

Vote 6

International Relations and Cooperation

Adjusted budget summary

R thousand	2018/19			
	Main appropriation	Adjusted appropriation	Decrease	Increase
Amount to be appropriated	6 552 768	6 552 768	(8 231)	8 231
<i>of which:</i>				
Current payments	5 574 928	5 566 697	(8 231)	–
Transfers and subsidies	667 154	675 355	–	8 201
Payments for capital assets	310 686	310 716	–	30
Executive authority	Minister of International Relations and Cooperation			
Accounting officer	Director General of International Relations and Cooperation			
Website address	www.dirco.gov.za			

Vote purpose

Formulate, coordinate, implement and manage South Africa's foreign policy and international relations programmes.

Mid-year performance status

Indicator	Programme	MTSF outcome	Annual performance		
			Projected for 2018/19 as published in the 2018 ENE	Achieved in the first six months of 2018/19 (April to September)	Changed target for 2018/19
Number of structured bilateral mechanisms facilitated to promote national priorities (African Agenda and the Agenda of the South) per year	International Relations	Outcome 11: Create a better South Africa, a better Africa and a better world	15	3	–
Number of high level engagements facilitated to promote national priorities (African Agenda and the Agenda of the South) per year	International Relations		20	22	–
Number of economic diplomacy initiatives undertaken to contribute to South Africa's economic growth per year:	International Relations				
- trade and investment seminars			112	65	–
- engagements with chambers of commerce			126	72	–
Number of tourism promotional events hosted per year	International Relations		60	33	–
Number of bilateral meetings per year to seek investment into South Africa held with:	International Relations				
- targeted government ministries to seek cooperation and possible technology exchange			70	73	–
- high level potential investors			90	73	–
Number of Southern African Development Community structures and processes supported with substance and logistics to promote peace and stability, socioeconomic development, good governance, democracy, and regional integration per year	International Relations		7	4	–
Number of African Union structures and processes used to promote peace and stability, socioeconomic development, good governance and democracy on the continent per year	International Cooperation	6	2	–	

Indicator	Programme	MTSF outcome	Annual performance		
			Projected for 2018/19 as published in the 2018 ENE	Achieved in the first six months of 2018/19 (April to September)	Changed target for 2018/19
Number of multilateral structures and processes engaged in to strengthen outcomes to meet the needs of South Africa, Africa and the developing countries per year	International Cooperation	Outcome 11: Create a better South Africa, a better Africa and a better world	11	5	–
Number of high level meetings of organisations of the South engaged to contribute to and advance common positions of the South, and align with South Africa's foreign policy per year	International Cooperation		20	8	–
Number of platforms created per year to inform and promote South Africa's foreign policy to domestic and international audiences: - public participation programmes - media statements published - opinion pieces published	Public Diplomacy and Protocol Services		12 120 10	13 70 8	– – –

Mid-year progress

In the first half of 2018/19, 3 structured bilateral mechanisms were completed against a target of 15 for the year. The department expects to complete the remaining structured bilateral mechanisms in the second half of the financial year.

By mid-year of 2018/19, 22 high level engagements were facilitated to promote national priorities against a target of 20 for the year. This overachievement was due to the department's intensified focus on strengthening bilateral political relations and the presidential investment promotion campaign.

In the first half of 2018/19, 73 bilateral meetings with government ministries were held to seek cooperation and possible technology exchange against a target of 70 for the year, and 73 meetings were held with high level potential investors against a target of 90 for the year. These overachievements were due to the department's investment promotion campaign.

By mid-year of 2018/19, 2 African Union structures and processes were used to promote peace and stability, socioeconomic development, good governance and democracy on the continent against a target of 6 for the year. The department expects to achieve the target by the end of the financial year.

Regarding the indicator of platforms created to inform and promote South Africa's foreign policy to domestic and international audiences, in the first half of 2018/19, 13 public participation programmes were completed against a target of 12 for the year, and 8 opinion pieces were published against a target of 10 for the year. These overachievements were due to intensified public diplomacy efforts by the department.

