

#### Overview

The 2015-16 Australian Government Occupancy Report (Occupancy Report) covers office accommodation with 500 square metres or more which is owned or leased by the Commonwealth.

The government property information in this report is collected through the annual Australian Government Property Data Collection (PRODAC), which non-corporate Commonwealth entities (entities) update each year.

Data collected through PRODAC provides an evidence base to assist entities to identify and progressively move to better property management practices, whilst also informing Whole-of-Australian-Government (WoAG) policy.

This Occupancy Report sets out the occupational density for entities against the current target of 14 square metres of office space per occupied work point (14 m2/OWP). The Occupancy Report has been prepared using data as at 30 June 2016 as provided by 78 entities.

#### **Key Findings**

The results of the Occupancy Report highlight increased efficiency in the public sector's overall accommodation footprint, including a reduction in surplus office space, and an increase in the number of tenancies achieving the occupational density target.

At 30 June 2016, there were 621 Australian Government owned or leased tenancies with 500m<sup>2</sup> or more of office area. These tenancies were located in 219 suburbs across Australia.

Since September 2015 the Commonwealth's total net lettable area decreased by 238, 529 square metres (7.6 per cent).

As at 30 June 2016, 22.1 per cent tenancies met or exceeded the occupational density target of 14m², an increase from 13.0 per cent of tenancies in 2015.

The overall median occupational density for the Commonwealth reduced by 2.7m² per workpoint from 2015 to 2016.

The workpoint vacancy rate decreased by 7.1 percentage points since September 2015 (20.9 per cent to 13.8 per cent), whilst the total number of workpoints continues to reduce.

The decrease in vacancy rate is a result of continued successful efforts by entities to consolidate office accommodation and backfill surplus space, as supported by Operation Tetris.

Table 1: Comparison of property indicators for active Commonwealth tenancies, 2015, 2016

	2015	2016
Occupational density target (m²)	14.0	14.0
Proportion of tenancies meeting the occupational density target (%)	13.0	22.1
Total net lettable area (m²)	3,132,284	2,893,755
Total number of workpoints	162,677	156,071
Proportion of occupied workpoints (%)	79.1	86.5
Median occupational density (m²)	20.3	17.6
Median workpoint vacancy rate %	20.9	13.8
Median fit-out density (m²)	15.6	15.2

Table comprises tenancies that were still active (in affect) at the end of the reporting period (excludes expired tenancies).

#### **Background**

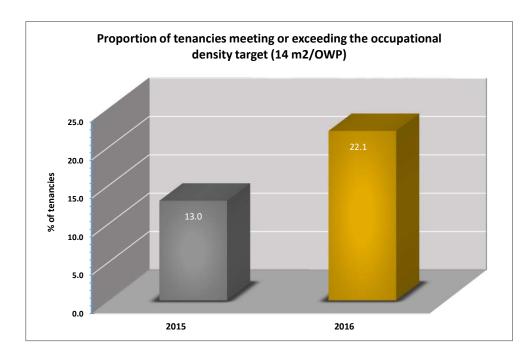
The Department of Finance is responsible for co-ordinating PRODAC and reporting result in the Occupancy Report.

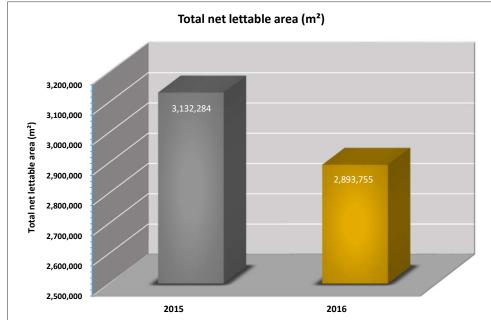
Finance is modernising and enhancing property data collection and reporting to:

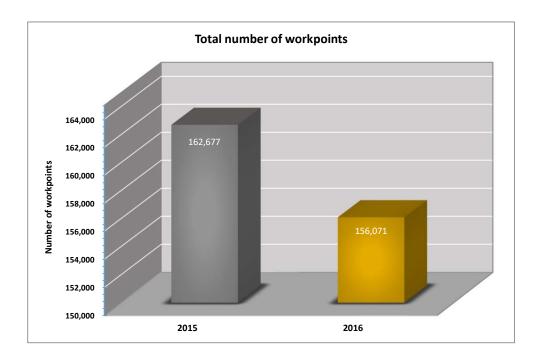
- improve the efficiency of property data collections;
- reduce the burden on entities; and
- improve data quality to make data more accessible and usable.

