

# Cultural Funding by Government—2021–22

## Northern Territory Government

The estimate of expenditure funded by the Northern Territory Government in 2021–22 for cultural activities was **$79.9m**, representing an increase of 3% or $2.7m from 2020–21. This amount includes **$0.2m** of targeted COVID support funding for cultural and creative organisations and infrastructure, businesses, individuals, support programs and initiatives.

Table. 1 Northern Territory Government cultural expenditure, 2019–20 to 2021–22

| 2019–20 | 2020–21[[1]](#footnote-1) | 2021–22[[2]](#footnote-2) |
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| $76.0m  | $77.2m ↑2% | $79.9m ↑3% |

* Recurrent expenses accounted for 91% ($72.9m) of funded cultural expenditure.
* Capital expenditure was $7.0m, and the largest category was *Art museums* ($3.6m).
* The estimate of per person funding was $320.48.

Funds for Total *Heritage* activities (recurrent and capital) increased 12% (or $4.5m) to $42.4m.

This increase was driven by expenditure on *Art museums* (↑$2.4m) and *Other museums and cultural heritage* (↑$1.9m).

The largest categories of *Heritage* expenditure were *Art museums* with $21.8m, followed by *Libraries* with $11.9m. Expenditure on *Art museums* was over half (51%) the *Heritage* expenditure by the Northern Territory Government.

Figure 1. Northern Territory Government heritage expenditure (recurrent and capital)

Funds for Total *Arts* activities (recurrent and capital) dropped 5% (or $1.9m) to $37.5m.

The main contributor to this decrease was *Film and video production and distribution* ↓$1.4m, offset by increases in funding for Visual arts and crafts ↑$0.8m and *Cross-art form* ↑$0.5m.

Figure 2. Northern Territory Government arts expenditure (recurrent and capital), by selected categories

The main categories of *Arts* activities funding were:

* *Multi-arts festivals*—$12.5m
* *Arts education*—$4.0m
* *Visual arts and crafts*—$2.8m
* *Film and video production and distribution*—$2.3m
* *Cross-art form*—$2.3m.

Total recurrent expenditure increased by less than 1% (or $0.2m) to $72.9m.

The largest recurrent expenditure was for *Art museums*, $18.3m.

Figure 3. Northern Territory Government recurrent cultural expenditure, by selected categories

1. Includes $0.7m targeted cultural and creative sector COVID support funding, reported across categories and totals. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Includes $0.2m targeted cultural and creative sector COVID support funding, reported across categories and totals. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)