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The statement of actual revenue, expenditure and borrowings with regard to the National Revenue Fund as at the end of May 2026/27 fiscal year is hereby published in terms of section 32 (1) of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999.

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Summary table of national revenue, expenditure and borrowing for the month ended 31 May 2026

R thousand	Table	2026/27			2025/26		
		Budget estimate	May	Year to date	Preliminary outcome	May	Year to date
Revenue ¹	1	2 082 003 100	146 532 470	264 079 563	1 994 341 543	136 957 399	241 429 628
Expenditure ¹	2	2 383 252 766	161 152 088	342 266 008	2 325 290 946	147 072 249	316 174 867
Appropriation by vote	2	1 214 088 031	93 065 811	204 409 572	1 184 344 771	84 571 348	188 000 654
Direct charges against the NRF	2	1 162 834 547	68 086 277	137 856 436	1 140 946 175	62 500 901	128 174 213
Debt-service costs		432 448 720	6 105 420	15 106 424	417 892 325	6 389 370	16 135 267
Provincial equitable share		670 322 736	58 541 955	114 402 184	649 339 142	52 763 829	105 527 658
General fuel levy sharing with metropolitan municipalities		17 530 026	-	-	16 849 080	-	-
Public-sector-related pension, post-retirement medical and other benefits		8 541 453	701 221	1 387 678	8 006 513	665 852	1 290 726
Skill Levy and SETAs		27 657 285	2 242 070	4 611 889	25 575 720	2 115 627	4 249 331
Other costs		6 334 327	495 611	2 348 261	13 164 804	566 223	971 231
Guarantees, indemnities and securities: Payment to the South African Reserve Bank		-	-	-	118 590	-	-
Section 16 payment to the Central Energy Fund (Mineral and Petroleum Resources)		-	-	-	10 000 000	-	-
Provisional allocations not appropriated		1 322 155	-	-	-	-	-
Contingency reserve		5 008 033	-	-	-	-	-
Main budget balance		(301 249 666)	(14 619 618)	(78 186 446)	(330 949 404)	(10 114 850)	(74 745 239)
Redemptions	4	(134 753 362)	(792 161)	(21 792 611)	(159 181 213)	(945 747)	(12 554 634)
Eskom debt-relief arrangement ²	4	-	-	-	(80 000 000)	-	-
GFECRA settlement (net) ³	4	56 000 000	-	-	25 000 000	-	-
Gross borrowing requirement		(380 003 028)	(15 411 779)	(99 979 057)	(545 130 617)	(11 060 597)	(87 299 873)
Financing of the net borrowing requirement							
Domestic short-term loans (net)	3	26 900 000	2 000 000	4 197 851	39 551 871	2 358 981	6 964 863
Domestic long-term loans (gross)	3	242 500 000	24 870 367	44 406 359	390 583 351	37 306 412	74 348 138
Foreign loans (gross)	3	53 734 707	-	3 864 380	103 917 277	-	-
Change in cash and other balances ⁴	3	56 868 321	(11 458 588)	47 510 467	11 078 118	(28 604 796)	5 986 872
Total financing (gross)		380 003 028	15 411 779	99 979 057	545 130 617	11 060 597	87 299 873

1) The Gold and Foreign Exchange Contingency Reserve Account (GFECRA) cash receipt and requisition of cash recorded in Table 4 is not included in revenue and expenditure, as the budget position presents the net of the cash flows related to balance sheet transactions. These transactions are recorded as part of Changes of cash and other balances.

2) Loan advance by National Treasury to Eskom in terms of the Eskom Debt Relief Act, 2023 (Act No.7 of 2023).

3) The Gold and Foreign Exchange Contingency Reserve Account Defrayal Amendment Act, Act No 27 of 2024 refers.

4) A negative value indicates an increase in cash and other balances. A positive value indicates that cash is used to finance part of the borrowing requirement.