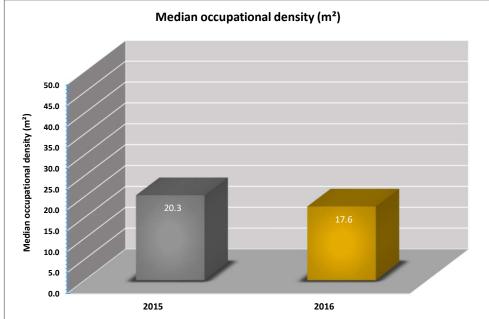
For 2015-16 and going forward, the PRODAC reference date is 30 June, rather than the previous 30 September. At the same time, the scope of the collection has been changed from properties with 500m<sup>2</sup> or more of usable office space to properties with a whole of life cost of \$2.0 million or more.

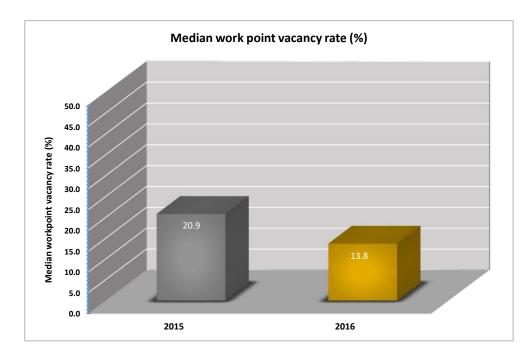
However, the Department of Finance has structured the data collection to enable this Occupancy Report to compare 2015 and 2016 on a like basis (500m² or more of usable office space) and then the next Occupancy Report to compare 2016 and 2017 on a like basis (whole of life lease cost of \$2.0 million or more).











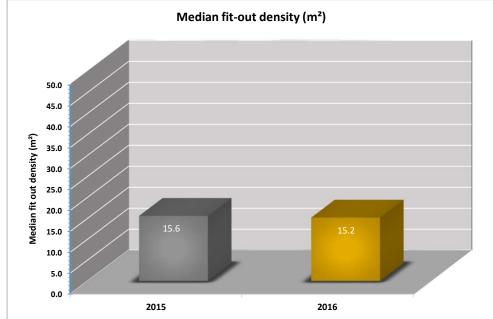


Table 1: Comparison of property indicators for active Commonwealth tenancies, 2014, 2015, 2016

	2014*	2015*	2016**
Occupational density target (m²)	14.0	14.0	14.0
Total number of tenancies	607	614	621
Number of tenancies meeting the occupational density target	78	80	137
Proportion of entities meeting or exceeding the occupational density target (%)	12.9	13.0	22.1
Total net lettable area (m²)	3,150,240	3,132,284	2,893,755
Usable office area (m²)	2,459,216	2,437,156	2,343,487
Total number of workpoints	163,536	162,677	156,071
Number of occupied workpoints	128,253	128,731	134,940
Proportion of occupied workpoints (%)	78.4	79.1	86.5
Median occupational density (m²)	20.7	20.3	17.6
Median workpoint vacancy rate (%)	21.6	20.9	13.8
Median fit-out density (m²)	15.6	15.6	15.2

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The 2014 has been adjusted to include tenancy information which was under reported in the original 2014 collection.

 $<sup>\</sup>ensuremath{^*}$  The data reported is tenancy information as at 30 September.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Data reported is tenancy information as at 30 June 2016. Comprises tenancies that were still active (in affect) at the end of the reporting period (excludes expired tenancies).



Table 2: Top ten Commonwealth Entities with largest Commonwealth property portfolios (net lettable area) as at 30 June 2016

	Number of tenancies	Total net lettable area (m²)	Total usable office area (m²)	Median occupational density (m²)
Department of Human Services	183	544,951	411,606	15.1
Australian Taxation Office	22	383,426	335,450	15.1
Department of Defence	37	275,830	260,381	19.1
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	41	242,512	196,513	18.1
Department of Health	17	108,807	91,948	0.0
Australian Federal Police	13	122,889	81,851	20.0
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	12	74,021	63,132	14.0
Australian Bureau of Statistics	9	60,956	56,556	13.0
Department of Industry, Innovation and Science	15	89,346	46,038	16.5
Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	13	66,751	57,069	14.3
Total top ten entities	362	1969490	1600544	59.9
Other entities	259	924,265	742,943	20.8
Total	621	2,893,755	2,343,487	17.6

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Table 3: Number of Commonwealth tenancies, by remoteness classification as at 30 June 2016

	Total number of tenancies	Total net lettable area m²	Total usable office area (m²)	Median occupational density (m²)
Australian Capital Territory	161	1,374,050	1,142,504	17.7
Major Cities*	345	1,309,396	1,038,571	16.9
Inner Regional*	61	133,946	105,375	15.7
Outer Regional*	42	65,423	48,182	19.2
Remote locations*	12	10,941	8,856	60.3
Total Australia	621	2,893,755	2,343,487	17.6

<sup>\*</sup> Excludes areas in the Australian Capital Territory

Remoteness classification (Regional and remote areas) has been sourced from the Australian Bureau of Statistics 1270.0.55.006 - Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS): Correspondences, July 2011. Datacube: Postcode 2011 to Remoteness Area 2006

