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Wales Office

The Wales Office, (Office of the Secretary of State for Wales), came into existence on 1 July 1999 as a direct consequence of the successful implementation of devolution in Wales. The overall aim of the Wales Office is to support the Secretary of State in discharging his role of representing Wales in the UK Government, representing the UK Government in Wales and ensuring the smooth working of the Devolution settlement in Wales. The aim is supported by the following objectives:

- Objective 1: To work with other UK Government departments to ensure that the interests of Wales are fully taken into account in primary legislation which affects the Assembly's responsibilities;
- Objective 2: To work with other UK departments to promote Welsh interests in matters retained by the UK Government;
- Objective 3: To work with other UK departments and the Welsh Assembly to promote effective communication and co-ordination of policy in areas which straddle the boundary between transferred and retained functions; and
- Objective 4: To keep under review, with HM Treasury and the Welsh Assembly, the operation of the funding policy for the devolved administrations.

The Wales Office prepare their own resource accounts and, it is from these statements that a schedule of fixed assets is obtained. Their capitalisation limit is £1,000 and all assets are included in at their net book value.

LAND AND BUILDINGS

Location	Use	Value (£000s)
Gwydyr House	Headquarters	1,600

PLANT AND MACHINERY

Item	Units	Value (£000s)
Fixtures and fittings		
Desks		57

The Wales Office's IT equipment is provided and supported by Siemens Business Services (SBS) under a PFI contract which is held by the National Assembly for Wales. Information and Communications Technology equipment and services are provided to the Wales Office by the National Assembly for Wales under a Service Delivery Agreement. The Wales Office does not therefore own its IT equipment, or hold the contract for its provision.

INVESTMENTS

Item	Value (£000s)
Public Dividend Capital	-
Loans	-
National Loans Fund(1)	12,460

(1) The figure of £12,460,000 shown at 31 March 2000 represents a loan from the National Loans Fund provided to the Welsh Development Agency.

Total Tangible Assets	1,657
Total Investments	12,460
Total Fixed Assets	14,117

Changes since the last National Asset Register.

There have been no significant acquisitions or disposals since the Wales Office came into being on 1 July 1999. The Wales Office was vested with ownership of the Gwydyr House building and freehold of the underlying land. This was previously in the ownership of the Welsh Office, and is therefore not classed as an acquisition.

For more information on the Wales office or its NAR entry:

Tel: 020 7270 0583

Visit: www.walesoffice.gov.uk

or e-mail: wales.office@wales.gsi.gov.uk

The National Assembly for Wales

The Assembly came into existence on 7 May 1999. The majority of the staff and functions of the Welsh Office were transferred to the Assembly on 1 July 1999. The responsibilities remaining with the Secretary of State for Wales are dealt with by the Wales Office (Office of the Secretary of State for Wales). The Assembly's overall aim is to increase economic prosperity and improve the quality of life for all the people of Wales, to promote social inclusion, to extend democratic accountability and to deliver better services throughout Wales.

The National Asset Register (NAR) of the National Assembly for Wales is a schedule of all of the assets owned by the Assembly, as well as Cadw, Assembly Sponsored Public Bodies (ASPB's) and NHS reporting entities in Wales.

The first part of the Register records the assets of the Assembly, its on-vote Agency, Cadw and the Royal Commission for Ancient & Historical Monuments (RCAHM). Information on the assets belonging directly to the Assembly have been collated in conjunction with the annual Resource Accounts exercise, but for the purpose of the NAR have been aggregated. The assets of the Royal Commission are consolidated into the Resource Accounts of the Assembly. However, they are listed separately for the purposes of the National Asset Register.

The capitalisation limit for assets of the National Assembly for Wales, RCAHM and NHS bodies is £5,000 and for Cadw the limit stands at £1,000. All assets are included at their net book value. The accounting policies and capitalisation limits of Assembly Sponsored Public Bodies can be found in their annual accounts.

