



**MINISTRY OF FINANCE, STRATEGIC PLANNING,
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**GOVERNMENT'S THIRD QUARTER FISCAL PERFORMANCE FY2024-2025
(Provisional)**

At the end of the third quarter of FY2024-2025 (August 2024 to April 2025), Government recorded a net deficit of \$182.6 million equivalent to -1.3 percent of GDP, lower than the net deficit target of -6.8 percent for the same period. Total revenue stood at \$2,888.8 million (20.6 percent of GDP), while total expenditure was \$3,071.4 million (21.9 percent of GDP). In the same period last financial year (August 2023 to April 2024), the net deficit was \$304.4 million, equivalent to -2.3 percent of GDP.

Table 1 below provides the summary of Government's fiscal position cumulative to the third quarter of FY2024-2025. A detailed Government's Cashflow Statement is provided as **Annex 1**.

Table 1: Fiscal Performance for the Third Quarter (as at 30 April 2025)

Particulars	2024-2025 Annual Budget	2024-2025 9 Months Forecast	2024-2025 9 Months Actual	2024-2025 9 Months Variance	2024-2025 9 Months Variance	2023-2024 9 months Actual
	(\$m)	(\$m)	(\$m)	(\$m)	(%)	(\$m)
Total Revenue	3,916.7	2,794.4	2,888.8	94.4	3.4%	2,522.5
Tax Revenue	3,299.0	2,392.1	2,531.6	139.5	5.8%	2,195.1
Non - Tax Revenue	617.7	402.3	357.2	-45.1	-11.2%	327.4
Total Expenditure	4,552.2	3,745.1	3,071.4	-673.7	-18.0%	2,826.9
Operating Expenditure	3,235.7	2,771.0	2,301.6	-469.4	-16.9%	2,093.8
Capital Expenditure	1,199.4	869.1	723.4	-145.6	-16.8%	686.6
VAT (SEG 13)	117.1	105.1	46.4	-58.7	-55.9%	46.5
Net Deficit/Surplus	-635.5	-950.7	-182.6	768.1	-80.8%	-304.4
as % of GDP	-4.5%	-6.8%	-1.3%			-2.3%
Nominal GDP	14,022.8	14,028.7	14,028.7			12,988.6

Total revenue in the first nine months of the fiscal year was above the forecast by \$94.4 million or 3.4 percent and represented around 73.8 percent of the annual budgeted revenue of \$3,916.7 million. The overperformance in overall Government revenue was largely attributed to the above forecast collection of \$139.5 million or 5.8 percent in tax revenue, while non-tax revenues were below the forecast by \$45.1 million or -11.2 percent. Compared to the same period last financial year, total revenue collection was higher by \$366.3 million or 14.5 percent.

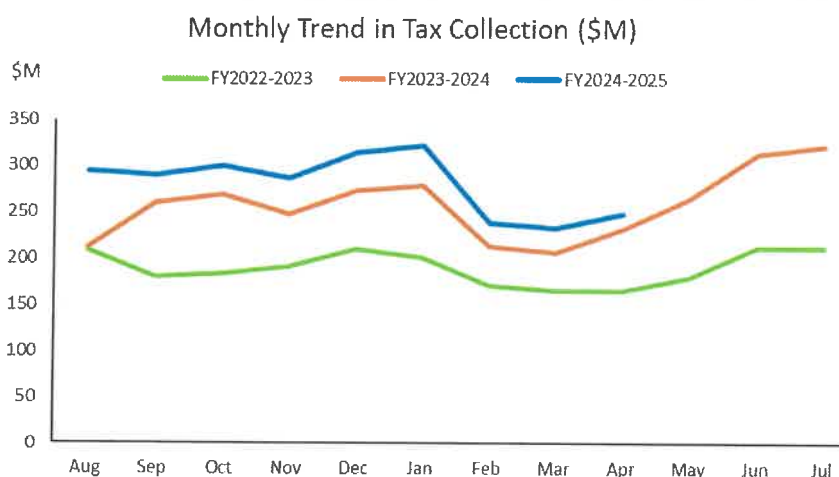
Tax revenue receipts for the review period was \$2,531.6 million and represented 76.7 percent of the total tax revenue budgeted for this financial year. The positive outturn in tax collections was attributed to the above forecast collection from VAT (above by \$78.2 million), corporate tax (above by \$25.2 million), fiscal duty (above by \$18.1 million), capital gains tax (above by \$17.7 million), personal taxes (above by \$15.4 million), withholding taxes (above by \$11.9 million),