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Table 4: Entities with the largest regional and remote Commonwealth tenancies as at 30 June 2016

		Regional tenar	ncies - 2015-16	
	Total number of tenancies	Total net lettable area (m²)	Total usable office area (m²)	Median Occupational density (m²)
Department of Human Services	56	110,751	78,928	14.9
Australian Taxation Office	4	28,478	22,711	12.9
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	10	9,962	9,662	40.3
Other Entities	33	50,177	42,256	20.2
Total Entities	103	199,369	153,557	17.6

		Remote tenan	cies - 2015-16	
	Total number of tenancies	Total net lettable area (m²)	Total usable office area (m²)	Median Occupational density (m²)
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	6	4,122	3,986	72.1
Department of Human Services	3	3,575	2,546	30.8
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	3	3,244	2,324	89.9
Other Entities	0	-	-	-
Total Entities	12	10,941	8,856	60.3

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Table 5: Commonwealth tenancies with usable office area and non-office areas, by type of area, as at 30 June 2016

	Number of tenancies	Total Usable Office Area (m²)	Total Non-office area (m²)	Total net lettable area (m²)
Solely office (100% office area)	201	505,233	0	529,350
Mainly office area (80% to 99% office)	244	1,542,200	114,242	1,722,159
Mixed (50% to 79% office)	87	204,648	102,089	330,805
Mainly non-office (0% to 49% office)	89	91,407	213,454	311,441
Total tenancies	621	2,343,487	429,784	2,893,755

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Table 6: Commonwealth leased tenancies, by remaining duration on the lease as at 30 June 2016

	Number of leases	Proportion of leases (%)	Total leased net lettable area (m²)	Proportion of total net lettable area (%)	Median occupational density	Total net lettable area (m²) in the ACT
Pending	14	2.3%	41,281	1.5%	23.5	9,464
Holdover	4	0.7%	6,120	0.2%	11.7	1,075
Lease Extension Period*	77	12.6%	176,808	6.4%	21.5	34,721
0-2 years	291	47.7%	902,340	32.6%	18.4	350,647
3 - 4 years	82	13.4%	377,356	13.7%	16.4	106,502
5 - 9 years	113	18.5%	872,205	31.6%	16.4	547,818
10 - 14 years	21	3.4%	280,341	10.1%	15.3	132,678
15 years or more	8	1.3%	107,235	3.9%	19.7	72,060
Total leases	610	100.0%	2,763,685	100.0%	17.6	1,254,965

<sup>\*</sup> The lease end date for leases in the 'Lease extension period' may range from 0-7 years. Detailled information for the lease extension end date is currently not available.

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Table excludes owned tenancies.

Table 7: Time Series - Areas occupied by Commonwealth tenancies

	2009*	2010*	2011*	2012*	2013*	2014*	2015*	2016**
Total net lettable area (m²)	2,920,638	3,007,503	3,019,814	3,045,312	3,012,258	3,150,240	3,132,284	2,893,755
Total usable office area (m²)	2,552,335	2,645,377	2,595,344	2,535,963	2,518,131	2,459,216	2,437,156	2,343,487

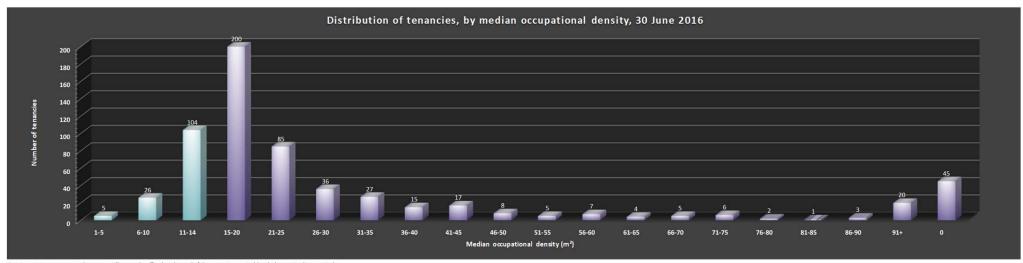


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Table 8: Distribution of tenancies, by occupational density as at 30 June 2016

