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NOTES

ABOUT THIS PUBLICATION

This publication contains estimates of Australian public funding for arts and cultural activities, facilities and services for the three years from 2003–04 to 2005–06. Estimates for the three levels of government have been compiled from administrative by-product data obtained by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) from annual reports and budget papers, and from information provided by selected Australian Government authorities (including the Australia Council), state and territory governments and local government authorities. Detailed estimates of local government funding of arts and cultural activities are not available for this edition of this publication but are expected to be available for a future edition, when the ABS begins to classify local government data by a more detailed Local Government Purpose Classification.

Funding data in this publication are aligned, where possible, with the categories specified in the Industry Classification of the *Australian Culture and Leisure Classifications* (cat. no. 4902.0), which were released in 2001. Cultural activities have been classified into two major groups: Heritage; and the Arts.

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ABBREVIATIONS

- \$m million dollars
- ABS Australian Bureau of Statistics
- ACLC Australian Culture and Leisure Classifications
- ACT Australian Capital Territory
- Aust. Australia
- DOF Australian Government Department of Finance
- n.e.c. not elsewhere classified
- NSW New South Wales
- NT Northern Territory
- Qld Queensland
- SA South Australia
- Tas. Tasmania
- Vic. Victoria
- WA Western Australia

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SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

CULTURAL FUNDING

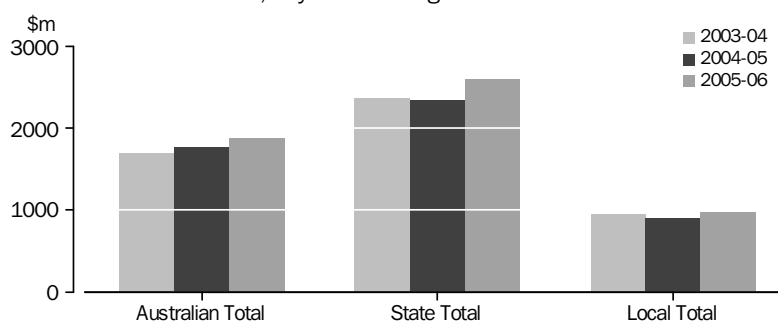
Total government funding for cultural activities was \$5.4 billion in 2005–06 (\$5,449.7m), a rise of 9.1% on the previous year. The Australian Government contributed \$1,878.4m (34.5%) of the total cultural funding and the state and territory governments contributed \$2,598.1m (47.7%). Local governments provided \$973.2m (17.9%).

Broadcasting and film continues to be the largest recipient of funds, with funding of over \$1.2 billion (\$1,217.7m or 22.3% of total cultural funding) from the Australian Government and state and territory governments combined. This was a 4.3% increase on the \$1,167.1m allocated in 2004–05. The other major recipients of federal and state and territory government funding in 2005–06 were Nature parks and reserves (\$1,091.5m representing 20.0% of total cultural funding); Libraries and archives (\$575.8m, 10.6%) and Other museums (\$506.1m, 9.3%).

Changes over time

Between 2004–05 and 2005–06, the Australian Government contribution to cultural funding increased by \$117.5m, a change of 6.7%. State and territory government contribution to cultural funding also increased, with the 2005–06 total up 11.1% (\$259.5m) on 2004–05. During the previous period (2003–04 to 2004–05) cultural funding by the Australian government increased by \$61.5m (3.6%) while the contribution by the state and territory governments fell \$24.1m (1.0%) during the same period.

CULTURAL FUNDING, By level of government—2003–04 to 2005–06



(a) The Australian government was referred to as Commonwealth Government in publications prior to 2004-05. It does not refer to the aggregate of state and territory governments, nor does it include local government (see paragraph 8 in the Explanatory Notes).

(b) Due to a break in time series, earlier local government data are not comparable with 2003–04 figures (see paragraphs 11 and 16 in the Explanatory Notes).

In terms of dollar value, the major recipient of cultural funding by the Australian Government was Broadcasting and film, which received \$1,141.3m in 2005–06 compared to \$1,096.5m in 2004–05, an increase of \$44.8m or 4.1%. The only categories that received less funding by the Australian Government in 2005–06, when compared to 2004–05, were Community cultural centres and activities (a fall of \$1.8m), Zoological parks, aquaria and botanic gardens (-\$1.0m) and Performing arts venues (-\$0.1m).

The total state and territory government funding for Nature parks and reserves received the largest increase, rising 10.4% (\$95.4m) to \$1,016.3m in 2005–06. Funding for Art museums reached \$214.0m, an increase of \$43.3m (25.3%). The state and territory governments also significantly increased funding for Libraries and archives, up \$43.1m (10.8%) and Zoological parks, aquaria and botanic gardens (up \$31.5m, 23.9%). The only category that received less funding by the state and territory governments in 2005–06, when compared to 2004–05, was Literature and print media which fell by \$0.5m (9.9%).

