

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF AUDITOR-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Auditor-General's Department (the Department), which comprises the statement of financial position and statement of administered financial position as at 30 June 2024, the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows, the statement of administered comprehensive income and the statement of administered cash flow for the year then ended, and notes to the financial report, including a material accounting policy information and the Certification of the Financial Report.

In our opinion the accompanying financial report of Auditor-General's Department, is in accordance with the *Public Finance and Audit 1987*, including:

- (i) The financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Department as at 30 June 2024, and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the Treasurer's Instructions promulgated under the provisions of the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* and the Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures
- (ii) The financial report also complies with the accounts and records of the Department.

We have obtained all of the information and explanations required from the Department.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Department in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Auditor General's responsibility for the Financial Report

The Auditor General is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the Treasurer's Instructions promulgated under the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* and the Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures for such internal control as the Auditor-General determines necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that presents fairly and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Auditor General is responsible for assessing the Department's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting.



Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website (<http://www.auasb.gov.au/Home.aspx>) at: http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf

This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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Andrew Tickle
Director

Adelaide, 2 September 2024

Auditor-General's Department

Statement of Comprehensive Income for the year ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024 \$000	2023 \$000
Expenses:			
Employee related expenses	2	14,994	14,398
Supplies and services:			
Contractors		1,365	1,479
Office accommodation and service costs		863	835
Consultancies		399	514
Other supplies and services	5	1,415	1,474
		<u>4,042</u>	<u>4,302</u>
Depreciation and amortisation		253	91
Total expenses		<u>19,289</u>	<u>18,791</u>
Income:			
Appropriation	6	19,222	18,815
Services received free of charge	7	89	86
Other income		1	1
Total income		<u>19,312</u>	<u>18,902</u>
Net result		<u>23</u>	<u>111</u>
Total comprehensive result		<u>23</u>	<u>111</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. The net result and total comprehensive result are attributable to the SA Government as owner.

**Statement of Financial Position
as at 30 June 2024**

	Note	2024 \$000	2023 \$000
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	8	5,416	5,239
Receivables	9	197	230
Total current assets		<u>5,613</u>	<u>5,469</u>
Non-current assets:			
Computing and office facilities	10	784	607
Right of use plant & equipment	10	-	2
Intangible assets	10	-	4
Total non-current assets		<u>784</u>	<u>613</u>
Total assets		<u>6,397</u>	<u>6,082</u>
Current liabilities:			
Payables	11	608	661
Lease liabilities		-	2
Employee related liabilities	3	2,000	1,994
Provision for workers compensation	4	18	30
Total current liabilities		<u>2,626</u>	<u>2,687</u>
Non-current liabilities:			
Payables	11	420	353
Lease liabilities		-	-
Employee related liabilities	3	3,828	3,539
Provision for workers compensation	4	88	91
Total non-current liabilities		<u>4,336</u>	<u>3,983</u>
Total liabilities		<u>6,962</u>	<u>6,670</u>
Net assets		<u>(565)</u>	<u>(588)</u>
Equity:			
Retained earnings		(565)	(588)
Total equity		<u>(565)</u>	<u>(588)</u>
Commitments	12		

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. The total equity is attributable to the SA Government as owner.

Statement of Changes in Equity for the year ended 30 June 2024

	Retained earnings \$000	Total \$000
Balance at 30 June 2022	(699)	(699)
Total comprehensive result for the year 2022-23	111	111
Balance at 30 June 2023	(588)	(588)
Total comprehensive result for the year 2023-24	23	23
Balance at 30 June 2024	(565)	(565)

All changes in equity are attributable to the SA Government as owner

Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 30 June 2024

	2024 Inflows (Outflows) \$000	2023 Inflows (Outflows) \$000
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Cash outflows:		
Employee expenses	(14,697)	(14,262)
Supplies and services	(4,400)	(4,699)
Payments for Paid Parental Leave Scheme	(51)	(79)
Cash inflows:		
Other income	1	1
Goods and services tax refunds from Australian Taxation Office	476	408
Receipts for Paid Parental Leave Scheme	52	83
Appropriations	19,222	18,815
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	603	267
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Cash outflows:		
Purchase of computing and office facilities	(424)	(597)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(424)	(597)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Cash outflows:		
Repayment of principal portion of lease liabilities	(2)	(11)
Repayment of borrowings	-	-
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(2)	(11)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	177	(341)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 July	5,239	5,580
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June	5,416	5,239

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Notes to and forming part of the financial statements

1. Objectives of the Auditor-General's Department (the Department)

The Department is an administrative unit of the public service established under the *Public Finance and Audit Act 1987* (PFAA). It is a wholly owned and controlled entity of the Crown. Accordingly, all government-related entities are related parties of the Department.

