

Vote 27

Office of the Chief Justice and Judicial Administration

Budget summary

	2020/21				2021/22	2022/23
	Total	Current payments	Transfers and subsidies	Payments for capital assets	Total	Total
R million						
MTEF allocation						
Administration	235.9	226.9	—	9.0	249.8	260.7
Superior Court Services	948.6	848.0	1.4	99.2	1 006.5	1 056.4
Judicial Education and Support	75.3	73.3	—	1.9	79.6	81.2
Subtotal	1 259.8	1 148.2	1.4	110.2	1 335.9	1 398.3
Direct charge against the National Revenue Fund						
Judges' salaries	1 190.9	1 064.2	126.7	—	1 268.7	1 318.9
Total expenditure estimates	2 450.8	2 212.4	128.1	110.2	2 604.6	2 717.3

Executive authority Minister of Justice and Correctional Services
 Accounting officer Secretary-General of the Office of the Chief Justice
 Website www.judiciary.org.za

The Estimates of National Expenditure e-publications for individual votes are available at www.treasury.gov.za. These publications provide more comprehensive coverage of vote-specific information, particularly about transfers and subsidies, personnel and other public institutions. Additional tables in Excel format can be found at www.treasury.gov.za and www.vulekamali.gov.za.

Vote purpose

Strengthen judicial governance and independence by rendering effective support to the Chief Justice in executing administrative and judicial powers and duties as both head of the Judiciary and the Constitutional Court.

Mandate

The Office of the Chief Justice and Judicial Administration derives its mandate of providing effective administrative and technical support to the Chief Justice as the head of the Judiciary and the Constitutional Court from section 165 (6) of the Constitution, read together with the Superior Courts Act (2013). The mandate has the following supplementary functions: provide and coordinate legal and administrative support to the Chief Justice; provide communication and relationship management services; provide intergovernmental and internal coordination services; develop administration policies for courts; support the development of judicial policy, norms and standards; support the judicial function of the Constitutional Court; and support the Judicial Service Commission and South African Judicial Education Institute in the execution of their mandates.

Selected performance indicators

Table 27.1 Performance indicators by programme and related priority

Indicator	Programme	MTSF priority	Past			Current	Projections		
			2016/17	2017/18	2018/19		2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
Percentage of default judgments finalised by registrars within 14 days	Superior Court Services	Priority 5: Social cohesion and safe communities	— ¹	— ¹	— ¹	— ¹	70%	72%	74%
Percentage of taxations of legal bills of costs finalised within 60 days from date of being set down	Superior Court Services		— ¹	— ¹	— ¹	— ¹	70%	75%	80%

Table 27.1 Performance indicators by programme and related priority

Indicator	Programme	MTSF priority	Past			Current	Projections		
			2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
Percentage of warrants of release (J1) delivered within 1 day of the release issued	Superior Court Services	Priority 5: Social cohesion and safe communities	88% (79/90)	98% (109/111)	98% (79/81)	98%	100%	100%	100%
Number of judicial education courses conducted per year			90	91	142	80	100	105	110

1. No historical data available.

Expenditure analysis

The Office of the Chief Justice and Judicial Administration provides support to the Judiciary to ensure it remains independent, accessible and effective in promoting accountability and fighting corruption. This is in line with the National Development Plan's vision of promoting accountability and the rule of law, and priority 5 (social cohesion and safe communities) of government's 2019-2024 medium-term strategic framework. To give expression to these guiding policies over the medium term, the department will focus on broadening access to justice, increasing efficiencies in court administration, and ensuring judicial accountability.

An estimated 38.9 per cent (R3 billion) of the department's total budget of R7.8 billion over the MTEF period is earmarked for spending in the *Superior Court Services* programme, which houses the *High Courts* subprogramme. Spending in this subprogramme alone is expected to account for 30.7 per cent (R2.4 billion) of the department's total projected expenditure. Due to the labour-intensive nature of the department's work, an estimated 69.9 per cent (R2.1 billion) of the budget in this programme is earmarked for spending on compensation of employees, increasing from R624.8 million in 2019/20 to R743.4 million in 2022/23. Total expenditure on compensation of employees accounts for an estimated 76.5 per cent (R5.9 billion) of the department's budget over the MTEF period, increasing from R1.8 billion in 2019/20 to R2.1 billion in 2022/23 at an average annual rate of 5.9 per cent.