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS *continued*

RECURRENT AND CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Recurrent expenditure refers mainly to expenditure on wages and salaries, purchases of goods and services, and current grants and subsidies. In 2005–06, recurrent expenditure was \$4,813.0m or 88.3% of total cultural funding. The Australian Government allocated \$1,848.6m (98.4%) of its cultural funding towards recurrent activity, whereas state and territory governments provided \$2,114.7m (81.4%) and local governments contributed \$849.7m (87.3%).

Capital expenditure is primarily on the creation of fixed assets and on the acquisition of land, buildings and intangible assets. In any one year, the amount of funding for cultural activities can be affected by high levels of one-off capital expenditure. The total capital expenditure by all levels of government was \$636.7m in 2005–06, a rise of 31.7% on 2004–05. In 2005–06 the majority of the nation's capital expenditure was by the state and territory governments who, collectively, outlaid \$483.4m (75.9% of the total). Local governments spent \$123.5m (19.4%) on capital expenditure and the Australian government outlaid \$29.8m (4.7%).

FUNDING BY LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT

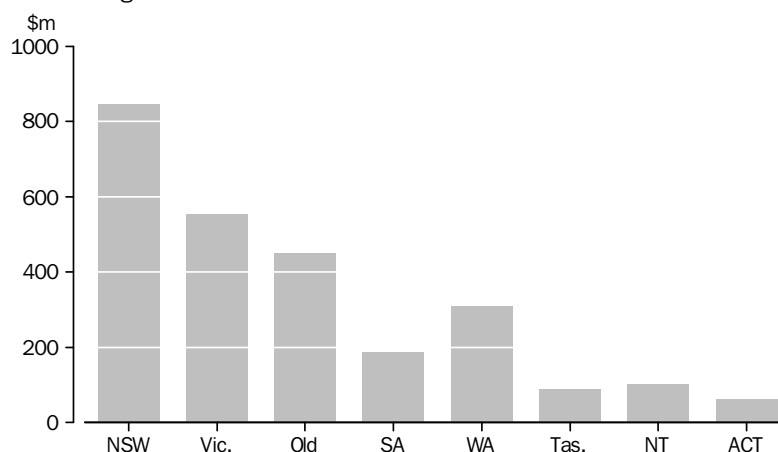
Australian Government

In 2005–06, the Australian Government allocated the majority of its cultural funding to support Arts activities (\$1,406.2m) or 74.9%, while Heritage activities received \$472.2m. The majority of Australian Government Arts funding (81.2%) was attributed to Broadcasting and film (\$1,141.3m). For Broadcasting and film the main recipient was Radio and television services which received \$1,000.6m (71.2%). The largest recipient of Heritage funding was the Other museums category which was allocated \$199.6m (42.3%).

State and territory government

The state and territory governments traditionally direct the majority of their funds towards Heritage activities. In 2005–06, the state and territory governments allocated \$2,142.1m, or 82.4% of their cultural funding for Heritage activities. Of the states Tasmania had the highest proportion of cultural funding allocated to Heritage activities (93.3%) followed by Queensland (86.9%). Arts activities received \$456.0m of the total cultural funding by the state and territory governments with the majority of Arts funding allocated to Performing arts venues (\$183.7m). Of this funding for Performing arts venues the New South Wales government accounted for 60.3% (\$110.8m).

STATE AND TERRITORY GOVERNMENT CULTURAL FUNDING, By value of funding—2005–06



SUMMARY OF FINDINGS *continued*

State and territory government continued

Across all categories, the largest recipient of state and territory government funding was the Nature parks and reserves category which received \$1,016.3m, accounting for 47.4% of Heritage funding and 39.1% of the total cultural funding. Other major recipients were Libraries and archives (\$441.7m), Other museums (\$306.6m) and Art museums (\$214.0m).

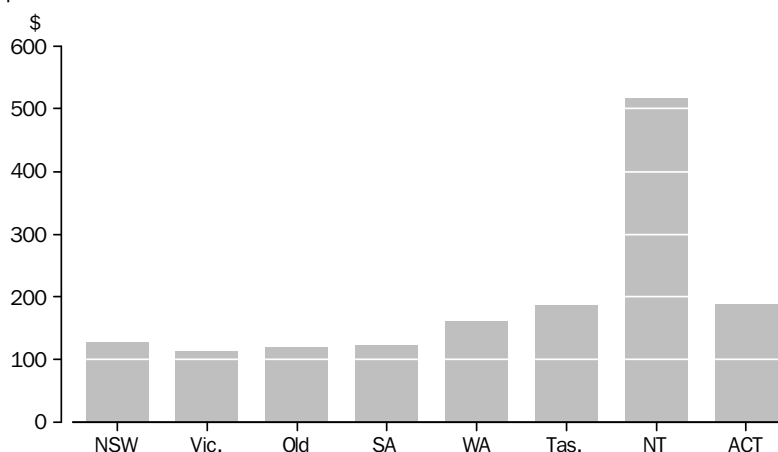
Local government

In 2005–06, local government funding for cultural activities was \$973.2m, which was 17.7% of total cultural funding provided by all levels of government. This was a rise of \$75.5m or 8.4% on 2004–05 when local government funding for cultural activities was \$897.7m. Over a third of local government funding was provided by NSW local governments, where funding was \$330.2m (33.9%).

