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#### **Key findings**

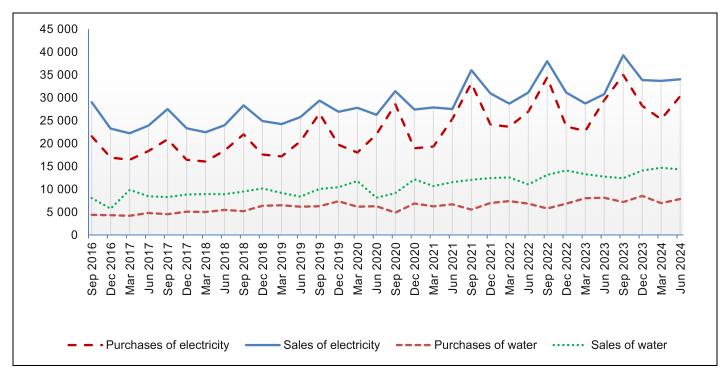
Table A - Purchases and sales of water and electricity

		Quarter ended							
Item	Jun-23	Sep-23*	Dec-23*	Mar-24*	Jun-24				
		Y	ear-on-year % chang	е					
Purchases of water	18,9	23,8	24,9	-13,6	-3,3				
Sales of water	15,3	-5,7	0,1	10,5	12,4				
Purchases of electricity	9,2	1,5	19,0	11,2	3,0				
Sales of electricity	-1,1	3,4	8,8	17,1	10,5				

<sup>\*</sup> Some figures have been revised.

Table A shows annual growth rates for the purchases and sales of water and electricity. Purchases of water decreased by 3,3% from the quarter ended June 2023 to the quarter ended June 2024 while sales of water increased by 12,4%. Purchases of electricity increased by 3,0% and sales of electricity increased by 10,5% over the same period.

Figure 1 – Purchases and sales of water and electricity, R million



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Table 1 – Combined consolidated statement of financial performance of municipalities for the quarters ended June 2023, September 2023, December 2023, March 2024 and June 2024: Expenditure

Expenditure	June 2023	September 2023*	December 2023*	March 2024*	June 2024	Quarter- on- quarter difference between Mar. 2024 and Jun. 2024	Year-on- year difference between Jun. 2023 and Jun. 2024
				R million			
Employee-related costs	30 925	30 551	33 971	31 439	31 915	476	990
Remuneration of councillors	860	866	967	876	871	-5	11
Finance costs	5 815	2 221	2 871	1 518	3 213	1 695	-2 602
Loss on disposal of assets	789	14	1 338	342	157	-185	-632
Debt impairment	15 887	7 765	4 891	6 683	7 380	697	-8 507
Contracted services:							
Consultants and professional services	2 217	1 203	2 029	1 647	2 200	553	-17
Contractors	6 851	4 273	6 647	5 604	7 620	2 016	769
Outsourced services	6 096	3 435	4 973	4 611	5 677	1 066	-419
Operating leases:							
Buildings and infrastructure	64	260	1 010	624	678	54	614
Computer, furniture and office equipment	48	55	70	61	77	16	29
Transport assets, machinery and equipment	889	168	295	223	309	86	-580
Other operating leases	405	66	118	99	120	21	-285
Inventory consumed	2 716	1 694	2 490	2 616	3 909	1 293	1 193
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment <b>Bulk purchases:</b>	11 321	6 207	7 073	7 347	8 176	829	-3 145
Purchases of water	8 129	7 173	8 539	6 938	7 862	924	-267
Purchases of electricity	29 440	34 964	28 220	25 281	30 320	5 039	880
Other bulk purchases	43	5	3	4	5	1	-38
Transfers and subsidies paid to:						-	
Other local government institutions	403	476	624	416	584	168	181
Tertiary institutions of higher learning	0	5	2	3	193	190	193
Households or individuals	293	104	220	244	251	7	-42
Non-profit institutions	105	17	17	13	47	34	-58
Other transfers and subsidies	745	350	411	386	465	79	-280
Operational costs:							
Advertising, publicity and marketing	198	96	154	138	199	61	1
Bank charges, facility and card fees	140	133	172	146	115	-31	-25
Communication	389	156	212	235	242	7	-147
Courier and delivery services	59	15	17	16	16	0	-43
Entertainment costs	16	6	13	6	15	9	-1
External audit fees	141	89	584	248	100	-148	-41
Hire charges	700	217	384	362	506	144	-194
Insurance underwriting	288	614	449	194	228	34	-60
Printing, publications and books	146	40	74	66	120	54	-26
Professional bodies, membership and subscriptions	278	263	93	52	156	104	-122
Transport costs	43	14	27	27	37	10	-6
Travel and subsistence	191	136	189	137	208	71	17
Wet fuel	1 119	401	435	569	1 322	753	203
Other operational costs	6 740	3 876	5 950	3 834	4 979	1 145	-1 761
Other expenditure	2 125	5 507	6 771	6 712	8 052	1 340	5 927
Taxation	10	3	6	3	5	2	-5
Surplus	14 425	56 682	37 863	39 731	14 669	-25 062	244
Total expenditure	151 049	170 120	160 172	149 451	142 998	-6 453	-8 051

<sup>\*</sup> Some figures have been revised.

