

# Military Veterans

## Adjusted budget summary

R thousand	2024/25			
	Appropriation	Adjustments appropriation		Adjusted appropriation
		Decrease	Increase	
<b>Amount to be appropriated</b>	<b>863 766</b>	<b>(58 988)</b>	<b>7 628</b>	<b>812 406</b>
<b>of which:</b>				
Current payments	503 279	–	7 628	510 907
Transfers and subsidies	331 883	(55 860)	–	276 023
Payments for capital assets	28 604	(3 128)	–	25 476
Executive authority	Minister of Defence and Military Veterans			
Accounting officer	Director-General of Military Veterans			
Website	www.dmv.gov.za			

## Vote purpose

*Formulate policies and standards aimed at providing a comprehensive delivery system to military veterans and their dependants in recognition of their role in the democratisation of South Africa.*

## Performance

Indicator	Programme	MTSF priority	Annual performance		
			Projected for 2024/25 as published in the 2024 ENE	Achieved in the first half of 2024/25 (April to September)	Changed target for 2024/25
Number of military veterans provided with newly built houses per year	Socioeconomic Support	Priority 5: Spatial integration, human settlements and local government	225	31	–
Total number of military veterans and their dependants receiving pension benefits	Socioeconomic Support	Priority 6: Social cohesion and safer communities	4 000	3 718	–
Number of military veterans' memorial sites facilitated per year	Empowerment and Stakeholder Management		3	0	–
Total number of military veterans with access to health care services	Socioeconomic Support	Priority 3: Education, skills and health	18 150	17 412	–
Number of bursaries provided to military veterans and their dependants per year	Empowerment and Stakeholder Management		4 200	545	–

## Progress

By mid-year, 31 newly built houses were provided to military veterans against an annual target of 225. This slow progress was due to the department's dependence on provincial departments of human settlements for the delivery of houses. In an effort to meet this target by the end of the financial year, the department will expedite the implementation of service-level agreements with these provincial departments in KwaZulu-Natal, Limpopo, Mpumalanga and North West.

Although the department did not erect any memorial sites for military veterans in the first half of 2024/25, it expects to achieve the target by the end of 2024/25.

In the first half of 2024/25, 3 718 military veterans and their dependants received pension benefits against an annual target of 4 000 as a result of increased demand. The department expects to exceed the annual target for this indicator by year-end. Similarly, due to high demand, 17 412 beneficiaries were provided with health care services by mid-year against an annual target of 18 150.

The department provided 545 bursaries to military veterans and their dependants in the first half of 2024/25 against an annual target of 4 200. Most beneficiaries are expected to be enrolled at the start of the academic year in January 2025.

## Adjusted estimates

Programme		2024/25							
		Adjustments appropriation							
		Amounts announced in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll- overs	Use of funds in emergency situations	Other adjustments <sup>1</sup>	Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
R thousand	Appropriation								
Administration	141 722	–	–	23 000	–	–	–	23 000	164 722
Socioeconomic Support	446 024	–	–	(17 000)	–	–	(46 000)	(63 000)	383 024
Empowerment and Stakeholder Management	276 020	–	–	(6 000)	–	–	(5 360)	(11 360)	264 660
<b>Total</b>	<b>863 766</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(51 360)</b>	<b>(51 360)</b>	<b>812 406</b>
<b>Economic classification</b>									
<b>Current payments</b>	<b>503 279</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>7 628</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>7 628</b>	<b>510 907</b>
Compensation of employees	140 373	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	140 373
Goods and services	362 906	–	–	7 628	–	–	–	7 628	370 534
<b>Transfers and subsidies</b>	<b>331 883</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(8 000)</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(47 860)</b>	<b>(55 860)</b>	<b>276 023</b>
Foreign governments and international organisations	600	–	–	(600)	–	–	–	(600)	–
Households	331 283	–	–	(7 400)	–	–	(47 860)	(55 260)	276 023
<b>Payments for capital assets</b>	<b>28 604</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(3 500)</b>	<b>(3 128)</b>	<b>25 476</b>
Machinery and equipment	14 829	–	–	372	–	–	–	372	15 201
Heritage assets	10 775	–	–	(10 775)	–	–	–	(10 775)	–
Software and other intangible assets	3 000	–	–	10 775	–	–	(3 500)	7 275	10 275
<b>Total</b>	<b>863 766</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(51 360)</b>	<b>(51 360)</b>	<b>812 406</b>

1. Other adjustments include the shifting of funds between votes, the shifting of funds within a vote following a function shift, self-financing expenditure, declared unspent funds, and significant and unforeseeable economic and financial events.