Broadening access to justice

The official opening of the Mpumalanga High Court in 2019/20 marked a significant achievement in fulfilling government's democratic commitment to providing access to justice for all. The department will ensure that the court is fully operationalised over the MTEF period to provide access to quality Justice services to citizens of Mpumalanga at a projected cost of R136.2 million in the *Superior Court Services* programme.

Increasing efficiencies in court administration

There is a crucial need to improve data management at superior courts. Recognising that modernising processes and infrastructure at these institutions is key to ensuring their effective administration, expenditure in the *Corporate Services* subprogramme in the *Administration* programme is expected to increase from R121 million in 2019/20 to R134.2 million in 2022/23. This will provide for the implementation of an electronic filing system that will allow cases and evidence to be accessed more easily, and cloud-based software that enables evidence to be digitised in court to streamline court proceedings. Implementing these systems forms part of the broader implementation of the integrated criminal justice strategy, led by the Department of Justice and Constitutional Development.

By modernising systems and processes at superior courts to reduce inefficiencies in court administration, the department aims to increase its capacity to make Superior Court Services more widely available, as well as improve their quality. As a result of this anticipated greater efficiency, the department is targeting an increase in: the percentage of default judgements finalised within 14 days from 70 per cent in 2020/21 to 74 per cent in 2022/23; the percentage of taxations of legal costs finalised within 60 days from 70 per cent in 2020/21 to 80 per cent in 2022/23; and the percentage of warrants of release delivered within 1 day of release issued from 98 per cent in 2019/20 to 100 per cent in 2022/23.

Ensuring judicial accountability

The efficiencies gained through the modernisation and digitisation of systems at superior courts is also expected to improve the quality of the department's reporting on performance information by simplifying the monitoring and evaluation of norms and standards. The department supports the Chief Justice in monitoring and reporting on the implementation of norms and standards for the performance of judicial functions, whereas the Judiciary reports on court performance. These activities are carried out in the *Superior Court Services* programme.

The department further ensures judicial accountability by administering a record of judges' registrable interests, as informed by section 13 of the Judicial Service Commission Act (1994). Expenditure for this work is in the *Judicial Policy, Research and Support* subprogramme, which has a budget of R52.5 million over the MTEF period in the *Judicial Education and Support* programme.

Expenditure trends and estimates

Table 27.2 Vote expenditure trends and estimates by programme and economic classification

