

Sport, Arts and Culture

Adjusted budget summary

2025/26					
R thousand	Appropriation	Special appropriation	Adjustments appropriation		Adjusted appropriation
			Decrease	Increase	
Amount to be appropriated	6 309 944	—	(27 164)	27 164	6 309 944
of which:					
Current payments	1 060 186	—	—	3 582	1 063 768
Transfers and subsidies	5 082 619	—	—	23 582	5 106 201
Payments for capital assets	167 139	—	(27 164)	—	139 975
Executive authority	Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture				
Accounting officer	Director-General of Sport, Arts and Culture				
Website	www.dac.gov.za				

Vote purpose

Provide an enabling environment for the sport, arts and culture sector by developing, transforming, preserving, protecting and promoting sport, arts and culture at all levels of participation to foster an active, winning, creative and socially cohesive nation.

Performance

Indicator	Programme	MTDP outcome	Annual performance		
			Projected for 2025/26 as published in the 2025 ENE	Achieved in the first half of 2025/26 (April to September) ¹	Changed target for 2025/26
Number of hubs, clubs or schools provided with equipment and/or attire to enable participation in sport and/or recreation per year	Recreation Development and Sport Promotion	Outcome 15: Social cohesion and nation building	3 500	1 464	–
Number of sport and recreation programmes in communities supported per year	Recreation Development and Sport Promotion		126	225	–
Percentage of compliant sport and recreation bodies supported per year	Recreation Development and Sport Promotion		100%	0	–
Number of university students supported to study languages per year	Arts and Culture Promotion and Development		140	0	–
Number of projects supported to enable local and international market access per year	Arts and Culture Promotion and Development		34	2	–
Number of libraries financially supported per year	Heritage Promotion and Preservation		22	22	–
Number of heritage bursaries awarded to deserving students per year	Heritage Promotion and Preservation		50	0	–

1. Mid-year achievements are unaudited.

Progress

The department exceeded the target for the number of sport and recreation programmes in communities supported by mid-year due to additional Ministerial outreach programmes. The department expects to meet the annual targets for the percentage of compliant sport and recreation bodies supported and projects

supported to enable local and international market access and creative industry projects through an open call as most of these activities are scheduled towards the end of 2025/26.

Similarly, the targets for the number of students supported to study languages and the number of heritage bursaries awarded are expected to be met as these reports are received from universities in the second half of the year.

Adjusted estimates

Programme		2025/26							
		Adjustments appropriation							
		Expenditure announced in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll- overs	Self- financing	Other adjustments ¹	Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
R thousand	Appropriation								
Administration	516 194	—	—	496	—	—	—	496	516 690
Recreation	1 281 148	—	—	(13 970)	—	—	—	(13 970)	1 267 178
Development and Sport Promotion									
Arts and Culture	1 725 531	—	—	(226)	—	—	—	(226)	1 725 305
Promotion and Development									
Heritage Promotion and Preservation	2 787 071	—	—	13 700	—	—	—	13 700	2 800 771
Total	6 309 944	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6 309 944
Economic classification									
Current payments	1 060 186	—	—	3 582	—	—	—	3 582	1 063 768
Compensation of employees	434 366	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	434 366
Goods and services	625 820	—	—	3 582	—	—	—	3 582	629 402
Transfers and subsidies	5 082 619	—	—	23 582	—	—	—	23 582	5 106 201
Provinces and municipalities	2 276 233	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2 276 233
Departmental agencies and accounts	2 344 386	—	—	11 764	—	—	—	11 764	2 356 150
Higher education institutions	9 261	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9 261
Foreign governments and international organisations	6 919	—	—	6 314	—	—	—	6 314	13 233
Public corporations and private enterprises	96 601	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	96 601
Non-profit institutions	321 555	—	—	1 504	—	—	—	1 504	323 059
Households	27 664	—	—	4 000	—	—	—	4 000	31 664
Payments for capital assets	167 139	—	—	(27 164)	—	—	—	(27 164)	139 975
Buildings and other fixed structures	67 232	—	—	(2 450)	—	—	—	(2 450)	64 782
Machinery and equipment	8 643	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8 643
Heritage assets	91 264	—	—	(24 714)	—	—	—	(24 714)	66 550
Total	6 309 944	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6 309 944

1. Other adjustments include the shifting of funds between votes, the shifting of funds within a vote following a function shift, declared unspent funds, significant and unforeseeable economic and financial events, and expenditure of an exceptional nature in terms of section 6(1)(b) of the Appropriation Act (2025).