Table 2 – Combined consolidated statement of financial performance of municipalities for the quarters ended June 2023, September 2023, December 2023, March 2024 and June 2024: Revenue

Revenue	June 2023	September 2023*	December 2023*	March 2024*	June 2024	Quarter- on-quarter difference between Mar. 2024 and Jun. 2024	Year-on- year difference between Jun. 2023 and Jun. 2024
				R million			
Property rates from:							
Residential	9 602	12 939	10 137	11 434	10 853	-581	1 251
Commercial or business	6 594	10 157	8 748	7 659	7 838	179	1 244
State	702	1 201	745	612	626	14	-76
Other (includes agricultural, municipal, etc.)	4 383	2 417	1 885	1 480	1 553	73	-2 830
Property rates – penalties imposed and collection charges	348	163	169	164	476	312	128
Service charges:							
Sales of water	12 745	12 388	14 083	14 683	14 320	-363	1 575
Sales of electricity	30 782	39 269	33 850	33 655	34 011	356	3 229
Refuse removal charges	3 443	3 778	3 732	3 664	3 728	64	285
Sewerage and sanitation charges	5 403	5 778	5 824	6 096	5 843	-253	440
Other service charges (e.g. fresh produce market)	1 484	1	1	1	0	-1	-1 484
Interest on:							
Investments	1 819	1 539	1 493	1 685	1 785	100	-34
Receivables	3 867	3 716	4 099	4 090	4 620	530	753
Dividends	6	0	0	0	0	0	-6
Fines, penalties and forfeits	2 732	885	1 036	1 353	1 205	-148	-1 527
Licences and permits	159	209	182	187	175	-12	16
Agency services	941	640	858	686	515	-171	-426
Rental	736	646	667	672	738	66	2
Sales of goods and rendering of services	1 117	713	855	843	815	-28	-302
Gains on the disposal of assets	406	19	37	76	126	50	-280
Government transfers and subsidies received:							
Capital	16 225	5 093	9 057	7 162	12 620	5 458	-3 605
Operational	10 501	34 257	27 812	24 130	9 321	-14 809	-1 180
Other transfers and subsidies (incl. contributions and donations)	624	270	184	233	244	11	-380
Operational revenue	5 292	6 540	6 540	6 887	4 282	-2 605	-1 010
Deficit	31 138	27 502	28 178	21 999	27 304	5 305	-3 834
Total revenue	151 049	170 120	160 172	149 451	142 998	-6 453	-8 051

<sup>\*</sup> Some figures have been revised.

Table 3 – Consolidated statement of financial performance of municipalities for rates and general services for the quarters ended June 2023, September 2023, December 2023, March 2024 and June 2024: Expenditure

Expenditure	June 2023	September 2023*	December 2023*	March 2024*	June 2024	Quarter- on- quarter difference between Mar. 2024 and Jun. 2024	Year-on- year difference between Jun. 2023 and Jun. 2024
				R million			
Employee-related costs	19 851	19 605	21 834	20 192	20 615	423	764
Remuneration of councillors	860	866	967	876	871	-5	11
Finance costs	4 041	1 701	1 906	907	1 966	1 059	-2 075
Loss on disposal of assets	565	13	13	6	22	16	-543
Debt impairment	7 211	2 269	1 857	2 740	2 987	247	-4 224
Contracted services:							
Consultants and professional services	1 354	892	1 289	1 128	1 470	342	116
Contractors	2 250	1 616	2 220	2 128	2 625	497	375
Outsourced services	2 441	1 543	2 109	1 998	2 410	412	-31
Operating leases:							
Buildings and infrastructure	53	134	319	243	244	1	191
Computer, furniture and office equipment	45	33	47	39	54	15	9
Transport assets, machinery and equipment	398	121	187	107	185	78	-213
Other operating leases	218	43	76	57	71	14	-147
Inventory consumed	1 054	412	767	797	1 113	316	59
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment	4 280	1 727	1 951	1 976	2 227	251	-2 053
Transfers and subsidies paid to:							
Other local government institutions	164	276	428	217	383	166	219
Tertiary institutions of higher learning	0	5	2	3	193	190	193
Households	202	33	53	53	66	13	-136
Non-profit institutions	102	14	15	11	33	22	-69
Other transfers and subsidies paid	291	294	326	244	306	62	15
Operational costs:							
Advertising, publicity and marketing	159	68	118	102	162	60	3
Bank charges, facility and card fees	133	127	166	140	106	-34	-27
Communication	337	124	166	163	200	37	-137
Courier and delivery services	58	15	17	16	16	0	-42
Entertainment	15	6	13	6	15	9	0
External audit fees	129	70	509	177	92	-85	-37
Hire charges	265	65	78	82	190	108	-75
Insurance underwriting	192	543	392	165	198	33	6
Printing, publications and books	119	33	65	56	90	34	-29
Professional bodies, membership and	270	261	90	50	152	102	-118
subscriptions Transport costs	33	9	15	13	18	5	-15
Transport costs  Travel and subsistence	154	108	150	108	166	58	12
Wet fuel	795	227	237	303	844	541	49
Other operational costs	2 982	2 270	2 325	1 986	2 457	471	-525
Other operational costs Other expenditure	1 253	1 663	2 323	2 581	3 158	577	1 905
Taxation	0	0	2 303	0	3 136	0	0
Surplus	9 452	39 077	27 516	24 753	8 046	-16 707	-1 406
Total expenditure	61 726	76 263	70 586	64 423	53 751	-10 707 -10 672	-7 <b>975</b>

<sup>\*</sup> Some figures have been revised.