Environment and Climate Adaptation Levy (above by \$7.1 million), other taxes (above by \$5.1 million), import excise duty (above by \$5.0 million), water resource tax (above by \$2.8 million), excise duty (above by \$0.9 million), telecommunication levy (above by \$0.7 million) and export duty (above by \$0.4 million). On the other hand, lower tax collections were noted from departure tax (below by \$18.1 million), luxury vehicle levy (below by \$0.2 million) and provisional tax (below by \$0.2 million).

Overall tax collections increased by \$366.3 million or 14.5 percent when compared to the same period last financial year. In particular, increases were noted in VAT (above by \$172.1 million), personal taxes (above by \$26.9 million), departure tax (above by \$26.0 million), dividend withholding tax (above by \$19.1 million), fiscal duty (above by \$17.2 million), corporate tax (above by \$15.7 million), excise duty (above by \$12.2 million), water resource tax (above by \$9.5 million), capital gains tax (above by \$7.4 million), other tax (above by \$6.6 million), import excise duty (above by \$6.2 million), fringe benefit tax (above by \$3.2 million), export duty (above by \$0.8 million), provisional tax (above by \$0.6 million), yacht agent registration (above by \$0.1 million). On the other hand, lower tax revenue collections were recorded from other miscellaneous tax (below by \$8.7 million), social responsibility tax (below by \$5.2 million), environment and climate adaptation levy (below by \$0.3 million), telecommunication levy (below by \$0.2 million), stamp duty (below by \$0.1 million) and miscellaneous fees and charges (below by \$0.1 million).

The monthly trend in tax collections compared to the previous two financial years is provided in Figure 1 below.

Figure 1: Monthly Trend in Tax Collections



Non-tax revenue for the first nine months amounted to \$357.2 million, which was below the anticipated collections by \$45.1 million or 11.2 percent. The lower outturn was largely attributed to the below forecast collection from grants in aid (below by \$60.5 million), reimbursement & recoveries (below by \$2.9 million), fees, fines & charges (below by \$1.9 million), while higher than forecast collections were noted in other revenue & surpluses (above by \$9.0 million), dividends from investment (above by \$6.9 million), interest on term loans (above by \$2.0 million), interest from bank balance (above by \$1.9 million) and return of surplus capital from investment (above by \$0.3 million).

Compared to the same period last financial year, non-tax revenue increased by \$29.8 million or 9.1 percent. Higher collections were largely driven by dividends from investments (above by \$35.6 million), other revenue and surpluses (above by \$9.8 million), interest on term loan (above by \$2.5 million), interest from bank balance (above by \$1.9 million), fees, fines & charges (above by \$1.0 million), return of surplus capital from investment (above by \$0.3 million), reimbursement & recoveries (above by \$0.1 million), whilst lower collections were noted in grants in aid (below by \$13.7 million) and sale of Government assets (below by \$7.8 million).

Government expenditure at the end of the third quarter totaled \$3,071.4 million, was lower than the forecast by \$673.7 million or 18.0 percent. This spending level represents around 67.5 percent of the total budgeted expenditure. In the review period, both Operating and Capital expenditure was below forecast by \$469.4 million and \$145.6 million, respectively. Value Added Tax (SEG 13) was below by \$58.7 million. The Operating to Capital mix stood at 76:24 for the first nine months of FY2024-2025.

Compared to the same period last financial year, total expenditure was higher by \$244.5 million or 8.7 percent. Operating expenditure increased by \$207.8 million or 9.9 percent and Capital expenditure by \$36.8 million or 5.4 percent, respectively. Increased spending in operating activities was noted in wages and salaries (above by \$134.0 million), transfer payments (above by \$85.0 million), supplies and consumables (above by \$34.1 million) and interest payments (above by \$6.5 million) and other operating payments (above by \$0.3 million) while decrease in spending was observed in purchase of outputs (below by \$52.0 million). In terms of capital expenditure, transfer payments were above by \$23.0 million, and purchase of physical non-current assets was above by \$13.8 million. Value Added Tax (SEG 13) was below by \$0.1 million.