The Department's main statutory responsibilities are to audit and examine the activities of State and Local Government agencies and to report the results to Parliament as required by the PFAA.

Controlled

The Department's sole activity is the provision of auditing services covering the various audit and examination responsibilities prescribed under the PFAA. Within this activity class there are two sub-activities:

Prescribed audits

Includes all audit and examination work for State and Local Government agencies initiated and undertaken by the Auditor-General under the PFAA. During the year the Department spent \$19.15 million (\$18.79 million) on this activity. The main component of work relates to the annual statutory audit of State public sector agencies.

Special investigations

Under the PFAA, the Parliament, Treasurer, a Minister or the Independent Commissioner Against Corruption can require the Auditor-General to undertake certain examinations and report these to Parliament. In 2023-24 the Department spent \$139,000 on special investigations. In 2022-23 there were no such requests that resulted in expenditure on this activity.

Administered

We also administer certain activities on behalf of the SA Government but do not control the related income, expenses, assets or liabilities. These comprise the following two activities:

Receiving and passing on auditing fees

We charge fees for our audits as permitted by section 39 of the PFAA, but do not retain these fees. We transfer audit fees, less GST, into the SA Government's Consolidated Account as they are received.

Administering special acts

Section 24(4) of the PFAA provides that the salary and allowances of the Auditor-General, as determined by the Governor, will be paid from the SA Government's Consolidated Account. The Auditor-General's remuneration, and recoveries from the Consolidated Account for it, are reported as administered items.

2.	Employee related expenses	2024	2023
	Employee benefits:	\$000	\$000
	Salaries	11,127	10,931
	Annual leave	1,057	1,025
	Long service leave	466	212
	Skills and experience retention leave	85	82
	Total employee benefits	12,735	12,250
	Employee on-costs:		
	Superannuation	1,503	1,378
	Payroll tax	742	693
	Total employee on-costs	2,245	2,071
	Workers compensation	6	51
	Other employee related expenses	8	26
	Total employee related expenses	14,994	14,398

2.1 Employee remuneration	Executive		Staff	
	2024 Number	2023 Number	2024 Number	2023 Number
The number of employees whose normal remuneration is equal to or greater than the base executive remuneration level during the year are grouped within the following bands:				
\$160,001 - \$166,000*	n/a	n/a	n/a	1
\$166,001 - \$186,000	-	-	2	-
\$206,001 - \$226,000	2	3	-	-
\$226,001 - \$246,000	1	-	-	-
\$246,001 - \$266,000	-	1	-	-
\$266,001 - \$286,000	2	1	-	-
\$286,001 - \$306,000	1	-	-	-
\$346,001 - \$366,000	-	1	-	-
\$386,001 - \$406,000	1	-	-	-
\$426,001 - \$446,000	-	1	-	-
\$626,001 - \$646,000	1	-	-	-
Total	8	7	2	1

* This band has been included for the purpose of reporting comparative figures based on the executive base level remuneration rate for 2022-23.

The table includes all employees whose normal remuneration is equal to or greater than the base executive remuneration level. Total remuneration received or receivable by these employees was \$2.86 million (\$2.14 million). Remuneration of employees reflects all costs of employment including salaries and wages, payments in lieu of leave, superannuation contributions, salary sacrifice benefits, fringe benefits and any fringe benefits tax paid or payable in respect of those benefits.

The employee remuneration figures detailed above include employee remuneration recorded in both the Department's financial statements and in its administered financial statements.

2.2 **Key management personnel**

The key management personnel of the Department are the Auditor-General, the Deputy Auditor-General, two Assistant Auditor-General's and three Executive Directors.

Total compensation for the Department's key management personnel was \$2.52 million (\$1.98 million). This includes compensation recorded in both the Department's financial statements and in the administered financial statements.

2.3 **Board and committee members**

Members during the 2024 financial year were:

Audit and Risk Committee (all members appointed July 2023)

Debra Contala (Chair)

Enrico De Santi

Amy Jeffreys*

* In accordance with Premier and Cabinet Circular 016, government employees did not receive any remuneration for board/committee duties during the financial year.