Programmes			Adjusted appropriation	Average growth rate (%)	Average: Expenditure/ Total (%)	Medium-term expenditure estimate			Average growth rate (%)	Average: Expenditure/ Total (%)	
R million	2016/17	2017/18				2019/20	2016/17 - 2019/20	2020/21	2021/22		
Programme 1	139.1	167.7	222.1	209.2	14.6%	9.0%	235.9	249.8	260.7	7.6%	9.5%
Programme 2	675.6	748.2	801.5	907.1	10.3%	38.2%	948.6	1 006.5	1 056.4	5.2%	38.9%
Programme 3	40.9	81.6	68.4	81.4	25.8%	3.3%	75.3	79.6	81.2	-0.1%	3.2%
Subtotal	855.6	997.5	1 092.0	1 197.7	11.9%	50.6%	1 259.8	1 335.9	1 398.3	5.3%	51.6%
Direct charge against the National Revenue Fund	930.7	998.4	1 022.2	1 098.5	5.7%	49.4%	1 190.9	1 268.7	1 318.9	6.3%	48.4%
Judges' salaries	930.7	998.4	1 022.2	1 098.5	5.7%	49.4%	1 190.9	1 268.7	1 318.9	6.3%	48.4%
Total	1 786.3	1 995.9	2 114.2	2 296.2	8.7%	100.0%	2 450.8	2 604.6	2 717.3	5.8%	100.0%
Change to 2019				–			(12.0)	(12.2)	1.1		
Budget estimate											
Economic classification											
Current payments	1 636.8	1 795.0	1 885.4	2 094.7	8.6%	90.5%	2 212.4	2 353.2	2 454.3	5.4%	90.5%
Compensation of employees	1 418.6	1 519.0	1 619.2	1 755.4	7.4%	77.0%	1 871.5	1 993.6	2 081.9	5.9%	76.5%
Goods and services ¹ of which:	218.1	276.0	266.3	339.3	15.9%	13.4%	340.9	359.6	372.4	3.2%	14.0%
Communication	12.9	17.5	15.3	19.3	14.5%	0.8%	20.4	21.6	22.3	5.0%	0.8%
Computer services	32.4	46.3	32.9	61.7	24.0%	2.1%	59.3	62.5	64.8	1.6%	2.5%
Consultants: Business and advisory services	12.5	12.4	7.8	11.9	-1.5%	0.5%	13.3	14.1	14.6	7.0%	0.5%
Fleet services (including government motor transport)	21.3	25.0	26.5	26.4	7.3%	1.2%	28.9	30.5	31.6	6.2%	1.2%
Travel and subsistence	84.9	113.6	107.8	120.9	12.5%	5.2%	111.3	117.4	121.5	0.2%	4.7%
Venues and facilities	6.7	10.2	6.3	11.0	18.2%	0.4%	17.2	18.2	18.8	19.6%	0.6%
Interest and rent on land	0.0	0.0	–	–	-100.0%	0.0%	–	–	–	0.0%	0.0%
Transfers and subsidies¹	50.6	76.0	68.3	97.0	24.2%	3.6%	128.1	136.4	142.9	13.8%	5.0%
Provinces and municipalities	0.0	0.0	–	0.0	255.7%	0.0%	0.0	0.0	0.0	-27.7%	0.0%
Departmental agencies and accounts	–	0.0	–	0.0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.1%	0.0%
Households	50.6	76.0	68.3	96.9	24.2%	3.6%	128.1	136.4	142.9	13.8%	5.0%
Payments for capital assets	99.0	124.8	160.5	104.5	1.8%	6.0%	110.2	114.9	120.0	4.7%	4.5%
Buildings and other fixed structures	0.1	–	0.0	–	-100.0%	0.0%	–	–	–	0.0%	0.0%
Machinery and equipment	98.9	124.6	123.9	104.2	1.8%	5.5%	110.2	114.9	120.0	4.8%	4.5%
Software and other intangible assets	–	0.2	36.5	0.4	0.0%	0.5%	–	–	–	-100.0%	0.0%
Total	1 786.3	1 995.9	2 114.2	2 296.2	8.7%	100.0%	2 450.8	2 604.6	2 717.3	5.8%	100.0%

1. Tables that detail expenditure trends, annual budget, adjusted appropriation and audited outcome are available at www.treasury.gov.za and www.vulekamali.gov.za.

Transfers and subsidies expenditure trends and estimates

Table 27.3 Vote transfers and subsidies trends and estimates

R thousand	Audited outcome			Adjusted appropriation 2019/20	Average growth rate (%) 2016/17 - 2019/20	Medium-term expenditure estimate			Average growth rate (%) 2019/20 - 2022/23	Average expenditure/ Total (%) 2019/20 - 2022/23				
	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19			2020/21	2021/22	2022/23						
Departmental agencies and accounts														
Departmental agencies (non-business entities)														
Current	—	2	—	3	—	—	4	4	4	10.1%				
Communication	—	2	—	3	—	—	4	4	4	10.1%				
Households														
Social benefits														
Current	50 573	76 027	68 313	96 933	24.2%	100.0%	128 118	136 409	142 902	13.8%				
Employee social benefits	1 568	2 375	2 333	2 483	16.6%	3.0%	1 399	1 453	1 525	-15.0%				
Judges' salaries	49 005	73 652	65 980	94 450	24.4%	97.0%	126 719	134 956	141 377	14.4%				
Provinces and municipalities														
Municipal bank accounts														
Current	1	7	—	45	255.7%	—	13	15	17	-27.7%				
Vehicle licences	1	7	—	45	255.7%	—	13	15	17	-27.7%				
Total	50 574	76 036	68 313	96 981	24.2%	100.0%	128 135	136 428	142 923	13.8%				
										100.0%				

