
The Statistics Board

Introduction

1. This Estimate provides for the programme costs and other expenditure costs for the Statistics Board (SB).
2. The Board's objective is to promote and safeguard the production and publication of official statistics that serve the public good.
3. The Statistics Board's main responsibilities include: to promote and safeguard the quality of official statistics with reference to their impartiality, accuracy, relevance and coherence with other official statistics; to monitor the production and publication of official statistics; to prepare and publish a Code of Practice for Statistics; to prepare and publish a programme for the assessment of existing and candidate National Statistics against the Code; to confirm or cancel National Statistics designation of these statistics; to oversee the Office for National Statistics (ONS).
4. The main responsibilities of ONS, the Executive Office of the Statistics Board, include: collection, collation and dissemination of statistics relating to the United Kingdom's national accounts, balance of payments, retail prices index, financial transactions and measures of output; co-ordination of statistics relating to regional matters; compilation of social Labour Market statistics; undertaking of various representational roles in an international context; providing professional leadership for statistics across government; development and maintenance of definitions, methodologies, classifications for official statistics; implementing and issuing information from the decennial census of the population; supplying demographic statistics for national, regional and local planning; conducting social surveys; collecting and supplying statistics relating to the medical condition of the population.
5. Further details of the expenditure contained in this Estimate can be found in the Statistics Board Annual Report and Accounts.
6. Symbols are explained in the Introduction to this booklet.

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Part I

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Request for Resources 1: To promote and safeguard the production and publication of official statistics that serve the public good	206,246,000
Total net resource requirement	206,246,000
Net cash requirement	201,246,000

Amounts required in the year ending 31 March 2010 for expenditure by the Statistics Board on:

RfR 1: To promote and safeguard the production and publication of official statistics that serve the public good

collection, preparation and dissemination of economic, social, labour market and other statistics; promote and safeguard the quality of official statistics, to monitor the production and publication of official statistics; to prepare and publish a Code of Practice for Statistics; to prepare and publish a programme for the assessment of existing and candidate National Statistics against the Code; and associated non-cash costs.

The **Statistics Board** will account for this Estimate.

	Net total	Allocated in Vote on Account	Balance to complete
RfR 1	206,246,000	94,527,000	111,719,000
Total net resource requirement	206,246,000	94,527,000	111,719,000
Net cash requirement	201,246,000	94,752,000	106,494,000

Part II: Subhead detail

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2009-10 Provision						2008-09 Provision	2007-08 Outturn		
Resources						Capital	Non- operating	Net Total	Net Total
Admin	Other Current	Grants	Gross Total	A in A	Net Total	Capital	A in A	Resources	Resources
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
RfR 1: To promote and safeguard the production and publication of official statistics that serve the public good									
-	225,590	-	225,590	19,344	206,246	15,000	-	217,065	172,088
Spending in Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)									
<i>Central Government spending</i>									
A	Administration								
-	225,590	-	225,590	19,344	206,246	15,000	-	217,065	172,088
Total for Estimate:									
-	225,590	-	225,590	19,344	206,246	15,000	-	217,065	172,088

Part II: Resource to cash reconciliation

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	2009-10 Provision	2008-09 Provision	2007-08 Outturn
Net Resource Requirement	206,246	217,065	172,088
Voted capital items			
Capital	15,000	21,000	15,347
Less Non-operating A-in-A	-	-	23
Total net voted capital	15,000	21,000	15,324
Accruals to cash adjustment			
Adjustments to remove non-cash items:			
Cost of Capital charges	-2,925	-2,940	-3,021
Depreciation	-18,000	-18,385	-22,873
New provisions and adjustments to previous provisions	-3,000	-14,100	-5,904
Profit/loss on sale of assets	-	-	-
Prior period adjustments	-	-	-
Other non-cash items	-75	-75	-60
Increase (+) / Decrease (-) in stock	-	-	-
Increase (+) / Decrease (-) in debtors	-	-	-1,120
Increase (-) / Decrease (+) in creditors	-	6,000	5,351
Use of provisions	4,000	15,000	7,936
Total accruals to cash adjustments	-20,000	-14,500	-19,691
Excess cash to be CFERd	-	-	-
Net Cash Requirement	201,246	223,565	167,721

Part III: Extra receipts payable to the Consolidated Fund

No CFER income or receipts are expected in 2009-10 or 2008-09. None were received in 2007-08.

Forecast Operating Cost Statement

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	2009-10 Provision	2008-09 Provision	2007-08 Outturn
Net Administration Costs			
RfR 1	-	-	171,956
Total Net Administration costs	-	-	171,956
Net Programme Costs			
RfR 1	206,246	217,065	132
Non-voted	-	-	-
Total Net Programme costs	206,246	217,065	132
Total Net Operating Cost	206,246	217,065	172,088
<i>of which:</i>			
Net Resource Requirement	206,246	217,065	172,088
Non-voted expenditure	-	-	-
Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts	-	-	-
Reduction in planned spend unable to be included in Estimate	-	-	-
Resource Budget	212,246	217,065	172,088

