

# NSW Budget 2023-24 debt investor update

Fiscal discipline to balance the state's current and future needs

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# 1. TCorp funding overview

### NSW's financial markets partner since 1983

- TCorp has 2 core businesses:
  - We are the state's central financing authority with total term funding of \$158bn. Our core objectives are to minimise both borrowing costs and refinancing risks, along with diversifying the investor base
  - We are also the state's investment manager with \$107bn of assets under management and cumulative investment returns of \$42bn.
- We work in partnership with the NSW Government family.
- We help the NSW Government deliver its fiscal strategy over the long term.



### TCorp's funding task is significantly lower

A\$bn	2023-24 Forecast	2024-25 Forecast	2025-26 Forecast	2026-27 Forecast
New client loans	15.3	15.6	16.7	17.3
Term maturities	7.6	8.9	11.5	11.2
Funding requirement	22.9	24.5	28.2	28.5
Change from Pre-election Budget Update (PEBU) forecast	-10.4	-3.0	-2.4	

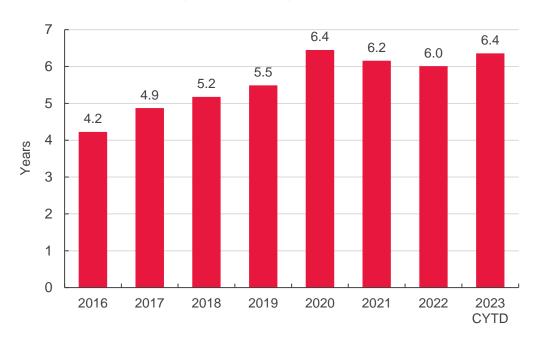


Source: TCorp, NSW Treasury, figures as at 30 September 2023

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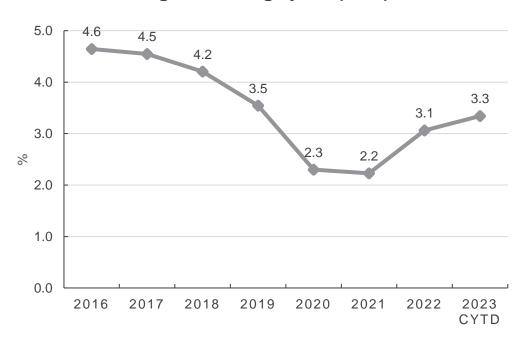
# Despite rising interest rates, TCorp's borrowing costs remain well below historical levels

#### Weighted average life (WAL)



Duration increased at a time of lower interest rates

#### Weighted average yield (WAY)

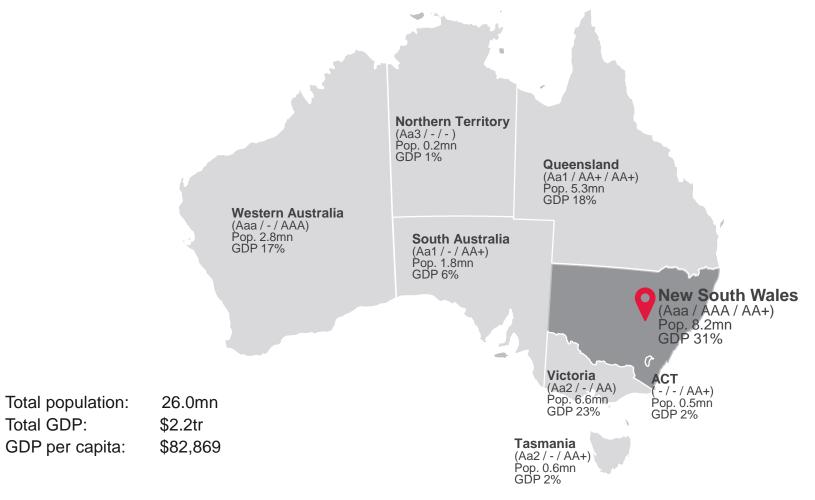


NSW's average borrowing costs, while increasing with interest rates, remain well below historical levels

# 2. New South Wales – a snapshot

### NSW has the largest economy and population in Australia

#### **Population and GDP**



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, at 30 June 2022 Note: Credit ratings listed in the order of Moody's, Fitch and S&P