FUNDING PER PERSON

Government cultural funding per person increased for all levels of government in 2005–06. The total per person funding, for all levels of government in Australia was \$275.90 in 2005–06, a rise of \$25.79 from the 2004–05 figure of \$250.11. The Australian Government per person contribution to cultural funding increased to \$95.10 in 2005–06, a rise of \$6.96 from 2004–05 (\$88.14).

STATE AND TERRITORY GOVERNMENT CULTURAL FUNDING, By \$ per person—2005–06



The total state and territory government contribution rose by \$14.49 per person, from \$117.05 in 2004–05 to \$131.54 in 2005–06. Of the states, Tasmania had the highest expenditure, per person, for cultural funding (\$186.42) followed by Western Australia (\$160.71). Victoria had the lowest cultural funding per person (\$113.12). Expenditure per person was significantly higher for the Northern Territory (\$516.67) and the Australian Capital Territory (\$187.86).

Funding for Nature parks and reserves was the largest component of per person expenditure for all regions except the Australian Capital Territory. The Northern Territory expenditure on Nature parks and reserves was \$298.96 per person. Tasmania (\$80.10) and Western Australia (\$62.22) were also well above the national average of \$51.45 per person.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS *continued*

FUNDING PER PERSON *continued*

Another major component of state and territory government expenditure was for Libraries, where the national average was \$19.95 per person (\$394.0m in total). The Northern Territory Government (\$60.05) and Australian Capital Territory Government(\$59.43) spent the most per person, but this is partly because libraries are generally funded by local governments in the other states. Tasmanian expenditure was also well above the national average at \$49.02 per person.

On a per person basis, the average value of local government funding was \$49.27 per person in 2005–06. Local government in WA contributed the largest amount of cultural funding per person (\$83.78) which was \$34.51 above the national average. See Explanatory Note 11 for more detail on the reliability of these estimates.

Category and level of government	2003-04		2004-05(a)			2005-06		
	Value of Funding \$m	Percentage of total %	Value of Funding \$m	Percentage of total %	Change from previous year %	Value of Funding \$m	Percentage of total %	Change from previous year %
Australian Government								
Heritage								
Art museums	45.7	0.9	46.3	0.9	1.3	54.7	1.0	18.2
Other museums	202.4	4.0	182.1	3.6	-10.0	199.6	3.7	9.6
Nature parks and reserves(b)	68.8	1.4	73.3	1.5	6.6	75.2	1.4	2.6
Zoological parks, aquaria and botanic gardens	7.4	0.1	9.6	0.2	31.2	8.6	0.2	-10.5
Libraries and archives	116.0	2.3	120.1	2.4	3.6	134.1	2.5	11.6
Total Heritage	440.3	8.8	431.5	8.6	-2.0	472.2	8.7	9.4
Arts								
Literature and print media	27.9	0.6	27.6	0.6	-1.0	29.5	0.5	6.6
Performing arts	105.4	2.1	100.7	2.0	-4.5	111.0	2.0	10.2
Performing arts venues	1.0	—	0.1	—	-86.9	—	—	-78.5
Visual arts and crafts	10.7	0.2	16.1	0.3	49.8	17.3	0.3	7.9
Broadcasting and film	1 012.8	20.2	1 096.5	21.9	8.3	1 141.3	20.9	4.1
Community cultural centres and activities	12.0	0.2	11.8	0.2	-2.3	10.0	0.2	-14.8
Administration of culture	36.1	0.7	31.3	0.6	-13.4	49.3	0.9	57.7
Other arts n.e.c.	53.1	1.1	45.4	0.9	-14.6	47.8	0.9	5.2
Total Arts	1 259.2	25.1	1 329.4	26.6	5.6	1 406.2	25.8	5.8
Total Australian Government(c)	1 699.4	33.9	1 760.9	35.2	3.6	1 878.4	34.5	6.7
State and territory government								
Heritage								
Art museums	156.3	3.1	170.7	3.4	9.3	214.0	3.9	25.3
Other museums	314.3	6.3	300.0	6.0	-4.5	306.6	5.6	2.2
Nature parks and reserves	1 009.0	20.2	920.9	18.4	-8.7	1 016.3	18.6	10.4
Zoological parks, aquaria and botanic gardens	128.9	2.6	132.1	2.6	2.4	163.6	3.0	23.9
Libraries and archives	345.5	6.9	398.6	8.0	15.3	441.7	8.1	10.8
Total Heritage	1 954.1	39.0	1 922.2	38.5	-1.6	2 142.1	39.3	11.4
Arts								
Literature and print media	4.5	0.1	4.7	0.1	5.8	4.2	0.1	-9.9
Performing arts	79.8	1.6	75.2	1.5	-5.7	80.2	1.5	6.6
Performing arts venues	148.6	3.0	162.9	3.3	9.7	183.7	3.4	12.7
Visual arts and crafts	16.7	0.3	16.4	0.3	-1.8	17.1	0.3	4.1
Broadcasting and film	62.9	1.3	70.6	1.4	12.3	76.4	1.4	8.2
Community cultural centres and activities	12.7	0.3	13.0	0.3	1.8	15.0	0.3	15.9
Administration of culture	39.9	0.8	36.2	0.7	-9.2	37.6	0.7	3.7
Other arts n.e.c.	43.5	0.9	37.3	0.7	-14.3	41.7	0.8	11.9
Total Arts	408.6	8.2	416.4	8.3	1.9	456.0	8.4	9.5
Total state and territory government	2 362.7	47.2	2 338.6	46.8	-1.0	2 598.1	47.7	11.1
Local government(d)(e)	945.1	18.9	897.7	18.0	-5.0	973.2	17.9	8.4
Total(d)(f)	5 007.2	100.0	4 997.2	100.0	-0.2	5 449.7	100.0	9.1