The total fixed assets and investments as set out in the National Assembly for Wales Resource Accounts, at 31 March 2000, are:

	£000
Tangible Assets	
Roads and Infrastructure	6,783,749
Freehold Land and Buildings	32,866
IT, Plant and Equipment	2,475
Assets under Construction	67,876
Total Tangible Assets	6,886,966
Intangible Assets	
	0
Investments	
Public Dividend Capital	1,159,825
National Loans Fund	12,460
Other Loans	2,872
Total Investments	1,175,157

Land & buildings belonging to the Assembly are valued on the basis of open market value for existing use. Plant and machinery have been prepared for inclusion in the NAR under modified historic cost accounting techniques. This values the assets at their depreciated current replacement cost using scientific indices.

Information on Cadw's assets have been taken from their 1999-2000 accounts which have been laid before the Assembly. Heritage properties in the care of the Secretary of State for Wales are not valued and therefore, not included in the accounts of Cadw, nor in this asset register. A list of sites in the care of Cadw are contained in the leaflet "Do you care enough to join heritage Wales?", available at manned Cadw sites. Two listed buildings used for operational purposes are included in the section on Assembly Sponsored Public Bodies, (see the National Museum & Galleries and the National Library).

The Assembly has many Assembly Sponsored Public Bodies of which 13 are executive Assembly Sponsored Public Bodies and they have been included in the NAR. This constitutes the second part of the register, which adopts the asset categories that make most sense for the individual bodies. Executive Assembly Sponsored Public Bodies implement a wide range of Government policies and programmes under delegated powers and are in whole or part funded by the National Assembly for Wales. The remaining Assembly Sponsored Public Bodies have not been included as they do not hold significant assets.

The executive Assembly Sponsored Public Bodies included in the NAR, and their total fixed assets as set out in their individual balance sheets as at 31 March 2000, are:

	£000s
Arts Council for Wales	3,120
Countryside Council for Wales	2,218
Further Education Funding Council for Wales	199
Higher Education Funding Council for Wales	99
National Museums and Galleries of Wales	53,746
Qualifications, Curriculum & Assessment Authority for Wales	389
Royal Commission for Ancient & Historical Monuments for Wales	29
Sports Council for Wales	13,412
The National Library of Wales	40,950
Welsh National Board for Nursing, Midwifery & Health Visiting	69
Wales Tourist Board	384
Welsh Development Agency	8,374
Welsh Language Board	129

All Assembly Sponsored Public Bodies are required to prepare an annual report and accounts for laying before the Assembly. These accounts, available from the bodies themselves, provide further details on their assets, their cost and use. All of the asset details of Assembly Sponsored Public Bodies have been taken from the latest accounts laid before the Assembly.

Further and more detailed information on the work of the Assembly, its accounts and future expenditure plans can be found on the Assembly web site: www.wales.gov.uk

The departmental report, and the resource accounts can also be obtained from:

The National Assembly for Wales
 Financial Accountability 2
 Cathays Park
 Cardiff, CF10 3NQ

National Assembly Core Department

LAND & BUILDINGS

Location	Use	Value £000
CP2 Cardiff New Crown Buildings, Cathays Park, Cardiff	Five Storey Office, P500 Cars 34,305 Sqm Restrictive Covenant	23,500*
CP1 Cardiff Old Crown Buildings, Cathays Park, Cardiff	1930s Four Storey Office Building, 3,599 Sqm	1,900*
Picton Terrace, Carmarthen Crown Buildings, Picton Terrace, Carmarthen	Three To Five Storey Office 3,971 Sqm	1,600*
North Penrallt, Caernarfon Crown Buildings, North Penrallt, Caernarfon	Four Storey Office Building, 3,825 Sqm	1,400*
Pwllpeiran Pwllpeiran Experimental Husbandry Farm, Aberystwyth	2793 Acres Of Land, 8 Dwelling Houses, Farm House.	1,007
Spa Buildings, Llandrindod Spa Buildings, Spa Road East, Llandrindod Wells	Utilitarian Standard Office 2,375 Sqm	1,000*
Colwyn Bay Government Buildings, Dinerth Road, Colwyn Bay	Single Storey Barracks Style Office Building 3,275 Sqm	850*
King Street, Carmarthen 14 King Street, Carmarthen	Three To Two To One Storey Building, B1879,301 Sqm	94*
Royal Pavilion Royal Pavilion, Llanelwydd, Builth Wells	Two Storey Detached Building, 185 Sqm	55*
Snowdon	290.78 Acres	31
Total Land & Buildings		31,437

