



Legal Services Expenditure Report 2024-25

The Summary Sheet is only visible once you have confirmed that the Entry Form is complete and there are no errors.

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Summary Totals (explainer)

Summary

In this section you are required to review and confirm the summary totals for your entity's **2024-25** Legal Services Expenditure Report.

Summary Totals

The Summary Totals are calculated based on what you entered in the Entry Form.

Total Legal Services Expenditure = Internal + External Legal Services Expenditure

Internal Legal Services Expenditure = Internal Legal Services Expenditure

External Legal Services Expenditure = Counsel Fees + Disbursements + Professional Fees (calculated from the total value of expenditure against each provider entered in the Professional Fees section)

Expenditure comparison

Your entity's total legal services expenditure for **2024-25** is displayed below and compared with your entity's expenditure from the previous financial year. This allows you to see the difference in expenditure, which will help inform your commentary.

Entities that have not reported before because they are new or been the subject of Machinery of Government changes that substantially changed the entity will display '0' expenditure for the previous financial year.

Commentary

Commentary is mandatory to complete.

This information allows your entity the chance to ensure that AGD can understand trends and habits of legal expenditure within the Commonwealth to maintain the scope of the Whole of Australian Government Legal Services Panel and provide insights to the needs of the Commonwealth in the future.

Summary Totals				Error log
	Total legal services expenditure	\$	-	
	Total internal legal services expenditure	\$	-	
	Total external legal services expenditure	\$	-	
	Total number of government lawyers		0	
	Total number of briefs to counsel		0	
	Total value of briefs to counsel	\$	-	
	Total value of disbursements (excluding counsel)	\$	-	
	Total number of domestic providers (excluding AGS)		0	
	Total value of professional fees	\$	-	
	Total value of professional fees using the Panel flexibility mechanisms	\$	-	
Are the Summary Totals correct?				Yes
Expenditure Comparison				
	Total Legal Services Expenditure (2024-25)	\$	-	
	Total Legal Services Expenditure (2023-24)	\$	15,277	
	Total Expenditure Change	-\$	15,277	
	Internal Expenditure Change	\$	-	
	External Expenditure Change	-\$	15,277	
Commentary				
Providing commentary	Commentary is mandatory to complete.			
	You must provide a meaningful description addressing your expenditure. A brief description with appropriate detail of the reason(s) for any increase/decrease is required. It is not necessary to go into the specifics of a matter.			
	Commentary should take privacy, legal privilege and other protected information into consideration. Commentary will not be made public or shared with other entities by OLSC, but may be subject to Freedom of Information requests.			
	Once you confirm that the commentary has been entered correctly the background will turn green and you can then provide your final confirmation to complete the template.			
Explaining a significant change in expenditure	Additional detail is especially required for the explanation of a significant change in total expenditure from the previous financial year.			

	Please enter commentary below AUASB did not require Legal Services for 2024-2025.		
Commentary criteria	NOTE: Your commentary must meet the following criteria: - your response must be at least 25 characters - you must provide a meaningful description addressing your expenditure, it cannot just be N/A. - commentary does not include any person's name, <u>legally privileged</u> or other protected information.		
	Please confirm your commentary meets the above criteria		I confirm
Final confirmation	You have completed all the required fields in your entity's Legal Services Expenditure Report template. If you are satisfied that the information you have provided is correct, please provide your final confirmation below. Do not confirm unless you are satisfied your entries are correct. You can edit your template by returning to the Entry Form and revising your entries. Once you have provided final confirmation, a final version of your entity's Legal Services Expenditure Report for 2024-25 will appear below. The report is locked for editing, so if you notice incorrect details you will need to revise your entries in the Entry Form. If you encounter any issues you may contact OLSC for assistance.		
	Please provide final confirmation of your entity's legal services expenditure		I confirm