# Economic activity sustained by a strong labour market and population growth

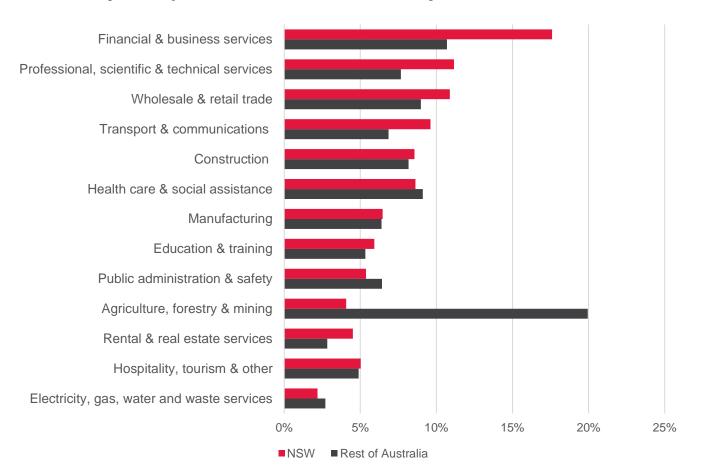
#### Performance and outlook

	Current National Rate	2022-23 Outcome	2023-24 Forecast*	2024-25 Forecast*	2025-26 Forecast*	2026-27 Forecast*
Real gross state product	2.1%	3¾*	1¼	11⁄4	2	21/4
Unemployment rate	3.6%	3.1	3¾	4¾	4½	41⁄4
Sydney consumer price index	Headline/Core 6.0% / 5.9%	7.1	4¾	3	2¾	2½
Wage price index	3.6%	3.3	4	3¾	31⁄4	31⁄4
Population	-	1.8*	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.2

<sup>\*</sup> Forecasts rounded to nearest quarter point and are annual average per cent change Source: NSW Budget 2023-24

### NSW is a highly diversified economy

#### Industry composition of NSW economy vs rest of Australia



#### The NSW economy



Represents almost one third of national GDP



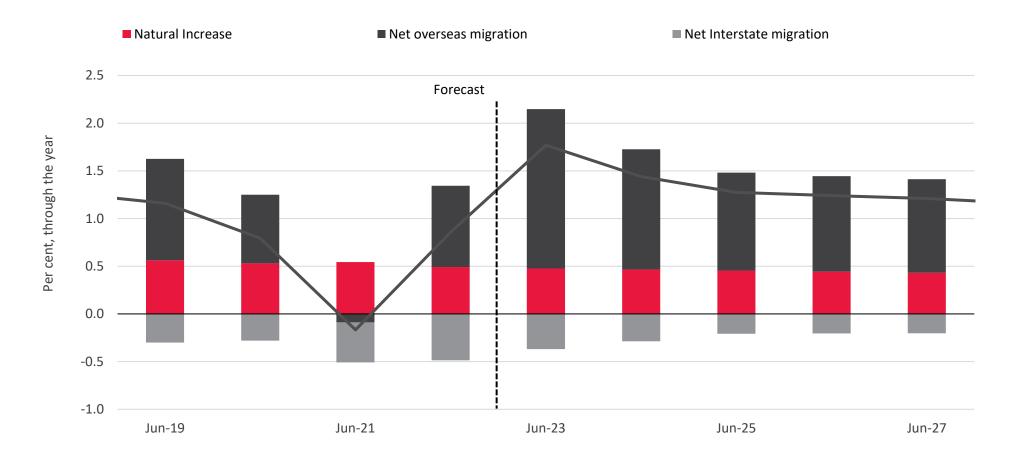
High concentration of services industries



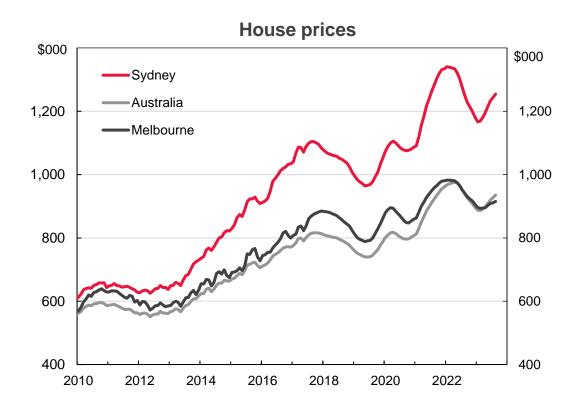
Low concentration of volatile primary production

