

Vote 14

Basic Education

Adjusted budget summary

	2017/18			
R thousand	Main appropriation	Adjusted appropriation	Decrease	Increase
Amount to be appropriated	23 408 620	22 993 620	(420 897)	5 897
<i>of which:</i>				
Current payments	2 446 619	2 451 516	–	4 897
Transfers and subsidies	18 502 826	18 503 826	–	1 000
Payments for capital assets	2 459 175	2 038 278	(420 897)	–
Executive authority	Minister of Basic Education			
Accounting officer	Director-General of Basic Education			
Website address	www.education.gov.za			

Vote purpose

Develop, maintain and support a South African school education system for the 21st century.

Mid-year performance status

Indicator	Programme	Outcome	Annual performance		
			Projected for 2017/18 as published in the 2017 ENE	Achieved in the first six months of 2017/18 (April to September)	Changed target for 2017/18
Number of learners obtaining subject passes towards a national senior certificate through the Second Chance programme per year	Curriculum Policy, Support and Monitoring	Outcome 1: Quality basic education	20 000	0	–
Number of underperforming schools monitored on the implementation of the early grade reading assessment per year	Curriculum Policy, Support and Monitoring		50	25	–
Percentage of public schools with home language workbooks for learners in grades 1 to 6	Curriculum Policy, Support and Monitoring		100%	100% 17 051	–
Percentage of public schools with mathematics workbooks for learners in grades 1 to 9	Curriculum Policy, Support and Monitoring		100%	100% 22 785	–
Number of Funza Lushaka bursaries awarded to students enrolled for initial teacher education per year	Teachers, Education Human Resources and Institutional Development		13 500	15 127	–
Number of new schools built and completed through the accelerated school infrastructure delivery initiative per year	Planning, Information and Assessment		115	3	–
Number of schools provided with sanitation facilities through the accelerated school infrastructure delivery initiative per year	Planning, Information and Assessment		257	4	–
Number of schools provided with water through the accelerated school infrastructure delivery initiative per year	Planning, Information and Assessment		344	1	–
Number of schools provided with electricity through the accelerated school infrastructure delivery initiative per year	Planning, Information and Assessment		134	29	–
Number of schools provided with nutritious meals on each school day per year	Educational Enrichment Services		19 800	19 975	–

Mid-year progress

Information on the number of learners obtaining subject passes towards a national senior certificate through the matric second chance programme is not yet available. The department is still collating and verifying information from the supplementary examinations, and expects to meet the target by the end of the financial year.

All schools have home language and mathematics workbooks, which they have been using since the start of the third term in July. Workbooks for both subjects are also provided to schools at the beginning of the 2018 school year. Mathematics workbooks are provided to learners at primary and secondary schools,

whereas home language workbooks are provided only to learners at primary schools. As a result, more schools have mathematics workbooks than home language workbooks.

The number of Funza Lushaka bursaries awarded thus far has exceeded the target by 1 627 because university fees were lower than expected due to a moratorium on fee increases at universities for the students with an annual household income less than R600 000. This allowed more students to receive bursaries from the available funds.

Only 3 new schools have been completed through the accelerated school infrastructure delivery initiative against a target of 115 for the year. This is mainly due to poor performance by some implementing agents and difficulties experienced in replacing underperforming ones. The department has addressed these challenges and expects delivery to improve in the second half of the year. Similarly, the delivery of water and sanitation facilities has been stymied by poor performance on the part of implementing agents: water has been provided to 1 school out of a targeted 344, and sanitation to 4 schools out of a targeted 257. The department expects delivery to improve in this regard in the second half of the year as these projects have been reallocated to the Mvula Trust.

The accelerated school infrastructure delivery initiative has provided electricity to 29 schools, while 28 others have been electrified through municipal, provincial and Eskom programmes. The remaining 77 schools will be electrified by Eskom by the end of 2017/18.

The number of schools provided with meals each day through the national school nutrition programme has exceeded the target by 175. This is attributed to schools not included in the target in certain provinces where meals are provided to learners.

