

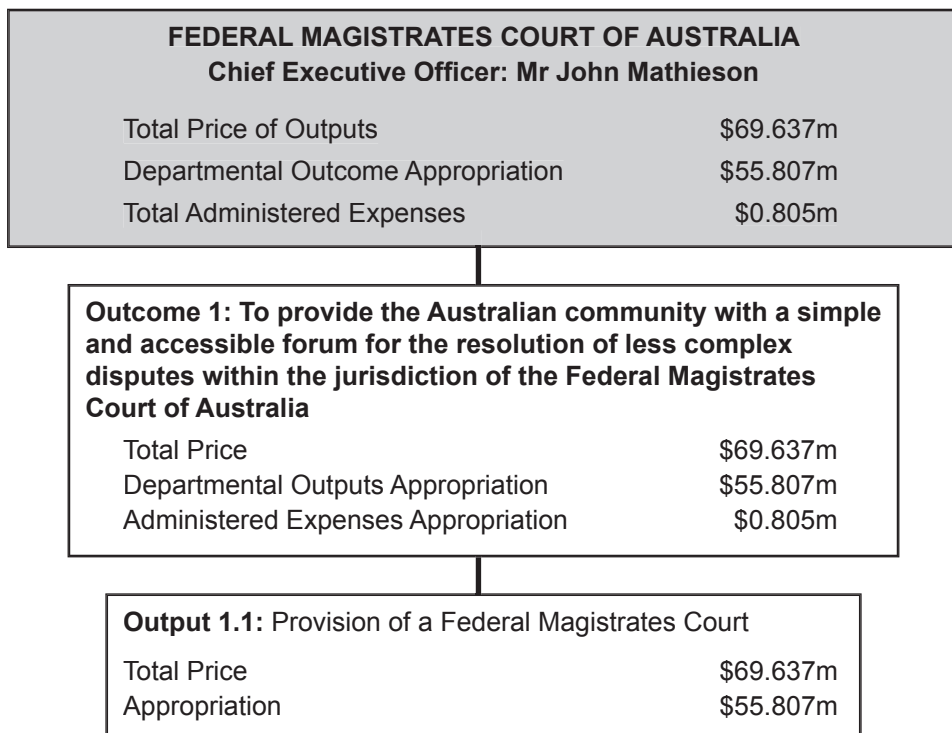
FEDERAL MAGISTRATES COURT OF AUSTRALIA

Section 1: Agency overview and resources; variations and measures

OVERVIEW

There are no changes to the role, mission, or outcome and output structure of the Federal Magistrates Court of Australia (FMC) as a result of additional estimates.

Figure 2: Outcome and output structure for Federal Magistrates Court



ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES AND VARIATIONS TO OUTCOMES

Variations—measures

Additional appropriation of \$4.366m over four years has been allocated for the appointment of two federal magistrates instead of replacing a judge and a senior registrar of the Family Court of Australia. Additional funding has also been appropriated for the appointment of another federal magistrate. This funding was previously allocated to the administered funding of the Attorney-General's Department and totals \$2.720m over four years. A corresponding reduction will be made within the Attorney-General's portfolio in the appropriation of the Family Court of Australia and the Attorney-General's Department.

The FMC's revised budget and forward estimates have been adjusted to implement the election commitment savings measure of a one-off increase in the efficiency dividend of 2% commencing in 2007-08.

Summaries of new measures since the 2007-08 Budget are at Tables 1.2 and 1.4.

Variations—other adjustments

Additional estimates include funding of \$2.485m over four years to meet increases in judicial and related remuneration determined by the Remuneration Tribunal.