* Valued at existing use basis on 31/3/00

ROADS & INFRASTRUCTURE

	£000
Surplus Land	578
Assets under construction	67,876
M4 Motorway (133km)* & Trunk Roads (1,576km)	6,783,749
Total Roads and Infrastructure	6,852,203

PLANT & MACHINERY

Items	No of units	Use	Value £000
Fixtures & Fittings			
Chairs		general	-
Tables		office	-
Conference Tables		use	-
Information Communication Technology			
Braille equipment	1		2
Conferencing equipment	41		508
Voice mail system	1		40
Specialist Computers	13		703
Total ICT			1,253
Vehicles			
Fork lift truck	1		3
cars	8		71
Mobile VMS	7		250
Chippers	3		5
Loader	4		49
Plough/gritter	30		615
Vans	2		4
Total Vehicles			997
Other			
Office equipment	23		116
Security	6		80
Total Other			196
Total Plant & Machinery			2,446

* Individually fixtures, fittings and office furniture is valued below the capitalisation threshold and therefore not included.

INVESTMENTS

List of Investments	Value £000
Public dividend Capital (PDC): National Health Service	1,150,749
Welsh Development Agency	9,076
Loans: Education and Local Government	2,357
Staff Loans	148
Housing Loans and Mortgages	367
NLF Loans: Welsh Development Agency	12,460
Total Investments	1,175,157

Royal Commission for Ancient & Historical Monuments (RCAHM)

The Royal Commission was established in 1908 and is empowered by Royal Warrant to maintain a National Monuments Record of ancient and historical sites throughout Wales.

Land & Buildings

Location	Use	Value £000
Plas Crug, Aberystwyth	Five Storey Office,	850
Plas Crug, Stanley Road, Aberystwyth	3,991sqm	

PLANT & EQUIPMENT

Items	No of Units	Use	Value (£000)
Fixtures & Fittings			
Chairs	-		
Desks	-		
Cupboards etc.	-		
Information Communication Technology			
Netserver	1		4
Vehicles			
	-	-	-
Other			
Office equipment	5		25
Total Plant & Equipment			29

RCAHM produces its own annual report containing information on objectives, targets and performance. The accounts of the RCAHM will form part of the Assembly's Resource Accounts.

Cadw

Cadw is an executive agency of the National Assembly for Wales and is responsible for the protection, conservation and promotion of the built heritage of Wales. The agency discharges the National Assembly's statutory responsibilities relating to ancient monuments, historic buildings and conservation areas. It advises the National Assembly on all policy issues relating to the built heritage.

	Value (£000)
Land & Buildings: include visitor centres, car parks & utility buildings of monuments throughout Wales	4,210
Plant & equipment	200
Exhibitions	394
Total	4,804

Sites in the care of Cadw include:	Number of sites
Castles and Medieval Houses	57
Religious sites	33
Roman Sites	7
Post-Medieval and Industrial Sites	5
Prehistoric Sites	26
Total	128

Cadw produces its own annual report and accounts, which contains information on objectives, targets and performance.

Assembly Sponsored Public Bodies

National Museums and Galleries of Wales

The main function of the Museum is the collection and the preservation of objects relating to the story of Wales from the earliest times, including the country's flora, fauna, geology and the artefacts of man; the pursuit of scholarly research on these collections; and their elucidation to the general public through exhibition and instruction. The National Museum in Cardiff is a listed building and classed as a operational heritage asset. It is included in their balance sheet and therefore the National Asset Register. The Museum holds some 7 million artefacts which are neither included in their balance sheet or the NAR.