The total remuneration received or receivable by members was \$25,000. Remuneration of members includes sitting fees, and superannuation contributions.

3. Employee related liabilities	2024	2023
Current:	\$000	\$000
Accrued salaries	11	3
Annual leave	1,574	1,610
Long service leave	288	266
Skills and experience retention leave	127	115
Total current	2,000	1,994

	2024	2023
Non-current:	\$000	\$000
Long service leave	3,828	3,539
Total non-current	3,828	3,539
Total employee related liabilities	5,828	5,533

Liabilities for unpaid salaries for service prior to the reporting date are measured at current pay rates.

Long-term employee benefits are measured at present value and short-term employee benefits are measured at nominal amounts.

Long service leave

The liability for long service leave is measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the end of the reporting period using the projected unit credit method. The expected timing and amount of long service leave payments is determined through whole of government actuarial calculations, which is then applied to the Department's employee details.

Key assumptions include whether the characteristics of employee remuneration, terms of service with the public sector, and expectations as to when employees take long service leave, as established by the actuary, are applicable to employees of the Department. These assumptions affect the expected amount to be paid that has been factored into the calculation of the liability. The discount rate used in measuring the liability is another key assumption. The discount rate is reflective of long-term Commonwealth Government bonds. The yield on long-term Commonwealth Government bonds increased from 4% to 4.25% at 30 June 2024.

The actuarial assessment performed by the Department of Treasury and Finance left the salary inflation rate at 3.5% for long service leave.

An increase in the bond yield reduces the reported long service leave liability, however the overall liability has increased from the prior year due to annual entitlement accruals and enterprise bargaining increases.

The Department's historic experience of long service leave and projections such as known approvals are used as the basis to estimate the proportion of the liability expected to be settled in the next 12 months. This amount is the current liability.

4. Provision for workers compensation	2024	2023
	\$000	\$000
Carrying amount at the beginning of the period	121	84
(Decrease) Increase in provision	(15)	37
Carrying amount at the end of the period	106	121

The workers compensation provision is based on an actuarial assessment of the outstanding liability as at 30 June 2024 provided by a consulting actuary engaged through the Office of the Commissioner for Public Sector Employment. The provision is for the estimated cost of ongoing payments to employees as required under current legislation.

The Department is responsible for the payment of workers compensation claims.

5. Other supplies and services	2024	2023
	\$000	\$000
Information technology and communication	781	940
Staff recruitment, development and training	292	243
Other expenses	155	159
Shared Services SA charges	74	66
Professional Memberships	40	-
Motor vehicles	28	32
Staff travel, accommodation and allowances	28	17
Audit fees*	17	17
Total other supplies and services	1,415	1,474

* The Governor, on recommendation of the Treasurer, in line with the PFAA, appoints the auditor of the Auditor-General's Department.

5.1 Expenditure – SA Business and Non-SA Business

The following table includes all expenditure in relation to contracts above \$55,000 (GST inclusive) resulting from a procurement as defined in Treasurer’s Instructions 18 – *Procurement* (TI 18). Arrangements between public authorities and arrangements with other governments are not included. Expenditure is inclusive of non-recoverable GST.

	2024 \$000	Proportion SA and non-SA businesses
Total expenditure with South Australian businesses	1,639	64%
Total expenditure with non-South Australian businesses	922	36%
Carrying amount at the end of the period	2,561	100%

Classification of SA business or non-SA business is based on circumstances at the time of entering into a contract. For contracts entered into before 20 February 2023, where sufficient evidence of an assessment made under previous procurement requirements is known to the Department, this was used to determine the classification. For contracts where such evidence of prior assessment is not available and for all other contracts, classification is based on the definition of an SA business provided in TI 18.

TI 18 defines a business as being South Australian where it operates in South Australia and more than 50% of the workforce delivering the contract resulting from the procurement on behalf of the business are South Australian residents.

The disclosure for expenditure with SA businesses reflects the total spent on contracts within the TI 18 definition and in some instances includes the cost of goods sourced from outside South Australia. A determination may have been made on the basis of representations made by suppliers at a point in time which has not been subject to independent verification.

6. Payments to/from SA Government

Appropriations to the Department in 2023-24 amounted to \$19.22 million (\$18.81 million).