Programme 1: Administration

Subprogramme		2025/26							
		Adjustments appropriation							
		Expenditure announced in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll- overs	Self- financing	Other adjustments	Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
R thousand	Appropriation								
Ministry	5 511	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5 511
Management	67 629	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	67 629
Strategic	19 484	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	19 484
Management and Planning									
Corporate Services	168 636	—	—	496	—	—	—	496	169 132
Office of the Chief Financial Officer	71 609	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	71 609
Office Accommodation	183 325	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	183 325
Total	516 194	—	—	496	—	—	—	496	516 690
Economic classification									
Current payments	507 437	—	—	496	—	—	—	496	507 933
Compensation of employees	203 464	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	203 464
Goods and services	303 973	—	—	496	—	—	—	496	304 469
Transfers and subsidies	114	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	114
Departmental agencies and accounts	114	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	114
Payments for capital assets	8 643	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8 643
Machinery and equipment	8 643	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8 643
Total	516 194	—	—	496	—	—	—	496	516 690

Programme 2: Recreation Development and Sport Promotion

Subprogramme		2025/26							
		Adjustments appropriation							
		Expenditure announced						Total	
R thousand	Appropriation	in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll-overs	Self-financing	Other adjustments	adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation
Winning Nation	240 661	–	–	6 000	–	–	–	6 000	246 661
Active Nation	712 587	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	712 587
Infrastructure Support	327 900	–	–	(19 970)	–	–	–	(19 970)	307 930
Total	1 281 148	–	–	(13 970)	–	–	–	(13 970)	1 267 178
Economic classification									
Current payments	162 000	–	–	(4 014)	–	–	–	(4 014)	157 986
Compensation of employees	45 475	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	45 475
Goods and services	116 525	–	–	(4 014)	–	–	–	(4 014)	112 511
Transfers and subsidies	960 652	–	–	17 208	–	–	–	17 208	977 860
Provinces and municipalities	627 244	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	627 244
Departmental agencies and accounts	181 454	–	–	5 694	–	–	–	5 694	187 148
Foreign governments and international organisations	174	–	–	5 514	–	–	–	5 514	5 688
Non-profit institutions	145 888	–	–	6 000	–	–	–	6 000	151 888
Households	5 892	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	5 892
Payments for capital assets	158 496	–	–	(27 164)	–	–	–	(27 164)	131 332
Buildings and other fixed structures	67 232	–	–	(2 450)	–	–	–	(2 450)	64 782
Heritage assets	91 264	–	–	(24 714)	–	–	–	(24 714)	66 550
Total	1 281 148	–	–	(13 970)	–	–	–	(13 970)	1 267 178

Programme 3: Arts and Culture Promotion and Development

Subprogramme		2025/26							Adjusted appropriation
		Adjustments appropriation						Total adjustments appropriation	
R thousand	Appropriation	Expenditure announced in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll-overs	Self-financing	Other adjustments		
National Language Services	65 003	–	–	1 750	–	–	–	1 750	66 753
Pan South African Language Board	133 464	–	–	(1 750)	–	–	–	(1 750)	131 714
Cultural and Creative Industries Development	132 998	–	–	4 000	–	–	–	4 000	136 998
International Cooperation	71 145	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	71 145
Social Cohesion and Nation Building	58 911	–	–	(4 496)	–	–	–	(4 496)	54 415
Mzansi Golden Economy	625 928	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	625 928
Performing Arts Institutions	358 078	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	358 078
National Film and Video Foundation	153 707	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	153 707
National Arts Council	126 297	–	–	270	–	–	–	270	126 567
Total	1 725 531	–	–	(226)	–	–	–	(226)	1 725 305
Economic classification									
Current payments	280 756	–	–	950	–	–	–	950	281 706
Compensation of employees	108 364	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	108 364
Goods and services	172 392	–	–	950	–	–	–	950	173 342
Transfers and subsidies	1 444 775	–	–	(1 176)	–	–	–	(1 176)	1 443 599
Departmental agencies and accounts	1 156 884	–	–	(1 480)	–	–	–	(1 480)	1 155 404
Higher education institutions	9 261	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	9 261
Foreign governments and international organisations	3 920	–	–	800	–	–	–	800	4 720
Public corporations and private enterprises	96 601	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	96 601
Non-profit institutions	161 598	–	–	(4 496)	–	–	–	(4 496)	157 102
Households	16 511	–	–	4 000	–	–	–	4 000	20 511
Total	1 725 531	–	–	(226)	–	–	–	(226)	1 725 305

