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UNIVERSITIES AND TECHNIKONS SPENT R7 686,3 MILLION IN 1995

The universities and technikons spent R7 686,3 million during the 1995 financial year (ending on 31 December 1995). Universities spent R6 107,7 million (79,5%) of the total expenditure and technikons R1 578,6 million (20,5%).

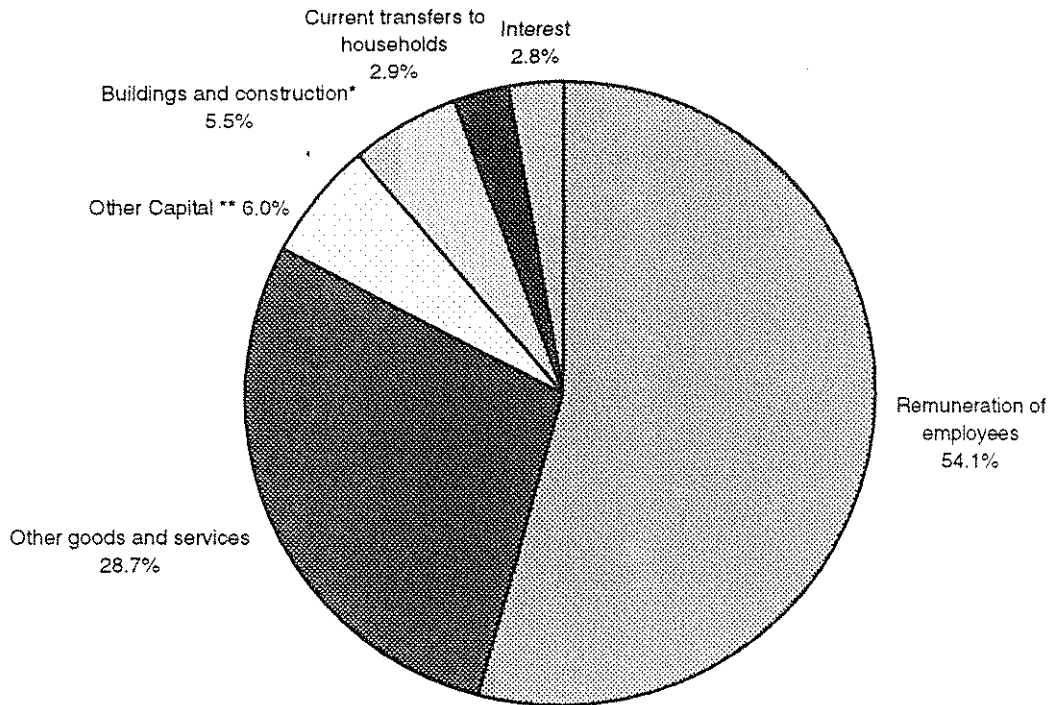
The information shows that expenditure on remuneration of employees amounted to R4 157,6 million (54,1%) of the total expenditure, expenditure on other goods and services for current activities R2 207,6 million (28,7%), capital expenditure R887,2 million (11,5%), current transfers to households R220,8 million (2,9%) and interest payments R213,1 million (2,8%) of the total expenditure.

The classification of the total expenditure of the universities and technikons in 1995 was respectively as follows:

Type of expenditure	Universities R000	Technikons R000	Total R000	% of total expenditure
1. CURRENT EXPENDITURE:				
1.1 Remuneration of employees	3 389 691	767 913	4 157 604	54,1
1.2 Other goods and services	1 768 206	439 345	2 207 551	28,7
1.3 Interest (Private)	144 196	50 432	194 628	2,53
Interest (State)	11 005	7 493	18 498	0,24
1.4 Current transfers to households	192 753	28 054	220 807	2,9
2. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE:				
2.1 Residential buildings	36 468	47 876	84 344	1,1
2.2 Non-residential buildings	161 247	114 091	275 338	3,6
2.3 Other constructions	25 084	11 628	36 712	0,5
2.4 Land and existing buildings	10 973	15 031	26 004	0,3
2.5 Machinery and equipment	257 727	80 684	338 411	4,4
2.6 Books	110 376	16 051	126 427	1,6
TOTAL	6 107 726	1 578 598	7 686 324	100,0