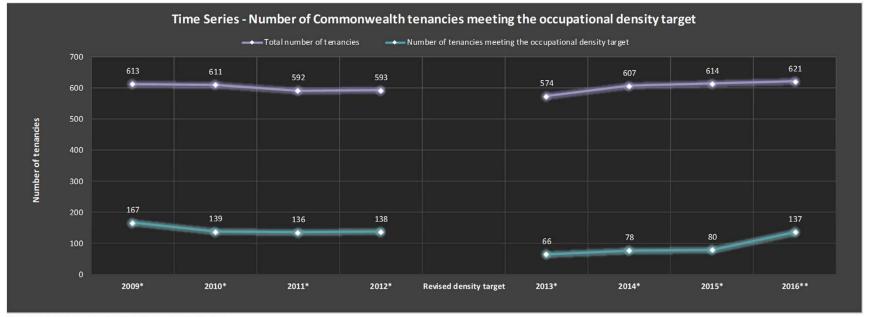
		Occupational density (m²)																		
	1-5	6-10	11-14	15-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	51-55	56-60	61-65	66-70	71-75	76-80	81-85	86-90	91+	0
Number of tenancies	5	26	104	200	85	36	27	15	17	8	5	7	4	5	6	2	1	3	20	45
	Tenancies n	neeting or excee	ding the target		Tenancies not meeting the target															



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Table 9: Time Series - Number of Commonwealth tenancies meeting the occupational density target

	2009*	2010*	2011*	2012*	Revised	2013*	2014*	2015*	2016**
Total number of tenancies	613	611	592	593	density target	574	607	614	621
Number of tenancies meeting the occupational density target	167	139	136	138		66	78	80	137

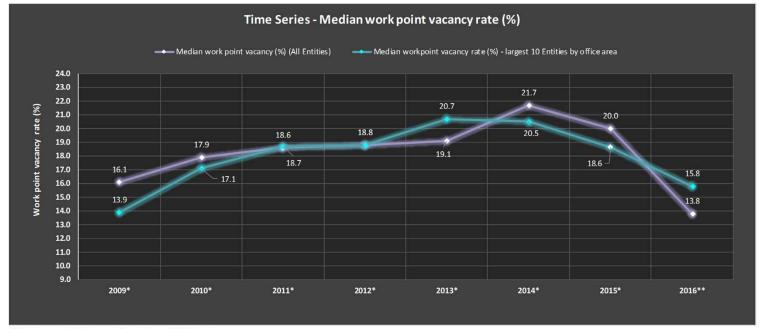


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 Table 10: Time Series - Median work point vacancy for Commonwealth tenancies

	2009*	2010*	2011*	2012*	2013*	2014*	2015*	2016**
Median work point vacancy (%) (All Entities)	16.1	17.9	18.6	18.8	19.1	21.7	20.0	13.8
Median workpoint vacancy rate (%) - largest 10 Entities by office area	13.9	17.1	18.7	18.8	20.7	20.5	18.6	15.8



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Table 11: Total work points and vacant work points for Commonwealth tenancies, as at 30 June 2016

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	ACT	NT
Number of workpoints	25,696	21,847	14,981	7,339	5,816	3,391	75,827	1,174
Number of vacant workpoints	2,530	3,061	2,182	698	1,201	116	13,287	309

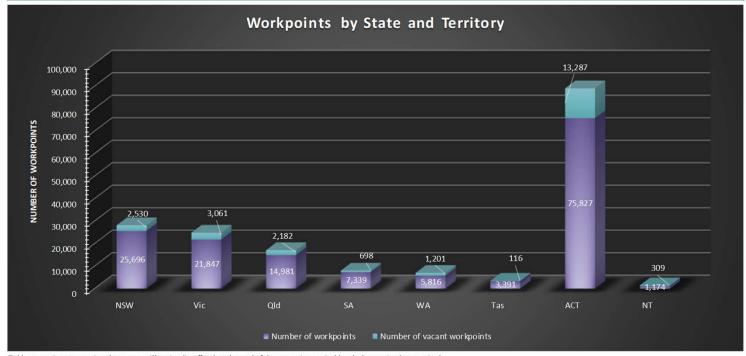


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 Table 12: Property indicators for each Entity by remoteness classification, as at 30 June 2016

