
Office for National Statistics

Introduction

1. This Estimate provides for the administration costs and other expenditure of the Office for National Statistics.
2. The departments' main responsibilities include the following:
collection, collation and dissemination of statistics relating to the United Kingdom's national accounts, balance of payments, 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 leadership for statistics across government; implementing and issuing information from the decennial census of 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 and maintaining the Titchfield centre of World Health Organisation; the Secretariat to the Boundary Commission for England and Wales; administering the law on marriage; controlling the local registration of births, deaths and marriage and maintaining the central record of these events from which copies of certificates are supplied; and maintaining the National Health Service Central Register.
3. Symbols are explained in the Introduction to this booklet.

Part I

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Request for Resources 1: Providing statistical and registration services	160,428,000
Total net resource requirement	160,428,000
Net cash requirement	165,555,000

Amounts required in the year ending 31 March 2007 for expenditure by the Office for National Statistics on:

RfR 1: Providing statistical and registration services

collection, preparation and dissemination of economic, social, labour market and other statistics; register services, departmental administration and associated non-cash items.

The Office for National Statistics will account for this Estimate.

	Net total	Allocated in Vote on Account	Balance to complete
RfR 1	160,428,000	71,991,000	88,437,000
Total net resource requirement	160,428,000	71,991,000	88,437,000
Net cash requirement	165,555,000	76,203,000	89,352,000

Part II: Subhead detail

										£'000	
2006-07 Provision								2005-06 Provision	2004-05 Outturn		
Resources						Capital Non- operating A		Net Total	Net Total		
Admin	Other Current	Grants	Gross Total	A in A	Net Total	Capital	in A	Resources	Resources		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
RfR 1: Providing statistical and registration services											
197,739	-450	-	197,289	36,861	160,428	27,820	250	170,102	156,023		
Spending in Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)											
<i>Central Government spending</i>											
A Administration (Gross Control)											
197,739	-450	-	197,289	36,861	160,428	27,820	250	170,102	156,023		
Total for Estimate:											
197,739	-450	-	197,289	36,861	160,428	27,820	250	170,102	156,023		

Part II: Resource to cash reconciliation

	£'000		
	2006-07 Provision	2005-06 Provision	2004-05 Outturn
Net Resource Requirement	160,428	170,102	156,023
Voted capital items			
Capital	27,820	27,820	33,711
Less Non-operating A-in-A	250	250	39
Total net voted capital	27,570	27,570	33,672
Accruals to cash adjustment			
Adjustments to remove non-cash items:			
Cost of Capital charges	-3,100	-3,000	-3,790
Depreciation	-19,633	-15,500	-11,631
New provisions and adjustments to previous provisions	-	-4,093	-313
Profit/loss on sale of assets	-	-	39
Prior period adjustments	-	-	-
Other non-cash items	-32	-32	-46
Increase (+) / Decrease (-) in stock	-	-	-
Increase (+) / Decrease (-) in debtors	-119	-119	1,098
Increase (-) / Decrease (+) in creditors	-	-	-6,633
Use of provisions	441	3,116	618
Total accruals to cash adjustments	-22,443	-19,628	-20,658
Excess cash to be CFERd	-	-	-
Net Cash Requirement	165,555	178,044	169,037

Part III: Extra receipts payable to the Consolidated Fund

No CFER income or receipts are expected in 2006-07 or 2005-06. None were received in 2004-05.

Forecast Operating Cost Statement

	£'000		
	2006-07 Provision	2005-06 Provision	2004-05 Outturn
Net Administration Costs			
RfR 1	160,878	170,552	155,613
Total Net Administration costs	160,878	170,552	155,613
Net Programme Costs			
RfR 1	-450	-450	410
Total Net Programme costs	-450	-450	410
Total Net Operating Cost	160,428	170,102	156,023
<i>of which:</i>			
Net Resource Requirement	160,428	170,102	156,023
Non-voted expenditure	-	-	-
Consolidated Fund Extra Receipts	-	-	-
Resource Budget	166,428	170,102	156,023