Programme 4: Heritage Promotion and Preservation

Subprogramme		2025/26							Adjusted appropriation
		Adjustments appropriation						Total adjustments appropriation	
R thousand	Appropriation	Expenditure announced in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll-overs	Self-financing	Other adjustments		
Heritage Promotion	52 245	–	–	6 150	–	–	–	6 150	58 395
National Archive Services	59 756	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	59 756
Heritage Institutions	686 687	–	–	7 550	–	–	–	7 550	694 237
National Library Services	164 822	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	164 822
Public Library Services	1 669 591	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1 669 591
South African Heritage Resources Agency	72 032	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	72 032
South African Geographical Council	4 405	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	4 405
National Heritage Council	77 533	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	77 533
Total	2 787 071	–	–	13 700	–	–	–	13 700	2 800 771

Programme 4: Heritage Promotion and Preservation (continued)

Economic classification	2025/26	Adjustments appropriation							Adjusted appropriation
		Expenditure announced in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll-overs	Self-financing	Other adjustments	Total adjustments appropriation	
R thousand	Appropriation								
Current payments	109 993	–	–	6 150	–	–	–	6 150	116 143
Compensation of employees	77 063	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	77 063
Goods and services	32 930	–	–	6 150	–	–	–	6 150	39 080
Transfers and subsidies	2 677 078	–	–	7 550	–	–	–	7 550	2 684 628
Provinces and municipalities	1 648 989	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1 648 989
Departmental agencies and accounts	1 005 934	–	–	7 550	–	–	–	7 550	1 013 484
Foreign governments and international organisations	2 825	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	2 825
Non-profit institutions	14 069	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	14 069
Households	5 261	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	5 261
Total	2 787 071	–	–	13 700	–	–	–	13 700	2 800 771

Details of adjustments to the 2025 ENE**Virements and shifts within the vote****Programmes**

- Administration
- Recreation Development and Sport Promotion
- Arts and Culture Promotion and Development
- Heritage Promotion and Preservation

From:

Programme by economic classification	Motivation	R thousand	To:	Programme by economic classification	Motivation	R thousand
Programme 2		(36 706)	Programme 2			22 736
Goods and services	Contractors ¹	(5 514)	Foreign governments and international organisations	African Union Sports Council Region 5 ¹		5 514
Buildings and other fixed structures	National Archives heating, ventilation and air conditioning system ¹	(2 450)	Departmental agencies and accounts	Nelson Mandela Museum ¹		2 450
Departmental agencies and accounts	The Playhouse Company ¹	(1 000)	Heritage assets	Winnie Madikizela Mandela Clinic ¹		1 000
Heritage assets	Sarah Baartmann Centre of Remembrance ¹	(2 980)	Departmental agencies and accounts	Nelson Mandela Museum ¹		2 980
	Sarah Baartmann Centre of Remembrance ¹	(3 292)		uMsunduzi Museum ¹		3 292
	Sarah Baartmann Centre of Remembrance ¹	(1 500)	Goods and services	Travel and subsistence ¹		1 500
	Sarah Baartmann Centre of Remembrance ¹	(6 000)	Non-profit institutions	The Sports Trust ¹		6 000
	Sarah Baartmann Centre of Remembrance ¹	(270)	Programme 3			270
	The Playhouse Company ¹	(2 028)	Departmental agencies and accounts	National Arts Council ¹		270
	Sarah Baartmann Centre of Remembrance ¹	(972)	Programme 4			13 700
	Sarah Baartmann Centre of Remembrance ¹	(3 700)	Goods and services	Contractors ¹		2 028
	Sarah Baartmann Centre of Remembrance ¹	(7 000)		Contractors ¹		972
			Departmental agencies and accounts	Iziko Museum ¹		3 700
				Robben Island Museum ¹		7 000
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget		1.8%				
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget		1.1%				

Virements and shifts within the vote (continued)

From:			To:		
Programme by economic classification	Motivation	R thousand	Programme by economic classification	Motivation	R thousand
Programme 3		(7 046)	Programme 1		496
Non-profit institutions	Moral Regeneration Movement ¹	(496)	Goods and services	Operating payments ¹	496
Goods and services	Contractors ¹	(800)	Programme 3		6 550
Non-profit institutions	Moral Regeneration Movement ¹	(4 000)	Foreign governments and international organisations	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation ¹	800
Departmental agencies and accounts	Pan South African Language Board ¹	(1 750)	Households	Supporting artists ¹	4 000
			Goods and services	Contractors ¹	1 750
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget		0.4%			
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget		0%			
Programme 4		(3 150)	Programme 4		3 150
Departmental agencies and accounts	Freedom Park ¹	(3 150)	Goods and services	Contractors ¹	3 150
Shifts within the programme as a percentage of the programme budget		0.1%			
Virements to other programmes as a percentage of the programme budget		0%			
Total		(46 902)			46 902