Γ	Total					ACT majo	Other major cities					Regio	onal		Remote					
	Number of tenancies	Usable office area (m²)	Median occupational density	Number of tenancies that achieved the occupational density target	Number of tenancies	Usable office area (m²)	Median occupational density	Number of tenancies that achieved the occupational density target	Number of tenancies	Usable office area (m²)	Median occupational density	Number of tenancies that achieved the occupational density target	Number of tenancies	Usable office area (m²)	Median occupational density	Number of tenancies that achieved the occupational density target	Number of tenancies	Usable office area (m²)	Median occupational density	Number of tenancies that achieved the occupational density target
Administrative Appeals Tribunal	11	18,087	17.5	C	) (	-	-	-	11	18,087	17.5		С	-			-	0 -		-
Attorney-General's Department	10	42,975	22.1	C	) 5	34,846	23.2	0	5	8,129	21.0	0	C	-		-	_	-		-
Australian Aged Care Quality Agency (Quality Agency)	2	2,108	13.2	2	. (	-	-	-	2	2,108	13.2	. 2	C	-		-		0 -		-
Australian Bureau of Statistics	g	56,556	13.0	5	1	1 32,167	14.5	0	6	20,077	11.4	. 5	2	4,311	21.0	0 0		-		-
Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR)	1	1,418	25.3	C	) 1	1 1,418	25.3	0	0	-	-		·	-		-	_	-		-
Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity (ACLEI)	1	1,018	21.7	C	) 1	1 1,018	21.7	0	0	-	-	-	·	-		-	_	-		-
Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA)	3	11,580	29.4	C	) 1	1 5,236	36.6	0	2	6,344	23.6	0	C	-		-	_	-		-
Australian Competition and Consumer Commission	7	17,646	19.2	C	) 1	1 6,136	20.9	0	6	11,510	17.0	0	C	-		-	_	-		-
Australian Criminal Intelligence Commission	7	17,427	14.6	2	2	3 10,599	15.9	0	4	6,828	14.3	2	C	-		-	_	-		-
Australian Electoral Commission	g	13,776	6.7	7	, 2	2 6,996	31.7	0	6	6,267	5.5	6	1	513	7.9	9 1	L	0 -		-
Australian Federal Police	13	81,851	20.0	C	)	45,668	94.1	0	7	36,184	16.6	0	C	-		-	-	0 -		-
Australian Financial Security Authority	5	8,241	15.5	1	. 1	1 2,134	15.3	0	4	6,107	16.1	. 1				-	-	0 -		-
Australian Fisheries Management Authority	1	1,362	9.6	1	. 1	1 1,362	9.6	1	0	-	-		C	-		-	-	0 -		-
Australian Institute of Criminology	1	1,729	0.0	C	1	1 1,729	0.0	0	0	-	-	-	C	-		-		0 -		-
Australian Institute of Family Studies	1	1,357	17.9	C	) (	-	-	-	1	1,357	17.9	0	c	-		-	-	0 -		-
Australian National Audit Office	1	6,441	18.7	C	) 1	1 6,441	18.7	0	0	-	-		C	-			-	0 -		-
Australian Office of Financial Management (AOFM)	1	. 730	19.2	C	) 1	1 730	19.2	0	0	-	-		C	-		-	-	0 -		-
Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA)	8	18,563	0.0	C	) (	-	-	-	8	18,563	0.0	0	C	-			-	0 -		-
Australian Public Service Commission	2	4,396	48.8	C	) 1	1 3,792	22.2	0	1	604	75.5	0	C	-		-	-	0 -		-
Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA)	1	4,606	42.7	C	) (	-	-	0	1	4,606	42.7	0	C	-		-		0 -		-
Australian Research Council	1	2,517	17.9	O	) 1	1 2,517	17.9	0	0	-	-		C	-			-	0 -		-
Australian Securities and Investments Commission	7	34,807	21.9	1		-	-	-	5	27,336	18.5	1	. 2	7,471	36.6	6 0	)	0 -		-
Australian Skills Quality Authority (National Vocational Education and Training Regulator)	5	5,239	29.3	C	) 1	1 508	31.8	0	4	4,731	24.9	0	C			-	-	0 -		-
Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (ASADA)	1	1,359	30.9	C	) 1	1 1,359	30.9	0	0	-	-	-	·	-		-	-	0 -		-
Australian Taxation Office	22	335,450	15.1	7	, 2	2 50,799	17.0	0	16	261,940	15.4	3	4	22,711	12.9	9 4	1	0 -		-
Australian Trade Commission (Austrade)	5	8,103	14.6	2	2	2 4,280	15.4	1	3	3,823	14.6	1	C	-		-	-	0 -		-
Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre (AUSTRAC)	3	6,701	20.1	C	) 1	1 1,282	24.2	0	2	5,419	19.3	0	c	-			-	0 -		-
Australian Transport Safety Bureau (ATSB)	2	3,355	40.6	C	) 1	1 2,836	29.2	0	1	519	51.9	0	c	-		-	-	0 -		-
Bureau of Meteorology	9	24,161	20.2	4	1	1 1,284	23.8	0	6	20,811	13.5	4	. 2	2,066	23.8	8 0		0 -		-
Cancer Australia	1	1,299	20.6	C	)	-	-	-	1	1,299	20.6	0	c	-			-	0 -		-
Clean Energy Regulator	1	7,147	16.9	C	) 1	1 7,147	16.9	0	0	-	-		·	-		-	-	0 -		-
Commonwealth Grants Commission	1	. 681	24.3	C	) 1	1 681	24.3	0	0	-	-		C	-			-	0 -		-
Department of Agriculture and Water Resources	13	57,069	14.3	5	5	4 38,664	14.0	2	7	16,192	14.3	3	2	2,213	19.8	8 0		0 -		-
Department of Communications and the Arts	4	11,571	28.5	C	) 1	1 8,975	18.1	0	3	2,596	33.8	0	c	-			-	0 -		-
Department of Defence	37	260,381	19.1	1	1 24	4 197,157	18.9	1	10	61,441	21.4	0	3	1,783	55.5	5 0		0 -		-
Department of Education and Training	5	42,844	19.5	C	) 3	3 40,412	19.5	0	2	2,432	29.2	0	C	-		-	-	0 -		-
Department of Employment	10	34,426	24.8	C	) 4	4 23,174	20.8	0	5	10,646	30.9	0	1	606	21.7	7 0		0 -		-
Department of Finance	9	31,406	0.0	1		9 31,406	0.0	1	0	-	-		C				-	0 -		-