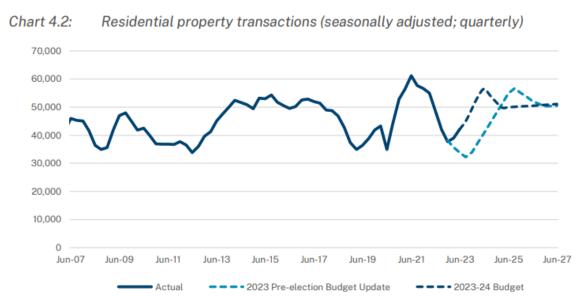
### NSW attracts high levels of overseas migration

### **Population growth**



### Housing market has been much stronger than expected

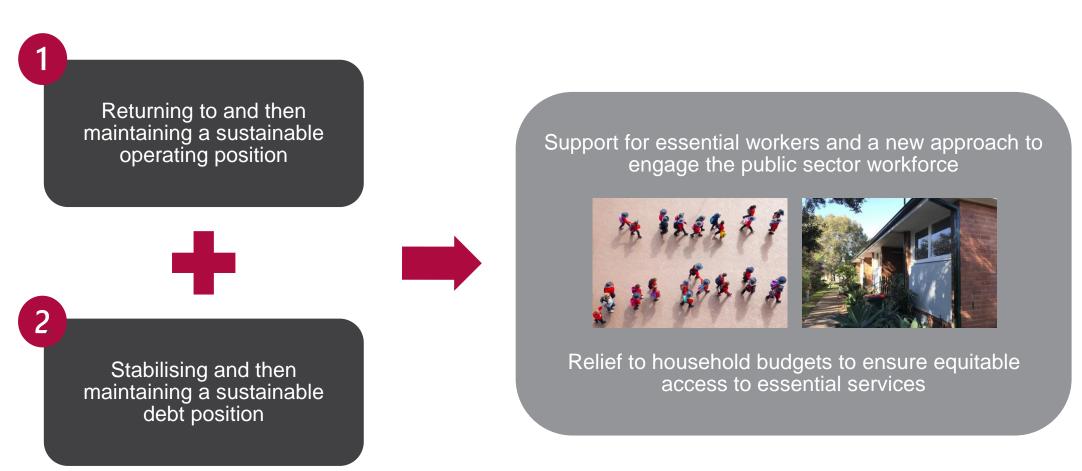




## 3. NSW Budget 2023-24

### Prioritising essential services and support for families

The NSW Government has adopted 2 key fiscal principles



### Stabilising the state's fiscal position

#### Ensuring that recent deficits do not become entrenched and debt levels remain sustainable

#### \$13bn – Comprehensive Expenditure Review

- \$6.4bn in budget improvements i.e. labour hire, consultants, advertising, travel costs across government, legal expenses etc.
- \$6.6bn in reprioritisation and reprofiling i.e. Restart, Regional Growth Funds, Snowy Hydro Legacy Fund, Future Economy Fund etc.

#### \$4.3bn - Transition of TAHE

- From a statutory State-Owned Corporation to a noncommercial public non-financial corporation
- \$4.3bn savings in net debt

#### \$7.7bn – NSW Generations Fund

 \$7.7bn reduction in gross debt from suspending contributions in 2023-24 only

#### \$17.6bn - Revenue Uplifts

- Transfer duty +\$9.5bn
- Land tax +\$4.9bn
- Payroll tax +\$2.8bn

#### \$2.5bn - Infrastructure Management

- Descope or delay of infrastructure projects
- Great Western Highway Duplication
- Ultimo Powerhouse Museum

Note: There are \$42bn of avoided expenditures in the years beyond the Budget and forward estimates period due to descoping of projects including Fast Rail Program, Wyangala Dam Wall Raising and New Dungowan Dam and pipeline augmentation