1. National Treasury approval has been obtained.

Expenditure outcome for 2024/25 and actual expenditure for 2025/26

Programme		2024/25				2025/26			
		Outcome				Actual expenditure			
R thousand	Adjusted appropriation	Apr 24 - Sep 24	Apr 24 - Sep 24 % of adjusted appropriation	Apr 24 - Mar 25	Apr 24 - Mar 25 % of adjusted appropriation	Adjusted appropriation	Adjusted appropriation/ Total (%)	Apr 25 - Sep 25	Apr 25 - Sep 25 % of adjusted appropriation
Administration	456 252	303 333	66.5	530 765	116.3	516 690	8.2	289 714	56.1
Recreation	1 281 993	575 906	44.9	1 178 698	91.9	1 267 178	20.1	481 577	38.0
Development and Sport Promotion									
Arts and Culture	1 658 024	665 563	40.1	1 659 847	100.1	1 725 305	27.3	711 671	41.2
Promotion and Development									
Heritage	2 709 475	1 388 565	51.2	2 703 374	99.8	2 800 771	44.4	1 409 545	50.3
Promotion and Preservation									
Total	6 105 744	2 933 367	48.0	6 072 684	99.5	6 309 944	100.0	2 892 507	45.8
Economic classification									
Current payments	978 342	548 489	56.1	1 051 635	107.5	1 063 768	16.9	536 598	50.4
Compensation of employees	412 470	200 173	48.5	397 090	96.3	434 366	6.9	202 279	46.6
Goods and services	565 872	348 316	61.6	654 545	115.7	629 402	10.0	334 319	53.1
Transfers and subsidies	4 903 895	2 345 219	47.8	4 892 329	99.8	5 106 201	80.9	2 344 087	45.9
Provinces and municipalities	2 230 369	1 157 497	51.9	2 230 375	100.0	2 276 233	36.1	1 167 185	51.3
Departmental agencies and accounts	2 227 992	932 447	41.9	2 203 764	98.9	2 356 150	37.3	954 364	40.5
Higher education institutions	5 011	3 038	60.6	6 446	128.6	9 261	0.1	2 012	21.7
Foreign governments and international organisations	6 529	6 115	93.7	6 430	98.5	13 233	0.2	3 416	25.8
Public corporations and private enterprises	98 084	53 955	55.0	111 499	113.7	96 601	1.5	113 152	117.1
Non-profit institutions	295 535	162 972	55.1	289 452	97.9	323 059	5.1	90 991	28.2
Households	40 375	29 195	72.3	44 363	109.9	31 664	0.5	12 967	41.0

Expenditure outcome for 2024/25 and actual expenditure for 2025/26 (continued)

Economic classification	2024/25					2025/26			
	Adjusted appropriation	Outcome				Adjusted appropriation	Adjusted appropriation/ Total (%)	Actual expenditure	
		Apr 24 - Sep 24	Apr 24 - Sep 24 % of adjusted appropriation	Apr 24 - Mar 25	Apr 24 - Mar 25 % of adjusted appropriation			Apr 25 - Sep 25	Apr 25 - Sep 25 % of adjusted appropriation
R thousand									
Payments for capital assets	223 507	39 608	17.7	128 185	57.4	139 975	2.2	11 822	8.4
Buildings and other fixed structures	62 855	—	—	—	—	64 782	1.0	7 768	12.0
Machinery and equipment	8 015	5 000	62.4	7 998	99.8	8 643	0.1	4 054	46.9
Heritage assets	152 637	34 608	22.7	120 187	78.7	66 550	1.1	—	—
Payments for financial assets	—	51	—	535	—	—	—	—	—
Total	6 105 744	2 933 367	48.0	6 072 684	99.5	6 309 944	100.0	2 892 507	45.8

Expenditure trends

Total expenditure in 2024/25 was R6.1 billion, 99.5 per cent of the adjusted appropriation for the year. Mid-year expenditure in 2024/25 was R2.9 billion, 48 per cent of the adjusted appropriation, whereas expenditure in the first half of 2025/26 was R2.9 billion, 45.8 per cent of the adjusted appropriation of R6.3 billion. Compared to the first half of 2024/25, expenditure over the same period in 2025/26 decreased by R40.9 million, 1.4 per cent. This was mainly due to slow spending on capital payments.