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(f) Aggregate including all three levels of government: the Australian Government, state and territory governments and local government.

	2003-04	2004-05(a)	2005-06
	\$	\$	\$
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Australian Government(b)			
Heritage			
Art museums	2.29	2.32	2.77
Other museums	10.13	9.11	10.10
Nature parks and reserves(c)	3.44	3.67	3.81
Zoological parks, aquaria and botanic gardens	0.37	0.48	0.44
Libraries and archives	5.81	6.01	6.79
Total heritage	22.03	21.60	23.91
Arts			
Literature and print media	1.40	1.38	1.49
Performing arts	5.28	5.04	5.62
Performing arts venues	0.05	0.01	—
Visual arts and crafts	0.54	0.80	0.88
Broadcasting and film	50.69	54.88	57.78
Community cultural centres and activities	0.60	0.59	0.51
Administration of culture	1.81	1.56	2.50
Other arts n.e.c.	2.66	2.27	2.42
Total arts	63.02	66.54	71.19
Total Australian Government(b)	85.06	88.14	95.10
State and territory government			
Heritage			
Art museums	7.82	8.55	10.84
Other museums	15.73	15.02	15.52
Nature parks and reserves	50.50	46.09	51.45
Zoological parks, aquaria and botanic gardens	6.45	6.61	8.28
Libraries and archives	17.29	19.95	22.36
Total heritage	97.80	96.21	108.45
Arts			
Literature and print media	0.22	0.24	0.22
Performing arts	3.99	3.76	4.06
Performing arts venues	7.44	8.15	9.30
Visual arts and crafts	0.84	0.82	0.87
Broadcasting and film	3.15	3.54	3.87
Community cultural centres and activities	0.64	0.65	0.76
Administration of culture	2.00	1.81	1.90
Other arts n.e.c.	2.18	1.87	2.11
Total arts	20.45	20.84	23.09
Total state and territory government	118.25	117.05	131.54
Local government(d)(e)	47.30	44.93	49.27
Total(f)(g)	250.61	250.11	275.90

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(e) Although the Australian Capital Territory does not have a local government, its population has been included in calculations of per person funding (see paragraph 13 in the Explanatory Notes).

(f) Due to a break in time series, earlier data are not comparable with 2003–04 figures (see paragraphs 11 and 16 in the Explanatory Notes).

(g) Aggregate including all three levels of government: the Australian Government, state and territory governments and local government.

	<i>Recurrent</i>	<i>Capital</i>	<i>Total</i>
	\$m	\$m	\$m
<i>Australian Government(a)</i>			
<i>Heritage</i>			
Art museums	50.7	4.0	54.7
Other museums	187.6	12.0	199.6
Nature parks and reserves(b)	75.2	—	75.2
Zoological parks, aquaria and botanic gardens	8.6	—	8.6
Libraries and archives	126.6	7.5	134.1
<i>Total heritage</i>	<i>448.7</i>	<i>23.5</i>	<i>472.2</i>
<i>Arts</i>			
Literature and print media	29.5	—	29.5
Performing arts	111.0	—	111.0
Performing arts venues	—	—	—
Visual arts and crafts	17.3	—	17.3
Broadcasting and film	1 135.4	5.9	1 141.3
Community cultural centres and activities	10.0	—	10.0
Administration of culture	48.9	0.4	49.3
Other arts n.e.c.	47.8	—	47.8
<i>Total Arts</i>	<i>1 399.8</i>	<i>6.3</i>	<i>1 406.2</i>
<i>Total Australian Government(a)</i>	<i>1 848.6</i>	<i>29.8</i>	<i>1 878.4</i>
<i>State and territory government</i>			
<i>Heritage</i>			
Art museums	131.9	82.1	214.0
Other museums	277.2	29.4	306.6
Nature parks and reserves	886.4	129.9	1 016.3
Zoological parks, aquaria and botanic gardens	101.4	62.1	163.6
Libraries and archives	331.2	110.5	441.7
<i>Total heritage</i>	<i>1 728.1</i>	<i>414.0</i>	<i>2 142.1</i>
<i>Arts</i>			
Literature and print media	4.2	—	4.2
Performing arts	75.3	4.9	80.2
Performing arts venues	131.3	52.3	183.7
Visual arts and crafts	17.1	—	17.1
Broadcasting and film	71.6	4.9	76.4
Community cultural centres and activities	12.9	2.1	15.0
Administration of culture	35.5	2.1	37.6
Other arts n.e.c.	38.7	3.1	41.7
<i>Total arts</i>	<i>386.6</i>	<i>69.4</i>	<i>456.0</i>
<i>Total state and territory government</i>	<i>2 114.7</i>	<i>483.4</i>	<i>2 598.1</i>
Local government(c)	849.7	123.5	973.2
Total(d)	4 813.0	636.7	5 449.7

