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Commonwealth payments to Basin states

The National Partnership Agreement on Implementing Water Reform in the Murray–Darling Basin (NPA) provides for Commonwealth payments to the Basin states. Clause 28 of the NPA estimates the Commonwealth’s financial contribution. The Commonwealth must make payments in accordance with Schedule D Payment arrangements of the [Intergovernmental Agreement on Federal Financial Relations](#) (Table 1).

Table 1 Estimated Commonwealth financial contributions to Basin states, 2012–13 to 2019–20

Year	NSW (\$)	Vic. (\$)	Qld (\$)	SA (\$)	ACT (\$)	Total (\$)
2012–13	2,820,630	2,039,997 a	595,452	445,863 a	98,058 a	6,000,000
2013–14	3,481,462 b	2,861,453 b	0	557,085 b	0	6,900,000
	11,568,609 c	8,882,173 c	1,339,767	1,838,819 c	220,632	23,850,000
2014–15	14,624,291	11,092,169	1,984,841	2,321,837	326,862	30,350,000
2015–16	12,883,561	9,661,442	1,984,840	2,043,295	326,862	26,900,000
2016–17	9,402,099	6,799,989	1,984,840	1,486,209	326,863	20,000,000
2017–18	9,402,099	6,799,989	1,984,840	1,486,210	326,862	20,000,000
2018–19	9,402,099	6,799,989	1,984,840	1,486,210	326,862	20,000,000
2019–20	9,402,100	6,799,989	1,984,840	1,486,209	326,862	20,000,000
Total	82,986,950	61,737,190	13,844,260	13,151,737	2,279,863	174,000,000

a Victoria, South Australia and the Australian Capital Territory received their 2012–13 payment under the superseded 2013 National Partnership Agreement (see clause 7). **b** Payment in recognition of 40% of the supply measure project funding component for 2013–14 for which feasibility and business cases were prepared for consideration under the SDL adjustment mechanism. **c** Payment in recognition of Basin state implementation payment component of 2013–14 financial contribution and the remaining 60% of the business case development funding for 2013–14.

Table 2 shows actual Commonwealth payments made under the NPA.

Table 2 Actual Commonwealth financial contributions to Basin states, 2012–13 to 2017–18

Year	NSW (\$)	Vic. (\$)	Qld (\$)	SA (\$)	ACT (\$)	Total (\$)
2012–13	0	2,039,997 a	0	445,863 a	98,058 a	2,583,918
2013–14	3,481,462 b	2,861,453 b	0	557,085 b	0	6,900,000
	11,568,609 c	8,882,173 c	1,339,767	1,838,819 c	220,632	23,850,000
2014–15	14,624,291	11,092,169	1,984,841	2,321,837	326,862	30,350,000
2015–16	12,883,561	9,661,442	1,984,840	2,043,295	326,862	26,900,000
2016–17	9,402,099	6,799,989	1,984,840	1,486,209	326,863	20,000,000
2017–18	0 d	6,799,989	1,984,840	1,486,210	326,862	10,597,901
2018–19	9,402,099	6,799,989	1,984,840	1,486,210	326,862	20,000,000
Total	61,362,121	54,937,201	11,263,968	11,665,528	1,953,001	141,181,819

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