Government Debt

At the end of April 2025, Government's debt stood at \$10,839.5 million, equivalent to 77.3 percent of GDP. In terms of the debt mix, domestic debt was 64.7 percent, while external debt was 35.3 percent in the review period. Government debt is projected at \$10,944.7 million or 78.0 percent of GDP by the end of July 2025.

In the first nine months of FY2024-2025, Government has utilised around 69.4 percent or \$682.9 million of the total appropriated borrowing. Of this, 70.5 percent or \$481.8 million of the domestic borrowing limit has been utilized while in terms of external borrowing, the Government has accessed 29.5 percent or \$201.1 million of the approved external borrowing. In terms of debt servicing, Government has utilised 69.7 percent or \$622.5 million of the budget. Of this amount, \$387.0 million is the total interest payments and \$235.5 million is principal repayments.

Conclusion

The lower net deficit for the first nine months of FY2024-2025 is largely driven by the underspending on both operating and capital expenditure and better than expected revenue collections. Tax revenue has performed strongly backed by higher collections in VAT, PAYE, company tax, however, there is a need for close monitoring of the underperformance in non-tax

revenues. In terms of expenditure, Government spending is expected to pick up in the last quarter of FY2024-2025.

The global economic outlook remains clouded by uncertainty surrounding U.S. reciprocal tariffs, ongoing geopolitical tensions, and subdued growth across many advanced and emerging economies including Fiji's key export and tourism markets.

Inflation has remained relatively low over the past three months (February to May), supported by easing imported inflation, particularly lower food and fuel prices and stable domestic price conditions. Consumer spending continues to be strong, driven by rising incomes due to increases in both national and sectoral minimum wages and civil service salaries, alongside steady growth in inward remittances. However, investment activity remains modest. Labour market conditions have improved with the influx of foreign workers but challenges around skills shortage and skill mismatch persists. In light of this, growth for 2025 has been revised down from 3.4 percent to 3.2 percent by the Macroeconomic Committee.