## Programme 1: Administration

Subprogramme		2024/25							
		Adjustments appropriation							
		Amounts announced				Use of funds in		Total	
R thousand	Appropriation	in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll- overs	emergency situations	Other adjustments	adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
Management	11 076	—	—	2 128	—	—	—	2 128	13 204
Corporate Services	71 884	—	—	(1 837)	—	—	—	(1 837)	70 047
Financial Administration	15 211	—	—	9 574	—	—	—	9 574	24 785
Internal Audit	11 016	—	—	4 118	—	—	—	4 118	15 134
Strategic Planning, Policy Development, and Monitoring and Evaluation	13 354	—	—	278	—	—	—	278	13 632
Office Accommodation	19 181	—	—	8 739	—	—	—	8 739	27 920
<b>Total</b>	<b>141 722</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>23 000</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>23 000</b>	<b>164 722</b>
<b>Economic classification</b>									
<b>Current payments</b>	<b>132 950</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>22 920</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>22 920</b>	<b>155 870</b>
Compensation of employees	50 060	—	—	15 000	—	—	—	15 000	65 060
Goods and services	82 890	—	—	7 920	—	—	—	7 920	90 810
<b>Payments for capital assets</b>	<b>8 772</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>8 852</b>
Machinery and equipment	5 772	—	—	80	—	—	—	80	5 852
Software and other intangible assets	3 000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3 000
<b>Total</b>	<b>141 722</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>23 000</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>23 000</b>	<b>164 722</b>

**Programme 2: Socioeconomic Support**

Subprogramme		2024/25							Adjusted appropriation
		Adjustments appropriation						Total adjustments appropriation	
R thousand	Appropriation	Amounts announced in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll-overs	Use of funds in emergency situations	Other adjustments		
Database and Benefits	34 462	–	–	(1 620)	–	–	–	(1 620)	32 842
Management Health Care and Wellbeing Support	189 738	–	–	(2 342)	–	–	–	(2 342)	187 396
Socioeconomic Support Management	221 824	–	–	(13 038)	–	–	(46 000)	(59 038)	162 786
<b>Total</b>	<b>446 024</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(17 000)</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(46 000)</b>	<b>(63 000)</b>	<b>383 024</b>
<b>Economic classification</b>									
<b>Current payments</b>	<b>245 374</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(9 292)</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(9 292)</b>	<b>236 082</b>
Compensation of employees	46 741	–	–	(9 000)	–	–	–	(9 000)	37 741
Goods and services	198 633	–	–	(292)	–	–	–	(292)	198 341
<b>Transfers and subsidies</b>	<b>196 758</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(8 000)</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(46 000)</b>	<b>(54 000)</b>	<b>142 758</b>
Households	196 758	–	–	(8 000)	–	–	(46 000)	(54 000)	142 758
<b>Payments for capital assets</b>	<b>3 892</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>4 184</b>
Machinery and equipment	3 892	–	–	292	–	–	–	292	4 184
<b>Total</b>	<b>446 024</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(17 000)</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(46 000)</b>	<b>(63 000)</b>	<b>383 024</b>

**Programme 3: Empowerment and Stakeholder Management**

Subprogramme		2024/25							Adjusted appropriation
		Adjustments appropriation						Total adjustments appropriation	
R thousand	Appropriation	Amounts announced in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll-overs	Use of funds in emergency situations	Other adjustments		
Provincial Offices and Stakeholder Relations	48 352	–	–	(7 922)	–	–	–	(7 922)	40 430
Empowerment and Skills Development	176 997	–	–	1 455	–	–	(1 860)	(405)	176 592
Heritage, Memorials, Burials and Honours	50 671	–	–	467	–	–	(3 500)	(3 033)	47 638
<b>Total</b>	<b>276 020</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(6 000)</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(5 360)</b>	<b>(11 360)</b>	<b>264 660</b>
<b>Economic classification</b>									
<b>Current payments</b>	<b>124 955</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(6 000)</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(6 000)</b>	<b>118 955</b>
Compensation of employees	43 572	–	–	(6 000)	–	–	–	(6 000)	37 572
Goods and services	81 383	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	81 383
<b>Transfers and subsidies</b>	<b>135 125</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(1 860)</b>	<b>(1 860)</b>	<b>133 265</b>
Foreign governments and international organisations	600	–	–	(600)	–	–	–	(600)	–
Households	134 525	–	–	600	–	–	(1 860)	(1 260)	133 265
<b>Payments for capital assets</b>	<b>15 940</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(3 500)</b>	<b>(3 500)</b>	<b>12 440</b>
Machinery and equipment	5 165	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	5 165
Heritage assets	10 775	–	–	(10 775)	–	–	–	(10 775)	–
Software and other intangible assets	–	–	–	10 775	–	–	(3 500)	7 275	7 275
<b>Total</b>	<b>276 020</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(6 000)</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>(5 360)</b>	<b>(11 360)</b>	<b>264 660</b>