Table 4 – Consolidated statement of financial performance of municipalities for rates and general services for the quarters ended June 2023, September 2023, December 2023, March 2024 and June 2024: Revenue

Revenue	June 2023	September 2023*	December 2023*	March 2024*	June 2024	Quarter- on- quarter difference between Mar. 2024 and Jun. 2024	Year-on- year difference between Jun. 2023 and Jun. 2024
			-	R million		•	
Property rates from:							
Residential	9 602	12 939	10 137	11 434	10 853	-581	1 251
Commercial or business	6 594	10 157	8 748	7 659	7 838	179	1 244
State	702	1 201	745	612	626	14	-76
Other (includes agricultural, municipal, etc.)	4 383	2 417	1 885	1 480	1 553	73	-2 830
Property rates – penalties imposed and collection charges	348	163	169	164	476	312	128
Interest on:							
Investments	1 774	1 526	1 479	1 663	1 764	101	-10
Receivables	1 589	1 537	1 755	1 824	1 971	147	382
Dividends	6	0	0	0	0	0	-6
Fines, penalties and forfeits	2 672	875	1 010	1 336	1 165	-171	-1 507
Licences and permits	100	59	38	51	72	21	-28
Agency services	452	223	460	223	223	0	-229
Rental	438	343	353	364	406	42	-32
Sales of goods and rendering of services	902	438	507	482	457	-25	-445
Gains on the disposal of assets	391	18	33	62	111	49	-280
Government transfers and subsidies received:							
Capital	7 669	1 668	2 745	2 000	3 185	1 185	-4 484
Operational	4 590	25 051	21 034	16 963	5 906	-11 057	1 316
Other transfers and subsidies (incl. contributions and donations)	345	90	25	46	37	-9	-308
Operational revenue	3 744	5 236	4 980	4 445	2 566	-1 879	-1 178
Deficit	15 425	12 322	14 483	13 615	14 542	927	-883
Total revenue	61 726	76 263	70 586	64 423	53 751	-10 672	-7 975

<sup>\*</sup> Some figures have been revised.

Table 5 – Consolidated statement of financial performance of municipalities for housing and trading services for the quarters ended June 2023, September 2023, December 2023, March 2024 and June 2024: Expenditure

Expenditure	June 2023	September 2023*	December 2023*	March 2024*	June 2024	Quarter- on- quarter difference between Mar. 2024 and Jun. 2024	Year-on- year difference between Jun. 2023 and Jun. 2024
				R million			
Employee-related costs	11 074	10 946	12 137	11 247	11 300	53	226
Finance costs	1 774	520	965	611	1 247	636	-527
Loss on disposal of assets	224	1	1 325	336	135	-201	-89
Debt impairment	8 676	5 496	3 034	3 943	4 393	450	-4 283
Contracted services:							
Consultancy and professional fees	863	311	740	519	730	211	-133
Contractors	4 601	2 657	4 427	3 476	4 995	1 519	394
Outsourced services	3 655	1 892	2 864	2 613	3 267	654	-388
Operating leases:							
Buildings and infrastructure	11	126	691	381	434	53	423
Computer, furniture and office equipment	3	22	23	22	23	1	20
Transport assets, machinery and equipment	491	47	108	116	124	8	-367
Other operating leases	187	23	42	42	49	7	-138
Inventory consumed	1 662	1 282	1 723	1 819	2 796	977	1 134
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment loss	7 041	4 480	5 122	5 371	5 949	578	-1 092
Bulk purchases:							
Purchases of water	8 129	7 173	8 539	6 938	7 862	924	-267
Purchases of electricity	29 440	34 964	28 220	25 281	30 320	5 039	880
Other bulk purchases	43	5	3	4	5	1	-38
Transfers and subsidies paid to:							
Other local government institutions	239	200	196	199	201	2	-38
Tertiary institutions of higher learning	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Households	91	71	167	191	185	-6	94
Non-profit institutions	3	3	2	2	14	12	11
Other grants paid	454	56	85	142	159	17	-295
Operational costs:							
Advertising, promotions and marketing	39	28	36	36	37	1	-2
Bank charges, facility and card fees	7	6	6	6	9	3	2
Communication	52	32	46	72	42	-30	-10
Courier and delivery services	1	0	0	0	0	0	-1
Entertainment	1	0	0	0	0	0	-1
External audit fees	12	19	75	71	8	-63	-4
Hire charges	435	152	306	280	316	36	-119
Insurance underwriting	96	71	57	29	30	1	-66
Printing, publications and books	27	7	9	10	30	20	3
Professional bodies, membership and subscriptions	8	2	3	2	4	2	-4
Transport costs	10	5	12	14	19	5	9
Travel and subsistence	37	28	39	29	42	13	5
Wet fuel	324	174	198	266	478	212	154
Other operational costs	3 758	1 606	3 625	1 848	2 522	674	-1 236
Other expenditure	872	3 844	4 408	4 131	4 894	763	4 022
Taxation	10	3	6	3	5	2	-5
Surplus	4 973	17 605	10 347	14 978	6 623	-8 355	1 650
Total expenditure	89 323	93 857	89 586	85 028	89 247	4 219	-76

<sup>\*</sup> Some figures have been revised.

Table 6 – Consolidated statement of financial performance of municipalities for housing and trading services for the quarters ended June 2023, September 2023, December 2023, March 2024 and June 2024:

Revenue	June 2023	September 2023*	December 2023*	March 2024*	June 2024	Quarter- on- quarter difference between Mar. 2024 and Jun. 2024	Year-on- year difference between Jun. 2023 and Jun. 2024
				R million			
Interest on:							
Investments	45	13	14	22	21	-1	-24
Receivables	2 278	2 179	2 344	2 266	2 649	383	371
Dividends	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fines, penalties and forfeits	60	10	26	17	40	23	-20
Licences and permits	59	150	144	136	103	-33	44
Agency services	489	417	398	463	292	-171	-197
Rental	298	303	314	308	332	24	34
Sales of goods and rendering of services	215	275	348	361	358	-3	143
Gains on the disposal of assets	15	1	4	14	15	1	0
Service charges:							
Sales of water	12 745	12 388	14 083	14 683	14 320	-363	1 575
Sales of electricity	30 782	39 269	33 850	33 655	34 011	356	3 229
Refuse removal charges	3 443	3 778	3 732	3 664	3 728	64	285
Sewerage and sanitation charges	5 403	5 778	5 824	6 096	5 843	-253	440
Other service charges (e.g. fresh produce market)	1 484	1	1	1	0	-1	-1 484
Government transfers and subsidies received:							
Capital	8 556	3 425	6 312	5 162	9 435	4 273	879
Operational	5 911	9 206	6 778	7 167	3 415	-3 752	-2 496
Other transfers and subsidies (incl. contributions and donations)	279	180	159	187	207	20	-72
Operational revenue	1 548	1 304	1 560	2 442	1 716	-726	168
Deficit	15 713	15 180	13 695	8 384	12 762	4 378	-2 951
Total revenue	89 323	93 857	89 586	85 028	89 247	4 219	-76

<sup>\*</sup> Some figures have been revised.