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Cashflow Statements

	Annual Budget 2024-2025 (\$m)	9 Months Forecast 2024-2025 (\$m)	9 Months Actual 2024-2025 (\$m)	9 Months Variance 2024-2025 (\$m)	9 Months Variance 2024-2025 (%)	9 Months Actual 2023-2024 (\$m)	9 Months Actual 2024-2025 (\$m)	9 Months Variance 2024-2025 (\$m)	9 Months Variance 2024-2025 (%)	9 Months % of 2024-2025 Annual Budget
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES										
Receipts										
Direct Taxes	1,029.7	732.9	785.7	52.8	7.2%	694.7	785.7	91.0	13.1%	76.3%
Indirect Taxes (excluding Government VAT)	2,152.3	1,554.2	1,699.6	145.4	9.4%	1,454.0	1,699.6	245.6	16.9%	79.0%
Fees, Fines & Charges	169.4	117.1	115.2	-1.9	-1.6%	114.2	115.2	1.0	0.9%	68.0%
Sales Revenue	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0%
Grants in aid	178.6	96.9	36.4	-60.5	-62.4%	50.1	36.4	-13.7	-27.3%	20.4%
Dividends from Investments	162.3	146.3	153.3	6.9	4.7%	117.6	153.3	35.6	30.3%	94.4%
Reimbursement & Recoveries	61.1	7.9	5.0	-2.9	-36.9%	4.8	5.0	0.1	2.8%	8.1%
Other Revenue & Surpluses	39.2	32.0	40.9	9.0	28.1%	31.2	40.9	9.8	31.3%	104.4%
Total operating receipts	3,792.6	2,687.2	2,836.0	148.8	5.5%	2,466.6	2,836.0	369.5	15.0%	74.8%
Payments										
Personnel	1,188.3	1,030.6	876.5	-154.1	-15.0%	742.5	876.5	134.0	18.0%	73.8%
Transfer payments	932.0	810.6	681.9	-128.6	-15.9%	596.9	681.9	85.0	14.2%	73.2%
Supplies and consumables	367.9	356.7	248.3	-108.4	-30.4%	214.3	248.3	34.0	15.9%	67.5%
Purchase of outputs	203.9	163.9	107.9	-56.0	-34.1%	160.0	107.9	-52.0	-32.5%	52.9%
Interest paid	540.0	408.7	386.4	-22.2	-5.4%	379.9	386.4	6.5	1.7%	71.6%
Other operating payments	3.7	0.6	0.6	0.0	-6.7%	0.3	0.6	0.3	106.1%	15.4%
Total operating payments	3,235.7	2,771.0	2,301.6	-469.4	-16.9%	2,093.8	2,301.6	207.8	9.9%	71.1%
Net cash flows from operating activities	556.9	-83.8	534.4	618.2	-737.9%	372.8	534.4	161.6	43.4%	96.0%
As % of GDP	4.0%	-0.6%	3.8%			2.9%	4.1%			
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES										
Receipts										
Sale of Government Assets	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%	7.8	0.0	-7.8	-100.0%	0.0%
Interest from Bank Balance	1.8	1.4	3.3	1.9	132.5%	1.4	3.3	1.9	142.1%	184.9%
Interest on Term Loans	4.0	0.7	2.7	2.0	272.3%	0.2	2.7	2.5	1002.2%	68.5%
Return of Surplus Capital from Investment	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.0%	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.0%	0.0%
Total Investing receipts	7.0	2.2	6.4	4.2	195.8%	9.5	6.4	-3.1	-32.6%	91.2%
Payments										
Loans	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%	0.0%
Transfer Payments	963.4	699.7	631.9	-67.8	-9.7%	608.9	631.9	23.0	3.8%	65.6%
Purchase of physical non-current assets	236.0	169.4	91.5	-77.9	-46.0%	77.7	91.5	13.8	17.7%	38.8%
Total investing payments	1,199.4	869.1	723.4	-145.6	-16.8%	686.6	723.4	36.8	5.4%	60.3%
Net cash flows from investing activities	-1,192.4	-866.9	-717.0	149.9	-17.3%	-677.2	-717.0	-39.9	5.9%	
As a % of GDP	-8.5%	-6.18%	-5.11%			-5.2%	-5.5%			
Net (Deficit)/Surplus	-635.5	-950.7	-182.6			-304.4	-182.6			
% of GDP	-4.5%	-6.8%	-1.3%			-2.3%	-1.3%			
GDP at Market Prices	14,022.8	14,028.7	14,028.7			12,988.6	14,028.7			

Summary									
	Annual Budget	Forecast	Actual	Variance	Actual	Variance	Actual	Variance	% of
	2024-2025	2024-2025	2024-2025	2024-2025	2023-2024	2024-2025	2024-2025	2024-2025	Annual Budget
	(\$m)	(\$m)	(\$m)	(%)	(\$m)	(\$m)	(\$m)	(%)	Annual Budget
Total Revenue	3,916.7	2,794.4	2,888.8	94.4	2,522.5	2,888.9	366.4	14.5%	73.8%
Tax Revenue	3,299.0	2,392.1	2,531.6	139.5	2,195.1	2,531.7	336.6	15.3%	76.7%
Non-Tax Revenue	617.7	402.3	357.2	-45.1	327.4	357.2	29.8	9.1%	57.8%
Total Expenditure	4,552.2	3,745.1	3,071.4	-673.7	2,826.9	3,071.5	244.6	8.7%	67.5%
Operating Expenditure	3,235.7	2,771.0	2,301.6	-469.4	2,093.8	2,301.6	207.8	9.9%	71.1%
Capital Expenditure	1,199.4	869.1	723.4	-145.6	686.6	723.4	36.8	5.4%	60.3%
SEG 13 VAT	117.1	105.1	46.4	-55.9%	46.5	46.4	-0.1	-0.2%	39.6%
Net Deficit	-635.5	-950.7	-182.6	768.1	-304.4	-182.6	121.7	-40.0%	28.7%
% of GDP	-4.5%	-6.8%	-1.3%	5.5%	-1.3%	-1.3%	1.0%	-44.4%	
Nominal GDP	14,022.8	14,028.7	14,028.7		12,988.6	14,028.7			

* Compared to the overall Net Tax Revenue Collection, the difference in tax revenue arises due to the timing of revenue collection.