## Details of adjustments to the 2024 Estimates of National Expenditure

### Virements and shifts within the vote

Programmes					
1. Administration 2. Socioeconomic Support 3. Empowerment and Stakeholder Management					
From:			To:		
Programme by economic classification	Motivation	R thousand	Programme by economic classification	Motivation	R thousand
<b>Programme 2</b>		<b>(17 000)</b>	<b>Programme 1</b>		<b>17 000</b>
Households	Housing support benefit	(8 000)	Goods and services	Operating leases <sup>1</sup>	8 000
Compensation of employees	Reallocation of funds incorrectly allocated in the 2024 ENE	(9 000)	Compensation of employees	Salaries and wages	9 000
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget		0%			
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget		3.8%			
<b>Programme 3</b>		<b>(17 375)</b>	<b>Programme 1</b>		<b>6 000</b>
Compensation of employees	Reallocation of funds incorrectly allocated in the 2024 ENE	(6 000)	Compensation of employees	Salaries and wages	6 000
Foreign governments and international organisations	Reallocation of funds incorrectly allocated in the 2024 ENE	(600)	<b>Programme 3</b>		<b>11 375</b>
			Households	Burial support	600
Heritage assets	Reallocation of funds incorrectly allocated in the 2024 ENE	(10 775)	Software and other intangible assets	Software licences	10 775
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget		4.1%			
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget		2.2%			
<b>Total</b>		<b>(34 375)</b>	<b>34 375</b>		

1. National Treasury approval has been obtained.

### Other adjustments – R51.36 million

#### Funds shifted between votes

R51.36 million is shifted to the Office of the Chief Justice to cover the budget shortfall for compensation of employees in line with the 2023/24 public sector wage agreement.

### Expenditure outcome for 2023/24 and actual expenditure for 2024/25

Programme	2023/24					2024/25			
	Outcome					Actual expenditure			
	Apr 23 - Sep 23		Apr 23 - Mar 24		Adjusted appropriation/Total (%)	Apr 24 - Sep 24		Apr 24 - Sep 24	
R thousand	Adjusted appropriation	% of adjusted appropriation	Adjusted appropriation	% of adjusted appropriation		Adjusted appropriation	% of adjusted appropriation	Adjusted appropriation	% of adjusted appropriation
Administration	152 950	60 074	39.3	148 768	97.3	164 722	20.3	61 701	37.5
Socioeconomic Support	450 718	79 984	17.7	235 086	52.2	383 024	47.1	143 345	37.4
Empowerment and Stakeholder Management	242 617	71 983	29.7	202 079	83.3	264 660	32.6	72 747	27.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>846 285</b>	<b>212 041</b>	<b>25.1</b>	<b>585 933</b>	<b>69.2</b>	<b>812 406</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>277 793</b>	<b>34.2</b>