Adjusted Estimates of National Expenditure 2017

Programme	Main appropriation R thousand	2017/18					Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/ unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments		
Administration	416 283	–	–	10 300	–	–	10 300	426 583
Curriculum Policy, Support and Monitoring	1 801 953	–	–	(18 937)	–	–	(18 937)	1 783 016
Teachers, Education Human Resources and Institutional Development	1 215 104	–	–	37 000	–	–	37 000	1 252 104
Planning, Information and Assessment	13 248 303	–	–	(31 363)	(415 000)	–	(446 363)	12 801 940
Educational Enrichment Services	6 726 977	–	–	3 000	–	–	3 000	6 729 977
Total	23 408 620	–	–	–	(415 000)	–	(415 000)	22 993 620
Economic classification								
Current payments	2 446 619	–	–	4 897	–	–	4 897	2 451 516
Compensation of employees	476 694	–	–	400	–	–	400	477 094
Goods and services	1 921 288	–	–	4 497	–	–	4 497	1 925 785
Interest and rent on land	48 637	–	–	–	–	–	–	48 637
Transfers and subsidies	18 502 826	–	–	1 000	–	–	1 000	18 503 826
Provinces and municipalities	17 154 328	–	–	–	–	–	–	17 154 328
Departmental agencies and accounts	134 760	–	–	–	–	–	–	134 760
Foreign governments and international organisations	18 472	–	–	–	–	–	–	18 472
Non-profit institutions	99 474	–	–	–	–	–	–	99 474
Households	1 095 792	–	–	1 000	–	–	1 000	1 096 792
Payments for capital assets	2 459 175	–	–	(5 897)	(415 000)	–	(420 897)	2 038 278
Buildings and other fixed structures	2 443 998	–	–	–	(415 000)	–	(415 000)	2 028 998
Machinery and equipment	12 907	–	–	(5 897)	–	–	(5 897)	7 010
Software and other intangible assets	2 270	–	–	–	–	–	–	2 270
Total	23 408 620	–	–	–	(415 000)	–	(415 000)	22 993 620

Programme 1: Administration

Subprogramme	R thousand	Main appropriation	2017/18					Adjusted appropriation
			Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments	
Ministry	27 756	—	—	300	—	—	—	300
Department Management	71 496	—	—	9 200	—	—	—	9 200
Corporate Services	64 387	—	—	(686)	—	—	—	(686)
Office of the Chief Financial Officer	62 701	—	—	486	—	—	—	486
Internal Audit	6 275	—	—	1 000	—	—	—	1 000
Office Accommodation	183 668	—	—	—	—	—	—	183 668
Total	416 283	—	—	10 300	—	—	—	10 300
Economic classification								
Current payments	404 675	—	—	10 183	—	—	—	10 183
Compensation of employees	159 625	—	—	(117)	—	—	—	(117)
Goods and services	196 413	—	—	10 300	—	—	—	10 300
Interest and rent on land	48 637	—	—	—	—	—	—	48 637
Transfers and subsidies	405	—	—	117	—	—	—	117
Departmental agencies and accounts	405	—	—	—	—	—	—	405
Households	—	—	—	117	—	—	—	117
Payments for capital assets	11 203	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Buildings and other fixed structures	7 577	—	—	—	—	—	—	7 577
Machinery and equipment	3 366	—	—	—	—	—	—	3 366
Software and other intangible assets	260	—	—	—	—	—	—	260
Total	416 283	—	—	10 300	—	—	—	10 300
								426 583

Programme 2: Curriculum Policy, Support and Monitoring

Subprogramme	R thousand	Main appropriation	2017/18					Adjusted appropriation
			Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments	
Programme Management: Curriculum Policy, Support and Monitoring	3 311	—	—	500	—	—	—	500
Curriculum Implementation and Monitoring	220 952	—	—	200	—	—	—	200
Kha Ri Gude Literacy Project	129 268	—	—	(42 000)	—	—	—	(42 000)
Curriculum and Quality Enhancement Programmes	1 448 422	—	—	22 363	—	—	—	22 363
Total	1 801 953	—	—	(18 937)	—	—	—	(18 937)
Economic classification								
Current payments	1 355 742	—	—	(13 496)	—	—	—	(13 496)
Compensation of employees	86 239	—	—	944	—	—	—	944
Goods and services	1 269 503	—	—	(14 440)	—	—	—	(14 440)
Transfers and subsidies	437 315	—	—	456	—	—	—	456
Provinces and municipalities	437 145	—	—	—	—	—	—	437 145
Foreign governments and international organisations	170	—	—	—	—	—	—	170
Households	—	—	—	456	—	—	—	456
Payments for capital assets	8 896	—	—	(5 897)	—	—	—	(5 897)
Machinery and equipment	6 886	—	—	(5 897)	—	—	—	(5 897)
Software and other intangible assets	2 010	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	1 801 953	—	—	(18 937)	—	—	—	(18 937)
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Programme 3: Teachers, Education Human Resources and Institutional Development