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	VALUE OF FUNDING			PER PERSON		
	2003-04	2004-05(c)	2005-06	2003-04	2004-05(c)	2005-06
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$	\$	\$
Heritage						
Art museums	45.7	46.3	54.7	2.29	2.32	2.77
Other museums	202.4	182.1	199.6	10.13	9.11	10.10
Nature parks and reserves(d)	68.8	73.3	75.2	3.44	3.67	3.81
Zoological parks, aquaria and Botanic gardens						
Zoological parks and aquaria	—	—	—	—	—	—
Botanic gardens	7.4	9.6	8.6	0.37	0.48	0.44
Total	7.4	9.6	8.6	0.37	0.48	0.44
Libraries and Archives						
Libraries	51.0	54.9	66.7	2.55	2.75	3.38
Archives	65.0	65.2	67.4	3.25	3.26	3.41
Total	116.0	120.1	134.1	5.81	6.01	6.79
Total heritage	440.3	431.5	472.2	22.03	21.60	23.91
Arts						
Literature and print media	27.9	27.6	29.5	1.40	1.38	1.49
Performing arts						
Music	55.3	53.6	72.7	2.77	2.68	3.68
Drama	14.3	13.5	17.7	0.71	0.68	0.90
Dance	11.8	11.2	11.5	0.59	0.56	0.58
Music theatre and opera	19.2	14.8	0.7	0.96	0.74	0.03
Other performing arts	4.9	7.5	8.3	0.24	0.38	0.42
Total	105.4	100.7	111.0	5.28	5.04	5.62
Performing arts venues	1.0	0.1	—	0.05	0.01	—
Visual arts and crafts	10.7	16.1	17.3	0.54	0.80	0.88
Broadcasting and Film						
Radio and Television services	915.3	967.3	1 000.6	45.81	48.41	50.66
Film and video	96.9	128.7	140.0	4.85	6.44	7.09
Multimedia	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.03	0.03	0.04
Total	1 012.8	1 096.5	1 141.3	50.69	54.88	57.78
Community Cultural Centres and Activities	12.0	11.8	10.0	0.60	0.59	0.51
Administration of culture	36.1	31.3	49.3	1.81	1.56	2.50
Other arts n.e.c.						
Arts education	34.6	30.3	37.5	1.73	1.52	1.90
Major Multi-Arts Festivals	0.7	1.4	0.1	0.03	0.07	0.01
Other arts n.e.c.	17.8	13.7	10.1	0.89	0.69	0.51
Total	53.1	45.4	47.8	2.66	2.27	2.42
Total arts	1 259.2	1 329.4	1 406.2	63.02	66.54	71.19
Total	1 699.4	1 760.9	1 878.4	85.06	88.14	95.10