Adjusted Estimates of National Expenditure 2018

Programme	2018/19							Adjusted appropriation
	Main appropriation	Adjustments appropriation					Total adjustments appropriation	
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments		
R thousand								
Administration	1 665 571	–	–	(16 125)	–	–	(16 125)	1 649 446
International Relations	3 359 436	–	–	16 125	–	–	16 125	3 375 561
International Cooperation	568 259	–	–	(40 781)	–	–	(40 781)	527 478
Public Diplomacy and Protocol Services	302 147	–	–	40 781	–	–	40 781	342 928
International Transfers	657 355	–	–	–	–	–	–	657 355
Total	6 552 768	–	–	–	–	–	–	6 552 768

Economic classification	2018/19							
	Main appropriation	Adjustments appropriation					Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments		
R thousand								
Current payments	5 574 928	–	–	(8 231)	–	–	(8 231)	5 566 697
Compensation of employees	2 964 489	–	–	–	–	–	–	2 964 489
Goods and services	2 523 167	–	–	(8 231)	–	–	(8 231)	2 514 936
Interest and rent on land	87 272	–	–	–	–	–	–	87 272
Transfers and subsidies	667 154	–	–	8 201	–	–	8 201	675 355
Departmental agencies and accounts	48 224	–	–	–	–	–	–	48 224
Foreign governments and international organisations	609 131	–	–	–	–	–	–	609 131
Households	9 799	–	–	8 201	–	–	8 201	18 000
Payments for capital assets	310 686	–	–	30	–	–	30	310 716
Buildings and other fixed structures	267 968	–	–	–	–	–	–	267 968
Machinery and equipment	42 718	–	–	30	–	–	30	42 748
Total	6 552 768	–	–	–	–	–	–	6 552 768

Programme 1: Administration

Subprogramme	2018/19							
	Main appropriation	Adjustments appropriation					Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments		
R thousand								
Ministry	7 708	–	–	–	–	–	–	7 708
Departmental Management	18 763	–	–	–	–	–	–	18 763
Audit Services	20 746	–	–	1 804	–	–	1 804	22 550
Financial Management	198 154	–	–	(6 769)	–	–	(6 769)	191 385
Corporate Services	735 695	–	–	(6 546)	–	–	(6 546)	729 149
Diplomatic Training, Research and Development	72 702	–	–	(2 693)	–	–	(2 693)	70 009
Foreign Fixed Assets Management	256 066	–	–	–	–	–	–	256 066
Office Accommodation	355 737	–	–	(1 921)	–	–	(1 921)	353 816
Total	1 665 571	–	–	(16 125)	–	–	(16 125)	1 649 446
Economic classification								
Current payments	1 372 482	–	–	(16 125)	–	–	(16 125)	1 356 357
Compensation of employees	495 553	–	–	(16 125)	–	–	(16 125)	479 428
Goods and services	789 657	–	–	–	–	–	–	789 657
Interest and rent on land	87 272	–	–	–	–	–	–	87 272
Transfers and subsidies	1 561	–	–	–	–	–	–	1 561
Households	1 561	–	–	–	–	–	–	1 561
Payments for capital assets	291 528	–	–	–	–	–	–	291 528
Buildings and other fixed structures	267 968	–	–	–	–	–	–	267 968
Machinery and equipment	23 560	–	–	–	–	–	–	23 560
Total	1 665 571	–	–	(16 125)	–	–	(16 125)	1 649 446

Programme 2: International Relations

Subprogramme	2018/19							
	Main appropriation	Adjustments appropriation					Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments		
R thousand								
Africa	1 062 505	–	–	–	–	–	–	1 062 505
Asia and Middle East	897 448	–	–	8 000	–	–	8 000	905 448
Americas and Caribbean	515 842	–	–	(8 000)	–	–	(8 000)	507 842
Europe	883 641	–	–	16 125	–	–	16 125	899 766
Total	3 359 436	–	–	16 125	–	–	16 125	3 375 561

Programme 2: International Relations (continued)

Economic classification	2018/19							
	Main appropriation	Adjustments appropriation					Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments		
R thousand								
Current payments	3 334 920	–	–	8 534	–	–	8 534	3 343 454
Compensation of employees	1 943 564	–	–	16 125	–	–	16 125	1 959 689
Goods and services	1 391 356	–	–	(7 591)	–	–	(7 591)	1 383 765
Transfers and subsidies	5 473	–	–	7 591	–	–	7 591	13 064
Households	5 473	–	–	7 591	–	–	7 591	13 064
Payments for capital assets	19 043	–	–	–	–	–	–	19 043
Machinery and equipment	19 043	–	–	–	–	–	–	19 043
Total	3 359 436	–	–	16 125	–	–	16 125	3 375 561