Subprogramme	R thousand	Main appropriation	2017/18					Adjusted appropriation
			Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments	
Programme Management: Teachers, Education Human Resources and Institutional Development	3 087	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Education Human Resources Management	63 061	—	—	(3 000)	—	—	—	(3 000)
Education Human Resources Development	1 134 236	—	—	39 500	—	—	—	39 500
Curriculum and Professional Development Unit	14 720	—	—	500	—	—	—	500
Total	1 215 104	—	—	37 000	—	—	—	37 000
Economic classification								
Current payments	94 025	—	—	36 998	—	—	—	36 998
Compensation of employees	68 364	—	—	(2)	—	—	—	(2)
Goods and services	25 661	—	—	37 000	—	—	—	37 000
Transfers and subsidies	1 120 266	—	—	2	—	—	—	2
Departmental agencies and accounts	9 743	—	—	—	—	—	—	9 743
Foreign governments and international organisations	14 731	—	—	—	—	—	—	14 731
Households	1 095 792	—	—	2	—	—	—	2
Payments for capital assets	813	—	—	—	—	—	—	813
Machinery and equipment	813	—	—	—	—	—	—	813
Total	1 215 104	—	—	37 000	—	—	—	37 000
								1 252 104

Programme 4: Planning, Information and Assessment

Subprogramme	Main appropriation R thousand	2017/18					Adjusted appropriation
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/ unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments	
Programme Management: Planning, Information and Assessment	3 170	-	-	-	-	-	-
Financial Planning, Information and Management Systems	37 156	-	-	2 000	-	-	2 000
School Infrastructure	12 645 719	-	-	1 300	(415 000)	-	(413 700)
National Assessments and Public Examinations	421 186	-	-	(37 663)	-	-	(37 663)
National Education Evaluation and Development Unit	20 863	-	-	-	-	-	-
Planning and Delivery Oversight Unit	120 209	-	-	3 000	-	-	3 000
Total	13 248 303	-	-	(31 363)	(415 000)	-	(446 363)
Economic classification							
Current payments	537 220	-	-	(31 788)	-	-	(31 788)
Compensation of employees	124 697	-	-	(425)	-	-	(425)
Goods and services	412 523	-	-	(31 363)	-	-	(31 363)
Transfers and subsidies	10 273 158	-	-	425	-	-	425
Provinces and municipalities	10 045 562	-	-	-	-	-	-
Departmental agencies and accounts	124 612	-	-	-	-	-	-
Foreign governments and international organisations	3 571	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-profit institutions	99 413	-	-	-	-	-	-
Households	-	-	-	425	-	-	425
Payments for capital assets	2 437 925	-	-	-	(415 000)	-	(415 000)
Buildings and other fixed structures	2 436 421	-	-	-	(415 000)	-	(415 000)
Machinery and equipment	1 504	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	13 248 303	-	-	(31 363)	(415 000)	-	(446 363)

Programme 5: Educational Enrichment Services

Subprogramme	Main appropriation R thousand	2017/18					Adjusted appropriation
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/ unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments	
Programme Management: Educational Enrichment Services	3 124	-	-	-	-	-	-
Partnerships in Education	24 465	-	-	3 000	-	-	3 000
Care and Support in Schools	6 699 388	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	6 726 977	-	-	3 000	-	-	3 000
Economic classification							
Current payments	54 957	-	-	3 000	-	-	3 000
Compensation of employees	37 769	-	-	-	-	-	37 769
Goods and services	17 188	-	-	3 000	-	-	3 000
Transfers and subsidies	6 671 682	-	-	-	-	-	6 671 682
Provinces and municipalities	6 671 621	-	-	-	-	-	6 671 621
Non-profit institutions	61	-	-	-	-	-	61
Payments for capital assets	338	-	-	-	-	-	338
Machinery and equipment	338	-	-	-	-	-	338
Total	6 726 977	-	-	3 000	-	-	3 000

Details of adjustments to Estimates of National Expenditure 2017

Virements and shifts within votes

Programmes

1. Administration
2. Curriculum Policy, Support and Monitoring
3. Teachers, Education Human Resources and Institutional Development
4. Planning, Information and Assessment
5. Educational Enrichment Services

FROM:

Programme by economic classification	Motivation	R thousand	TO:	Programme by economic classification	Motivation	R thousand
Programme 1		(117)	Programme 1			117
Compensation of employees	Vacant posts ¹	(117)	Households	Leave gratuities		117
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget	0.4%					
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget	0.0%					
Programme 2		(26 690)	Programme 2			456
Compensation of employees	Vacant posts ¹	(456)	Households	Leave gratuities		456
Goods and services	Kha Ri Gude literacy project	(8 300)	Programme 1			8 300
			Goods and services	Support and oversight visits to provinces and engagements with school principals		8 300