#### \$2.7bn – Royalty Uplifts

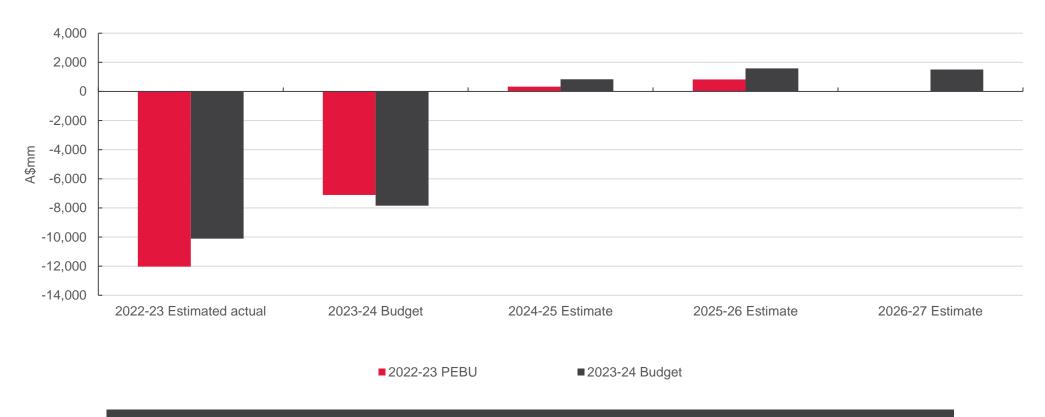
 Royalty increases to raise \$2.7bn to support essential services spending from 1 July 2024 (to 30 June 2028)

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Source: NSW Budget 2023-24

### Budget result forecast to return to surplus by 2024-25

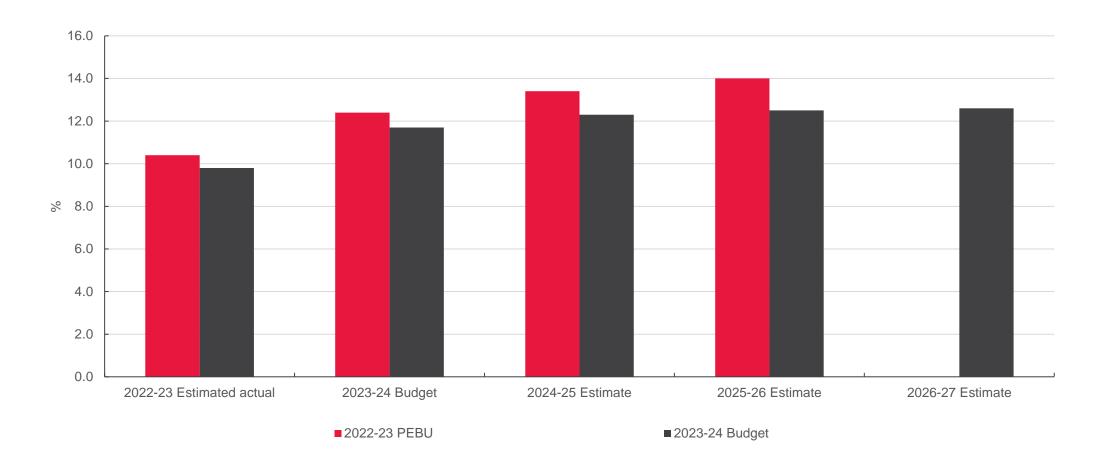
#### Transitioning NSW to more responsible and transparent financial management



The Budget provides for the delivery of the Government's election commitments, targeted cost of living relief and bolstering essential services

### Net debt to GSP forecast to stabilise around 12.6% by June 2027

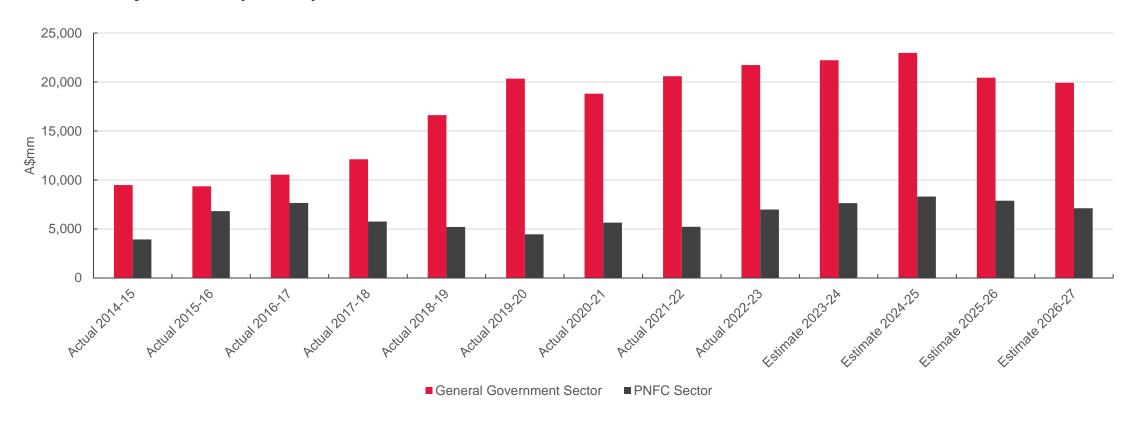
#### A responsible gross debt trajectory will ensure interest expenses remain manageable



