

Summary table of national revenue, expenditure and borrowing for the month ended 30 April 2026

R thousand	Table	2026/27		2025/26	
		Budget estimate	April	Preliminary outcome	April
<b>Revenue<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2 082 003 100</b>	<b>117 547 093</b>	<b>1 994 341 543</b>	<b>104 472 229</b>
<b>Expenditure<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2 383 252 766</b>	<b>181 113 921</b>	<b>2 325 290 946</b>	<b>169 102 618</b>
<b>Appropriation by vote</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1 214 088 031</b>	<b>111 343 761</b>	<b>1 184 344 771</b>	<b>103 429 306</b>
<b>Direct charges against the NRF</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1 162 834 547</b>	<b>69 770 160</b>	<b>1 140 946 175</b>	<b>65 673 312</b>
<i>Debt-service costs</i>		432 448 720	9 001 004	417 892 325	9 745 897
<i>Provincial equitable share</i>		670 322 736	55 860 229	649 339 142	52 763 829
<i>General fuel levy sharing with metropolitan municipalities</i>		17 530 026	-	16 849 080	-
<i>Public-sector-related pension, post-retirement medical and other benefits</i>		8 541 453	686 457	8 006 513	624 874
<i>Skill Levy and SETAs</i>		27 657 285	2 369 819	25 575 720	2 133 704
<i>Other costs</i>		6 334 327	1 852 651	13 164 804	405 008
<i>Guarantees, indemnities and securities: Payment to the South African Reserve Bank</i>		-	-	118 590	-
<i>Section 16 payment to the Central Energy Fund (Mineral and Petroleum Resources)</i>		-	-	10 000 000	-
<i>Provisional allocations not appropriated</i>		1 322 155	-	-	-
<i>Contingency reserve</i>		5 008 033	-	-	-
<b>Main budget balance</b>		<b>(301 249 666)</b>	<b>(63 566 828)</b>	<b>(330 949 404)</b>	<b>(64 630 390)</b>
<b>Redemptions</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>(134 753 362)</b>	<b>(21 000 450)</b>	<b>(159 181 213)</b>	<b>(11 608 887)</b>
<b>Eskom debt-relief arrangement<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(80 000 000)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>GFECRA settlement (net)<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>4</b>	<b>56 000 000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>25 000 000</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Gross borrowing requirement</b>		<b>(380 003 028)</b>	<b>(84 567 278)</b>	<b>(545 130 617)</b>	<b>(76 239 277)</b>
<b>Financing of the net borrowing requirement</b>					
<b>Domestic short-term loans (net)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>26 900 000</b>	<b>2 197 851</b>	<b>39 551 871</b>	<b>4 605 882</b>
<b>Domestic long-term loans (gross)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>242 500 000</b>	<b>19 535 992</b>	<b>390 583 351</b>	<b>37 041 726</b>
<b>Foreign loans (gross)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>53 734 707</b>	<b>3 864 380</b>	<b>103 917 277</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Change in cash and other balances<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>3</b>	<b>56 868 321</b>	<b>58 969 055</b>	<b>11 078 118</b>	<b>34 591 669</b>
<b>Total financing (gross)</b>		<b>380 003 028</b>	<b>84 567 278</b>	<b>545 130 617</b>	<b>76 239 277</b>

1) The Gold and Foreign Exchange Contingency Reserve Account (GFECRA) cash receipt and requisition of cash recorded in Table 4 is not included in revenue and expenditure, as the budget position presents the net of the cash flows related to balance sheet transactions. These transactions are recorded as part of Changes of cash and other balances.

2) Loan advance by National Treasury to Eskom in terms of the Eskom Debt Relief Act, 2023 (Act No.7 of 2023).

3) The Gold and Foreign Exchange Contingency Reserve Account Defrayal Amendment Act, Act No 27 of 2024 refers.

4) A negative value indicates an increase in cash and other balances. A positive value indicates that cash is used to finance part of the borrowing requirement.