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	2003-04	2004-05(a)	2005-06	2003-04	2004-05(a)	2005-06
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$	\$	\$
Heritage						
Art museums	156.3	170.7	214.0	7.82	8.55	10.84
Other museums	314.3	300.0	306.6	15.73	15.02	15.52
Nature parks and reserves	1 009.0	920.9	1 016.3	50.50	46.09	51.45
Zoological parks, aquaria and botanic gardens						
Zoological parks and aquaria	50.8	59.4	88.0	2.54	2.97	4.46
Botanic gardens	78.1	72.6	75.6	3.91	3.64	3.83
Total	128.9	132.1	163.6	6.45	6.61	8.28
Libraries and archives						
Libraries	302.4	337.1	394.0	15.13	16.87	19.95
Archives	43.2	61.4	47.7	2.16	3.08	2.42
Total	345.5	398.6	441.7	17.29	19.95	22.36
Total heritage	1 954.1	1 922.2	2 142.1	97.80	96.21	108.45
Arts						
Literature and print media	4.5	4.7	4.2	0.22	0.24	0.22
Performing arts						
Music	24.6	23.5	29.4	1.23	1.18	1.49
Drama	24.6	20.5	20.8	1.23	1.03	1.05
Dance	11.2	11.9	11.5	0.56	0.60	0.58
Music theatre and opera	14.2	12.4	11.2	0.71	0.62	0.57
Other performing arts	5.2	6.8	7.4	0.26	0.34	0.37
Total	79.8	75.2	80.2	3.99	3.76	4.06
Performing arts venues	148.6	162.9	183.7	7.44	8.15	9.30
Visual arts and crafts	16.7	16.4	17.1	0.84	0.82	0.87
Broadcasting and film						
Radio and television services	0.3	1.4	0.3	0.02	0.07	0.02
Film and video	61.9	68.6	75.4	3.10	3.43	3.82
Multimedia	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.04	0.03	0.04
Total	62.9	70.6	76.4	3.15	3.54	3.87
Community cultural centres and activities	12.7	13.0	15.0	0.64	0.65	0.76
Administration of culture	39.9	36.2	37.6	2.00	1.81	1.90
Other arts n.e.c.						
Arts education	0.5	0.6	1.2	0.02	0.03	0.06
Major multi-arts festivals	23.9	20.7	23.5	1.19	1.04	1.19
Other arts n.e.c.	19.2	15.9	17.0	0.96	0.80	0.86
Total	43.5	37.3	41.7	2.18	1.87	2.11
Total arts	408.6	416.4	456.0	20.45	20.84	23.09
Total	2 362.7	2 338.6	2 598.1	118.25	117.05	131.54

(a) Data for 2004–05 have been revised (see paragraph 15 in the Explanatory Notes).

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Heritage									
Art museums	48.6	43.5	91.9	6.3	12.1	0.6	7.7	3.4	214.0
Other museums	117.8	85.2	18.9	18.6	37.3	16.4	9.2	3.0	306.6
Nature parks and reserves	357.5	189.5	170.7	64.8	120.4	38.0	59.2	16.1	1 016.3
Zoological parks, aquaria and botanic gardens									
Zoological parks and aquaria	32.8	26.4	—	3.1	25.7	—	—	—	88.0
Botanic gardens	37.2	9.5	—	11.8	11.7	2.5	2.9	—	75.6
<i>Total</i>	70.0	35.8	—	15.0	37.4	2.5	2.9	—	163.6
Libraries and archives									
Libraries	78.5	88.8	102.2	27.7	42.5	23.3	11.9	19.2	394.0
Archives	15.6	9.4	8.1	6.9	2.1	1.8	3.2	0.6	47.7
<i>Total</i>	94.1	98.2	110.4	34.5	44.6	25.0	15.1	19.7	441.7
<i>Total heritage</i>	687.9	452.3	391.9	139.2	251.8	82.6	94.2	42.3	2 142.1
Arts									
Literature and print media	1.4	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.9	0.1	0.1	0.2	4.2
Performing arts									
Music	4.0	9.8	3.1	3.3	4.7	2.0	0.7	1.8	29.4
Drama	5.4	3.7	4.0	3.9	2.8	—	0.3	0.6	20.8
Dance	2.6	2.4	2.7	1.4	1.8	—	0.4	0.4	11.5
Music theatre and opera	2.2	2.3	4.1	1.2	1.2	—	—	0.2	11.2
Other performing arts	1.2	1.5	1.4	2.7	0.3	—	0.2	—	7.4
<i>Total</i>	15.4	19.7	15.3	12.5	10.8	2.0	1.6	3.1	80.2
Performing arts venues	110.8	18.0	11.7	10.8	19.9	—	5.0	7.4	183.7
Visual arts and crafts	3.3	3.3	3.8	2.2	2.2	—	0.9	1.3	17.1
Broadcasting and film									
Radio and television services	—	—	—	—	0.2	—	—	—	0.3
Film and video	10.6	38.1	11.0	5.6	8.9	0.8	0.2	0.2	75.4
Multimedia	—	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1	—	—	—	0.7
<i>Total</i>	10.6	38.5	11.3	5.7	9.2	0.8	0.2	0.2	76.4
Community cultural centres and activities	4.2	4.4	2.2	0.3	1.2	—	0.1	2.8	15.0
Administration of culture	7.5	7.6	5.9	2.3	10.0	1.9	—	2.6	37.6
Other arts n.e.c.									
Arts education	0.9	—	—	0.1	0.1	—	—	0.1	1.2
Major multi-arts festivals	1.3	5.8	4.7	5.8	4.3	1.2	0.1	0.3	23.5
Other arts n.e.c.	2.3	2.5	3.8	7.4	0.6	—	0.1	0.4	17.0
<i>Total</i>	4.5	8.2	8.5	13.3	5.0	1.2	0.2	0.7	41.7
<i>Total arts</i>	157.6	100.2	59.2	47.5	59.2	5.9	8.1	18.3	456.0
Total	845.5	552.4	451.0	186.7	311.0	88.5	102.4	60.6	2 598.1

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) Care should be taken when comparing categories between states and territories (see paragraph 14 in the Explanatory Notes).