Table 1.2: Additional estimates and variations to outcomes—measures

	2007-08 (\$'000)	2008-09 (\$'000)	2009-10 (\$'000)	2010-11 (\$'000)
Outcome 1				
Increase in estimates				
Providing additional magistrates	1,773	1,772	1,771	1,770
Decrease in estimates				
Election commitment savings: 2% efficiency dividend	(255)	(1,130)	(1,136)	(1,142)
Total changes in departmental appropriation	1,518	642	635	628

Table 1.3: Additional estimates and variations to outcomes—other variations

	2007–08 (\$'000)	2008–09 (\$'000)	2009–10 (\$'000)	2010–11 (\$'000)
Outcome 1				
Variations (departmental)				
Increase in judicial remuneration	631	625	618	611
Total variations in departmental appropriation	631	625	618	611

MEASURES—AGENCY SUMMARY

Table 1.4: Summary of measures since the 2007–08 Budget

Measure	Outcome	Output groups affected	Appropriations 2007–08 (\$'000)			Appropriations 2008–09 (\$'000)			Appropriations 2009–10 (\$'000)			Appropriations 2010–11 (\$'000)		
			Admin items	Dept outputs	Total	Admin items	Dept outputs	Total	Admin items	Dept outputs	Total	Admin items	Dept outputs	Total
EXPENSE MEASURES														
Providing additional magistrates	1	1.1	–	1,773	1,773	–	1,772	1,772	–	1,771	1,771	–	1,770	1,770
Election commitment savings: 2% efficiency dividend	1	1.1	–	(255)	(255)	–	(1,130)	(1,130)	–	(1,136)	(1,136)	–	(1,142)	(1,142)
Total expense measures			–	1,518	1,518	–	642	642	–	635	635	–	628	628
Total of all measures			–	1,518	1,518	–	642	642	–	635	635	–	628	628

BREAKDOWN OF ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES BY APPROPRIATION BILL

Table 1.5: Appropriation Bill (No. 3) 2007–08

	2006–07 Available (\$'000)	2007–08 Budget (\$'000)	2007–08 Revised (\$'000)	Additional estimates (\$'000)	Reduced estimates (\$'000)
DEPARTMENTAL OUTPUTS					
Outcome 1					
To provide the Australian community with a simple and accessible forum for the resolution of less complex disputes within the jurisdiction of the Federal Magistrates Court of Australia	39,084	53,658	55,807	2,149	–
Total Federal Magistrates Court of Australia	39,084	53,658	55,807	2,149	–

SUMMARY OF STAFFING CHANGES

Table 1.7: Average staffing level

	2007–08 Budget	2007–08 Revised	Variation
Outcome 1			
To provide the Australian community with a simple and accessible forum for the resolution of less complex disputes within the jurisdiction of the Federal Magistrates Court of Australia	205	224	19
Total	205	224	19

OTHER RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO BE USED

Table 1.8 provides details of other resources available to be used, which include resources received free of charge.

Table 1.8: Other resources available to be used

	Budget estimate 2007–08 (\$'000)	Revised estimate 2007–08 (\$'000)
Departmental other resources		
Sale of goods and services—FMA Act s. 31	20	220
Resources received free of charge	13,575	14,920
Total departmental other resources available to be used	13,595	15,140

Acts glossary: FMA Act = *Financial Management and Accountability Act 1997*.

Section 2: Revisions to agency outcomes

OUTCOMES, ADMINISTERED ITEMS AND OUTPUTS

Figure 2 displays the outcome statements and output groups for the FMC.

There are no changes to the outcome and output structure as a result of additional estimates.

Apart from price as shown in Figure 2 there have been no changes to performance information.

Section 3: Budgeted financial statements

ANALYSIS OF BUDGETED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The major change at additional estimates 2007–08 relates to funding for the appointment of two federal magistrates instead of replacing a judge and a senior registrar of the Family Court. Additional funding has also been received for the appointment of another federal magistrate. This funding was previously allocated to the administered funding of the Attorney-General's Department.

Supplementation has also been included for an increase in the remuneration of federal magistrates determined by the Remuneration Tribunal with effect from 1 July 2007.

Departmental

Budgeted departmental income statement

The FMC is budgeting for a surplus of \$1.535m in 2007–08. The budgeted surplus is a result of an underspend in funding provided in the 2007–08 Budget for the appointment of federal magistrates under the Budget measure 'Helping separated parents and their children', due to delays in appointing federal magistrates.