Notes to the Main Estimate

Reconciliation of resource expenditure between Estimates, Accounts and Budgets

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	2009-10 Provision	2008-09 Provision	2007-08 Outturn
Net Resource Requirement (Estimates)	206,246	217,065	172,088
<i>Adjustments to remove:</i>			
Provision voted for earlier years	-	-	-
<i>Adjustments to additionally include:</i>			
Non-voted expenditure in the OCS	-	-	-
Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts in the OCS	-	-	-
Reductions in planned spend unable to be included in Estimate	-	-	-
Other adjustments	-	-	-
Net Operating Cost (Accounts)	206,246	217,065	172,088
<i>Adjustments to remove:</i>			
Gains / losses from sale of capital assets	-	-	-
Capital grants	-	-	-
European Union income related to capital grants	-	-	-
Voted expenditure outside the budget	-	-	-
<i>Adjustments to additionally include:</i>			
Other Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts	-	-	-
Resource consumption of non departmental public bodies	-	-	-
Unallocated resource provision	6,000	-	-
Other adjustments	-	-	-
Resource Budget (Budget)	212,246	217,065	172,088
<i>of which:</i>			
Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)	212,246	217,065	172,088
Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)	-	-	-

Reconciliation of capital expenditure between Estimates and Budgets

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	2009-10 Provision	2008-09 Provision	2007-08 Outturn
Net Voted Capital (Estimates)	15,000	21,000	15,324
<i>Adjustments to remove:</i>			
Provision voted for earlier years	-	-	-
<i>Adjustments to additionally include:</i>			
Other Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts	-	-	-
Capital spending by non-departmental public bodies	-	-	-
Capital grants	-	-	-
European Union income related to capital grants	-	-	-
Supported capital expenditure (revenue)	-	-	-
Capital spending by levy funded bodies	-	-	-
Unallocated capital provision	-	-	-
Reductions in planned spend unable to be included in Estimate	-	-	-
Other adjustments	-	-	-
Capital Budget (Budget)	15,000	21,000	15,324
<i>of which:</i>			
Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)	15,000	21,000	15,324
Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)	-	-	-

Notes to the Main Estimate (*continued*)

Explanation of Accounting Officer responsibilities

The Accounting Officer prepares resource accounts for each financial year.

The following Accounting Officer appointments have been made for the Request for Resources within this Estimate:

Request for Resources 1: Karen Dunnell, Director of the Statistics Board

Karen Dunnell, has personal responsibility for the proper presentation of the resource accounts and their transmission to the Comptroller and Auditor General. Karen Dunnell is also responsible for the use of public money and stewardship of assets.

In discharging these responsibilities particular regard is given to:

- Observing any accounting and disclosure requirements (including any Accounts Direction) and applying suitable accounting policies on a consistent basis;
- making judgements and estimates on a reasonable basis;
- stating whether applicable accounting standards, as set out in the *Financial Reporting Manual (FReM)*, or an organisation's version of it, have been followed, and explain any material departures in the accounts; and
- preparing the accounts on a going concern basis.

The responsibilities of an Accounting Officer, including responsibility for the propriety and regularity of the public finances for which an Accounting Officer is answerable, for keeping proper records and safeguarding assets, are set out in chapter 3 of *Managing Public Money* issued by the Treasury.

Notes to the Main Estimate (*continued*)

Analysis of operating appropriations in aid (A in A)

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	2009-10 Provision	2008-09 Provision	2007-08 Outturn
RfR 1: To promote and safeguard the production and publication of official statistics that serve the public good			
Administration	-	-	46,924
<i>of which:</i>			
Sale of goods and services	-	-	46,078
EU Income	-	-	846
Programme	19,344	27,175	-
<i>of which:</i>			
Sale of goods and services	18,994	26,825	-
EU Income	350	350	-
Total RfR 1	19,344†	27,175	46,924
<i>† Amount that may be applied as operating appropriations in aid in addition to the net total arising from: sale of statistical information publications and other services to other departments, the European Union and the public.</i>			
Total Operating A in A	19,344	27,175	46,924

Analysis of non-operating appropriations in aid (A in A)

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	2009-10 Provision	2008-09 Provision	2007-08 Outturn
RfR 1: To promote and safeguard the production and publication of official statistics that serve the public good			
Programme	-	-	23
<i>of which:</i>			
Sale of assets	-	-	23
Other income (including receipts)	-	-	-
Total RfR 1	-	-	23
Total Non-Operating A in A	-	-	23

Notes to the Main Estimate (*continued*)

Departmental Expenditure Limits and Administration budgets

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	Voted	Non-voted	Total
Resource DEL	206,246	6,000	212,246
<i>of which: †</i>			
Administration budget	-	-	-
Near-cash in RDEL	182,246	10,000	192,246
Capital DEL ††	15,000	-	15,000
Less Depreciation †††	-18,000	-	-18,000
Total DEL	203,246	6,000	209,246

† The total of the 'Administration Budget' and 'Near-cash in Resource DEL' figures may well be greater than total resource DEL, due to the definitions overlapping.

†† Capital DEL includes items treated as resource in Estimates and accounts but which are treated as Capital DEL in budgets.

††† Depreciation, which forms part of resource DEL, is excluded from total DEL since capital DEL includes capital spending and to include depreciation of those assets would lead to double counting.

Comparison of provision sought with final provision and forecast outturn for the previous year

The total net resource sought for 2009-10 of £206,246,000 is 5.0 per cent lower than the final net provision for 2008-09 of £217,065,000 and 2.4 per cent lower than the forecast outturn for 2008-09 of £211,342,000.

Cash which may be retained to offset expenditure

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	2009-10 Provision	2008-09 Provision	2007-08 Outturn
Cash which may be retained by the department to offset expenditure in the year due to its relationship with income (operating and non-operating) that has been, or will be, appropriated in aid.	19,344	27,175	46,947