	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Heritage									
Art museums	7.30	8.90	24.45	4.12	6.25	1.25	38.93	10.61	10.84
Other museums	17.69	17.46	5.03	12.25	19.28	34.64	46.51	9.43	15.52
Nature parks and reserves	53.70	38.80	45.43	42.57	62.22	80.10	298.96	49.79	51.45
Zoological parks, aquaria and botanic gardens									
Zoological parks and aquaria	4.93	5.40	—	2.05	13.29	—	—	—	4.46
Botanic gardens	5.59	1.94	—	7.77	6.02	5.25	14.86	—	3.83
Total	10.52	7.33	—	9.82	19.31	5.25	14.86	—	8.28
Libraries and archives									
Libraries	11.79	18.19	27.20	18.19	21.94	49.02	60.05	59.43	19.95
Archives	2.34	1.93	2.16	4.50	1.11	3.75	16.25	1.80	2.42
Total	14.13	20.12	29.36	22.69	23.05	52.77	76.30	61.23	22.36
Total heritage	103.33	92.61	104.26	91.45	130.11	174.00	475.56	131.07	108.45
Arts									
Literature and print media	0.21	0.12	0.13	0.36	0.46	0.13	0.62	0.59	0.22
Performing arts									
Music	0.60	2.01	0.82	2.19	2.42	4.14	3.44	5.74	1.49
Drama	0.81	0.76	1.07	2.55	1.46	—	1.60	1.99	1.05
Dance	0.39	0.48	0.71	0.91	0.92	—	1.84	1.15	0.58
Music theatre and opera	0.33	0.48	1.09	0.79	0.59	—	—	0.58	0.57
Other performing arts	0.18	0.30	0.39	1.77	0.17	—	1.14	0.07	0.37
Total	2.31	4.03	4.07	8.20	5.56	4.14	8.02	9.52	4.06
Performing arts venues	16.64	3.69	3.11	7.08	10.30	—	25.38	23.09	9.30
Visual arts and crafts	0.49	0.68	1.02	1.43	1.16	0.06	4.76	3.93	0.87
Broadcasting and film									
Radio and television services	—	—	—	0.03	0.12	—	0.05	0.09	0.02
Film and video	1.59	7.80	2.94	3.67	4.62	1.66	0.99	0.54	3.82
Multimedia	—	0.07	0.06	0.03	0.03	—	0.08	0.05	0.04
Total	1.59	7.88	3.00	3.73	4.77	1.66	1.12	0.69	3.87
Community cultural centres and activities	0.63	0.90	0.59	0.17	0.60	—	0.33	8.63	0.76
Administration of culture	1.13	1.55	1.56	1.48	5.16	3.90	—	8.04	1.90
Other arts n.e.c.									
Arts education	0.13	—	—	0.07	0.04	—	0.11	0.20	0.06
Major multi-arts festivals	0.20	1.18	1.26	3.78	2.24	2.53	0.31	1.01	1.19
Other arts n.e.c.	0.35	0.50	1.01	4.89	0.31	—	0.46	1.11	0.86
Total	0.68	1.69	2.26	8.74	2.59	2.53	0.88	2.31	2.11
Total arts	23.67	20.51	15.74	31.21	30.60	12.42	41.11	56.80	23.09
Total	127.00	113.12	120.00	122.66	160.71	186.42	516.67	187.86	131.54

— nil or rounded to zero (including null cells)

(a) Care should be taken when comparing categories between states and territories (see paragraph 14 in the Explanatory Notes).

	<i>Value of funding</i>	<i>Per person</i>
	\$m	\$
New South Wales	330.2	49.61
Victoria	245.4	50.25
Queensland	145.8	38.79
South Australia	76.4	50.20
Western Australia	162.1	83.78
Tasmania	11.2	23.55
Northern Territory	2.0	10.18
Australia(d)	973.2	49.27

- (a) Detailed estimates of local government funding of arts and cultural activities are unavailable (see paragraph 11 in the Explanatory Notes).
- (b) Due to a break in time series, earlier data for Local Government are not comparable with 2003–04 figures (see paragraphs 11 and 16 in the Explanatory Notes).
- (c) Care should be taken when comparing categories between states and territories (see paragraph 14 in the Explanatory Notes).
- (d) Although the Australian Capital Territory does not have a local government, its population has been included in calculations of per person funding (see paragraph 13 in the Explanatory Notes).

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COVERAGE

1 This publication contains estimates of public funding for arts and cultural activities, facilities and services for the three levels of government in Australia in 2005–06 and the preceding two years.

2 Statistics for the Australian Government and state and territory governments relate mainly to funding from Australian and state and territory budgets. For some 'off budget' agencies (i.e. agencies which are authorised to operate their own bank accounts), only the funding from annual appropriations is included. Where agency information has not provided appropriate detail to comply with the categories listed in this publication, estimates have been used. Any funding from other sources, such as donations, membership costs or entrance fees, is excluded from analysis.