Revenue from Government has increased to reflect additional funding in 2007–08 for the appointment of three federal magistrates and supplementation for an increase to judicial and related remuneration determined by the Remuneration Tribunal effective 1 July 2007. An increase in resources received free of charge has also been made to update the estimated amount for 2007–08 on the basis of the reported value of services provided free of charge by the Australian National Audit Office in 2006–07.

The FMC's revenue has also been reduced by \$3.663m over four years due to the application of the additional efficiency dividend of 2%.

Budgeted departmental balance sheet

The FMC is budgeting for a net asset position at 30 June 2008 of \$21.441m. The difference between the previously published estimates and the revised estimates is a result of the inclusion of the 2006–07 actual results.

Department capital budget statement

The FMC has significant expected future capital acquisitions. This expenditure largely relates to the provision of accommodation for federal magistrates and the FMC's participation in the Commonwealth Courts Portal project funded from internal resources.

Departmental property, plant, equipment and intangibles—summary of movement

The majority of the FMC's capital purchases will relate to additional infrastructure associated with the increased staff level and continuing growth of the FMC to be funded from internal resources.

BUDGETED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TABLES

Departmental financial statements

Table 3.1: Budgeted departmental income statement (for the period ended 30 June)

	Actual 2006–07 (\$'000)	Revised budget 2007–08 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2008–09 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2009–10 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2010–11 (\$'000)
INCOME					
Revenue					
Revenue from Government	39,084	55,807	55,345	55,665	55,948
Resources received free of charge	24,455	14,920	15,082	15,092	14,952
Goods and services	310	220	222	223	220
Total revenue	63,849	70,947	70,649	70,980	71,120
Total income	63,849	70,947	70,649	70,980	71,120
EXPENSES					
Employees	23,668	33,850	33,333	33,358	33,352
Suppliers	37,614	34,139	33,722	33,344	32,963
Depreciation and amortisation	580	1,423	2,065	2,753	3,284
Total expenses	61,862	69,412	69,120	69,455	69,599
Operating result from continuing operations	1,987	1,535	1,529	1,525	1,521
Net surplus or (deficit) attributable to the Australian Government	1,987	1,535	1,529	1,525	1,521

Table 3.2: Budgeted departmental balance sheet (as at 30 June)

	Actual 2006–07 (\$'000)	Revised budget 2007–08 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2008–09 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2009–10 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2010–11 (\$'000)
ASSETS					
Financial assets					
Cash	552	552	552	552	552
Receivables	21,926	22,556	20,193	18,034	16,732
Total financial assets	22,478	23,108	20,745	18,586	17,284
Non-financial assets					
Land and buildings	1,671	4,748	6,723	10,259	13,072
Infrastructure, plant and equipment	605	744	2,318	3,234	4,096
Intangibles	140	449	1,994	2,094	2,198
Other	212	262	288	302	317
Total non-financial assets	2,628	6,203	11,323	15,889	19,683
Total assets	25,106	29,311	32,068	34,475	36,967
LIABILITIES					
Provisions					
Employees	4,312	6,417	7,089	7,798	8,578
Other provisions	275	275	275	275	275
Total provisions	4,587	6,692	7,364	8,073	8,853
Payables					
Suppliers	1,313	1,178	1,734	1,907	2,098
Total payables	1,313	1,178	1,734	1,907	2,098
Total liabilities	5,900	7,870	9,098	9,980	10,951
Net assets	19,206	21,441	22,970	24,495	26,016
EQUITY					
Parent entity interest					
Contributed equity	3,109	3,809	3,809	3,809	3,809
Retained surpluses or accumulated deficits	16,097	17,632	19,161	20,686	22,207
Total parent entity interest	19,206	21,441	22,970	24,495	26,016
Total equity	19,206	21,441	22,970	24,495	26,016
Current assets	22,690	23,370	21,033	18,888	17,600
Non-current assets	2,416	5,941	11,035	15,587	19,367
Current liabilities	4,633	6,217	7,187	7,885	8,651
Non-current liabilities	1,267	1,653	1,911	2,095	2,300