### Annexure A - Purchases and sales of water

	Purchases o	f water	Sales of w	rater .
	Actual (unad	justed)	Actual (unad	justed)
Quarter ended	R million	Year-on-year % change	R million	Year-on-year % change
Sep 2016	4 398		8 082	
Dec 2016	4 313		5 746	
Mar 2017	4 192		9 837	
Jun 2017	4 795		8 459	
Sep 2017	4 520	2,8	8 284	2,5
Dec 2017	5 100	18,2	8 828	53,6
Mar 2018	5 006	19,4	8 923	-9,3
Jun 2018	5 487	14,4	8 916	5,4
Sep 2018	5 179	14,6	9 493	14,6
Dec 2018	6 393	25,4	10 156	15,0
Mar 2019	6 498	29,8	9 167	2,7
Jun 2019	6 186	12,7	8 385	-6,0
Sep 2019	6 295	21,5	10 067	6,0
Dec 2019	7 354	15,0	10 449	2,9
Mar 2020	6 189	-4,8	11 767	28,4
Jun 2020	6 278	1,5	8 150	-2,8
Sep 2020	4 877	-22,5	9 159	-9,0
Dec 2020	6 872	-6,6	12 165	16,4
Mar 2021	6 232	0,7	10 686	-9,2
Jun 2021	6 702	6,8	11 538	41,6
Sep 2021	5 563	14,1	12 041	31,5
Dec 2021	6 969	1,4	12 447	2,3
Mar 2022	7 390	18,6	12 568	17,6
Jun 2022	6 836	2,0	11 050	-4,2
Sep 2022	5 792	4,1	13 138	9,1
Dec 2022	6 835	-1,9	14 068	13,0
Mar 2023	8 028	8,6	13 286	5,7
Jun 2023	8 129	18,9	12 745	15,3
Sep 2023*	7 173	23,8	12 388	-5,7
Dec 2023*	8 539	24,9	14 083	0,1
Mar 2024*	6 938	-13,6	14 683	10,5
Jun 2024	7 862	-3,3	14 320	12,4

<sup>\*</sup> Some figures have been revised.

#### Annexure B - Purchases and sales of electricity

	Purchases of e	electricity	Sales of elec	ctricity
	Actual (unad	justed)	Actual (unad	justed)
Quarter ended	R million	Year-on-year % change	R million	Year-on-year % change
Sep 2016	21 570		29 027	
Dec 2016	16 906		23 252	
Mar 2017	16 418		22 219	
Jun 2017	18 332		23 910	
Sep 2017	20 885	-3,2	27 508	-5,2
Dec 2017	16 436	-2,8	23 319	0,3
Mar 2018	16 050	-2,2	22 445	1,0
Jun 2018	18 454	0,7	23 985	0,3
Sep 2018	21 994	5,3	28 323	3,0
Dec 2018	17 570	6,9	24 903	6,8
Mar 2019	17 164	6,9	24 231	8,0
Jun 2019	20 450	10,8	25 751	7,4
Sep 2019	26 585	20,9	29 367	3,7
Dec 2019	19 715	12,2	26 935	8,2
Mar 2020	17 983	4,8	27 805	14,7
Jun 2020	21 979	7,5	26 268	2,0
Sep 2020	28 576	7,5	31 439	7,1
Dec 2020	18 935	-4,0	27 405	1,7
Mar 2021 Jun 2021	19 323	7,5	27 877	0,3
Sep 2021	25 339 33 155	15,3 16,0	27 527 36 004	4,8
Dec 2021	24 158	27,6	30 942	14,5
Mar 2022	23 634	22,3	28 707	12,9 3,0
Jun 2022	26 963	6,4	31 125	13,1
Sep 2022	34 436	3,9	37 964	5,4
Dec 2022	23 712	-1,8	31 115	0,6
Mar 2023	22 736	-3,8	28 741	0,1
Jun 2023	29 440	9,2	30 782	-1,1
Sep 2023*	34 964	1,5	39 269	3,4
Dec 2023*	28 220	19,0	33 850	8,8
Mar 2024*	25 281	11,2	33 655	17,1
Jun 2024	30 320	3,0	34 011	10,5

<sup>\*</sup> Some figures have been revised.

