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QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY
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297. Mr I M Ollis (DA) to ask the Minister of Finance:

What percentage of each metropolitan municipality's operational budget was spent on staff expenditure in the (a) 2013-14 and (b) 2014-15 financial years?

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REPLY:

Staff remuneration of metropolitan municipalities, 2013-14 - 2014/15

	2013/14					2014/15				
	Total staff remuneration (without councillors)	Total staff remuneration (with councillors)	Total expenditure	% of total exp (without councillors)	% of total exp (with councillors)	Total staff remuneration (without councillors)	Total staff remuneration (with councillors)	Total expenditure	% of total exp (without councillors)	% of total exp (with councillors)
R thousand										
Buffalo City	1 134 596	1 179 684	4 629 176	24.5%	25.5%	1 192 331	1 240 013	5 145 041	23.2%	24.1%
Cape Town	8 691 018	8 811 171	26 679 626	32.6%	33.0%	8 177 924	8 306 691	27 545 607	29.7%	30.2%
City Of Johannesburg	7 942 566	8 063 205	33 822 134	23.5%	23.8%	8 582 979	8 710 478	37 829 226	22.7%	23.0%
City Of Tshwane	6 086 505	6 183 294	22 534 049	27.0%	27.4%	6 318 954	6 423 147	24 329 503	26.0%	26.4%
Ekurhuleni Metro	5 632 316	5 726 457	23 110 185	24.4%	24.8%	5 821 116	5 921 093	25 278 715	23.0%	23.4%
eThekweni	6 893 729	6 988 450	24 533 107	28.1%	28.5%	7 157 526	7 258 321	26 698 962	26.8%	27.2%
Mangaung	1 109 018	1 156 125	4 975 962	22.3%	23.2%	1 261 006	1 310 600	5 658 278	22.3%	23.2%
Nelson Mandela Bay	1 761 674	1 817 592	7 436 295	23.7%	24.4%	2 176 075	2 234 236	8 192 029	26.6%	27.3%
Total	39 251 422	39 925 978	147 720 534	26.6%	27.0%	40 687 911	41 404 579	160 677 361	25.3%	25.8%

Source: Consolidated AFS of metros, 2014/15

1. The table above is based on the audit outcomes as submitted by the metropolitan municipalities.
2. In 2013/14 the metros spent on average 26.6 per cent of their total expenditure on staff remuneration. This has decreased to 25.3 per cent in 2014/15.
3. MFMA Circular 71 states the norm to be between 25 per cent and 40 per cent. If the ratio exceed the norm it could indicate inefficiencies, overstaffing or even the incorrect focus due to misdirected expenditure to non-essentials or non-service delivery related expenditure.