As at 31 March 2000	£000
Freehold Land & Buildings	11,597
Leasehold Properties	41,290
Plant & vehicles	100
Fixtures, fittings & equipment	759
Total	53,746

A copy of the annual report & accounts can be obtained from:

National Museum for Wales,
Cathays Park,
Cardiff, CF10 3NP.

Website: www.cf.ac.uk/nmgw

Welsh Development Agency

The purpose of the WDA is to further the economic development of Wales or any part of Wales and in that connection to provide, maintain or safeguard employment; to promote industrial efficiency and international competitiveness in Wales; and to further the improvement of its environment, having regard to existing amenity.

As at 31 March 2000	£000
Freehold Land & Buildings	4,999
Long Lease Land & Buildings	2,550
Plant & Machinery	825
Total	8,374

A copy of the report & accounts can be obtained from:

Welsh Development Agency, Principality House, The Friary, Cardiff, CF10 4AE.

Website: www.wda.co.uk

Wales Tourist Board

The board was established in 1969 to encourage people to visit Wales and people living in Wales to take their holidays there; and to encourage the provision and improvement of tourist amenities and facilities in Wales.

As at 31 March 2000	£000
Land & Buildings Short Leases	50
Fixtures & Fittings	4
Office Equipment	330
Total	384

A copy of the annual report & accounts can be obtained from:

Wales Tourist Board,
Brunel House,
2 Fitzalan Road,
Cardiff, CF2 1UY.

Website: www.tourism.wales.gov.uk

Countryside Council for Wales

The Council is the authority in Wales for the conservation of wildlife habitats and earth science sites for the protection of wild animal and plant species, in the sea as well as on land. The council has programmes of work which protect and enhance the landscape, conserve species and habitats, improves access to the countryside and the coast and their enjoyment and provides information and increased understanding for the public, the Government and others.

As at 31 March 2000	£000
Freehold Land & Buildings	1,179
Equipment	174
Computers	629
Vehicles	236
Total	2,218

A copy of the annual report & accounts can be obtained from:

Countryside Council for Wales,
Plas Penrhos,
Ffordd Penrhos,
Bangor,
Gwynedd, LL57 2LQ.

Website: www.ccw.gov.uk

National Library of Wales

The principal objectives of the library are the collection, preservation and maintenance of printed, graphic and audio-visual material and manuscripts and records relating to the Welsh and Celtic people, the materials for the furtherance of higher education and literary and scientific research. The National Library of Wales is a listed building and classed as an operational heritage asset. It is included in the balance sheet of the Library and therefore the National Asset Register. The Library holds some 3.5 million books, plus newspapers and magazines held on 125 miles of shelving. None of these documents are included in their balance sheet or the NAR.

As at 31 March 2000	£000
Freehold land & Buildings	39,711
Plant, Fittings & Equipment	1,239
Total	40,950

A copy of the annual report & accounts can be obtained from:

National Library for Wales,
Aberystwyth,
Ceredigion.

Website: www.llgc.org.uk

Sports Council for Wales

The Sports Council for Wales was established by Royal Charter in 1972 with the objectives of fostering the knowledge and practice of sport and physical recreation among the public at large in Wales and the facilities. The Council's principal activities include increasing participation and improving performance in sport and physical recreation and, generally, to disseminate information and to promote knowledge of sport and physical recreation in Wales.

As at 31 March 2000	£000
Freehold land & Buildings	3,972
Long leasehold property	8,051
Equipment	1,193
Vehicles	196
Total	13,412

A copy of the annual report & accounts can be obtained from:

Sports Council for Wales,
Sophia Gardens,
Cardiff, CF10 9SW.

Website: www.sports-council-wales.co.uk

Welsh Language Board

The Welsh Language Board was established by the 1993 Welsh Language Act to advise the Secretary of State for Wales on matters concerning the Welsh Language, to advise persons exercising functions of a public nature on the ways in which effect may be given to the principle that, in the conduct of public business, the English and Welsh languages should be treated on a basis of equality and to advise those people providing services to the public on the use of the Welsh language in their dealings with the public in Wales.