### Annexure C - Top 130 municipalities in terms of total expenditure

Rank based on total expenditure	Municipality	Туре	Category	Province
1	City of Johannesburg MM	Metro	А	Gauteng
2	City of Cape Town MM	Metro	А	Western Cape
3	eThekwini MM	Metro	А	KwaZulu-Natal
4	Ekurhuleni MM	Metro	А	Gauteng
5	City of Tshwane MM	Metro	А	Gauteng
6	Nelson Mandela Bay MM	Metro	A	Eastern Cape
7	Mangaung MM	Metro	А	Free State
8	Emfuleni LM	Local/secondary city	В	Gauteng
9	Buffalo City MM	Metro	А	Eastern Cape
10	Msunduzi LM	Local/secondary city	В	KwaZulu-Natal
11	Rustenburg LM	Local/secondary city	В	North West
12	Polokwane LM	Local/secondary city	В	Limpopo
13	City of Mbombela LM	Local/secondary city	В	Mpumalanga
14	Emalahleni (MP) LM	Local/secondary city	В	Mpumalanga
15	Matjhabeng LM	Local/secondary city	В	Free State
16	Mogale City LM	Local/secondary city	В	Gauteng
17	City of Matlosana LM	Local/secondary city	В	North West
18	City of uMhlathuze LM	Local/secondary city	В	KwaZulu-Natal
19	Newcastle LM	Local/secondary city	В	KwaZulu-Natal
20	Madibeng LM	Local/secondary city	В	North West
21	Drakenstein LM	Local/secondary city	В	Western Cape
22	Rand West LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Gauteng
23	Govan Mbeki LM	Local/secondary city	В	Mpumalanga
24	Sol Plaatje LM	Local/secondary city	В	Northern Cape
25	George LM	Local/secondary city	В	Western Cape
26	JB Marks LM	Local/secondary city	В	North West
27	Merafong City LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Gauteng
28	O.R. Tambo DM	District	С	Eastern Cape
29	Amathole DM	District	С	Eastern Cape
30	Steve Tshwete LM	Local/secondary city	В	Mpumalanga
31	Vhembe DM	District	С	Limpopo
32	Stellenbosch LM	Local/secondary city	В	Western Cape
33	KwaDukuza LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	KwaZulu-Natal
34	King Sabata Dalindyebo LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Eastern Cape
35	Mopani DM	District	С	Limpopo
36	Greater Tzaneen LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Limpopo
37	Chris Hani DM	District	С	Eastern Cape
38	Bushbuckridge LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Mpumalanga
39	Midvaal LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Gauteng
40	Ugu DM	District	С	KwaZulu-Natal
41	Mogalakwena LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Limpopo
42	Ray Nkonyeni LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	KwaZulu-Natal
43	Metsimaholo LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Free State
44	Saldanha Bay LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Western Cape

### Annexure C – Top 130 municipalities in terms of total expenditure (continued)

Rank based on total expenditure	Municipality	Туре	Category	Province
45	Overstrand LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Western Cape
46	Sekhukhune DM	District	С	Limpopo
47	Breede Valley LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Western Cape
48	Lekwa LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Mpumalanga
49	Makhado LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Limpopo
50	Mossel Bay LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Western Cape
51	Moses Kotane LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	North West
52	Mahikeng LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	North West
53	Fetakgomo/Greater Tubatse LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Limpopo
54	Alfred Duma LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	KwaZulu-Natal
55	Moqhaka LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Free State
56	Dihlabeng LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Free State
57	Nkomazi LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Mpumalanga
58	Msukaligwa LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Mpumalanga
59	Ngwathe LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Free State
60	King Cetshwayo DM	District	С	KwaZulu-Natal
61	UMgungundlovu DM	District	С	KwaZulu-Natal
62	Knysna LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Western Cape
63	Lesedi LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Gauteng
64	Mookgopong/Modimolle LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Limpopo
65	Maluti-A-Phofung LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Free State
66	Mkhondo LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Mpumalanga
67	Kouga LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Eastern Cape
68	Enoch Mgijima LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Eastern Cape
69	Thembisile Hani LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Mpumalanga
70	Capricorn DM	District	С	Limpopo
71	Dawid Kruiper LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Northern Cape
72	Uthukela DM	District	С	KwaZulu-Natal
73	iLembe DM	District	С	KwaZulu-Natal
74	Ngaka Modiri Molema DM	District	С	North West
75	Zululand DM	District	С	KwaZulu-Natal
76	Langeberg LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Western Cape
77	Thulamela LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Limpopo
78	Oudtshoorn LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Western Cape
79	Swartland LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Western Cape
80	Bitou LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Western Cape
81	Joe Gqabi DM	District	С	Eastern Cape
82	Setsoto LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Free State
83	Umkhanyakude DM	District	С	KwaZulu-Natal
84	Thaba Chweu LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Mpumalanga
85	Dr JS Moroka LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Mpumalanga
86	Moretele LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	North West
87	Witzenberg LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Western Cape
88	Greater Giyani LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Limpopo
89	Ba-Phalaborwa LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Limpopo
90	Lephalale LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Limpopo

### Annexure C - Top 130 municipalities in terms of total expenditure (concluded)

Rank based on total expenditure	Municipality	Туре	Category	Province
91	Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati DM	District	С	North West
92	Abaqulusi LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	KwaZulu-Natal
93	Inkosi Langalibalele LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	KwaZulu-Natal
94	Elias Motsoaledi LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Limpopo
95	Harry Gwala DM	District	С	KwaZulu-Natal
96	Makana LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Eastern Cape
97	Alfred Nzo DM	District	С	Eastern Cape
98	Victor Khanye LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Mpumalanga
99	Ditsobotla LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	North West
100	Theewaterskloof LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Western Cape
101	Makhuduthamaga LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Limpopo
102	Chief Albert Luthuli LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Mpumalanga
103	Bela-Bela LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Limpopo
104	Lepelle-Nkumpi LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Limpopo
105	Sedibeng DM	District	С	Gauteng
106	uMngeni LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	KwaZulu-Natal
107	Umzinyathi DM	District	С	KwaZulu-Natal
108	Gert Sibande DM	District	С	Mpumalanga
109	Umzimvubu LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Eastern Cape
110	Maquassi Hills LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	North West
111	Ga-Segonyana LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Northern Cape
112	uMlalazi LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	KwaZulu-Natal
113	Dr Beyers Naude LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Eastern Cape
114	Nala LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Free State
115	Gamagara LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Northern Cape
116	Nketoana LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Free State
117	Hessequa LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Western Cape
118	Nkangala DM	District	С	Mpumalanga
119	Mantsopa LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Free State
120	West Rand DM	District	С	Gauteng
121	Raymond Mhlaba LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Eastern Cape
122	Garden Route DM	District	С	Western Cape
123	Ulundi LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	KwaZulu-Natal
124	Naledi LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	North West
125	Cape Winelands DM	District	С	Western Cape
126	Musina LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Limpopo
127	Kopanong LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Free State
128	Matatiele LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Eastern Cape
129	West Coast DM	District	С	Western Cape
130	Dr. Pixley Ka Isaka Seme LM	Local/non-secondary city	В	Mpumalanga