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	12	2 63,132	14.0	5	7 57,024	13.3	2	E	6,108	16.7	2	0							
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Department of Health	17		0.0	1	6 71,028	7.3	0	9	18,973		1		1,947			0	-	-	
Department of Human Services	183		15.1	76	10 92,706	15.9	1	114	237,425	14.6	50	56		14.9	25	3	2,546		
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	41		18.1	8	11 94,780	17.0	1	21	92,568	17.6	6	6	6,841	26.0		. 3	2,324	89.9	0
Department of Industry, Innovation and Science	15		16.5	2	5 29,038	12.8	2	10	16,999	19.7	0	0	-	-		0	-		-
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	5	5 4,519	41.7	0	0 -	-	-	5	4,519	41.7	0	0	-	-		0	-	-	-
Department of Social Services	10	53,659	20.5	0	5 42,700	15.7	0	4	9,565	28.2	0	1	1,394	36.7	(	0	-	-	-
Department of the Environment	7	7 30,756	10.8	1	2 23,891	19.9	0	0	-	-	-	5	6,865	0.0	1	. 0	-	-	-
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	22	2 47,918	35.0	0	3 31,677	19.9	0	3	2,593	22.9	0	10	9,662	40.3	(	6	3,986	72.1	0
Department of the Treasury	2	2 17,935	20.8	0	1 17,085	22.7	0	1	850	18.9	0	0	-	-		- 0	-	-	-
Department of Veterans' Affairs	16	53,819	22.3	1	3 24,376	0.0	0	9	26,168	20.8	1	4	3,275	30.7	(	0	-	-	-
Digital Transformation Office	4	4 6,606	12.8	1	2 5,364	8.0	0	2	1,242	17.7	1	0	-	-		. 0	-	-	-
Fair Work Building and Construction (Office of the Fair Work Building Industry Inspectorate)	1	1 1,291	19.9	0	0 -	-	-	1	1,291	19.9	0	0	-	-		- О	-	-	-
Fair Work Commission	3	3 9,570	0.0	0	0 -	-	-	3	9,570	0.0	0	0	-	-		0	-	-	-
Family Court and Federal Circuit Court		7,386	32.9	0	1 2,095	39.5	0	5	5,291	28.5	0	0	-	-		0	-	-	-
Federal Court of Australia	3	3 2,837	43.0	О	0 -	-	-	3	2,837	43.0	0	0	-	-		. 0	-	-	-
Future Fund Management Agency	1	1 3,079	23.7	0	0 -	-	-	1	3,079	23.7	0	0	-	-		. 0	-	-	-
Geoscience Australia	2	2 19,551	27.5	0	2 19,551	27.5	0	0	-	-	-	0	-	-		. 0	-	-	-
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority	2	2 2,969	18.7	0	0 -	-	-	0	-	-	-	2	2,969	18.7	(	0	-	-	-
Inspector-General of Taxation	1	1 636	18.7	0	0 -	-	-	1	636	18.7	0	0	-	-		- О	-	-	-
IP Australia	2	2 20,027	19.8	0	1 18,809	17.0	0	1	1,218	22.6	0	0	-	-		- О	-	-	-
National Archives of Australia	-	7 11,133	71.8	0	3 5,993	18.8	0	4	5,140	72.3	0	0	-	-		- О	-	-	-
National Blood Authority	1	1 1,150	15.3	0	1 1,150	15.3	0	0	-	-	-	0	-	-		- О	-	-	-
National Capital Authority	1	1 810	19.3	0	1 810	19.3	0	0	-	-	-	0	-	-		- О	-	-	-
National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC)	1	1 4,763	21.0	0	1 4,763	21.0	0	0	-	-	-	0	-	-		- 0	-	-	-
Office of National Assessments	1	1 3,122	1560.9	0	1 3,122	1560.9	0	0	-	-	-	0	-	-		. 0	-	-	-
Office of Parliamentary Counsel	1	1 2,777	27.2	0	1 2,777	27.2	0	0	-	-	-	0	-	-		. 0	-	-	-
Office of the Australian Information Commissioner	1	1 1,096	14.2	0	0 -	-	-	1	1,096	14.2	0	0	-	-		. 0	-	-	-
Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman	1	1 2,008	15.7	0	1 2,008	15.7	0	0	-	-	-	0	-	-		. 0	-	-	-
Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions	5	5 11,334	27.1	o	1 2,304	27.1	0	4	9,030	35.0	0	0	-	-		. 0	-	-	-
Office of the Fair Work Ombudsman	7	7 13,249	16.4	2	1 1,940	25.5	0	6	11,309	15.2	2	0	_	-		. 0	-	-	-
Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General	1	1 2,066	28.3	0	1 2,066	28.3	0	0	-	-	0	0	-	-		. 0	-	-	-
Old Parliament House	1	1 4,419	70.1	0	1 4,419	70.1	0	0	-	-	0	0	_	-		. 0	-	_	
Organ and Tissue Authority (Australian Organ and Tissue	1	1 671	24.9	0	1 671	24.9	0	0	-	-	0	0	_	-		. 0	-	_	_
Donation and Transplantation Authority)  Productivity Commission	2	2 5,113	28.2	0	1 2,503	33.8	0	1	2,610	22.5	0	0	_	-		. 0	_	_	_
Professional Services Review Scheme	1	1 595	29.8		1 595	29.8	0	0	-	_	-	n	_	-		. 0	_	_	_
Royal Australian Mint	1	1 2,701	12.3		1 2,701	12.3	1	0	_	_	_	n	_	-		. 0	_	_	_
Safe Work Australia		1 1,805	17.2		1 1,805	17.2	1	0											
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Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency	1	1 1,618	23.8		0 -	-	-	1	1,618	23.8	0	-	-	-		0	-	-	-
Workplace Gender Equality Agency	1	1 884	28.5	0	0 -	-	-	1	884	28.5	0	0	-	-		0	-	-	-