Notes to the Main Estimate

Reconciliation of resource expenditure between Estimates, Accounts and Budgets

	£'000		
	2006-07 Provision	2005-06 Provision	2004-05 Outturn
Net Resource Requirement (Estimates)	160,428	170,102	156,023
<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	-	-	-
Other adjustments	-	-	-
Net Operating Cost (Accounts)	160,428	170,102	156,023
<i>Adjustments to remove:</i>			
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)	166,428	170,102	156,023
<i>of which:</i>			
Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)	166,428	170,102	156,023
Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)	-	-	-

Reconciliation of capital expenditure between Estimates and Budgets

	£'000		
	2006-07 Provision	2005-06 Provision	2004-05 Outturn
Net Voted Capital (Estimates)	27,570	27,570	33,672
<i>Adjustments to remove:</i>			
Gains / losses from sale of capital assets	-	-	39
<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	-	-	-
Other adjustments	-	-	-
Capital Budget (Budget)	27,570	27,570	33,711
<i>of which:</i>			
Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL)	27,570	27,570	33,711
Annually Managed Expenditure (AME)	-	-	-

Notes to the Main Estimate (*continued*)

Explanation of Accounting Officer responsibilities

In accordance with the Government Resources and Accounts Act 2000 the Treasury has made the following Accounting Officer appointment for the Request for Resources within this Estimate.

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

Karen Dunnell as the Accounting Officer of the Office for National Statistics has personal responsibility for the proper presentation of the department's resource accounts as prescribed in legislation, or by the Treasury, and their transmission to the Comptroller and Auditor General. The AO as the permanent head, remains in general overall charge of the Office for National Statistics.

The responsibilities of an Accounting Officer are set out in Annex 4.1 of Government Accounting. In essence these responsibilities include a personal responsibility for the propriety and regularity of the public finances for which they are answerable; for keeping of proper accounts; for prudent and economical administration; for the avoidance of waste and extravagance; and for the efficient and effective use of all the available resources. In addition, the Accounting Officer must ensure that there is a sound system of internal control to support the achievement of the organisation's policies, aims and objectives and should regularly review the effectiveness of that system.

Notes to the Main Estimate (*continued*)

Analysis of operating appropriations in aid (A in A)

	£'000		
	2006-07 Provision	2005-06 Provision	2004-05 Outturn
RfR 1: Providing statistical and registration services			
Administration	36,861	39,751	45,507
<i>of which:</i>			
Sale of goods and services	36,861	39,751	45,507
Programme	-	5,249	-
<i>of which:</i>			
Sale of goods and services	-1,000	4,249	-318
EU Income	1,000	1,000	318
Total RfR 1	36,861†	45,000	45,507
† 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.			
Total Operating A in A	36,861	45,000	45,507

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

	£'000		
	2006-07 Provision	2005-06 Provision	2004-05 Outturn
RfR 1: Providing statistical and registration services			
Administration	-	-	39
<i>of which:</i>			
Sale of assets	-	-	39
Programme	250	250	-
<i>of which:</i>			
Sale of assets	250	250	-
Total RfR 1	250†	250	39
† Amount that may be applied as non-operating appropriations in aid in addition to the net total arising from: the recovery of income from the sale of surplus assets.			
Total Non-Operating A in A	250	250	39

Notes to the Main Estimate (*continued*)

Departmental Expenditure Limits and Administration budgets

	£'000		
	Voted	Non-voted	Total
Resource DEL	160,428	6,000	166,428
<i>of which:*</i>			
Administration budget	160,878	6,000	166,878
Near-cash in RDEL	137,663	6,441	144,104
Capital DEL**	27,570	-	27,570
Less Depreciation†	-19,633	-	-19,633
Total DEL	168,365	6,000	174,365

* 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 for the previous year

The total net resource budget sought for 2006-07 of £160,428,000 is 5.7 per cent lower than the final net provision for 2005-06 of £170,102,000.

Cash which may be retained to offset expenditure

	£'000		
	2006-07 Provision	2005-06 Provision	2004-05 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.	37,111	45,250	45,546