### Annexure D – Changes brought about by mSCOA classification

	Expenditure
Pre-mSCOA classification	mSCOA classification
Employee-related costs	No change
Remuneration of board of directors/councillors	Remuneration of councillors
Interest paid	Finance costs
Loss on the disposal of property, plant and equipment	Loss on disposal of assets
Bad debts	Debt impairment
Dad debte	Contracted services:
Contracted services	Consultants and professional services
Contracted Services	Contractors (new variable)
	Outsourced services (new variable)
Collection costs	Falls away – it went to other operational costs
Depreciation and amortisation	Depreciation, amortisation and impairment
Impairment loss (PPE)	Combined with depreciation and amortisation
Repairs and maintenance	Falls away – it went to other contracted services
Bulk purchases:	No change
Purchases of water	No change
Purchases of electricity	No change
Other bulk purchases	No change
	Operating leases:
	Buildings and infrastructure (new variable)
	Computer, furniture and office equipment (new variable)
	Transport assets, machinery and equipment (new variable)
	Other operating leases (new variable)
	Inventory consumed (new variable)
Grants and subsidies paid to:	Transfers and subsidies paid to:
Other local government institutions	No change
Tertiary institutions of higher learning	No change
Households or individuals	No change
Non-profit institutions serving households	No change
Other	Other transfers and subsidies
General expenditure:	Operational costs:
Accommodation, travelling and subsistence	Travel and subsistence
Advertising, promotions and marketing	Advertising, publicity and marketing
Audit fees	External audit fees
Bank charges	Bank charges, facility and card fees
Cleaning services	Falls away – it went to other contracted services / other operational costs
Consultancy and professional fees	Falls under contracted services
Entertainment costs	No change
Fuel and oil	Wet fuel
Hiring of plant and equipment	Hire charges
Insurance costs	Insurance underwriting
Pharmaceutical	Falls away – it went to other operational costs
Postal and courier services	Courier and delivery services
Printing and stationery	Printing, publications and books
Rebates for property rates	Falls away – it went to other expenditure
Rebates for service charges	Falls away – it went to other expenditure
Rental of land, buildings and other structures	Catered for under operating leases
Rental of office equipment	Catered for under operating leases
Security services	Falls away – it went to other contracted services
Subscriptions and membership fees	Professional bodies, membership and subscriptions
Telecommunication services	Communication
Training and education	Falls away – it went to other operational costs
Transport costs	No change
	Other operational costs
Other expenditure	No change
Taxation	No change
Surplus	No change
Total expenditure	No change
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### Annexure D – Changes brought about by mSCOA classification (concluded)

Revenue				
Pre-mSCOA classification	mSCOA classification			
Property rates from:	No change			
Residential	No change			
Commercial or business	No change			
State	No change			
Other (includes agricultural, municipal, etc.)	No change			
Property rates - penalties imposed and collection charges	No change			
Service charges:	No change			
Sales of water	No change			
Sales of electricity	No change			
Refuse removal charges	No change			
Sewerage and sanitation charges	No change			
Other service charges (e.g. fresh produce market)	No change			
Interest earned from:	Interest on:			
External investments	Investments			
Outstanding debtors	Receivables			
Dividends received	Dividends			
Fines	Fines, penalties and forfeits			
Licences and permits	No change			
Income for agency services	Agency services			
Rental of facilities and equipment	Rental			
Bad debts recovered	Falls away – now under operational revenue			
	Sales of goods and rendering of services (new variable)			
Public contributions and donations (including PPE)	Moves to transfers and subsidies received			
Gains on the disposal of property, plant and equipment	Gains on the disposal of assets			
Grants and subsidies from:	Government transfers and subsidies received:			
National government	Catered for under operational transfers			
Provincial government	Catered for under operational transfers			
Local government	Catered for under operational transfers			
Spent conditional grant	Catered for under capital transfers			
	Capital (new variable)			
	Operational (new variable)			
Other	Other transfers and subsidies (incl. contributions and donations)			
Other income	Operational revenue			
Deficit	No change			
Total income	Total revenue			

#### **Notes**

#### Forthcoming issue Issue Expected release date

September 2024 December 2024

#### Purpose of survey

The *Quarterly financial statistics of selected municipalities* (QFSSM) (statistical release P9110.1) is a quarterly survey that obtains financial information from institutions that are determined to be municipalities in terms of the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act 1998 (Act No. 117 of 1998). The results of the survey are used to compile estimates of national accounts in order to calculate the gross domestic product (GDP) and its components; by the fiscal and monetary authorities for policy formulation; and for the analysis of local government finances.

Response rates

 June 2023 quarter:
 99% (of 130)

 September 2023 quarter:
 99% (of 130)

 December 2023 quarter:
 99% (of 130)

 March 2024 quarter:
 97% (of 130)

 June 2024 quarter:
 97% (of 130)

#### **Imputation**

Imputations were performed for four municipalities:

- City of Tshwane metropolitan municipality and Kopanong and Gamagara local municipalities did not respond; and
- West Rand district municipality submitted figures which were not usable.

#### **Explanatory notes**

#### Introduction

1 The purpose of the quarterly financial statistics survey of selected municipalities is to provide stakeholders with information for allowing analysis and assessment of the state of local government finances.

This publication contains estimates for the quarters ended June 2023, September 2023, December 2023, March 2024 and June 2024. The survey is designed to obtain financial information of local government institutions relating to the consolidated statement of financial performance of municipalities for:

- · rates and general services; and
- housing and trading services.