Programme 3: International Cooperation

Subprogramme	2018/19							
	Main appropriation	Adjustments appropriation					Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments		
R thousand								
Global System of Governance	346 779	–	–	(6 662)	–	–	(6 662)	340 117
Continental Cooperation	119 159	–	–	(28 429)	–	–	(28 429)	90 730
South-South Cooperation	8 085	–	–	(2 569)	–	–	(2 569)	5 516
North-South Dialogue	94 236	–	–	(3 121)	–	–	(3 121)	91 115
Total	568 259	–	–	(40 781)	–	–	(40 781)	527 478
Economic classification								
Current payments	566 932	–	–	(41 391)	–	–	(41 391)	525 541
Compensation of employees	341 835	–	–	–	–	–	–	341 835
Goods and services	225 097	–	–	(41 391)	–	–	(41 391)	183 706
Transfers and subsidies	1 212	–	–	610	–	–	610	1 822
Households	1 212	–	–	610	–	–	610	1 822
Payments for capital assets	115	–	–	–	–	–	–	115
Machinery and equipment	115	–	–	–	–	–	–	115
Total	568 259	–	–	(40 781)	–	–	(40 781)	527 478

Programme 4: Public Diplomacy and Protocol Services

Subprogramme	2018/19							
	Main appropriation	Adjustments appropriation					Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments		
R thousand								
Public Diplomacy	86 150	–	–	8 704	–	–	8 704	94 854
Protocol Services	215 997	–	–	32 077	–	–	32 077	248 074
Total	302 147	–	–	40 781	–	–	40 781	342 928
Economic classification								
Current payments	300 594	–	–	40 751	–	–	40 751	341 345
Compensation of employees	183 537	–	–	–	–	–	–	183 537
Goods and services	117 057	–	–	40 751	–	–	40 751	157 808
Transfers and subsidies	1 553	–	–	–	–	–	–	1 553
Households	1 553	–	–	–	–	–	–	1 553
Payments for capital assets	–	–	–	30	–	–	30	30
Machinery and equipment	–	–	–	30	–	–	30	30
Total	302 147	–	–	40 781	–	–	40 781	342 928

Details of adjustments to Estimates of National Expenditure 2018

Virements and shifts within the vote

Programmes					
1. Administration					
2. International Relations					
3. International Cooperation					
4. Public Diplomacy and Protocol Services					
5. International Transfers					
FROM:			TO:		
Programme by economic classification	Motivation	R thousand	Programme by economic classification	Motivation	R thousand
Programme 1		(16 125)	Programme 2		16 125
Compensation of employees	Vacant posts	(16 125)	Compensation of employees	To cover shortfall resulting from the actual head count	16 125
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget		0.0%			
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget		1.0%			
Programme 2		(7 591)	Programme 2		7 591
Goods and services	Business advisory services, contractors, operating leases and payments, and travel and subsistence	(7 591)	Households	Leave gratuities and severance packages	7 591
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget		0.2%			
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget		0.0%			
Programme 3		(41 391)	Programme 3		610
Goods and services	Administrative services, catering, consumable supplies, contractors, and inventory (materials and supplies) Various non-core goods and services items	(610)	Households	Leave gratuities and severance packages	610
	Operating leases and payments, and travel and subsistence	(9 783)	Programme 4		40 781
	Operating leases and payments, and travel and subsistence	(30 998)	Goods and services	Venues and facilities	9 783
			Goods and services	Venues and facilities	30 998
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget		0.1%			
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget		7.2%			
Programme 4		(30)	Programme 4		30
Goods and services	Stationery, printing and office supplies	(30)	Machinery and equipment	Realignment of budget due to increase in protocol services	30
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget		0.0%			
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget		0.0%			
Total		(65 137)			65 137