7. Resources received free of charge

	2024 \$000	2023 \$000
Services received free of charge – Shared Services SA	65	63
Services received free of charge – ICT Digital Government	24	23
Total resources received free of charge	89	86

The Department is only charged for non-standard services received.

8. Cash and cash equivalents

Deposits with the Treasurer:

Auditor-General’s Department Operating Account	3,145	3,029
Accrual Appropriation Excess Funds	2,271	2,210
Total cash and cash equivalents	5,416	5,239

9. Receivables

Current:

Goods and services tax	178	217
Other	19	13
Total current receivables	197	230

10. Non-current assets	2024	2023
10.1 Classes of assets	\$000	\$000
Leasehold improvements – at cost	1,295	1,287
Accumulated depreciation	967	778
	<u>328</u>	<u>509</u>
Computing and office equipment – at cost	885	976
Accumulated depreciation	739	878
	<u>146</u>	<u>98</u>
Laptop computer equipment – at cost	815	534
Accumulated depreciation	505	534
	<u>310</u>	<u>-</u>
Right of use plant and equipment	-	15
Accumulated depreciation	-	13
	<u>-</u>	<u>2</u>
Intangible assets – Computer software – at cost	534	534
Accumulated amortisation	534	530
	<u>-</u>	<u>4</u>
	<u>784</u>	<u>613</u>

10.2 Reconciliation of carrying amount	Carrying amount			Depreciation/	Carrying amount
	01.07.23	Additions	Disposals	Amortisation	30.06.24
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Leasehold improvements	509	9	-	190	328
Computing and office equipment	98	90	-	42	146
Laptop computer equipment	0	325	-	15	310
Right of use plant and equipment	2	-	-	2	-
Computer software	4	-	-	4	-
Total non-current assets	<u>613</u>	<u>424</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>253</u>	<u>784</u>

Computing and office facilities are held at fair value as required by the Accounting Policy Statements. We use cost less accumulated depreciation to determine fair value. Intangible assets are held at cost less accumulated amortisation. The threshold for capitalising items is \$10,000. There are no indications of impairment of our assets.

We depreciate/amortise all assets over three years except laptops which we depreciate over two years. Depreciation and amortisation is on a straight-line basis. All computing and office facilities are classified as level 3 as a key input is management's assessment of the useful life and condition.

The Department no longer has any motor vehicle leases with the South Australian Government Financing Authority (SAFA), through their agent LeasePlan Australia.

11. Payables	2024	2023
Current:	\$000	\$000
Contractual payables		
Accrued expenses	64	84
Creditors	70	58
Total contractual payables	<u>134</u>	<u>142</u>
Statutory payables		
Employee on-costs	463	511
Paid Parental Leave Scheme payable	6	5
GST Payable	5	3
Total statutory payables	<u>474</u>	<u>519</u>
Total current payables	<u>608</u>	<u>661</u>
Non-current:		
Statutory payables		
Employee on-costs	420	353
Total non-current	<u>420</u>	<u>353</u>
Total payables	<u>1,028</u>	<u>1,014</u>

Employment on-costs

Include payroll tax and superannuation contributions. Superannuation contributions are paid to the South Australian Superannuation Board, and externally managed superannuation schemes. These contributions are treated as an expense when they occur. The Department does not have any liability for payments to beneficiaries as these have been assumed by the respective superannuation schemes. The superannuation liabilities reported reflect amounts to be paid to the various superannuation schemes.

As a result of an actuarial assessment performed by the Department of Treasury and Finance, the proportion of long service leave taken as leave has increased to 44% (43%), and the average factor for the calculation of employer superannuation on-costs has increased to 11.5% (11.1%). These rates are used in the employment on-cost calculation. The net financial effect of the changes in the current financial year on employment on-costs and employee benefit expense is immaterial. The impact on future periods is impracticable to estimate.

Other payables

Payables and accruals are raised for all amounts owing but unpaid. Sundry payables are normally settled within 30 days from the date of the invoice or date the invoice is first received. All payables are non-interest bearing. The carrying amount of payables approximates fair value due to their short-term nature.

12. Commitments

Contractual commitments

	2024	2023
At the reporting date the Department had the following obligations:	\$000	\$000
Not later than one year	1,874	1,940
Later than one year but not later than five years	3,402	612
Later than five years	751	-
Total contractual commitments as lessee	<u>6,027</u>	<u>2,552</u>

Office accommodation

The Department has accommodation services provided by the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) under a Memorandum of Administrative Arrangement (MoAA) issued in line with government-wide accommodation policies.