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### Infrastructure programme of \$116.5bn

2014-15 to 2026-27 infrastructure programme spending for general government and public non-financial corporation (PNFC) sector



The NSW Government is targeting infrastructure spending of around 2% of GSP by 2026-27

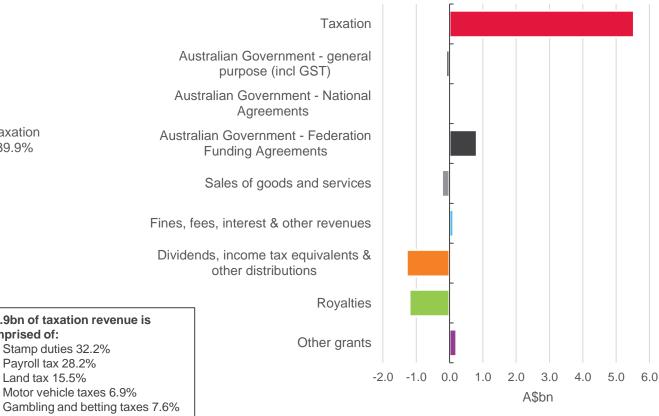
### Revenue is projected to increase by 5.8% in 2023-24 to \$112.4bn

#### Improvements in the property market driving stronger transfer duty revenue

#### Composition of 2023-24 revenue

#### Royalties Dividends, income tax equivalents 2.9% & other distributions Other grants 3.0% 1.3% Fines, fees, interest & other revenues 3.3% Taxation Sales of goods and services 39.9% 9.4% Australian Government -Federation Funding Agreements 5.6% Australian Government -**National Agreements** 11.3% \$44.9bn of taxation revenue is comprised of: Stamp duties 32.2% Payroll tax 28.2% Land tax 15.5% Australian Government - general Motor vehicle taxes 6.9%

#### Revenue change for 2023-24: 2023-24 Budget to PEBU



Source: NSW Budget 2023-24, NSW Budget 2022-23 Pre-election Budget Update as at 8 March 2023, general government sector

purpose (incl GST)

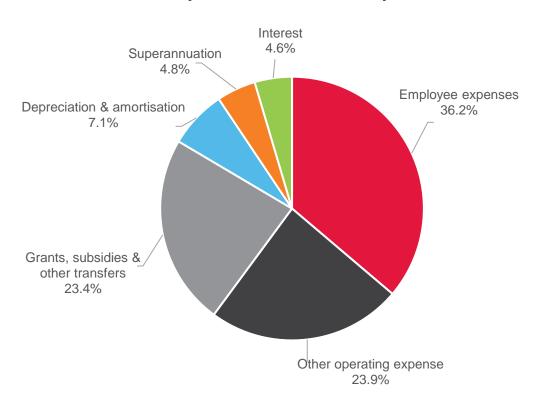
23.3%

Other 9.5%

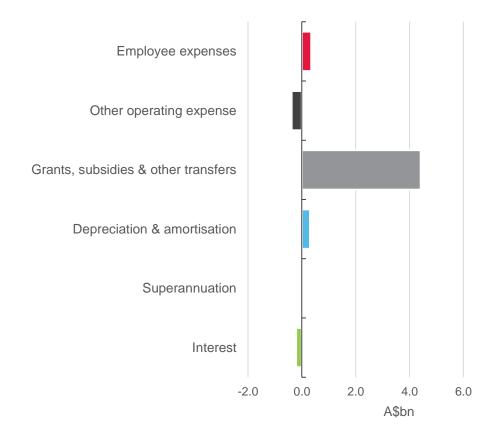
### A 3.4% increase in expenditure to \$120.2bn is projected for 2023-24

#### New policy expense measures will be partly funded by reforms, savings and offsets

#### **Composition of 2023-24 expenses**



#### Expenses change for 2023-24: 2023-24 Budget to PEBU



### Rebuilding essential services - health

#### Investing in more frontline workers and higher standards of health services

#### More frontline workers



2,312

More nurses and midwives by 2025-26



12,000

Study subsidies for healthcare students



**500** 

More rural and regional paramedics

#### Health infrastructure



600

New hospital beds across Western Sydney

#### \$13.8bn investment including:

- Fairfield and Canterbury Hospital redevelopments
- Rouse Hill Hospital development
- Royal Prince Alfred Hospital redevelopment
- Bankstown Hospital Rebuild
- Albury Wodonga Regional Hospital redevelopment

All figures in this presentation are over 4 years to 2026-27 unless otherwise specified. \(^1\)Includes 1,112 nurses and midwives made permanent.