Table comprises tenancies that were still active (in affect) at the end of the reporting period (excludes expired tenancies).

Source:
2015-16 Australian Government Property Data Collection (PRODAC)
Remoteness classification has been sourced from the Australian Bureau of Statistics 1270.0.55.006 - Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS): Correspondences, July 2011. Datacube: Postcode 2011 to Remoteness Area 2006



Table 13: Property indicators by State and Territory, as at 30 June 2016

	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	АСТ	NT	Australia
Total number of tenancies	132	106	91	41	44	25	161	21	621
Net lettable area (m²)	501,567	416,508	276,623	122,557	118,554	56,686	1,374,050	27,210	2,893,755
Usable office area (m²)	388,032	329,032	219,873	102,704	91,743	48,031	1,142,504	21,569	2,343,487
Total number of workpoints	25,696	21,847	14,981	7,339	5,816	3,391	75,827	1,174	156,071
Occupied workpoints	23,541	19,214	13,074	6,715	4,883	3,251	63,333	929	134,940
Vacant workpoints	2,530	3,061	2,182	698	1,201	116	13,287	309	23,384
Workpoint vacancy rate (%)	9.6	10.2	12.5	11.8	17.6	10.8	16.5	19.6	13.8

Table comprises tenancies that were still active (in affect) at the end of the reporting period (excludes expired tenancies).



### **Explanatory Information**

### 1. About the Australian Government Office Occupancy Report

The Department of Finance (Finance) is the lead entity responsible for co-ordinating the Australian Government Property Data Collection (PRODAC) and to report on findings from this collection in the Australian Government Office Occupancy Report (Occupancy Report).

PRODAC was established to provide an evidence base for property leased and owned by the Australian Government. Data produced from PRODAC assists Commonwealth Entities to identify opportunities for adopting best practice, progressively improving the way office space is managed, while also informing Whole-of-Australian-Government property decision making.

The Commonwealth property landscape is a dynamic environment with a number of Whole-of-Australian-Government programs implemented to deliver outcomes including the rationalising of surplus office leases and coordinated procurement arrangements.

### 2. Occupancy Report format

Commencing with the 2015-16 Occupancy Report, the report has taken a new format. The traditional publication with written analysis has been replaced with a key performance indicator dash board that reports summary aggregate whole of Government performance.

# 3. Occupancy Report Reference Period

The 2015-16 PRODAC collection and Occupancy Report does not follow on from previous year collections and reports due to the change in the collection reference period and reporting scope. Previous PRODAC collections (2009-2015) collected information each year as at 30 September. This point in time collection did not capture the full scope of properties owned or leased throughout the year.

This point in time collection resulted in limitations in the reporting of comprehensive property data for the Commonwealth. Therefore, changes to the PRODAC collection reference period were implemented for the conduct of the collection in 2016 to capture property holdings based on a financial year period 2015-16.



### 4. Occupancy Report Scope

The Occupancy Report is produced for non-corporate Commonwealth entities with owned or leased properties with 500 square metres or more of office space.

Traditionally the Occupancy Reports provided information on property indicators for non-corporate Commonwealth entities with 500 square metres or more of usable office space. The 2015-16 the Occupancy Report will be last report to follow this format.