Personnel information

Table 27.4 Vote personnel numbers and cost by salary level and programme¹

Number of posts estimated for 31 March 2020		Number and cost ² of personnel posts filled/planned for on funded establishment										Number				
Number of funded posts	Number of posts additional to the establishment	Actual					Revised estimate					Medium-term expenditure estimate				
		2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2019/20 - 2022/23									
Office of the Chief Justice and Judicial Administration																
Salary level	1 848	8	2 415 1 619.2 0.7	2 648 1 755.4 0.7	2 682 1 871.5 0.7	2 687 1 993.6 0.7	2 642 2 081.9 0.8	-0.1%	100.0%							
1 – 6	972	4	966 249.5 0.3	1 119 252.7 0.2	1 146 271.9 0.2	1 153 290.5 0.3	1 136 304.8 0.3	0.5%	42.7%							
7 – 10	753	4	768 299.3 0.4	830 356.1 0.4	840 384.8 0.5	840 412.4 0.5	828 436.1 0.5	-0.1%	31.3%							
11 – 12	86	—	87 68.5 0.8	107 91.6 0.9	106 96.4 0.9	103 99.4 1.0	100 102.3 1.0	-2.2%	3.9%							
13 – 16	37	—	594 1 001.9 1.7	592 1 055.0 1.8	590 1 118.4 1.9	591 1 191.3 2.0	578 1 238.7 2.1	-0.8%	22.1%							
Programme	1 848	8	2 415 1 619.2 0.7	2 648 1 755.4 0.7	2 682 1 871.5 0.7	2 687 1 993.6 0.7	2 642 2 081.9 0.8	-0.1%	100.0%							
Programme 1	149	2	158 87.8 0.6	228 100.8 0.4	257 116.3 0.5	258 123.8 0.5	256 130.2 0.5	3.9%	9.4%							
Programme 2	1 667	3	1 645 551.8 0.3	1 796 624.8 0.3	1 770 663.5 0.4	1 764 706.8 0.4	1 728 743.4 0.4	-1.3%	66.2%							
Programme 3	32	3	55 23.4 0.4	74 25.6 0.3	107 27.5 0.3	116 29.2 0.3	122 30.7 0.3	18.1%	3.9%							
Direct charges	—	—	557 956.2 1.7	550 1 004.1 1.8	548 1 064.2 1.9	549 1 133.7 2.1	536 1 177.5 2.2	-0.9%	20.5%							

1. Data has been provided by the department and may not necessarily reconcile with official government personnel data.

2. Rand million.

Departmental receipts

Table 27.5 Departmental receipts by economic classification

R thousand	Audited outcome			Adjusted estimate 2019/20	Revised estimate 2019/20	Average growth rate (%) 2016/17 - 2019/20	Medium-term receipts estimate			Average growth rate (%) 2020/21 - 2022/23	Average receipt item/ Total (%) 2019/20 - 2022/23
	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19				2020/21	2021/22	2022/23		
Departmental receipts											
Departmental receipts	929	2 754	1 495	2 570	2 570	40.4%	100.0%	2 308	2 355	2 506	-0.8%
Sales of goods and services produced by department	673	584	671	522	522	-8.1%	31.6%	564	583	590	4.2%
Sales by market establishments of which:	59	58	51	77	77	9.3%	3.2%	80	85	89	4.9%
Rental dwellings	—	—	5	—	—	0.1%	—	—	—	—	—
Rental parking: Covered and open	59	58	46	77	77	9.3%	3.1%	80	85	89	4.9%
											3.4%