The current tenancy term is to 30 June 2030.

Audit services

Obligations under non-cancellable contracts for audit services. These obligations have not been recognised as liabilities.

Other expenditure commitments

Obligations for other services under a contract arrangement, which have not been recognised as liabilities.

13. Basis of preparation and accounting policies

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements, prepared in line with applicable Australian Accounting Standards – simplified disclosures, and Treasurer’s Instructions (Accounting Policy Statements) issued under the PFAA. The Accounting Policy Statements require certain disclosures in addition to Australian Accounting Standards.

We have not early-adopted any Australian Accounting Standards or Australian interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board.

The Department is a not-for-profit entity for financial reporting purposes, and the financial statements are prepared based on a 12-month reporting period.

The historical cost convention is used, unless otherwise stated. This means that assets are recorded at their initial cost and liabilities are valued at the amount initially received in exchange for the obligation.

Assets that are sold, consumed or realised as part of the normal 12-month operating cycle have been classified as current.

The administered financial statements have been prepared applying the same accounting policies as for items controlled by the Auditor-General’s Department.

(b) Taxation

The Department is liable for payroll tax, fringe benefits tax and goods and services tax (GST) but not income tax. Income, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST except:

- when the GST incurred on a purchase of goods or services is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office it is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of an asset or as part of an item of expense
- receivables and payables which are stated with the amount of GST included.

Cash flows are included in the Statement of Cash Flows on a gross basis. However, the GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities recoverable from the ATO are classified as operating cash flows.

(c) Appropriation

We are funded by Parliamentary appropriations, paid into a special deposit account titled 'Auditor-General's Department Operating Account'. We are also appropriated for some expenses that will not require a cash payment, such as depreciation. Some appropriations are deposited into a special deposit account at the Department of Treasury and Finance titled 'Accrual Appropriation Excess Funds'. Although we control this money, its use must be separately approved by the Treasurer. We do not earn interest on either of these special deposit accounts.

The appropriation for special acts reported in the administered financial statements relates to recoveries from the SA Government for the Auditor-General's salary. Salary amounts paid which are yet to be recovered are recorded as appropriation receivable.

Other significant accounting policies are described under related notes.

14. Financial instruments	Carrying amount	
	2024	2023
Financial assets	\$000	\$000
Cash and cash equivalents	5,416	5,239
Receivables (amortised cost)*	19	13
Total financial assets	5,435	5,252
Financial liabilities at amortised cost		
Payables	134	141
Lease liabilities	-	2
Total financial liabilities	134	143

* Receivables amounts disclosed exclude amounts relating to statutory receivables where rights or obligations have their source in legislation such as the goods and services tax.

15. Budgetary reporting and explanations of major variances

The following provides details of the 2023-24 original budget, actual amounts and the associated variances. No explanations are provided as the variances do not exceed the greater of 10% of the original budgeted amount and 5% of original budgeted total expenses.

Statement of Comprehensive Income	Original budget	Actual	Variance
Expenses:	\$000	\$000	\$000
Employee expenses	14,764	14,994	230
Supplies and services:			
Contractors	1,991	1,365	(626)
Office accommodation and service costs	970	863	(107)
Consultancies	168	399	231
Other supplies and services	1,051	1,415	364
Depreciation and amortisation	255	253	(2)
Total expenses	19,199	19,289	90

	Original budget \$000	Actual \$000	Variance \$000
Income:			
Appropriations and contingency provision grant	19,200	19,222	22
Services received free of charge	-	89	89
Other income	1	1	-
Total income	<u>19,201</u>	<u>19,312</u>	<u>111</u>
Net result and total comprehensive result	<u>2</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>21</u>
Investing expenditure summary:			
Minor capital works and equipment	257	424	167
Total annual programs	<u>257</u>	<u>424</u>	<u>167</u>

The budget process is not subject to audit. Budget information refers to the amounts presented to Parliament in the original budgeted financial statements in respect of the reporting period (2023-24 Budget Paper 4) and the amounts have not been adjusted to reflect revised budgets. These original budgeted amounts have been presented and classified on a basis that is consistent with line items in the financial statements.