Table 3.3: Budgeted departmental statement of cash flows (for the period ended 30 June)

	Actual 2006–07 (\$'000)	Revised budget 2007–08 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2008–09 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2009–10 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2010–11 (\$'000)
OPERATING ACTIVITIES					
Cash received					
Goods and services	199	220	222	223	220
Appropriations	35,103	53,579	56,737	57,238	57,027
Other	1,568	1,548	1,447	1,446	1,425
Total cash received	36,870	55,347	58,406	58,907	58,673
Cash used					
Employees	22,685	31,745	32,661	32,649	32,572
Suppliers	13,717	19,354	18,085	18,078	17,820
Total cash used	36,402	51,099	50,746	50,727	50,392
Net cash from or (used by) operating activities	468	4,248	7,660	8,180	8,281
INVESTING ACTIVITIES					
Cash received					
	–	–	–	–	–
Total cash received	–	–	–	–	–
Cash used					
Purchase of land and building	–	4,264	3,656	6,101	6,081
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	1,453	263	1,962	1,456	1,546
Purchase of intangibles	91	421	2,042	623	654
Total cash used	1,544	4,948	7,660	8,180	8,281
Net cash from or (used by) investing activities	(1,544)	(4,948)	(7,660)	(8,180)	(8,281)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES					
Cash received					
Appropriations—contributed equity	1,055	700	–	–	–
Total cash received	1,055	700	–	–	–
Cash used					
	–	–	–	–	–
Total cash used	–	–	–	–	–
Net cash from or (used by) financing activities	1,055	700	–	–	–
Net increase or (decrease) in cash held	(21)	–	–	–	–
Cash at the beginning of the reporting period	573	552	552	552	552
Cash at the end of the reporting period	552	552	552	552	552

Table 3.4: Departmental statement of changes in equity—summary of movement (Budget year 2007–08)

	Accumulated results (\$'000)	Asset revaluation reserve (\$'000)	Other reserves (\$'000)	Contributed equity/ capital (\$'000)	Total equity (\$'000)
Opening balance as at 1 July 2007					
Balance carried forward from previous period	16,097	–	–	3,109	19,206
Adjustment for changes in accounting policies	–	–	–	–	–
Adjusted opening balance	16,097	–	–	3,109	19,206
Income and expenses					
Net operating result	1,535	–	–	–	1,535
Total income and expenses	1,535	–	–	–	1,535
Transactions with owners					
Appropriation (equity injection)	–	–	–	700	700
Sub-total transactions with owners	–	–	–	700	700
Estimated closing balance as at 30 June 2008	17,632	–	–	3,809	21,441

Table 3.5: Departmental capital budget statement

	Actual 2006–07 (\$'000)	Revised budget 2007–08 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2008–09 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2009–10 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2010–11 (\$'000)
CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS					
Total equity injections	1,222	700	–	–	–
Total capital appropriations	1,222	700	–	–	–
Represented by					
Purchase of non-financial assets	1,222	700	7,660	8,180	8,281
Total represented by	1,222	700	7,660	8,180	8,281
PURCHASE OF NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS					
Funded by capital appropriation	1,222	700	–	–	–
Funded internally by departmental resources	322	4,248	7,660	8,180	8,281
Total	1,544	4,948	7,660	8,180	8,281

Table 3.6: Departmental property, plant, equipment and intangibles—summary of movement (Budget year 2007–08)

	Buildings (\$'000)	Other infrastructure, plant and equipment (\$'000)	Computer software (\$'000)	Total (\$'000)
As at 1 July 2007				
Gross book value	1,896	1,110	422	3,428
Accumulated depreciation	(225)	(505)	(282)	(1,012)
Opening net book value	1,671	605	140	2,416
Additions				
<i>By purchase</i>	4,264	263	421	4,948
Depreciation/amortisation expense	(1,187)	(124)	(112)	(1,423)
As at 30 June 2008				
Gross book value	6,160	1,373	843	8,376
Accumulated depreciation	(1,412)	(629)	(394)	(2,435)
Estimated closing net book value	4,748	744	449	5,941