Table 27.5 Departmental receipts by economic classification

R thousand	Audited outcome			Adjusted estimate	Revised estimate	Average growth rate (%)	Average: Receipt item/ Total (%)	Medium-term receipts estimate			Average growth rate (%)	Average: Receipt item/ Total (%)
	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19					2016/17 - 2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	
Administrative fees of which:	8	3	22			-100.0%	0.4%	25	27	29		- 0.8%
Telecommunication services	8	3	22			-100.0%	0.4%	25	27	29		- 0.8%
Other sales of which:	606	523	598	445	445	-9.8%	28.0%	459	471	472	2.0%	19.0%
Services rendered: <i>Commission on insurance and garnishees</i>	344	375	399	310	310	-3.4%	18.4%	320	324	329	2.0%	13.2%
Services rendered: <i>Photocopies and faxes</i>	176	136	174	120	120	-12.0%	7.8%	130	132	133	3.5%	5.3%
Sales of assets less than R5 000	86	10	13	10	10	-51.2%	1.5%	9	15	10	-	0.5%
Replacement of lost office property	-	2	2	5	5	-	0.1%	-	-	-	-100.0%	0.1%
Sales: Department publications and productions	-	-	10	-	-	-	0.1%	-	-	-	-	-
Sales of scrap, waste, arms and other used current goods of which:	23	6	3	5	5	-39.9%	0.5%	6	6	7	11.9%	0.2%
Sales: Scrap	23	6	3	5	5	-39.9%	0.5%	6	6	7	11.9%	0.2%
Transfers received	-	753	-	-	-	-	9.7%	-	-	-	-	-
Fines, penalties and forfeits	50	20	40	9	9	-43.5%	1.5%	-	-	-	-100.0%	0.1%
Interest, dividends and rent on land	21	21	1	-	-	-100.0%	0.6%	1	1	1	-	-
Interest	21	21	1	-	-	-100.0%	0.6%	1	1	1	-	-
Sales of capital assets	-	126	-	12	12	-	1.8%	-	-	-	-100.0%	0.1%
Transactions in financial assets and liabilities	162	1 244	780	2 022	2 022	132.0%	54.3%	1 737	1 765	1 908	-1.9%	76.3%
Total	929	2 754	1 495	2 570	2 570	40.4%	100.0%	2 308	2 355	2 506	-0.8%	100.0%

Programme 1: Administration

Programme purpose

Provide strategic leadership, management and support services to the department.

Expenditure trends and estimates

Table 27.6 Administration expenditure trends and estimates by subprogramme and economic classification

Subprogramme	Audited outcome			Adjusted appropriation	Average growth rate (%)	Average: Expenditure/ Total (%)	Medium-term expenditure estimate			Average growth rate (%)	Average: Expenditure/ Total (%)
	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19				2016/17 - 2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	
	R million			2019/20							
Management	28.5	27.1	31.2	39.4	11.4%	17.1%	52.2	55.4	58.0	13.8%	21.4%
Corporate Services	76.5	98.4	134.3	121.0	16.5%	58.3%	122.1	129.0	134.2	3.5%	53.0%
Financial Administration	20.2	25.7	29.3	31.1	15.6%	14.4%	31.5	33.5	35.2	4.2%	13.8%
Internal Audit	14.0	16.4	16.8	17.6	8.1%	8.8%	19.1	20.2	21.1	6.2%	8.2%
Office Accommodation	-	-	10.5	-	-	1.4%	11.0	11.7	12.1	-	3.6%
Total	139.1	167.7	222.1	209.2	14.6%	100.0%	235.9	249.8	260.7	7.6%	100.0%
Change to 2019 Budget estimate				-			8.1	12.3	14.2		
Economic classification											
Current payments	133.3	146.9	161.8	199.5	14.4%	86.9%	226.9	240.5	251.1	8.0%	96.1%
Compensation of employees	67.7	74.0	87.8	100.8	14.2%	44.7%	116.3	123.8	130.2	8.9%	49.3%
Goods and services ¹ of which:	65.6	72.9	74.0	98.7	14.6%	42.2%	110.6	116.7	120.8	7.0%	46.8%
Audit costs: External	5.1	6.3	5.9	5.6	3.2%	3.1%	5.7	6.0	6.2	3.7%	2.5%
Computer services	31.1	43.8	30.6	58.9	23.7%	22.3%	56.9	60.0	62.1	1.8%	24.9%
Operating leases	-	-	10.5	-	-	1.4%	10.1	10.7	11.1	-	3.3%

Table 27.6 Administration expenditure trends and estimates by subprogramme and economic classification