As at 31 March 2000	£000
Office Improvements & Alterations	40
Office Furniture	30
Office Equipment	59
Total	129

A copy of the annual report & accounts can be obtained from:

Welsh Language Board,
Market Chambers,
5-7 St Mary Street,
Cardiff CF10 2AT.

Website: www.netwales.co.uk/byig

Arts Council for Wales

The objectives of the Arts Council for Wales are to develop and improve the knowledge, understanding and practice of the arts in Wales. It also seeks to improve the accessibility of the arts to the public, advise and the co-operate with other bodies and to carry out it's objectives through the medium of both the Welsh and English languages.

As at 31 March 2000	£000
Freehold land & Buildings	2,673
Computer system, furniture, etc.	247
Works of Art	200
Total	3,120

A copy of the annual report & accounts can be obtained from:

Arts Council of Wales,
9 Museum Place,
Cardiff CF10 3NX.

Website: www.ccc-acw.org.uk

Qualifications, Curriculum and Assessment Authority for Wales

The authority's statutory role is to advise the Secretary of State for Wales on all aspects of the curriculum for maintained schools in Wales, and on school exams and assessment. The authority keeps under review development in these areas and advises on appropriate programmes of research and development (and carries these out, if requested.)

As at 31 March 2000	£000
Leasehold and Licence improvements	201
Fixtures & Fittings	49
Office Equipment	31
Computer Equipment	108
Total	389

A copy of the annual report & accounts can be obtained from:

Qualifications, Curriculum and Assessment Authority,
Castle Buildings,
Womanby Street,
Cardiff, CF10 9SX.

Website: www.accac.org.uk

Higher Education Funding Council for Wales

The Council is responsible for the administration of funds made available by the Assembly in support of the provision of education and the undertaking of research by higher education institutes in Wales, the provision of prescribed courses of higher education in further education institutes in Wales and for the funding of teacher training and the accreditation of providers of initial training for school teachers.

As at 31 March 2000	£000
Computers & Printers	21
Fixtures & Fittings	62
Electrical Equipment	16
Total	99

A copy of the annual report & accounts can be obtained from:

Higher Education Funding Council,
Linden Court,
The Orchards,
Ilex Close,
Llanishen,
Cardiff, CF14 5DZ

Website: www.wfc.ac.uk

Further Education Funding Council for Wales

The Council is responsible for securing the provision of facilities for further education and for the administration of funds made available by the Assembly in support of further education in institutions and sponsored bodies in Wales.

As at 31 March 2000	£000
Computers & Printers	42
Fixtures & Fittings	124
Electrical Equipment	33
Total	199

A copy of the annual reports & accounts can be obtained from:

Further Education Funding Council,
Linden Court,
The Orchards,
Ilex Close,
Llanishen,
Cardiff, CF14 5DZ

Website: www.wfc.ac.uk

Welsh National Board for Nursing Midwifery and Health Visiting

Initially operated in 1983, and reconstituted in 1993, the WNB forms the Welsh element of the statutory framework which regulates nurses, midwives and health visitors in the UK for the protection of the public. It does this by setting standards for education, practice and conduct, and by maintaining a register of practitioners who meet those standards.

As at 31 March 2000	£000
Building Adaptations	3
Computers	48
Plant & Machinery	18
Total	69

A copy of the annual report & accounts can be obtained from:

Welsh National Board for Nursing,
Midwifery and Health Visiting,
2nd Floor, Golate House,
101 St Mary Street,
Cardiff CF10 1DX.

Website: www.wnb.org.uk

Asset Registers of NHS Bodies in Wales

The annual accounts of individual NHS Trusts and Health Authorities are available locally from the individual health body concerned.

NHS Trusts & Hospitals in Wales

NHS trusts are responsible for the provision of NHS health care. They receive most of their income, under contract, from purchases of health care (mainly Health Authorities). The financial performance of each Trust is monitored by the NHS Financial Performance Branch of the NHS Directorate at the National Assembly for Wales.