FROM:			TO:		
Programme by economic classification	Motivation	R thousand	Programme by economic classification	Motivation	R thousand
Machinery and equipment	Reclassification of funds incorrectly classified in the 2017 ENE	(1 400)	Programme 2	Personnel remuneration ¹	1 400
	Kha Ri Gude literacy project	(10 637)	Programme 3		10 637
	Operation Phakisa and workbooks ¹	5 897	Goods and services	National Teacher Awards ceremony	10 637
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget			Programme 2	Broadcasting equipment and learner and teacher support materials	5 897
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget			Programme 3		5 897
Programme 3		(2)	Programme 3		2
Compensation of employees	Vacant posts ¹	(2)	Households	Leave gratuities	2
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget			Programme 4		425
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget			Programme 4		425
Programme 4		(31 788)	Households	Leave gratuities	425
Compensation of employees	Vacant posts ¹	(425)	Programme 1		2 000
Goods and services	Annual national assessments	(2 000)	Goods and services	Consultants for internal audit and risk management	2 000
	Annual national assessments	(26 363)	Programme 3		26 363
	Annual national assessments	(3 000)	Goods and services	National Teacher Awards ceremony	26 363
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget			Programme 5		3 000
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget			Goods and services	South African School Choral Eisteddfod	3 000
Total		(58 597)			58 597

1. National Treasury approval has been obtained.

Declared unspent funds – R415 million

Programme 4: Planning, Information and Assessment

R415 million in unspent funds has been declared on the school infrastructure backlog grant due to slow spending on school infrastructure projects.

Expenditure outcome for 2016/17 and actual expenditure for 2017/18

Programme R thousand	2016/17 Audited outcome					2017/18 Actual expenditure		
	Adjusted appropriation	Apr 16 - Sep 16	% of adjusted appropriation	Apr 16 - Mar 17	% of adjusted appropriation	Adjusted appropriation	Appropriation/ Total (%)	Apr 17 - Sep 17 % of adjusted appropriation
Administration	388 393	205 857	53.0	418 304	107.7	426 583	1.9	219 067 51.4
Curriculum Policy, Support and Monitoring	1 902 207	488 959	25.7	1 826 690	96.0	1 783 016	7.8	474 153 26.6
Teachers, Education Human Resources and Institutional Development	1 160 042	987 642	85.1	1 177 397	101.5	1 252 104	5.4	1 037 586 82.9
Planning, Information and Assessment	12 621 392	6 399 176	50.7	11 719 952	92.9	12 801 940	55.7	7 019 780 54.8
Educational Enrichment Services	6 341 427	3 630 067	57.2	6 333 721	99.9	6 729 977	29.3	3 880 326 57.7
Total	22 413 461	11 711 701	52.3	21 476 064	95.8	22 993 620	100.0	12 630 912 54.9
Economic classification								
Current payments	2 580 720	800 093	31.0	2 561 408	99.3	2 451 516	10.7	695 643 28.4
Compensation of employees	471 235	223 864	47.5	454 375	96.4	477 094	2.1	242 201 50.8
Goods and services	2 063 164	576 229	27.9	2 060 712	99.9	1 925 785	8.4	430 585 22.4
Interest and rent on land	46 321	–	0.0	46 321	100.0	48 637	0.2	22 857 47.0
Transfers and subsidies	17 839 114	10 607 481	59.5	17 845 762	100.0	18 503 826	80.5	11 481 740 62.1
Provinces and municipalities	16 586 230	9 597 654	57.9	16 579 568	100.0	17 154 328	74.6	10 355 760 60.4
Departmental agencies and accounts	1 162 484	968 920	83.3	1 167 459	100.4	134 760	0.6	67 582 50.1
Foreign governments and international organisations	17 314	–	0.0	19 196	110.9	18 472	0.1	– 0.0
Non-profit institutions	72 178	40 000	55.4	76 178	105.5	99 474	0.4	69 413 69.8
Households	908	907	99.9	3 361	370.2	1 096 792	4.8	988 985 90.2