## Expenditure outcome for 2023/24 and actual expenditure for 2024/25 (continued)

Economic classification	2023/24					2024/25			
	Adjusted appropriation	Outcome				Adjusted appropriation	Adjusted appropriation/ Total (%)	Actual expenditure	
		Apr 23 - Sep 23	Apr 23 - Sep 23 % of adjusted appropriation	Apr 23 - Mar 24	Apr 23 - Mar 24 % of adjusted appropriation			Apr 24 - Sep 24	Apr 24 - Sep 24 % of adjusted appropriation
R thousand									
<b>Current payments</b>	<b>475 851</b>	<b>158 732</b>	<b>33.4</b>	<b>394 917</b>	<b>83.0</b>	<b>510 907</b>	<b>62.9</b>	<b>168 136</b>	<b>32.9</b>
Compensation of employees	141 447	59 469	42.0	118 590	83.8	140 373	17.3	63 201	45.0
Goods and services	334 404	98 949	29.6	276 013	82.5	370 534	45.6	104 935	28.3
Interest and rent on land	–	314	–	314	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Transfers and subsidies</b>	<b>338 104</b>	<b>53 309</b>	<b>15.8</b>	<b>189 001</b>	<b>55.9</b>	<b>276 023</b>	<b>34.0</b>	<b>109 206</b>	<b>39.6</b>
Households	338 104	53 309	15.8	189 001	55.9	276 023	34.0	109 206	39.6
<b>Payments for capital assets</b>	<b>32 330</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>25 476</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>1.4</b>
Machinery and equipment	12 144	–	–	102	0.8	15 201	1.9	–	–
Heritage assets	10 560	–	–	–	–	–	–	355	–
Software and other intangible assets	9 626	–	–	–	–	10 275	1.3	–	–
<b>Payments for financial assets</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>1 913</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>–</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>846 285</b>	<b>212 041</b>	<b>25.1</b>	<b>585 933</b>	<b>69.2</b>	<b>812 406</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>277 793</b>	<b>34.2</b>

### Expenditure trends

Total expenditure in 2023/24 was R585.9 million, 69.2 per cent of the adjusted appropriation for the year. Mid-year expenditure in 2023/24 was R212 million, 25.1 per cent of the adjusted appropriation, whereas expenditure in the first half of 2024/25 was R277.8 million, 34.2 per cent of the adjusted appropriation of R812.4 million. Compared to the first half of 2023/24, expenditure over the same period in 2024/25 increased by R65.8 million, 31 per cent. This was mainly due to the payment of health care and housing accruals from previous years.

### Departmental receipts

R thousand	2023/24					2024/25				
	Adjusted estimate	Outcome				Budget estimate	Adjusted estimate	Adjusted receipts estimate/ Total (%)	Actual receipts	
		Apr 23 - Sep 23	Apr 23 - Sep 23 % of adjusted estimate	Apr 23 - Mar 24	Apr 23 - Mar 24 % of adjusted estimate				Apr 24 - Sep 24	Apr 24 - Sep 24 % of adjusted estimate
<b>Departmental receipts</b>	<b>1 195</b>	<b>1 140</b>	<b>95.4</b>	<b>3 121</b>	<b>261.2</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>1 915</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1 915</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Sales of goods and services produced by department	30	21	70.0	42	140.0	57	23	1.2	23	100.0
Interest, dividends and rent on land	10	5	50.0	9	90.0	–	4	0.2	4	100.0
Transactions in financial assets and liabilities	1 155	1 114	96.5	3 070	265.8	535	1 888	98.6	1 888	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1 195</b>	<b>1 140</b>	<b>95.4</b>	<b>3 121</b>	<b>261.2</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>1 915</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1 915</b>	<b>100.0</b>

### Revenue trends

Mid-year revenue in 2023/24 was R1.1 million, 95.4 per cent of the adjusted estimate, whereas revenue for the first half of 2024/25 was R1.9 million, 100 per cent of the adjusted estimate of R1.9 million. Compared to the first half of 2023/24, revenue over the same period in 2024/25 increased by R775 000, 68 per cent. This was mainly due to an increase in credit notes from travel agencies for travel and subsistence refunds.

## Changes to transfers and subsidies

### Summary of changes to transfers and subsidies per programme

		2024/25								
		Adjustments appropriation								
		Amounts announced in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll-overs	Use of funds in emergency situations	Other adjustments	Total adjustments appropriation		
R thousand	Appropriation									Adjusted appropriation
Socioeconomic Support Households Social benefits										
Current	163 003	–	–	–	–	–	(41 000)	(41 000)		122 003
Military veterans' benefits	163 003	–	–	–	–	–	(41 000)	(41 000)		122 003
Households Other transfers to households										
Current	33 755	–	–	(8 000)	–	–	(5 000)	(13 000)		20 755
Military veterans' benefits	33 755	–	–	(8 000)	–	–	(5 000)	(13 000)		20 755
Empowerment and Stakeholder Management Foreign governments and international organisations										
Current	600	–	–	(600)	–	–	–	(600)		–
World Veterans Federation	600	–	–	(600)	–	–	–	(600)		–
Households Social benefits										
Current	8 869	–	–	600	–	–	–	600		9 469
Military veterans' benefits	8 869	–	–	600	–	–	–	600		9 469
Households Other transfers to households										
Current	125 656	–	–	–	–	–	(1 860)	(1 860)		123 796
Military veterans' benefits	125 656	–	–	–	–	–	(1 860)	(1 860)		123 796