Schedule of administered activity

Table 3.7: Schedule of budgeted income and expenses administered on behalf of Government (for the period ended 30 June)

	Actual 2006–07 (\$'000)	Revised budget 2007–08 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2008–09 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2009–10 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2010–11 (\$'000)
INCOME ADMINISTERED ON BEHALF OF GOVERNMENT					
Revenue					
Non-taxation					
Other sources of non-taxation revenue	15,707	16,440	16,440	16,440	16,440
Total non-taxation	15,707	16,440	16,440	16,440	16,440
Total income administered on behalf of Government	15,707	16,440	16,440	16,440	16,440
EXPENSES ADMINISTERED ON BEHALF OF GOVERNMENT					
Suppliers	350	805	825	841	841
Other	38	–	–	–	–
Total expenses administered on behalf of Government	388	805	825	841	841

Table 3.8: Schedule of budgeted assets and liabilities administered on behalf of Government (as at 30 June)

	Actual 2006–07 (\$'000)	Revised budget 2007–08 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2008–09 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2009–10 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2010–11 (\$'000)
ASSETS ADMINISTERED ON BEHALF OF GOVERNMENT					
Financial assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	61	–	–	–	–
Receivables	59	65	65	65	65
Total financial assets	120	65	65	65	65
Total assets administered on behalf of Government	120	65	65	65	65
LIABILITIES ADMINISTERED ON BEHALF OF GOVERNMENT					
Payables					
Suppliers	221	10	10	10	10
Total payables	221	10	10	10	10
Total liabilities administered on behalf of Government	221	10	10	10	10

Table 3.9: Schedule of budgeted administered cash flows (for the period ended 30 June)

	Actual 2006–07 (\$'000)	Revised budget 2007–08 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2008–09 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2009–10 (\$'000)	Forward estimate 2010–11 (\$'000)
OPERATING ACTIVITIES					
Cash received					
Other taxes, fees and fines	15,737	16,440	16,440	16,440	16,440
Other	40	–	–	–	–
Total cash received	15,777	16,440	16,440	16,440	16,440
Cash used					
Suppliers	407	866	875	895	911
Other	38	–	–	–	–
Total cash used	445	866	875	895	911
Net cash from or (used by) operating activities	15,332	15,574	15,565	15,545	15,529
FINANCING ACTIVITIES					
Cash received					
Other	–	70	70	70	70
Total cash received	–	70	70	70	70
Net cash from or (used by) financing activities	–	70	70	70	70
Net increase or (decrease) in cash held	15,332	15,644	15,635	15,615	15,599
Cash at beginning of reporting period	–	61	–	–	–
Cash from Official Public Account for appropriations	503	805	875	895	911
Cash to Official Public Account for other	15,774	16,510	16,510	16,510	16,510
Cash at end of reporting period	61	–	–	–	–

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Basis of accounting

The budgeted financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis, in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards, the Australian Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards and Accounting Guidance Releases, and having regard to Statements of Accounting Concepts.

Revenue from Government

Amounts appropriated are recognised as revenue, except for certain amounts that relate to activities that are reciprocal in nature, in which case revenue is recognised only when it has been earned. Appropriations receivable are recognised at their nominal amounts.

Employee expenses

Employee expenses consist of salaries, leave entitlements, redundancy expenses, superannuation and non-salary benefits.

Supplier expenses

Supplier expenses consist of administrative costs, consultants' fees, travel expenses and property operating expenses.

Cash

Cash includes notes and coins held and any deposits held at call with a bank or other financial institution.

Assets

Assets are made up of cash, receivables, leasehold improvements, and plant and equipment. All assets are held at fair value.

Liabilities

Liabilities are made up of employee salary and leave entitlements, property lease make-good provisions and amounts owed to creditors.