**Statement of Administered Comprehensive Income
for the year ended 30 June 2024**

	2024	2023
	\$000	\$000
Expenses:		
Employee expenses	773	431
Audit fees paid/payable to Consolidated Account	16,773	16,719
Total expenses	17,546	17,150
Income:		
Fees for audit services	16,773	16,719
Appropriation – Special Acts	934	366
Total income	17,707	17,085
Net result	161	(65)
Total comprehensive result	161	(65)

**Statement of Administered Financial Position
as at 30 June 2024**

	Note	2024	2023
		\$000	\$000
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents		221	307
Receivables	A2	767	259
Total assets		988	566
Current liabilities:			
Employee related liabilities		43	477
Audit fees payable to Consolidated Account		664	195
Goods and services tax payable		124	171
Total current liabilities		831	843
Non-current liabilities:			
Employee related liabilities – long service leave		272	-
Total non-current liabilities		272	-
Total liabilities		1,103	843
Net assets		(115)	(277)
Equity:			
Retained earnings		(115)	(277)
Total equity		(115)	(277)

**Statement of Administered Cash Flows
for the year ended 30 June 2024**

		2024	2023
		Inflows (Outflows)	Inflows (Outflows)
Cash flows from operating activities:	Note	\$000	\$000
Cash outflows:			
Employee expenses		(934)	(366)
Amounts paid to Consolidated Account		(16,305)	(17,505)
Goods and services tax paid to Australian Taxation Office		(1,725)	(1,626)
Cash inflows:			
Fees for audit services	A2	17,935	18,919
Cash flows from SA Government:			
Appropriations – Special Acts		943	360
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		<u>(86)</u>	<u>(218)</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		<u>(86)</u>	<u>(218)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 July		<u>307</u>	<u>525</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June		<u>221</u>	<u>307</u>

Notes to and forming part of the administered financial statements

A1. Basis of preparation and accounting policies

(a) Basis of preparation

The basis of preparation for the administered financial statements is the same as the basis outlined at note 13. The Department applies the same accounting policies to the administered financial statements as for items controlled by the Auditor-General's Department.

(b) Appropriation

The appropriation for special acts relates to recoveries from the SA Government for the Auditor-General's salary. Salary amounts paid which are yet to be recovered are recorded as appropriation receivable.

A2. Receivables

	2024	2023
	\$000	\$000
Audit fee receivables		
Fees outstanding at 1 July	214	741
Billings	18,451	18,392
	<u>18,665</u>	<u>19,133</u>
Receipts	17,935	18,919
Fees outstanding at 30 June	730	214
	<u>730</u>	<u>214</u>
Other receivables		
Appropriation receivable	37	45
	<u>37</u>	<u>45</u>

Special Acts appropriation for the Auditor-General's salary is received one month in arrears.

A3. Budgetary reporting and explanations of major variances

The following provides details of the 2023-24 original budget, actual amounts and the associated variances. No explanations are provided as the variances do not exceed the greater of 10% of the original budgeted amount and 5% of original budgeted total expenses.

Statement of Comprehensive Income	Original Budget	Actual	Variance
Expenses:	\$000	\$000	\$000
Employee expenses	507	773	266
Amounts paid/payable to Consolidated Account	17,485	16,773	(712)
Total expenses	<u>17,992</u>	<u>17,546</u>	<u>(446)</u>

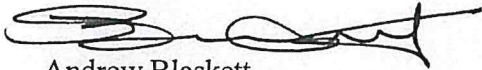
	Original Budget	Actual	Variance
Income:	\$000	\$000	\$000
Fees for audit services	17,485	16,773	(712)
Appropriation – Special Acts	495	934	439
Total income	17,980	17,707	(273)
Net result and total comprehensive result	(12)	161	173

The budget process is not subject to audit. Budget information refers to the amounts presented to Parliament in the original budgeted financial statements in respect of the reporting period (2023-24 Budget Paper 4) and the amounts have not been adjusted to reflect revised budgets. These original budgeted amounts have been presented and classified on a basis that is consistent with line items in the financial statements.

Certification of the Financial Statements

We certify that the:

- financial statements of the Auditor-General's Department:
 - are in accordance with the accounts and records of the department;
 - comply with relevant Treasurer's Instructions;
 - comply with relevant accounting standards; and
 - present a true and fair view of the financial position of the department at the end of the financial year and the result of its operations and cash flows for the financial year.
- internal controls employed by the Auditor-General's Department for the financial year over its financial reporting and its preparation of the financial statements have been effective.



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Auditor-General

30 August 2024



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30 August 2024