#### Survey methodology and design

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With effect from the quarter ended September 2020, Stats SA has conducted a quarterly survey which focuses on the largest 130 municipalities, which include metropolitan municipalities, secondary cities, other large local municipalities and district municipalities (see Annexure C on page 10 for a full list of these municipalities). The ranking of municipalities was based on their total expenditures as of the 2017/2018 annual financial statements from the largest to the smallest. This quarterly survey represents approximately 85 percent of the total value when the full scope of municipalities is surveyed. Data for 130 municipalities were available since September 2016. Prior to this, there were re-demarcation issues which resulted in the scope reduction. So not all 130 can be extracted from the 278, 283, and 284, etc. municipalities that were there before 2016. A similar survey called *Financial Census of Municipalities* (P9114) inclusive of the other municipalities is conducted annually.

The statistical unit for the collection of information is the municipality.

### Scope of the survey

According to note 2, the survey covers quarterly financial information for 130 selected municipalities.

# Classification and accounting standards

For the purposes of classification of local government institutions according to activities, Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) used the *Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities* (SIC), Fifth Edition, Report No.09-90-02 of January 1993. Activities of local government institutions also adhere to the accounting standards and requirements in terms of the Generally Recognised Accounting Practice (GRAP).

The Municipal Standard Chart of Accounts (mSCOA) was initially rolled out (piloted-tested) in some municipalities in 2016. Since then, it has been implemented in all municipalities beginning in 2017. As part of the general ledger, which forms part of the books of account containing a standard list of all available accounts, this framework provides the method and format for recording and classifying financial transaction information. See Annexure D for changes made as a result of the alignment to mSCOA.

#### **Imputation**

A historical method is used to impute for non-response. Historical imputation is when a previous value of a non-respondent is used for the imputation of a current value. This value may be brought forward unchanged (un-weighted historical imputation), or have some kind of movement applied to it (weighted historical imputation). QFSSM (P9110.1) uses the unweighted imputation method currently.

#### **Revised figures**

Revised figures are mainly due to late submission of data to Stats SA, or respondents reporting revisions or corrections to their figures. The reasons for routine revisions are outlined in the following schedule. Any unscheduled revisions will be promptly indicated in relevant tables to maintain transparency and accuracy.

Statistical release	Reason for revision	Period subject to revision
Jun-24	Additional information from respondents	Sep-23 - Mar-24
Sep-24	Additional information from respondents	Jun-24
Dec-24	Additional information from respondents	Sep-24
	Additional information from respondents	Sep-24 - Dec-24
Mar-25	Benchmarked against the Financial Census of Municipalities survey (P9114)	Sep-23 - Jun-24

## Rounding-off of figures

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The figures in the tables have been rounded off to the nearest digit shown and as a result there may be slight discrepancies between the sums of the constituent items and the totals shown.

# Related publications

**8** Users may wish to refer to the following Stats SA publications:

• P9110 Quarterly financial statistics of municipalities (discontinued);

P9101 Capital expenditure of the public sector;
 P9114 Financial census of municipalities;

• P9119.4 Financial statistics of consolidated general government;

P0441 Gross domestic product; and
 P0277 Quarterly employment statistics.

# Symbols and abbreviations used

9 GRAP Generally Recognised Accounting Practice mSCOA Municipal Standard Chart of Accounts

QES Quarterly employment statistics

SIC Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities

Stats SA Statistics South Africa
0 Nil or not applicable
\* Revised figures

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#### Glossary of the selected terms

#### **Agency services**

The guideline underlying agency services is that the municipality performs a service on behalf of another entity. The amounts collected on behalf of the principal are not revenue. Instead, revenue is the amount of any commission received or receivable for the collection or handling of the gross flows.

## Consolidated statement of financial performance

The aggregate or consolidated statement of financial performance (previously referred to as income statement) reports the institution's financial performance during a specific period of time. This statement covers all the revenue and expenditure of an entity over a specific period of time.

# Consultants and professional services

Consulting services refer to specialist services and skills provided that are required for the achievement of a specific objective, with the aim of providing expert and professional advice on a time and material basis. It is unnecessary to maintain these skills in-house, since they are required on a once-off or temporary basis. Therefore, a consultant is a professional person appointed by the municipality to provide technical and specialist advice or to assist with the design and implementation of specific projects or programmes.

#### **Contracted services**

This group of accounts consists of outsourced services, consultants and professional services, and contractors. See above and below for descriptions of these.

#### **Contractors**

Contractors are required to provide services that are not the core business of the municipality. It is normally not cost effective to maintain these skills within the department. Contractors include costs associated with the use of contracted individuals or businesses on projects or tasks. This does not include amounts payable to contractors in respect of provision of services such as cleaning and security even if a staff element can be identified. Note also that it is common practice that the said contractor provides all the materials required for the project – the tenders are for the whole project, materials included.

#### **Current expenditure**

Current expenditure refers to transactions that decrease the net worth of the institution, including interest paid, compensation of employees, grants and subsidies paid and depreciation, but excluding the acquisition of fixed capital. It consists of the total expenditure of rates and general services (excluding the surplus) and the total expenditure of housing and trading services (excluding the surplus).

#### **Debt impairment**

Impaired debt is debt of any kind that is unlikely to be paid in full. This results in a loss of value of the amounts that an entity has pending to claim from its customers for the goods or services delivered.

# Depreciation, amortisation and impairment

Depreciation is the systematic allocation of the cost of an asset from the statement of financial position to depreciation expense on the statement of financial performance over the useful life of the asset.

Amortisation is the systematic allocation of the discount, premium or issue cost of a financial instrument over the life of the instrument, or an intangible asset over a certain period.

Impairment is a permanent reduction in the value of an asset. It may occur as a result of an unusual or one-time event, such as a change in legal or economic conditions, a change in consumer demand, or damage that impacts an asset.