Economic classification				Adjusted appropriation	Average growth rate (%)	Average: Expenditure/ Total (%)	Medium-term expenditure estimate			Average growth rate (%)	Average: Expenditure/ Total (%)
Audited outcome			2016/17				2016/17 - 2019/20	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
R million	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2016/17 - 2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2019/20 - 2022/23	2019/20 - 2022/23	2019/20 - 2022/23
Travel and subsistence	7.0	7.9	8.4	9.9	12.7%	4.5%	9.8	10.3	10.7	2.5%	4.3%
Training and development	1.3	3.6	3.5	7.0	74.7%	2.1%	6.9	7.3	7.5	2.6%	3.0%
Venues and facilities	0.7	0.1	0.0	0.2	-31.6%	0.1%	6.1	6.4	6.7	204.9%	2.0%
Interest and rent on land	0.0	0.0	—	—	-100.0%	—	—	—	—	—	—
Transfers and subsidies ¹	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	-11.7%	—	—	—	—	-100.0%	—
Households	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	-11.7%	—	—	—	—	-100.0%	—
Payments for capital assets	5.8	20.8	60.1	9.6	18.4%	13.0%	9.0	9.3	9.6	—	3.9%
Machinery and equipment	5.8	20.8	23.6	9.3	16.9%	8.1%	9.0	9.3	9.6	1.3%	3.9%
Software and other intangible assets	—	—	36.5	0.4	—	5.0%	—	—	—	-100.0%	—
Payments for financial assets	—	0.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	139.1	167.7	222.1	209.2	14.6%	100.0%	235.9	249.8	260.7	7.6%	100.0%
Proportion of total programme expenditure to vote expenditure	16.3%	16.8%	20.3%	17.5%	—	—	18.7%	18.7%	18.6%	—	—

1. Estimates of National Expenditure data tables can be downloaded from www.treasury.gov.za. These tables contain detailed information by goods and services, and transfers and subsidies items by programme.

Programme 2: Superior Court Services

Programme purpose

Provide court administration services to the superior courts.

Objectives

- Ensure the effective and efficient administration of the superior courts by:
 - increasing the percentage of default judgements finalised within 14 days from 70 per cent in 2020/21 to 74 per cent in 2022/23.
 - increasing the percentage of taxations of legal bills of costs finalised within 60 days from 70 per cent in 2020/21 to 80 per cent in 2022/23.
 - delivering all warrants of release (J1) within 1 day of the release being issued over the medium term.
 - monitoring the court order integrity project, guided by the court order integrity committee, to produce 4 reports per year over the medium term on the work of the committee.
 - monitoring the law reporting project to produce 4 reports per year over the medium term.
 - monitoring the judicial case flow management project to produce 4 reports per year over the medium term.

Subprogrammes

- *Administration of Superior Courts* provides administrative and technical support to the superior courts, monitors the overall performance of the superior courts and enhances judicial stakeholder relations.
- *Constitutional Court* funds the activities and operations of the Constitutional Court, which has jurisdiction over constitutional matters and matters of general public importance. The Constitutional Court has 11 judges, including the Chief Justice.
- *Supreme Court of Appeal* funds the activities and operations of the Supreme Court of Appeal, which adjudicates appeals in any matters arising from the high courts or courts of similar status. The court has 26 judges, including a president and a deputy president.
- *High Courts* funds the activities and operations of the various high court divisions, which have jurisdiction over defined geographical areas. There are 9 divisions of the high court in 16 physical locations, and 239 high court judges. These courts adjudicate and provide resolutions on serious criminal and civil disputes. They also hear appeals and reviews from the lower courts.

- *Specialised Courts* funds the activities and operations of labour and labour appeal courts, the Land Claims Court, the Competition Appeal Court and the Electoral Court. These courts adjudicate various types of matters excluded from the jurisdiction of the various high court divisions and lower courts.