The total expenditure of the universities and technikons can be portrayed graphically as follows:

TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1995



- * Residential buildings, non-residential buildings, other construction and land
- ** Machinery, equipment and books

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GENERAL NOTES

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This statistical release provides financial statistics of the expenditure of universities and technikons for the 1995 financial year. The financial year of universities and technikons end on 31 December.
- 1.2 The Central Statistical Service has recently developed a new computer programme which encompasses more detailed financial statistics on the expenditure of the general government sector than in previous releases. The information in this statistical release is however not presented according to the new computer programme in the relevant tables. The reason is that the information is not meant to be an economic classification of the expenditure but only a summary. (A summary of the information is presented on page 1). Universities and technikons record their transactions according to the South African Post-Secondary Education System (SAPSE) of the Department of Education. An economic classification of expenditure requires more detailed financial information to be classified than the SAPSE provides. Due to the development and implementation of the new computer programme as well as other reasons, information regarding this series was not published in a separate statistical release for the 1994 financial year. The information was however included in the statistical release on the expenditure of the consolidated expenditure of the general government sector for the 1994/95 financial year (P9119 dated 22 January 1997). Publication of information on the income of universities and technikons will be resumed at a later stage.
- 1.3 The CSS also publishes statistical releases on the expenditure of the following levels of the general government.
- 1.3.1 Central government (P9119.2)
- 1.3.2 Provincial governments (P9120)
- 1.3.3 Extrabudgetary accounts and funds (P9102)
- 1.3.4 Consolidated expenditure of the total general government (P9119).

2. METHOD AND SCOPE OF THE SURVEY

- 2.1 The financial information of universities and technikons are furnished annually to the CSS by the Department of Education. The transactions of the universities and technikons are recorded according to the South African Post-Secondary Education System (SAPSE) of the Department of Education and the CSS summarises the information. Missing or incomplete information was supplemented through telephonic liaison with the relevant universities and technikons as far as possible, but in a few cases the CSS was compelled to estimate the outstanding information.
- 2.2 The tables contain only the consolidated information of all the accounts and funds of the universities and technikons. Separate information is not furnished for hostels and trust funds.
- 2.3 The expenditure on land and buildings by government departments (as a direct liability against their votes) on behalf of certain universities and technikons is not included in the tables.
- 2.4 No provision for depreciation has been made in the accounts of universities and technikons.
- 2.5 The accounts of universities and technikons are kept according to the accrual system. They receive most of their revenue in the form of transfers from the National Revenue Fund and they retain their surplus funds.
- 2.6 The financial details of the following universities and technikons have been included in the tables.

Universities

South Africa, Pretoria, Witwatersrand, Randse Afrikaanse, Potchefstroom, Free State, Port Elizabeth, Rhodes, Stellenbosch, Cape Town, Natal, Durban-Westville, Western Cape, Medunsa, The North, Zululand, Vista, North West, Transkei, Venda and Fort Hare.

Technikons

Natal, Pretoria, Witwatersrand, Free State, Port Elizabeth, M. L. Sultan, Mangosuthu, Cape, RSA, Vaal Triangle, Peninsula, Northern Gauteng, Border, North West and Transkei.

3. DEFINITIONS

3.1 Remuneration of employees

Remuneration includes primarily salaries, wages, service and other bonuses, allowances (including car allowances), retirement benefits, contributions to medical, insurance and pension funds, compensation in respect of examinations and housing subsidies.

3.2 Other goods and services

This item includes purchases of goods and services, except remuneration of employees, for current activities.

3.3 Households

Non-profit institutions serving households are also included.

3.4 Residential buildings

Residential buildings, flats, hostels and nursing homes.

3.5 Non-residential buildings

Hospitals, offices, libraries, lecture rooms, etc.

3.6 Other constructions

Roads, fences, land development, sports fields, etc.

3.7 Machinery and equipment

Machinery and equipment include primarily motor vehicles, laboratory equipment and labour saving devices and library books.