Welsh Health Authorities

The main activities for the Health Authorities are to assess the health needs of the local population; agree on how to achieve this through a Health Improvement Programme; commission services needed to meet agreed priorities, including Patient's Charter guarantees and standards; to support the contractor profession of GPs, dentists, pharmacists, and opticians; public health and protection, including health promotion, emergency planning; stewardship of resources, including financial management and to be responsive to the views of local people and organisations.

NHS TRUSTS & HOSPITALS

As at 31 March 2000		£000
Bro Morgannwg	Land	12,468
	Buildings, installation & fittings	77,441
	Equipment	8,087
	Assets under construction	67
Total		98,063
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Cardiff & District	Land	23,245
	Buildings, installation & fittings	21,856
	Equipment	3,190
Total		48,291
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Carmarthenshire	Land	2,808
	Buildings, installation & fittings	42,310
	Equipment	4,279
Total		49,397
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Ceredigion	Land	1,458
	Buildings, installation & fittings	13,474
	Equipment	1,949
Total		16,881
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Conwy & Denbighshire	Land	4,684
	Buildings, installation & fittings	61,893
	Equipment	6,729
	Assets under construction	15,281
Total		88,587
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Gwent Healthcare	Land	23,410
	Buildings, installation & fittings	143,438
	Equipment	13,462
Total		180,310

		£000
N E Wales	Land	5,140
	Buildings, installation & fittings	67,456
	Equipment	9,130
Total		81,726
N Glamorgan	Land	3,340
	Buildings, installation & fittings	45,847
	Equipment	3,130
	Assets under construction	181
Total		52,498
N W Wales	Land	4,120
	Buildings, installation & fittings	79,177
	Equipment	7,445
	Assets under construction	427
Total		91,169
Pembrokeshire & Derwen	Land	3,432
	Buildings, installation & fittings	33,078
	Equipment	2,581
	Assets under construction	98
Total		39,189
Pontypridd & Rhondda	Land	6,563
	Buildings, installation & fittings	90,204
	Equipment	16,112
	Assets under construction	1,940
Total		114,819
Powys	Land	4,254
	Buildings, installation & fittings	29,408
	Equipment	2,419
	Assets under construction	497
Total		36,578

		£000
Swansea	Land	11,279
	Buildings, installation & fittings	135,602
	Equipment	11,938
	Assets under construction	4
Total		158,823
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UHW & Llandough	Land	25,358
	Buildings, installation & fittings	134,219
	Equipment	17,089
Total		176,666
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Velindre	Land	5,299
	Buildings, installation & fittings	18,262
	Equipment	8,087
Total		31,648

AMBULANCE TRUST

As at 31 March 2000		£000
Welsh Ambulance Services	Land	3,385
	Buildings, installation & fitting	14,464
	Equipment	7,902
	Assets under construction	2,934
Total		28,685

HEALTH AUTHORITIES

		£000
Gwent	Land	9,881
	Buildings, installation & fittings	13,494
	Equipment	110
Total		23,485
Bro Taf	Land	12,967
	Buildings, installation & fittings	16,404
	Equipment	13
Total		29,384
Dyfed Powys	Land	2,960
	Buildings, installation & fittings	8,422
	Equipment	131
Total		11,513
North Wales	Land	5,973
	Buildings, installation & fittings	36,788
	Equipment	230
Total		42,991
Iechyd Morgannwg	Land	105
	Buildings, installation & fittings	672
	Equipment	283
Total		1,060

Changes Since The Last National Asset Register

ASSET ACQUISITIONS

	1997-1998 £000	1998-1999 £000	1999-2000 £000
NAW			
Land and Buildings	-	40	689
IT, Plant & Equipment	767	197	662
Roads & Infrastructure	157,717	72,041	43,998
Assets under Construction	53,041	49,399	26,884
WDA			
Land & Buildings	29,654*	59	138
Plant & Machinery	508	807	641
Equipment	-	-	-

ASSET DISPOSALS

	1997-1998 £000	1998-1999 £000	1999-2000 £000
NAW			
Land and Buildings	-	-	(22,427)
IT, Plant & Equipment	(43)	-	(755)
Roads & Infrastructure	(117,993)	-	(10)
Assets under Construction	(18,026)	-	(13,918)
WDA			
Land & Buildings	(58,872)*	-	(1,650)
Plant & Machinery	(252)	(850)	(1,422)
Equipment	(296)	(92)	(468)

*1997/98 Land & Buildings consists of Industrial & Commercial Investment properties, and Property occupied by Agency.

