Budget October 2022–23

FUNDING AUSTRALIA'S GREEN AND GOLD DECADE

Summary of package

The 2022–23 October Budget continues the Government's commitment to the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games (Games), ensuring they leave a lasting legacy for all Australians.

The Games are the largest and prestigious sporting event to be hosted in Australia since the Sydney 2000 Games and will be the culmination of the green and gold decade of major sporting events.

The Government is advancing discussions with Queensland on support for the Games, to ensure the nation can take advantage of the significant social, sporting, and economic benefits that come with hosting a large-scale international event.

The Government will continue the National Sports Tribunal (NST) as an ongoing dispute resolution entity for Australian sport.

The Government will also meet its commitment to upgrade and reopen the Australian Institute of Sport Arena to support sports, community events, and concerts.

Funding in this Budget includes support for the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup, being co-hosted with New Zealand.

As the largest women's sporting event in the world, the FIFA Women's World Cup will encourage more girls and women to participate, volunteer and work in sport. With Australia also hosting women's world cups in basketball, netball and rugby, the opportunities are growing every day.

Total value of package



\$44.8m towards FIFA Women's World Cup in 2023

\$15.1m towards upgrades to the AIS Arena

\$10.3m towards expanding Sport4All pilot program

\$9.4mto continue the
National Sports Tribunal

\$4.7m towards the Beach Safety Equipment Fund

Who benefits

All Australians will benefit from the Government's investment in the green and gold decade. The Games will strengthen social connections, increase participation in sport, improve health outcomes for all Australians, support local economies, and bring Australians together.

To help ensure the 2032 Games are successful, initial funding of \$3.2 million will establish and maintain a dedicated unit within the Department of Health and Aged Care's Office for Sport. The unit will coordinate the Australian Government's role in preparations and the successful running of the Games.

With the FIFA Women's World Cup 2023 now less than a year away, this Budget includes \$44.8 million to deliver on the Commonwealth's financial commitment to what is the largest women's sporting event in the world.

The event will drive social and cultural change through increased physical activity, social inclusion, gender equality and engagement with First Nations, and disability communities. This investment also includes legacy funding to support more girls and boys from migrant communities who are inspired to play football and engage more actively in their local communities.

This Budget includes \$9.4 million in funding to continue the National Sports Tribunal (NST) to ensure independent, timely and cost-effective dispute resolution for athletes, sporting bodies and support personnel. The NST is an important mechanism for hearing disputes such as appeals on eligibility and selection decisions for Australian sporting teams, and anti-doping rule violations, as part of the green and gold decade.

A \$15.1 million investment will ensure the Australian Institute of Sport Arena (AIS Arena) in Canberra is once again safe to host major sporting and cultural events. The funding will see the replacement of stadium seating, upgraded fire warning systems, lighting, and mechanical services. The upgrades, including the addition of air conditioning will improve the venue for athletes, support staff and spectators.

The successful Sport4All (S4A) pilot project, including a focus on First Nations people living with disability, will be expanded to a nationwide program through a \$10.3 million investment. The expansion will train an additional 80 inclusion coaches to support 500,000 Australians with disability, including approximately 53,000 First Nations people with disability, to participate in sport in the build up to the Games.

A \$4.7 million extension to the Beach Safety Equipment Fund will help Surf Life Saving Australia to keep beachgoers safe through the purchase of critical rescue boards and boats, life jackets, all-terrain vehicles, defibrillators, first aid and medical supplies.



Funding details

- Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games \$3.2 million over 4 years from 2022–2023.
- FIFA Women's World Cup 2023 \$44.8 million over 2 years from 2022-2023.
- Continuation of the National Sports Tribunal \$9.4 million over 4 years from 2022–2023.
- Remediation of AIS Arena \$15.1 million over 4 years from 2022-2023.
- Sport4All First Nations Program Expansion \$10.3 million over 4 years from 2022–2023.
- Beach Safety Equipment Fund \$4.7 million over 3 years from 2022–2023.
- AFL in the Northern Territory \$2.2 million over 3 years from 2022–23.

Establishment of a team to support delivery of the 2032 Games

Continued funding for the **National Sports Tribunal**