### Rebuilding essential services - education

#### Supporting teachers and investing in lifelong learning for every child in NSW

### Supporting teachers teachers and school support staff 16,000 made permanent 250 more school counsellors to be saved per week by teachers 5+ hrs on admin work of the Schooling Resource 75% Standard funded by 2025

#### **School infrastructure**

\$9.8bn investment in schools, TAFEs and public pre-schools, particularly in high growth areas:

- \$3.5bn for 24 new and 51 upgraded primary and high schools in Western Sydney
- \$1.4bn for regional schools.

#### Early childhood education

- \$769mm for 100 government preschools co-located with primary schools
- \$60mm for new or upgraded preschools on nongovernment school sites

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## 4. Sustainability update

### Progress towards net zero

#### New initiatives undertaken that complement existing commitments

#### Underway

Legislation of NSW's carbon emissions reduction targets

- Climate Change Bill introduced to parliament
- Cutting GHG emissions by at least 50% by 2030 and reaching net zero by 2050\*
- legislating emissions reduction targets to provide certainty and opportunity to households, industry and investors

#### Underway

#### **Establishment of a Net Zero Commission**

- To develop the plan to net zero by 2050, monitor and review the plan and trajectory, including impacts on jobs and industry, as well as energy prices
- Reporting annually to ensure parliamentary transparency and accountability

#### 2023-24 NSW Budget

#### \$1.8bn for Renewable Energy Zones and the Energy Security Corporation

- \$804mn to roll out critical transmission and energy storage solutions
- \$1bn to establish an Energy Security Corporation to drive investment in stable and affordable renewable energy

<sup>\* 2030</sup> reductions over 2005 levels, 2050 level consistent with Paris Agreement to limit increase in global average temperatures to 1.5 degrees

### **NSW Net Zero Emissions Dashboard**

#### Presenting past and projected future greenhouse gas emissions for NSW

What is it?

- To provide important emissions data openly available in a dynamic and interactive way
- To present past and projected future emissions data to provide insights into trends and progress towards net zero targets
- Central location for NSW environmental data

Why was it developed?

- Developed in response to NSW Government's commitment to address climate change with the goal of promoting public accountability and transparency
- Dashboard vital to robust environmental decision making and research, including policy design, natural capital and job creation

How to use it

- Emissions are presented by financial year and by sector, using the sector definitions from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories
- Data packs available for download

The future

• Emission projections and historical inventories will be updated annually

Net Zero Emissions Dashboard | SEED Portal (nsw.gov.au)

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### NSW Sustainability Bond Programme overview

### Mechanism for investors to contribute capital to accomplish environmental and social goals

Framework	NSW Sustainability Bond Framework – January 2022 (which may be updated periodically)
External review	<ul> <li>Second Party Opinion on current framework provided by Sustainalytics</li> <li>Assurance – annual, independent reasonable assurance on outstanding bonds and Annual Report from EY</li> </ul>
Green bonds	Issued in alignment with 2021 ICMA Green Bond Principles (GBP) Certification in compliance with Climate Bonds Standard V3.0
Social bonds	Issued in alignment with 2021 ICMA Social Bond Principles (SBP)
Sustainability bonds	Issued in alignment with 2021 ICMA Sustainability Bond Guidelines (SBG)
Components	<ul> <li>Each bond is issued under the framework which covers the following components:</li> <li>Use of proceeds</li> <li>Process for project evaluation and selection</li> <li>Management of proceeds</li> <li>Reporting</li> <li>External review.</li> </ul>
Asset pool	<ul> <li>Limited to expenditure on eligible projects and assets detailed in the framework</li> <li>Lookback period limited to 2 years</li> <li>Only expenditure that has already occurred</li> <li>Refinancing of assets via the SBP occurs only once</li> </ul>
UN SDGs	Framework incorporates ICMA alignment mapping of GBP and SBP with UN SDGs
Annual report	Annually for all outstanding green, social or sustainability bonds
Website	https://tcorp.nsw.gov.au/home/tcorp-bonds/sustainability-bonds/





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