Commencing with the next 2016-17 Occupancy Report indicators and measures will change to include a wider scope of Commonwealth property information.

Non-corporate Commonwealth entities with properties with 500m<sup>2</sup> or more of usable office space

#### Includes:

- properties that are owned and wholly occupied by a non-corporate Commonwealth entity
- properties that are owned and partly occupied by a non-corporate Commonwealth entity
- properties that are leased by non-corporate Commonwealth entity from either a non-government organisation or other Commonwealth entity

#### Excludes:

- all properties owned or lease by parliamentary departments, corporate Commonwealth entities, Commonwealth companies
- properties that are owned and not occupied by a non-corporate Commonwealth entity
- Commonwealth properties that do not have office space
- non-corporate Commonwealth entity properties with less than 500 square metres of usable office area

# 5. Occupancy Report Data Sources

The Occupancy Report is compiled using data collection in the:

- Department of Finance Australian Government Property Data Collection 2015-16
- Department of Finance Australian Government Property Data Collection 30 September 2016
- Australian Government Office Occupancy Report 2015
- Australian Bureau of Statistics 1270.0.55.006 Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS): Correspondences, July 2011. Datacube: Postcode 2011 to Remoteness Area 2006



#### 6. PRODAC Data Collection<sup>2</sup>

The Australian Government Property Data Collection (PRODAC) has been established as an evidence base for property leased and owned by the Australian Government. This information assists Commonwealth entities to identify opportunities for adopting best practice, and progressively improving the way office space is managed, while also informing Whole-of-Australian-Government property decision making.

The Department of Finance (Finance) is the lead entity responsible for co-ordinating PRODAC. Corporate and non-Corporate Commonwealth entities that do not meet the conditions mentioned in the collection scope are asked to contribute to PRODAC data on a voluntary basis.

### PRODAC - 30 September 2015

Reference period: Nominal data collection date for the occupancy file is 30 September 2015. The datasets are Building, Lease, Cost and Administration Expense. The Property File (Building and Lease) relates to property information as at 30 September 2015. The Cost File (Cost and Administration Expense) relates to costs of the property during the financial year 2014-15.

Collection scope: Where a non-corporate Commonwealth entity leases or owns 500 square metres or more of usable office area within a building, the non-corporate Commonwealth entity must submit data for each property within the building, unless the property is located overseas or is an Exempt Military or Intelligence Property. This includes office properties, special purpose properties and other types of property located in Australia or Australia's external territories.

Collection period: The 2015 PRODAC collection was conducted 1 September to 30 September 2015

#### PRODAC - 2015-16

Reference period: Data collection reference period was the 2015-16 financial year. The datasets are Building, Lease, and Regional Cost. Each file relates to property information during the financial year 2015-16.

Collection scope: Where a non-corporate entity leases or owns property with office area within a building with a whole-of-life-cost of \$2 million or more; the non-corporate Commonwealth entity must submit data, unless the property is located overseas or is an Exempt Military or Intelligence Property. This includes office properties, special purpose properties and other types of property located in Australia or Australia's external territories.

Collection period: The 2015-16 PRODAC collection was conducted from 1 August to 30 September 2016.



### 7. Data quality and accuracy

Entities are responsible for self reporting property information in the PRODAC collection. To date, robust and detailed collection validation and/or audit methods have not been implemented to check reporting quality or compliance of entities. The Department of Finance works closely with entities to seek to ensure that entitles report the full scope of properties in the PRODAC collection.

However, given the complexity of the collection parameters and scope there is potential for under reporting of properties. Finance continues to work on enhancing and improving property collection strategies and standards to collect a greater range of Commonwealth property information, which will improve accuracy and quality of Commonwealth property reporting.

Information reported for the 2015-16 Occupancy Report for tenancies with 500 square meters or more as at 30 June 2016, is subject to potential under coverage. This reporting scope is a subset of the data collected in the 2015-16 PRODAC collection.

The 2015-16 PRODAC collection captured owned and leased tenancies with over \$2m whole-of-life cost and office area, it did not capture leased tenancies with 500 square metres or more of office area and less than \$2m whole-of-life cost.

Therefore, potential under coverage in the reporting of these tenancies in the Occupancy Report may have occurred.

## 8. Data comparability

The 2015-16 Occupancy Report presents data for two reference periods:

- 30 September 2015
- 30 June 2016

The data for 30 September 2015 was collected as part of the PRODAC collection conducted in 2015. This data is entity property information as at 30 September 2015 and may include expired tenancies.

Data for 30 June 2016, was collected through the 2015-16 PRODAC where entities were required to report all property holdings throughout the financial year. To enable data comparison results from the 2015-16 collection have been provided as at 30 June 2016.

30 June data comprises owned tenancies and leased tenancies with a lease expiry of 30 June 2016 or later.