2017 Adjusted Estimates of National Expenditure

R thousand	Adjusted appropriation	2016/17 Audited outcome				2017/18 Actual expenditure				Apr 17 - Sep 17 % of adjusted appropriation	
		Apr 16 - Sep 16 % of adjusted appropriation		Apr 16 - Mar 17 % of adjusted appropriation		Adjusted appropriation	Adjusted appropriation/ Total (%)				
		Apr 16 - Sep 16	adjusted appropriation	Apr 16 - Mar 17	adjusted appropriation						
Payments for capital assets	1 993 627	303 838	15.2	1 063 493	53.3	2 038 278	8.9	453 175	22.2		
Buildings and other fixed structures	1 987 023	301 962	15.2	1 056 751	53.2	2 028 998	8.8	451 257	22.2		
Machinery and equipment	6 594	1 876	28.5	6 742	102.2	7 010	0.0	1 846	26.3		
Software and other intangible assets	10	—	0.0	—	0.0	2 270	0.0	72	3.2		
Payments for financial assets	—	289	—	5 401	—	—	0.0	354	0.0		
Total	22 413 461	11 711 701	52.3	21 476 064	95.8	22 993 620	100.0	12 630 912	54.9		

Expenditure trends for the first six months of 2017/18

Total expenditure in 2016/17 was R21.5 billion, or 95.8 per cent of the 2016/17 adjusted appropriation. Expenditure in the first six months of 2017/18 was R12.6 billion, or 54.9 per cent of the adjusted appropriation of R23 billion for the year. In comparison, mid-year expenditure in 2016/17 was R11.7 billion, or 52.3 per cent of the 2016/17 adjusted appropriation. Compared to the first six months of 2016/17, expenditure over the same period in 2017/18 increased by R919.2 million, or 7.8 per cent. This is mainly due to increased expenditure on the school infrastructure backlogs grant; the education infrastructure grant; and interest and rent on land relating to the public-private partnership unitary fee, which is now paid monthly as opposed to annually, for the department's office accommodation.

Departmental receipts

R thousand	Adjusted estimate	2016/17 Audited outcome				2017/18 Actual receipts				Apr 17 - Sep 17 % of adjusted estimate	
		Apr 16 - Sep 16 % of adjusted estimate		Apr 16 - Mar 17 % of adjusted estimate		Budget estimate	Adjusted estimate	Adjusted receipts estimate/ Total (%)			
		Apr 16 - Sep 16	adjusted estimate	Apr 16 - Mar 17	adjusted estimate						
Departmental receipts	16 001	7 823	48.9	15 521	97.0	7 742	15 189	100.0	9 062	59.7	
Sales of goods and services produced by department	1 831	1 143	62.4	2 489	135.9	2 732	2 778	18.3	1 034	37.2	
Sales of scrap, waste, arms and other used current goods	170	150	88.2	—	—	—	149	1.0	149	100.0	
Transfers received	—	—	—	—	—	—	244	1.6	—	—	
Interest, dividends and rent on land	13 767	6 300	45.8	10 382	75.4	5 000	11 682	76.9	7 732	66.2	
Sales of capital assets	—	—	—	15	—	10	190	1.3	1	0.5	
Transactions in financial assets and liabilities	233	230	98.7	2 635	1 130.9	—	146	1.0	146	100.0	
Total	16 001	7 823	48.9	15 521	97.0	7 742	15 189	100.0	9 062	59.7	

Revenue trends for the first six months of 2017/18

Revenue in the first six months of 2017/18 was R9.1 million, or 59.7 per cent of the adjusted revenue estimate of R15.2 million for the year. In comparison, mid-year revenue in 2016/17 was R7.8 million, or 48.9 per cent of the 2016/17 adjusted estimate. Compared to the first six months of 2016/17, revenue over the same period in 2017/18 increased by R1.2 million, or 15.8 per cent. This is mainly due to higher interest received on advance payments to implementing agents for the school infrastructure backlogs grant, where delays in implementation have resulted in slow spending.

Changes to transfers and subsidies

Summary of changes to transfers and subsidies per programme

R thousand	Main appropriation	2017/18						Adjusted appropriation	
		Adjustments appropriation							
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments	Total adjustments appropriation		
Administration									
Households									
Social benefits									
Current	-	-	-	117	-	-	117	117	
Employee social benefits				117	-	-	117	117	
Curriculum Policy, Support and Monitoring									
Households									
Social benefits									
Current	-	-	-	456	-	-	456	456	
Employee social benefits				456	-	-	456	456	
Teachers, Education Human Resources and Institutional Development									
Households									
Social benefits									
Current	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	2	
Employee social benefits				2	-	-	2	2	
Planning, Information and Assessment									
Households									
Social benefits									
Current	-	-	-	425	-	-	425	425	
Employee social benefits				425	-	-	425	425	