Acquisitions: Investment Properties £29,630,000
Property occupied by Agency £24,000

Disposals: All disposals relate to Investment Properties.

National Assembly for Wales Department Disposal Strategy

Assets are held for their useful economic lives then disposed of, where possible, at market value.

MAJOR MOVEMENTS IN NAR

	1999–2000 £000	1998–1999 £000	1997–1998 £000	1996–1997 £000	Note
Investments:					
Public Dividend Capital	1,159,825	816,575	585,324	532,205	1
Loans:					
Education & Local Government	2,357	2,465	612,580	3,256	2
NLF Loans	12,460	12,704	14,249	14,449	3
Assembly Sponsored Public Bodies Fixed Assets:					
Welsh Development Agency	24,065	27,245	23,730*	151,418	4
Cardiff Bay Development Corporation	N/C	N/C	1,152	1,536	5
Development Board for Rural Wales	N/C	N/C	26,820	29,673	6
Housing for Wales	N/C	N/C	60	687	6
Land Authority for Wales	N/C	N/C	1,398	1,225	6

*The majority of the Agency's property holdings reported as industrial and commercial investment properties in the balance sheet at 31 March 1998 have been reclassified and reported within current assets as properties held for resale. This reflects the Agency's intention to hold these properties for future disposal.

1. Increase in NHS trust borrowing & reclassification of interest bearing debt to Public Dividend Capital
2. Repayments in normal course
3. Increase lending net of repayments following amalgamation of Non-Departmental Public Bodies
4. The Welsh Development Agency have recently exercised a policy to sell and dispose surplus land and buildings in their responsibility, the bulk of the assets have been sold as a result
5. The Cardiff Bay Development Corporation was wound up on 31/3/2000 and it's assets were transferred to successor bodies
6. The following Assembly Sponsored Public Bodies were subsumed within the WDA at 31/3/98, with the exception of Housing for Wales, which was subsumed into the former Welsh Office:
 - Cardiff Bay Development Corporation
 - Development Board for Rural Wales
 - Land Authority for Wales

Roads and Land & Buildings were not valued in the 1997 edition, therefore no comparison could be made.

NHS Trusts were reorganised on a number of occasions, which included straight mergers and more complex reconfigurations.

All Ambulance Trusts in Wales have been transferred to the Wales Ambulance Service.

Other Health Authorities:

- Welsh Health Common Services Authority was subsumed within the Trusts, the Assembly and Health Authorities.
- Health Promotion Wales was subsumed within the Assembly.

Other Bodies

ESTYN: Her Majesty's Inspectorate For Education & Training in Wales

The aims of Estyn are to improve both the quality of educational provision and the standards achieved by pupils and students. Estyn's aim is to raise standards and quality in education and training in Wales through inspection and advice.

Estyn prepare their own resource accounts and, it is from these statements that a schedule of fixed assets is obtained. Their capitalisation limit is £1,000 and all assets are included at net book value. The annual report and accounts of Estyn provide details of their size, yearly expenditure and fixed assets and can be obtained from the Assembly, or:

Estyn at Phase1,
Government Buildings,
Ty Glas Road,
Llanishen,
Cardiff, CF14 5FQ.

PLANT & MACHINERY

Item	No of Units	Use	Value £
Fixtures & Fittings			
Fixtures & Fittings		Day to day	3,000
Office Equipment		requirements	2,000
Total			5,000
ICT			
PCs; Printers & software	For 63 staff		96,000
Total			96,000

