review will be available? Will it be public? Will there be public consultations on the role that RDAs play as part of the review?
5. When do expect the review the will be complete?
6. What do you expect the review will cost?

**Answer:**

1. Chair and Deputy Chair appointments are made by the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development, the Hon Warren Truss MP, in consultation with state and territory Ministers responsible for regional development where they are funding partners and in South Australia, the Local Government Association of South Australia as they are also a funding partner.
2. A total of 190 Expressions of Interest (EOIs) were received for the positions of Chair and/or Deputy Chair by 7 January 2015.

<b>Chair/Deputy Chair EOIs by RDA</b>	
<b>RDA</b>	<b>EOIs</b>
ACT - Australian Capital Territory	5
NSW - Central Coast	5
NSW - Central West	4
NSW - Far South Coast	4
NSW - Far West	3
NSW - Hunter	7
NSW - Illawarra	2
NSW - Mid North Coast	5
NSW - Northern Inland	6
NSW - Northern Rivers	6
NSW - Orana	1
NSW - Riverina	6
NSW - Southern Inland	7
NSW - Sydney	6
NT - Northern Territory	8

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QLD - Brisbane	3
QLD - Darling Downs and South West	6
QLD - Far North Queensland and Torres Strait	9
QLD - Fitzroy and Central West	4
QLD - Gold Coast	3
QLD - Ipswich and West Moreton	4
QLD - Logan and Redlands	3
QLD - Mackay-Isaac-Whitsunday	3
QLD - Moreton Bay	4
QLD - Sunshine Coast	6
QLD - Townsville and North West	3
QLD - Wide Bay Burnett	9
SA - Adelaide Hills, Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island	4
SA - Adelaide Metropolitan	6
SA - Barossa	4
SA - Far North	3
SA - Limestone Coast	4
SA - Murraylands and Riverland	4
SA - Whyalla and Eyre Peninsula	2
SA - Yorke and Mid North	1
WA - Goldfields Esperance	2
WA - Great Southern	5
WA - Kimberley	2
WA - Mid West Gascoyne	2
WA - Perth	5
WA - Pilbara	3
WA - South West	5
WA - Wheatbelt	6

Note a call for expressions of interest for Victorian RDA Committee Chair and Deputy Chair positions has not been made yet as the terms of current members do not expire until 30 June 2015.

3. No.
4. The timing of the availability of Terms of Reference for the review is yet to be determined.
5. The timing of the conclusion of the review is yet to be determined.
6. The expected cost of the review is yet to be determined.