#### District municipality

District municipality refers to a municipality that has a municipal executive and legislative authority in an area that includes more than one municipality and which is described in section 155(1) of the Constitution as a category C municipality. Refer to the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act, 1998 (Act No.117 of 1998).

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#### **Employee-related costs**

Employee-related costs include payment to full-time and part-time employees irrespective of whether the remuneration is paid out of revenue capital or any other account.

Employee-related costs also include:

- basic compensation;
- allowances:
- contributions to other benefit funds of employees such as medical aid, pension fund contributions, group life, etc. (excluding unemployment insurance and workmen's compensation, etc. which may be looked upon as a form of insurance and would appear under general expenditure), and other benefits such as housing subsidies; and
- uniform and clothing allowances (clothing, boots, overalls etc. supplied to uniformed employees).

Also refer to the *Quarterly employment statistics* (QES) – statistical release P0277, which measures employment and gross earnings of all employees on a given municipal payroll.

### Fines, penalties and forfeits

This item consists of all compulsory receipts imposed by a court or quasi-judicial body considered to be non-exchange revenue, e.g. traffic fines, fines for illegal connections, disconnection fees, motor vehicle licences, tender withdrawals, retentions, unclaimed money or deposits etc.

#### **Housing services**

Housing includes all activities associated with the municipal provision of housing.

#### Licences or permits

This item provides accounts for the granting of licences or permits associated with a regulatory function administered by the municipality.

#### Local municipality

Local municipality refers to municipalities that share municipal executive and legislative authority in its area with a district municipality within whose area it falls that is described in section 155(1) of the Constitution as a category B municipality. Refer to the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act, 1998 (Act No.117 of 1998).

## Metropolitan municipality

Metropolitan municipality refers to an institution that has municipal executive and legislative authority in an area that includes more than one municipality and which is described in section 155(1) of the Constitution as a category A municipality. Refer to the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act, 1998 (Act No.117 of 1998).

#### Municipality

Municipality is a generic term describing the 'unit' of government in the local spheres responsible for local government in a geographically demarcated area and includes district, local and metropolitan municipalities. A municipality is an institution consisting of a municipal council (elected political representatives) and the municipal administration (appointed officials). Refer to the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act, 1998 (Act No.117 of 1998).

#### **Operating leases**

These are leases other than a finance lease. A lease is classified as an operating lease if it does not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership.

Operational costs including other operational costs not covered separately

This group of accounts provides for all expenditure items not specifically provided for in any other category and replaces the customary "miscellaneous, general, sundry, other, etc." classification. An operating expense is a day-to-day expense such as sales and administration, or research and development, accounting expenses, licence fees, advertising, office expenses, utilities such as telephone, insurance, property management, travel and vehicle expenses.

#### Operational revenue

This group of accounts provides for "all other types of revenue" not specifically provided for in the revenue accounts, e.g. administrative handling fees, bad debts recovered, breakages recovered, collection charges, commission, incidental cash surpluses, insurance refunds, skills development levy refunds, agricultural activities, etc.

#### Other expenditure

The following are included in other expenditure:

- · departmental charges/fees;
- books and magazines;
- licences and trade licences;
- workshops;
- · refreshments; and
- sundries.

#### **Outsourced services**

Refers to activities performed by the municipality through external providers rather than the municipality's own staff. Reasons for such arrangements include temporary incapacity and cost savings (e.g. cleaning, security and recruitment).

### Rates and general services

Rates and general services refer to municipal services that are not economically self-supporting and are financed by imposing assessment and other rates, the receipt of subsidies, and other contributions. This includes ambulance services, fire control (or fire-fighting), health services (clinics, old-age homes), roads and storm water drainage, parks and recreation (libraries, cultural activities, museums, sport administration, community halls, swimming pools, sports grounds, nature reserves, etc.), sewerage and cleansing, traffic (licensing offices) and other services (city engineers, administration, personnel, legal services, city treasurer, etc.).

# Sale of goods and rendering of services

This category consists of sales and services rendered provided that the municipality produced or partially produced the good or service. Goods include goods produced by the municipality for the purpose of sale, such as publications, and goods purchased for resale, such as merchandise or land and other property held for resale. The rendering of services typically involves the performance by the municipality of an agreed task over an agreed period of time. Examples of services rendered by entities for which revenue is typically received in exchange may include the provision of housing, management of water facilities, management of toll roads, and management of transfer payments.

#### Service charges

This group of accounts provides for the typical services rendered by the municipality as "exchange transactions", for example electricity, water, waste water management and waste management.

#### **Trading services**

Trading services are services for which the tariffs are determined in such a way that the provision of the service should yield a trading profit (market-related goods and services). These include waste management (refuse removal, solid waste disposal [landfill sites], street cleaning, recycling, etc.), waste water management (sewerage, storm water management and public toilets), water (water distribution, water storage, etc.), electricity (electricity distribution, electricity generation, street lighting, etc.), etc.

# Transfers and subsidies paid

Transfers and subsidies include all unrequited payments made by the municipality to other institutions, businesses and individuals; it does not constitute final expenditure by the municipality. A payment is unrequited provided that the municipality does not receive anything directly in return for the transfer to the other party.

Subsidies are unrequited payments that municipalities make to public corporations and private enterprises. These payments usually have a direct policy outcome, either by subsidising the price of goods and services or by influencing the level of production.

### Transfers and subsidies received

This category includes all unrequited, voluntary receipts from other parties. Thus, an entry should be made under this item when the municipality does not provide anything of similar value directly in return for the transfer from the other party and the transfer is voluntary. Subsidies are unrequited payments that municipalities obtain from public and private enterprises. These payments usually have a direct policy outcome, either by subsidising the price of goods and services or by influencing the level of production.

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