Tax Performance

Particulars		Annual Budget		9 Months Forecast		9 Months Actual		9 Months Variance		9 Months Actual		9 Months Variance		9 Months % of	
		2024-2025		2024-2025		2024-2025		2024-2025		2024-2025		2024-2025		2024-2025	
		(\$m)		(\$m)		(\$m)		(\$m)		(\$m)		(\$m)		Annual Budget	
Income Tax Collection															
PAYE Tax		211,386,075.6	155,828,957.5	171,220,529.5	15,391,572.0		9.9%			144,277,776.0	171,220,529.5	26,942,753.5	18.7%		81.0%
Withholding & Dividend Tax		164,390,799.3	118,895,181.3	130,758,289.1	11,863,107.9		10.0%			111,666,578.0	130,758,289.1	19,091,711.1	17.1%		79.5%
Company Tax		515,612,917.3	353,821,437.2	379,052,299.9	25,230,862.7		7.1%			363,362,600.0	379,052,299.9	15,689,699.9	4.3%		73.5%
Other Taxes		33,063,835.3	23,916,372.9	29,021,588.8	5,105,215.9		21.3%			22,462,302.0	29,021,588.8	6,559,286.8	29.2%		87.8%
Provisional Tax		15,937,469.2	11,991,686.1	11,824,913.8	-166,772.4		-1.4%			11,262,614.0	11,824,913.8	562,299.8	5.0%		74.2%
Other Misc Tax		47,184,614.1	34,110,222.7	23,306,212.5	-10,804,010.3		-31.7%			32,036,385.0	23,306,212.5	-8,730,172.5	-27.3%		49.4%
ICT Business Licence Fee		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0%			0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%		0.0%
Tourist VAT Refund Registration Fee		211,160.8	206,965.3	191,250.0	-15,715.3		-7.6%			194,382.0	191,250.0	-3,132.0	-1.6%		90.6%
Yacht Agent Registration		75,574.9	75,574.9	197,582.0	122,007.1		161.4%			70,980.0	197,582.0	126,602.0	178.4%		261.4%
Gross Revenue		987,862,446.5	698,846,397.9	745,572,665.6	46,726,267.7		6.7%			685,333,619.0	745,572,665.6	60,239,046.6	8.8%		75.5%
Less: Refunds		-18,286,015.1	-13,305,764.4	-11,686,574.7	1,649,189.7		-12.4%			-34,756,782.0	-11,656,574.7	23,100,207.3	-66.5%		63.7%
Less: Film Tax Rebates				0.0	0.0		0.0%			0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%		0.0%
Net Income Tax		969,576,431.4	685,540,633.5	733,916,090.9	48,375,457.3		7.1%			650,576,837.0	733,916,090.9	83,339,253.8	12.8%		75.7%
Value Added Tax															
Customs Import VAT		951,814,145.1	699,826,839.2	729,417,793.4	29,590,954.2		4.2%			656,631,909.0	729,417,793.4	72,785,884.4	11.1%		76.6%
Domestic VAT		929,241,501.3	680,196,225.3	753,974,132.4	73,777,907.1		10.8%			605,499,909.0	753,974,132.4	148,474,223.4	24.5%		81.1%
Other Government Departments		13,933,124.1	10,772,800.4	6,021,393.5	-4,751,406.8		-44.1%			10,117,834.0	6,021,393.5	-4,096,440.5	-40.5%		43.2%
Gross VAT Collection		1,894,988,770.5	1,390,795,864.8	1,489,413,319.3	98,617,454.4		7.1%			1,272,249,652.0	1,489,413,319.3	217,163,667.3	17.4%		78.6%
Less: VAT Refunds		-429,466,717.2	-315,653,248.0	-336,441,434.6	-20,788,186.6		6.6%			-291,119,063.0	-336,441,434.6	-45,322,371.6	15.6%		78.3%