Expenditure trends and estimates

Table 27.7 Superior Court Services expenditure trends and estimates by subprogramme and economic classification

Subprogramme				Adjusted appropriation	Average growth rate (%)	Average: Expenditure/ Total (%)	Medium-term expenditure estimate			Average growth rate (%)	Average: Expenditure/ Total (%)
	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19				2016/17 - 2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	
R million	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2016/17 - 2019/20	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2019/20 - 2022/23	
Administration of Superior Courts	11.1	11.3	11.2	21.9	25.5%	1.8%	29.1	30.9	34.2	15.9%	3.0%
Constitutional Court	45.2	68.6	55.8	61.8	11.0%	7.4%	61.9	65.5	68.4	3.5%	6.6%
Supreme Court of Appeal	32.4	32.5	34.2	38.2	5.6%	4.4%	40.3	42.5	44.5	5.2%	4.2%
High Courts	542.8	581.2	643.3	716.2	9.7%	79.3%	752.1	796.8	835.1	5.3%	79.1%
Specialised Courts	44.2	54.7	57.2	69.0	16.0%	7.2%	65.2	70.7	74.2	2.4%	7.1%
Total	675.6	748.2	801.5	907.1	10.3%	100.0%	948.6	1 006.5	1 056.4	5.2%	100.0%
Change to 2019 Budget estimate				—			(17.2)	(23.3)	(12.1)		
Economic classification											
Current payments	581.7	654.4	707.9	811.0	11.7%	88.0%	848.0	901.4	944.9	5.2%	89.5%
Compensation of employees	451.8	499.9	551.8	624.8	11.4%	67.9%	663.5	706.8	743.4	6.0%	69.9%
Goods and services ¹ of which:	129.9	154.6	156.1	186.1	12.7%	20.0%	184.5	194.6	201.5	2.7%	19.6%
Minor assets	6.0	3.0	3.5	7.7	8.6%	0.6%	6.7	7.1	7.4	-1.6%	0.7%
Communication	4.1	15.6	10.6	17.7	62.3%	1.5%	19.1	20.2	20.9	5.8%	2.0%
Consultants: Business and advisory services	7.5	10.3	5.3	8.8	5.5%	1.0%	10.1	10.6	11.0	7.6%	1.0%
Fleet services (including government motor transport)	21.3	21.2	25.7	26.4	7.5%	3.0%	28.9	30.5	31.6	6.2%	3.0%
Consumables: Stationery, printing and office supplies	8.3	8.1	8.9	11.3	10.9%	1.2%	11.4	12.0	12.4	3.0%	1.2%
Travel and subsistence	64.1	73.9	78.3	77.9	6.7%	9.4%	73.9	77.9	80.7	1.2%	7.9%
Interest and rent on land	—	0.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Transfers and subsidies ¹	1.5	2.2	2.1	2.5	19.5%	0.3%	1.4	1.5	1.5	-15.0%	0.2%
Provinces and municipalities	0.0	0.0	—	0.0	255.7%	—	0.0	0.0	0.0	-27.7%	—
Departmental agencies and accounts	—	0.0	—	0.0	—	—	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.1%	—
Households	1.5	2.2	2.1	2.5	18.8%	0.3%	1.4	1.5	1.5	-14.9%	0.2%
Payments for capital assets	92.4	91.5	91.5	93.6	0.4%	11.8%	99.2	103.6	109.9	5.5%	10.4%
Buildings and other fixed structures	0.1	—	0.0	—	-100.0%	—	—	—	—	—	—
Machinery and equipment	92.3	91.5	91.4	93.6	0.4%	11.8%	99.2	103.6	109.9	5.5%	10.4%
Software and other intangible assets	—	0.1	0.1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	675.6	748.2	801.5	907.1	10.3%	100.0%	948.6	1 006.5	1 056.4	5.2%	100.0%
Proportion of total programme expenditure to vote expenditure	79.0%	75.0%	73.4%	75.7%	—	—	75.3%	75.3%	75.5%	—	—

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Programme 3: Judicial Education and Support

Programme purpose

Provide education programmes to Judicial Officers, support services to the Judicial Service Commission, and policy development and research services to the department and the Judiciary for the optimal administration of justice.

Objectives

- Enhance the judicial skills of serving and aspiring Judicial Officers to perform optimally by increasing the number of judicial education training courses from 100 in 2020/21 to 110 in 2022/23.
- Improve the governance of the Judiciary and the department by producing 2 research monographs for judicial education per year over the medium term.
- Ensure that 4 litigation reports are produced per year over the medium term.