3 Agencies classified by the ABS as public trading enterprises (e.g. most performing arts venues) are not included except to the extent of any subsidies (or capital funding) paid to them from government budgets.

4 In order to ensure that funds are not counted more than once, specific purpose grants received from other levels of government have been netted out of the expenditure for the receiving government.

5 For arts education, only funding by government arts portfolios has been included. Usually, funding from these portfolios is for major institutions which specialise in education of a cultural nature, such as the National Academy of Music, the National Institute of Dramatic Art (NIDA), the Australian Ballet School and the Australian Film, Television and Radio School (AFTRS). Cultural disciplines within educational institutions, such as universities and tertiary colleges, are largely funded by education portfolios and, therefore, are generally excluded. Funding is also excluded for special libraries (e.g. Parliamentary libraries), libraries in higher education institutions and schools, and cultural activities which are an integral part of larger entities (such as police and military bands).

CLASSIFICATION

6 In 2001, the ABS published the *Australian Culture and Leisure Classifications* (ACL) (cat. no. 4902.0) which are intended to form the basis for future statistical compilation in the fields of culture and leisure by the ABS and other organisations. Categories used in this publication have been aligned, where possible with the Industry Classification from this set of classifications.

7 In 2002–03, data for Public halls and civic centres was combined with data for Community cultural activities to create the new category Community cultural centres and activities. In addition, from 2002–03 Other arts n.e.c. was further categorised to include Major multi-arts festivals.

SOURCES AND METHODS

Australian Government

8 The Australian Government refers to the federal (national) level of government and was previously referred to as the Commonwealth Government. This change of name is in response to an Australian Government initiative in 2004.

9 Prior to 1999–2000, Australian Government funding data was obtained from the Department of Finance's (DOF) Budget Management System which provided a reliable cash measure of funding by the Australian Government. Since the introduction of accrual accounting at the beginning of the 1999–2000 financial year, estimates of funding by Australian Government agencies and authorities have been sourced from annual reports and budget papers. Also, supplementary information was obtained from selected agencies and authorities. The effect of these changes in the Australian Government's accounting practices on estimates of cultural funding are considered to be minor.

EXPLANATORY NOTES *continued*

State and territory governments

10 State and territory government information was obtained from a range of sources. Arts authorities supplied details of their recurrent and capital expenditure. For other state and territory public sector authorities, relevant data were extracted from budget papers. Details of relevant funding were also obtained from other state and territory government organisations such as health promotion foundations and major events organisations.

Local governments

11 Funding by local government of arts and cultural activities are included as part of the Local Government Finance Statistics collection undertaken by the ABS. In 2005–06, this collection provided estimates for total culture funding expenditure, but data was not available in any more detail. These total estimates were obtained from the Recreation and Culture group of the Government Purpose Classification used by the ABS in compiling government financial estimates. These estimates should be interpreted with caution as the co-ordination of data undertaken by the ABS does not currently permit detailed data checks at this level of output, meaning that some large variations in funding from year to year could not be validated with individual Councils. The data is therefore simply a reflection of the current reporting by Councils through the grants commission in each state or territory. A more detailed breakdown of culture funding is expected to be available in future years when the ABS begins to classify local government data by the new Local Government Purpose Classification.

CALCULATION OF PER PERSON FUNDING

12 The population values used in calculating per person funding are the ABS estimates of the resident population at the mid-point of the collection year. The estimates of resident population for years prior to 2003–04 have been revised. This publication uses resident population estimates for December 2003 (19,979,854), December 2004 (20,207,319) and December 2005 (20,452,300). These values were taken from *Australian Demographic Statistics* (cat. no. 3101.0).

13 To maintain consistency between levels of government, the same resident population estimates are used for all estimates of per person funding (regardless of the level of government under consideration). This approach has been adopted to allow the aggregate of federal, state and territory, and local government per person funding to add to total per person funding.

STATE COMPARISONS

14 Care should be taken when comparing values between states and territories for some categories of funding as the funding provided by state and territory governments may vary according to the administrative arrangements existing in the respective states and territories. For example, zoological and botanic gardens in Queensland, unlike other states, are funded by local government and not the state government. Further, the costs associated with the administration of culture may vary significantly among agencies.

REVISIONS IN 2005–06

15 Care should be taken when comparing data in this publication with those of previous editions as the historical data shown in this publication have been revised as improved sources of information have become available.

COMPARISONS OVER TIME

16 From 2003–04, local government cultural funding data became available directly from the Local Government Finance Statistics collection. Prior to this, expenditure on cultural activities had to be derived from the Recreation and Culture group (ie: the split between "Recreation" and "Culture" was estimated). Due to this change in methodology, direct comparisons between 2003–04 and previous years estimates of local government data should not be made. Local government data from previous years, although validly estimated via a different method, has been excluded from this publication.

FURTHER INFORMATION

17 More details of cultural funding in Australia are published by the Cultural Ministers Council Statistics Working Group.

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