

Sport and Recreation

Aim

The aim of the Department of Sport and Recreation is to improve the mental and physical well-being of the community by promoting local sport and recreation, as well as international sport and recreation relations and participation.

Policy developments

In April 1999, Cabinet approved the establishment of a national Sports Commission that would assume the functions of the Department of Sport and Recreation and incorporate the National Sports Council. It was envisaged that both these entities would be disbanded once the Commission has been established. In January 2000, Cabinet decided to retain a small Department tasked with the responsibility of policy formulation.

In the 1999 Budget, the Minister announced a government contribution of R48,2 million to the All Africa Games. In the 1999 Adjustment Estimate, a further R31,1 million was allocated to the Games.

Expenditure estimates

Table 18.1 Expenditure by programme

R million	Expenditure outcome			Revised estimate	Medium-term expenditure estimate		
	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03
Administration	9,9	12,2	11,8	14,3	12,1	12,8	13,1
Sport and recreation	44,6	106,2	74,0	124,3	45,6	43,9	45,9
Departmental vote	54,5	118,4	85,8	138,6			
Public Works ¹							
Total	54,5	118,4	85,8	138,6	57,7	56,7	59,0
Change to 1999 Budget estimate	–	–	–	38,9	3,1	0,2	–

¹ Appropriated on Vote 26: Public Works.

- *Administration* refers to the overall management and administration of the Department, including the offices of the Minister and Director-General.
- *Sport and recreation* comprises support to the South African Sports Commission, the South African Institute for Drug-free Sport, the National Olympic Committee of South Africa, national sport and recreation federations and other service providers. This programme combines the former *Sports advancement*, *Recreation advancement*, *Sport services* and *Sport development* programmes.

Table 18.2 Economic classification of expenditure

R million	Expenditure outcome			Revised estimate 1999/00	Medium-term expenditure estimate		
	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99		2000/01	2001/02	2002/03
Current							
Personnel	9,2	10,6	11,5	13,7	7,7	8,1	8,5
Transfer payments	26,1	35,9	33,0	90,2	42,0	40,0	41,0
Other	5,7	11,8	11,1	26,3	7,3	7,8	8,7
Capital							
Transfer payments	12,5	59,5	29,6	0,6	–	–	–
Acquisition of capital assets	0,9	0,6	0,7	7,8	0,7	0,7	0,9
Total	54,5	118,4	85,8	138,6	57,7	56,7	59,0

The 1999/00 budget included a once-off transfer of R79,3 million for the 1999 All Africa Games. The Sports Commission will carry out most of the current activities of the Department, and some staff will be moved to the Commission. As a result, personnel and other current expenditure decreases from R40 million in 1999/00 to R15 million in 2002/03 and transfers to other institutions, excluding the All Africa Games, increases from R10,9 million in 1999/00 to R42 million in 2000/01.

Programme 1: Administration

Table 18.3 Programme expenditure

R million	Budget estimate	Adjusted appropriation 1999/00	Revised estimate	Medium-term expenditure estimate		
				2000/01	2001/02	2002/03
1999 Budget	15,0	14,6	14,3	15,8	16,3	–
2000 Budget	–	–	–	12,1	12,8	13,1
Change to 1999 Budget estimate	–	(0,4)	(0,7)	(3,7)	(3,5)	–

Policy formulated by the Minister, Director-General and other members of the Department's management are dealt with under this programme. It involves organising the Department, rendering centralised administrative and office support services, managing personnel and financial administration, determining working methods and procedures, and exercising managerial control.

Programme 2: Sport and recreation

Table 18.4 Programme expenditure

R million	Budget estimate	Adjusted appropriation 1999/00	Revised estimate	Medium-term expenditure estimate		
				2000/01	2001/02	2002/03
1999 Budget ¹	85,6	124,4	124,3	38,9	40,2	–
2000 Budget	–	–	–	45,6	43,9	45,9
Change to 1999 Budget estimate	–	38,8	38,7	6,7	3,7	–

¹ The 1999 Budget figures reflect the sum of programmes merged to create the current programme structure.

As noted, the *Sport and recreation* programme combines a number of programmes previously listed in the Department's budget. It consists mainly of transfers to agencies and institutions that deliver services according to the objectives of the Department. The South African Sports Commission will receive R22 million in 2000/01, while R3 million is earmarked for South Africa's participation in the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games. Transfers are also made to national sporting and recreation federations and the Institute for Drug-free Sport.

The 1999 Budget allocated R85,6 million to the *Sport and recreation* programme. An additional amount of R31,1 million was voted to the All Africa Games in the 1999 Adjustments Estimates and an amount of R7,5 million was rolled over from the previous year.

The baseline estimates on this programme are revised upwards to R45,6 million in 2000/01, R43,9 million in 2001/02 and R45,9 million in 2002/03. This reflects a smaller allocation for *Administration* as some of the administrative functions have been transferred to the Sports Commission.

Outputs and service delivery trends

Table 18.5 Sport and recreation: Key activities and outputs

Key activities	Outputs
Institute for Drug-free Sport	Random drug testing of participants in sport bodies
Sport and recreation facilities – upgrade and build facilities	Completed outdoor and indoor facilities
Information services	Collated data on sport and recreation bodies
Talent identification programmes – conduct screening clinics, predominantly in rural and disadvantaged areas	Screening of athletes
All Africa Games	The 7 th All Africa Games was highly successful from a sporting, social, political and financial point of view.

In 1999/00 the Department:

- Conducted random drug testing of participants in 140 sport bodies.
- Collated data on 140 sport federations, three macro-organisations and over 4 million participants.
- Screened 9 000 children and 300 teachers, predominantly in rural and disadvantaged areas, to identify sporting talent.
- Targeted 800 athletes from 26 codes of sport for high-performance training.

The Department has also contributed to the costs of 208 basic outdoor facilities since 1994, while an indoor facility has been built in each of the nine provinces.

Outside agencies, such as the Sports Commission, Institute for Drug-free Sport and research institutes, will deliver more of the Department's services. The Department provides transfers to 72 of the 140 national sport and recreation federations. Provinces and local government are also playing an increasing role in providing sport and recreation facilities, particularly to poor and rural communities.

The Department will provide technical support to the Soccer World Cup bid, and assist in marketing the bid domestically and internationally.

Public entities reporting to the Minister responsible for Sport and Recreation

South African Sports Commission

The SA Sports Commission will become fully functional during 2000 and take over the assets and liabilities of the former National Sports Council.