Expenditure outcome for 2017/18 and actual expenditure for 2018/19

Programme	2017/18					2018/19			
	Audited outcome					Actual expenditure			
R thousand	Adjusted appropriation	Apr 17 - Sep 17	Apr 17 - Sep 17 % of adjusted appropriation	Apr 17 - Mar 18	Apr 17 - Mar 18 % of adjusted appropriation	Adjusted appropriation	Adjusted appropriation/ Total (%)	Apr 18 - Sep 18	Apr 18 - Sep 18 % of adjusted appropriation
Administration	1 556 613	564 133	36.2	1 229 354	79.0	1 649 446	25.2	548 083	33.2
International Relations	3 470 343	1 778 701	51.3	3 470 206	100.0	3 375 561	51.5	1 729 795	51.2
International Cooperation	490 123	225 900	46.1	445 308	90.9	527 478	8.0	266 778	50.6
Public Diplomacy and Protocol Services	282 660	125 454	44.4	270 443	95.7	342 928	5.2	192 109	56.0
International Transfers	608 600	159 578	26.2	581 545	95.6	657 355	10.0	425 915	64.8
Total	6 408 339	2 853 766	44.5	5 996 856	93.6	6 552 768	100.0	3 162 680	48.3
Economic classification									
Current payments	5 470 627	2 660 806	48.6	5 328 636	97.4	5 566 697	85.0	2 698 319	48.5
Compensation of employees	3 022 027	1 486 214	49.2	3 018 810	99.9	2 964 489	45.2	1 518 512	51.2
Goods and services	2 365 866	1 133 225	47.9	2 227 415	94.1	2 514 936	38.4	1 132 417	45.0
Interest and rent on land	82 734	41 367	50.0	82 411	99.6	87 272	1.3	47 390	54.3
Transfers and subsidies	616 305	164 547	26.7	608 244	98.7	675 355	10.3	442 590	65.5
Departmental agencies and accounts	22 243	22 243	100.0	22 243	100.0	48 224	0.7	38 692	80.2
Foreign governments and international organisations	586 357	137 335	23.4	559 302	95.4	609 131	9.3	387 223	63.6
Households	7 705	4 969	64.5	26 699	346.5	18 000	0.3	16 675	92.6
Payments for capital assets	321 407	28 413	8.8	59 976	18.7	310 716	4.7	21 771	7.0
Buildings and other fixed structures	253 648	24 075	9.5	29 192	11.5	267 968	4.1	19 824	7.4
Machinery and equipment	67 759	4 338	6.4	30 784	45.4	42 748	0.7	1 947	4.6
Total	6 408 339	2 853 766	44.5	5 996 856	93.6	6 552 768	100.0	3 162 680	48.3

Expenditure trends for the first half of 2018/19

Total expenditure in 2017/18 was R6 billion, 93.6 per cent of the adjusted appropriation for the year. Mid-year expenditure in 2017/18 was R2.9 billion, 44.5 per cent of the adjusted appropriation for the year, whereas expenditure in the first half of 2018/19 was R3.2 billion, 48.3 per cent of the adjusted appropriation of R6.6 billion for the year. Compared to the first half of 2017/18, expenditure over the same period in 2018/19 increased by R308.9 million, 10.8 per cent. This was mainly due to expenditure incurred for hosting the 2018 BRICS Summit and increases in assessed membership contribution fees to the African Union.

Departmental receipts

R thousand	2017/18					2018/19				
	Adjusted estimate	Audited outcome			Actual receipts					
		Apr 17 - Sep 17	adjusted estimate	% of	Budget estimate	Adjusted estimate	Adjusted receipts estimate/ Total (%)	Apr 18 - Sep 18	adjusted estimate	% of
Departmental receipts	38 464	17 172	44.6	38 607	100.4	40 388	40 388	100.0	16 152	40.0
Sales of goods and services produced by department	990	692	69.9	1 439	145.4	1 179	1 055	2.6	625	59.2
Sales of scrap, waste, arms and other used current goods	10	10	100.0	–	–	–	8	0.0	–	–
Fines, penalties and forfeits	4	3	75.0	29	725.0	–	–	–	–	–
Interest, dividends and rent on land	653	325	49.8	685	104.9	2 014	679	1.7	322	47.4
Sales of capital assets	5 071	1 233	24.3	2 647	52.2	6 722	2 954	7.3	755	25.6
Transactions in financial assets and liabilities	31 736	14 909	47.0	33 807	106.5	30 473	35 692	88.4	14 450	40.5
Total	38 464	17 172	44.6	38 607	100.4	40 388	40 388	100.0	16 152	40.0

Revenue trends for the first half of 2018/19

Mid-year revenue in 2017/18 was R17.2 million, 44.6 per cent of the 2017/18 adjusted estimate, whereas mid-year revenue in 2018/19 was R16.2 million, 40 per cent of the adjusted estimate for the year. Compared to the first half of 2017/18, revenue over the same period in 2018/19 decreased by R1 million, 5.9 per cent, mainly due to the department collecting less VAT refunds from missions on exemptible goods and services.

Changes to transfers and subsidies

Summary of changes to transfers and subsidies per programme

R thousand	2018/19							Adjusted appropriation
	Main appropriation	Adjustments appropriation					Total adjustments appropriation	
		Roll-overs	Unforeseeable/unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Declared unspent funds	Other adjustments		
International Relations								
Households								
Social benefits								
Current	5 473	–	–	7 591	–	–	7 591	13 064
Employee social benefits	5 473	–	–	7 591	–	–	7 591	13 064
International Cooperation								
Households								
Social benefits								
Current	1 212	–	–	610	–	–	610	1 822
Employee social benefits	1 212	–	–	610	–	–	610	1 822