- Produce 3 reports on judicial appointments and complaints per year over the medium term.

Subprogrammes

- *South African Judicial Education Institute* funds the activities of the South African Judicial Education Institute to provide continuing judicial education for Judicial Officers and training for aspirant Judicial Officers.
- *Judicial Policy, Research and Support* provides advisory opinions on policy development, undertakes research, and offers legal support services to enhance the functioning of the Judiciary.
- *Judicial Service Commission* provides secretariat and administrative support services to the Judicial Service Commission so that it can effectively fulfil its constitutional and legislative mandates.

Expenditure trends and estimates

Table 27.8 Judicial Education and Support expenditure trends and estimates by subprogramme and economic classification

Subprogramme	Audited outcome			Adjusted appropriation	Average growth rate (%)	Average: Expenditure/ Total (%)	Medium-term expenditure estimate			Average growth rate (%)	Average: Expenditure/ Total (%)	
	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19				2019/20	2016/17 - 2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	
R million	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2016/17 - 2019/20	2019/20 - 2022/23	2019/20	2016/17 - 2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2019/20 - 2022/23
South African Judicial Education Institute	26.5	41.0	37.7	48.6	22.4%	56.5%	50.6	53.4	53.9	3.5%	65.0%	
Judicial Policy, Research and Support	4.5	24.7	23.5	24.9	77.1%	28.5%	16.6	17.6	18.4	-9.7%	24.4%	
Judicial Service Commission	9.9	15.9	7.2	7.9	-7.3%	15.0%	8.1	8.6	9.0	4.1%	10.6%	
Total	40.9	81.6	68.4	81.4	25.8%	100.0%	75.3	79.6	81.2	-0.1%	100.0%	
Change to 2019 Budget estimate				–			(13.0)	(12.2)	(14.0)			
Economic classification												
Current payments	40.1	69.0	59.5	80.1	25.9%	91.3%	73.3	77.6	80.8	0.3%	98.2%	
Compensation of employees	17.5	20.5	23.4	25.6	13.7%	31.9%	27.5	29.2	30.7	6.2%	35.6%	
Goods and services ¹ of which:	22.6	48.5	36.1	54.4	34.0%	59.4%	45.8	48.3	50.1	-2.8%	62.6%	
Consultants: Business and advisory services	0.3	0.8	1.0	2.1	85.7%	1.5%	2.5	2.6	2.7	8.4%	3.1%	
Legal services	0.5	1.3	0.9	4.7	107.7%	2.8%	4.9	5.2	5.4	4.3%	6.4%	
Travel and subsistence	13.8	31.9	21.1	33.1	33.7%	36.7%	27.6	29.1	30.1	-3.1%	37.8%	
Training and development	0.5	0.8	0.9	1.2	35.7%	1.2%	1.2	1.3	1.3	4.3%	1.6%	
Operating payments	0.2	0.7	0.6	1.5	107.1%	1.1%	1.4	1.5	1.5	-0.5%	1.9%	
Venues and facilities	4.9	6.0	5.3	7.9	17.2%	8.8%	4.8	5.1	5.3	-12.4%	7.3%	
Transfers and subsidies ¹	0.1	0.1	0.0	–	-100.0%	0.1%	–	–	–	–	–	
Households	0.1	0.1	0.0	–	-100.0%	0.1%	–	–	–	–	–	
Payments for capital assets	0.8	12.5	8.9	1.3	21.4%	8.6%	1.9	2.0	0.5	-29.3%	1.8%	
Machinery and equipment	0.8	12.4	8.9	1.3	21.4%	8.6%	1.9	2.0	0.5	-29.3%	1.8%	
Software and other intangible assets	–	0.1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	
Payments for financial assets	–	0.1	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	
Total	40.9	81.6	68.4	81.4	25.8%	100.0%	75.3	79.6	81.2	-0.1%	100.0%	
Proportion of total programme expenditure to vote expenditure	4.8%	8.2%	6.3%	6.8%	–	–	6.0%	6.0%	5.8%	–	–	

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