Departmental receipts

	2024/25					2025/26				
	Adjusted estimate	Outcome				Budget estimate	Adjusted estimate	Adjusted receipts estimate/ Total (%)	Actual receipts	
		Apr 24 - Sep 24	Apr 24 - Sep 24 % of adjusted estimate	Apr 24 - Mar 25	Apr 24 - Mar 25 % of adjusted estimate				Apr 25 - Sep 25	Apr 25 - Sep 25 % of adjusted estimate
R thousand										
Departmental receipts	5 637	1 010	17.9	7 380	130.9	6 237	8 474	100.0	8 041	94.9
Sales of goods and services produced by the department	347	152	43.8	287	82.7	325	359	4.2	215	59.9
Interest, dividends and rent on land	70	36	51.4	51	72.9	42	42	0.5	9	21.4
Sales of capital assets	—	—	—	27	—	—	—	—	—	—
Transactions in financial assets and liabilities	5 220	822	15.7	7 015	134.4	5 870	8 073	95.3	7 817	96.8
Total	5 637	1 010	17.9	7 380	130.9	6 237	8 474	100.0	8 041	94.9

Revenue trends

Mid-year revenue in 2024/25 was R1 million, 17.9 per cent of the adjusted estimate, whereas revenue for the first half of 2025/26 was R8 million, 94.9 per cent of the adjusted estimate of R8.5 million. Compared to the first half of 2024/25, revenue over the same period in 2025/26 increased by R7 million, 696.1 per cent. This was mainly due to implementing agents refunding unspent funds allocated from the presidential employment initiative in the previous year.

Changes to transfers and subsidies, including conditional grants

Summary of changes to transfers and subsidies per programme

		2025/26								
		Adjustments appropriation						Total adjustments appropriation	Adjusted appropriation	
		Expenditure announced in the budget	Unforeseeable /Unavoidable	Virements and shifts	Roll-overs	Self-financing	Other adjustments			
R thousand	Appropriation									
Recreation Development and Sport Promotion										
Departmental agencies and accounts										
Departmental agencies (non-business entities)										
Capital	17 015	–	–	5 694	–	–	–	5 694	22 709	
The Playhouse Company	13 001	–	–	(3 028)	–	–	–	(3 028)	9 973	
Nelson Mandela Museum: Mthatha	838	–	–	5 430	–	–	–	5 430	6 268	
Luthuli Museum: Stanger	1 000	–	–	(1 000)	–	–	–	(1 000)	–	
uMsunduzi Museum: Pietermaritzburg	2 176	–	–	4 292	–	–	–	4 292	6 468	
Foreign governments and international organisations										
Current	–	–	–	5 514	–	–	–	5 514	5 514	
African Union Sports Council Region 5	–	–	–	5 514	–	–	–	5 514	5 514	
Non-profit institutions										
Capital	–	–	–	6 000	–	–	–	6 000	6 000	
The Sports Trust	–	–	–	6 000	–	–	–	6 000	6 000	
Arts and Culture										
Promotion and Development										
Departmental agencies and accounts										
Departmental agencies (non-business entities)										
Current	376 761	–	–	(1 480)	–	–	–	(1 480)	375 281	
Pan South African Language Board	133 464	–	–	(1 750)	–	–	–	(1 750)	131 714	
National Arts Council	243 297	–	–	270	–	–	–	270	243 567	
Foreign governments and international organisations										
Current	170	–	–	800	–	–	–	800	970	
United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organisation	170	–	–	800	–	–	–	800	970	
Non-profit institutions										
Current	4 496	–	–	(4 496)	–	–	–	(4 496)	–	
Moral Regeneration Movement	4 496	–	–	(4 496)	–	–	–	(4 496)	–	
Households										
Other transfers to households										
Current	10 974	–	–	4 000	–	–	–	4 000	14 974	
Arts and culture industries: Local market development and promotion	10 974	–	–	4 000	–	–	–	4 000	14 974	
Heritage Promotion and Preservation										
Departmental agencies and accounts										
Departmental agencies (non-business entities)										
Current	315 255	–	–	7 550	–	–	–	7 550	322 805	
Freedom Park: Pretoria	115 976	–	–	(3 150)	–	–	–	(3 150)	112 826	
Iziko Museums of South Africa	106 255	–	–	3 700	–	–	–	3 700	109 955	
Robben Island Museum: Cape Town	93 024	–	–	7 000	–	–	–	7 000	100 024	

Summary of changes to conditional grants: Provinces

2025/26									
R thousand	Appropriation	Adjustments appropriation						Total	Adjusted
		Expenditure	Unforeseeable	Virements	Roll-overs	Self-financing	Other		
Recreation									
Development and Sport Promotion	627 244	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	627 244
Mass participation and sport development grant	627 244	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	627 244
Heritage Promotion and Preservation	1 648 989	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1 648 989
Community library services grant current	1 391 750	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1 391 750
Community library services grant capital	257 239	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	257 239

