

OUR PERFORMANCE — REVIEW OF OPERATIONS



Financial summary

This financial overview is a summary of the financial performance and position of the Commission.

The Commission's financial reporting framework

A comprehensive set of 2017-18 financial statements covering all aspects of the Commission's activities commences on page 90. These statements include explanatory notes and comparative figures for 2016-17.

Internal audits are performed by the Finance Manager to ensure efficiency and economy of systems and to identify financial, operational and business continuity risks. Audit results are duly reported to the Commissioner and Registrar to determine whether any remedial actions are required and to establish compliance with statutory requirements and best practice.

Operating result

The operating result for 2017-18 was a surplus of \$180,294.

Summarised statement of comprehensive income

Summary statement	30 Jun 2018 \$000	30 Jun 2017 \$000
Income	3,991	4,119
Less: expenses	3,811	3,840
Operating result for financial year – surplus	180	279

Income

Income by type	30 Jun 2018 \$000	30 Jun 2017 \$000
State Government funding	1,522	1,630
Australian Government funding	1,800	1,800
Doomadgee funding - (QLD State)	626	626
Other revenue	43	63
Total	3,991	4,119

The reduction in the State Government funding is the return of surplus funds of \$165,000 offset by the CPI increase applied to the 2017-18 funding. The reduction in other revenue is primarily due to the recoupment by the Commission of prior year long service leave expenditure for Local Commissioners of \$24,000 in 2016-17 only.

Expenses

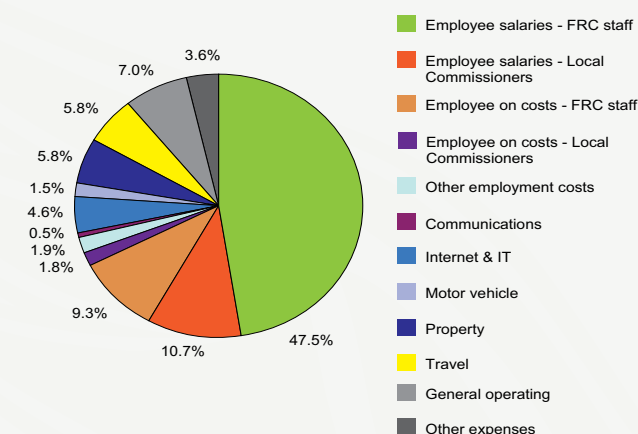
Expenses by type	30 Jun 2018 \$000	30 Jun 2017 \$000
Employee expenses	2,716	2,795
Supplies and services	959	954
Depreciation and amortisation	96	49
Other expenses	40	42
Total	3,811	3,840

The Commission's employee expenses decreased slightly in 2017-18. Increases due to wage rises and increments and additional training costs were compensated by reduced costs due to cancellations in scheduled conferencing in some communities, changes in operational processes, vacancies and staff absence on sick leave without pay.

Depreciation and amortisation expenditure increased in 2017-18 due to the effect of the completion of the service provider portal add-on to the Commission's Customer Relationship Management software amortised over the remaining life of the software.

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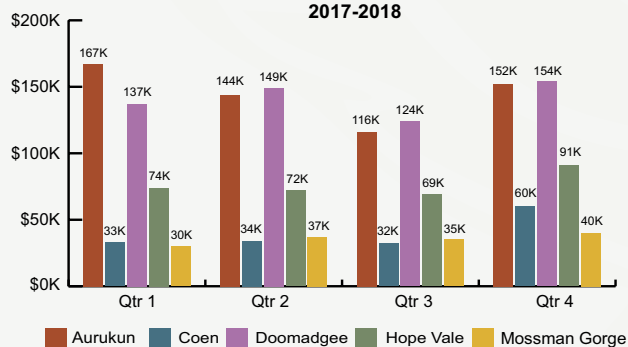
Total operating costs by category 2017-2018



Graph 9: Expenses by category and percentage of total expenditure 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018.

Remote location and Cairns registry expenditure

Quarterly operating costs by remote location 2017-2018



Graph 10: Quarterly operating costs by remote location 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018.

Quarterly operating costs - Cairns registry 2017-2018



Graph 11: Quarterly operating costs, Cairns registry 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018.

Statement of financial position

Total assets at 30 June 2018 consisted of current assets of cash, prepayments and receivables in addition to non-current plant and equipment and intangible assets.

Total liabilities as at 30 June 2018 consisted of payables and accrued employee benefits.

Statement of financial position	30 Jun 2018 \$'000	30 Jun 2017 \$'000
Current assets	1,900	1,697
Non-current assets	8	60
Total assets	1,908	1,757
Current liabilities	296	325
Total liabilities	296	325
Net assets	1,612	1,432
Total equity	1,612	1,432

Cash flow statement

The cash flow statement shows the nature and amount of the Commission's cash inflows and outflows from all activities.

Cash flow statement	30 Jun 2018 \$'000	30 Jun 2017 \$'000
Operating activities	270	394
Investing activities	(44)	(34)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held	226	360
Cash at beginning of financial year	1,635	1,275
Cash at end of financial year	1,861	1,635