

Factsheet

2024

Backing the Police

OVERALL BUDGET PACKAGE: Police will receive an extra \$651 million over four years, including the reinvestment of \$55.11 million in savings.

	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & outyears	TOTAL
Police operating	1.84	141.018	149.672	143.237	146.659	582.426
Police savings		(1.994)	(12.219)	(20.449)	(20.449)	(55.111)
Police capital	8.47	25.925	34.250	0	0	68.645
TOTAL funding	10.310	164.949	171.703	122.788	126.210	595.960

INVESTING IN FRONTLINE POLICING: Budget 2024 provides more than \$226.1* million in new spending to deliver an extra 500 police officers.

- The extra officers will enable Police to increase visibility in communities, deploy additional resource to Public Safety Teams, increase capacity to target unlawful gang behaviour, and increase the number of Youth Aid Officers.
- \$191 million in new operating funding over four years will pay for salaries, recruitment, and training of officers and other operational and support costs.
- The extra \$34.6 million in capital funding over two years will pay for equipment for new constables to do their jobs and keep safe, such as body armour and vehicles. It will also allow Police to refurbish some buildings and facilities to support this increase in the number of frontline officers.

	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & outyears	TOTAL
Frontline operating funding	-	13.455	59.914	58.941	58.727	191.037
Frontline capital	-	13.130	21.500	1	1	34.630
TOTAL funding	-	26.585	81.414	58.941	58.727	225.667

^{*}There is an additional \$0.46 million total funding for additional support staff.

The 500 additional constabulary officers:

- will not include any Authorised Officer (AO) positions
- will be achieved when Police has a constabulary workforce exclusive of AOs of 10,711 FTE
- include 40 FTE growth already funded in the 2024/25 and 2025/26 financial years.

POLICE FLEET: \$29 million operating and \$34 million capital is being invested into the Police fleet renewal programme.

- Funding will enable Police to maintain maritime capability and continue the delivery of Police's fleet renewal programme which otherwise wouldn't have been possible.
- This will also include replacement of aging utility vehicles for rural areas and addressing critical operational needs for specialist AOS and STG vehicles as well as heavy vehicles and covert surveillance.
- Operational vehicles are critical to Police being able to do their job. This investment ensures Police can continue to equip the frontline and get officers out on the beat and visible in communities.

In addition to the regular 650 vehicle replacements required each year, funding will deliver:

- 55 specialist vehicles (AOS, STG, DPS)
- 12 heavy vehicles (e.g. AOS command centres)
- Replacement of the Police boat Deodar, and maintaining boat Lady Liz's maritime capability
- 26 prime 1 Skoda vehicles
- 60 prime 1 Utility Vehicles
- 5 dog section utes
- 40 covert / surveillance light vehicles

Funding breakdown over forecast period as below:

	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & outyears	TOTAL
Fleet operating	1.840	4.710	7.470	7.360	7.360	28.740
Fleet capital	8.470	12.750	12.750	-		33.970
TOTAL funding	10.31	17.46	20.22	7.36	7.36	62.71

SAVINGS: As part of the savings programme, Police have found \$55 million of savings over four years through more efficient and effective back-office functions. Savings have automatically been reinvested back in Police frontline services.

Savings breakdown over forecast period as below:

	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28 & outyears	TOTAL
Corporate Support Reduction Operating	-	(1.994)	(12.219)	(20.449)	(20.449)	(55.111)
TOTAL funding	-	(1.994)	(12.219)	(20.449)	(20.449)	(55.111)