Less: Tourist VAT Refunds		-2,224,415.0	-1,633,038.9	-1,240,567.1	392,471.8		-24.0%			-1,465,883.0	-1,240,567.1	225,315.9	-15.4%		55.8%
Net VAT Collection		1,463,297,638.4	1,073,509,577.9	1,151,731,317.6	78,221,739.7		7.3%			979,664,706.0	1,151,731,317.6	172,066,611.6	17.6%		78.7%
Capital Gains Tax		40,019,732.7	32,375,628.8	34,298,946.2	17,710,228.1		54.7%			26,885,244.0	34,298,946.2	7,413,702.2	27.6%		85.7%
Service Turnover Tax		0.0	0.0	169,043.5	0.0		0.0%			162,677.0	169,043.5	6,366.5	3.9%		0.0%
Environment and Climate Adaptation Levy		10,151,016.0	7,543,634.9	7,032,760.1	7,084,633.5		93.9%			7,323,917.0	7,032,760.1	-291,156.9	-4.0%		69.3%
Stamp Duty		0.0	0.0	875.0	0.0		0.0%			96,527.0	875.0	-95,652.0	-99.1%		0.0%
Social Responsibility Tax		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0%			5,195,759.0	0.0	-5,195,759.0	-100.0%		0.0%
Telecommunication Levy		823,714.9	629,868.1	452,505.4	710,682.9		112.8%			617,518.0	452,505.4	-165,012.6	-26.7%		54.9%
Fringe Benefit Tax		20,060,769.5	14,958,841.9	17,298,729.9	14,085,169.3		94.2%			14,049,372.0	17,298,729.9	3,249,357.9	23.1%		86.2%
Customs Collections															
Fiscal Duty		373,481,462.5	271,853,838.0	289,989,044.0	18,135,206.0		6.7%			272,814,362.0	289,989,044.0	17,174,682.0	6.3%		77.6%
Import Excise Duty		27,866,573.1	20,596,292.1	25,557,092.1	4,960,800.0		24.1%			19,344,076.0	25,557,092.1	6,213,016.1	32.1%		91.7%
Excise Duty		161,228,529.3	117,477,772.7	118,357,091.8	879,319.1		0.7%			106,191,954.0	118,357,091.8	12,165,137.8	11.5%		73.4%
Export Duty		8,957,361.4	6,685,795.7	7,070,866.9	385,071.1		5.8%			6,279,312.0	7,070,866.9	791,554.9	12.6%		78.9%
Luxury Vehicle Levy		970,000.0	870,000.0	700,000.0	-170,000.0		-19.5%			740,000.0	700,000.0	-40,000.0	-5.4%		72.2%
Misc Fees/Charge			0	-	0.0		0.0%			130,000.0	0.0	-130,000.0	-100.0%		0.0%
Other Sundries		322,770.5	190,214.4	214,349.4	24,135.0		12.7%			178,650.0	214,349.4	35,699.4	20.0%		66.4%
Gross Customs Collections		572,823,696.9	417,673,912.9	441,888,444.3	24,214,531.3		5.8%			405,678,354.0	441,888,444.3	36,210,090.3	8.9%		77.1%
Less: Rebates		-3,213,746.1	-2,343,141.9	-1,528,316.5	814,825.4		-34.8%			-2,272,228.0	-1,528,316.5	743,911.6	-32.7%		47.6%
Less: Misc Fees/Charges		0.0		0.0	0.0		0.0%			0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%		0.0%
Net Customs Collection		569,609,950.8	415,330,771.0	440,360,127.8	25,029,356.8		6.0%			403,406,126.0	440,360,127.8	36,954,001.8	9.2%		77.3%
Resource Tax		81,247,025.2	57,752,216.3	60,525,664.3	2,773,448.0		4.8%			51,031,490.0	60,525,664.3	9,494,174.3	18.6%		74.5%
Departure Tax		144,210,651.9	104,492,142.0	86,358,996.0	-18,133,146.0		-17.4%			60,325,283.0	86,358,996.0	26,033,713.0	43.2%		59.9%
Overall Net Tax Revenue Collections		3,298,996,930.9	2,392,133,314.5	2,532,145,056.6	140,011,742.1		5.9%			2,199,335,457.0	2,532,145,056.6	332,809,599.6	15.1%		76.8%