



Appendix four – Sources of information and council classifications

Sources of information

This report comments on the results of audits completed on the 2017–18 financial statements of 125 councils and ten county councils. The audit of Bayside Council's 2017–18 financial statements is ongoing as the council received a lodgement extension from the Office of Local Government.

In addition to the audited financial statements, the comments and analysis in this report has been drawn from:

- data collected from councils
- audit findings reported to councils
- data from external sources, including population, kilometres of roads, and council area data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics and the Office of Local Government.

Council classifications

We adopted the following methodology when classifying councils in our report.

OLG classification	Audit Office grouping
Metropolitan	Metropolitan
Regional town/city	Regional
Metropolitan fringe	Metropolitan
Rural	Rural
Large rural	Rural

Source: OLG classifications and Audit Office.

Below is a list of councils and county councils by classification.

Metropolitan councils		
Bayside Council	Blacktown City Council	Blue Mountains City Council
Burwood Council	Camden Council	Campbelltown City Council
City of Canada Bay Council	Canterbury Bankstown Council	Central Coast Council
Cumberland Council	Fairfield City Council	Georges River Council
Hawkesbury City Council	Hills Shire Council, The	Hornsby, The Council of the Shire of
Hunters Hill, The Council of the Municipality of	Inner West Council	Ku-ring-gai Council
Lane Cove Municipal Council	Liverpool City Council	Mosman Municipal Council
North Sydney Council	Northern Beaches Council	Parramatta Council, City of
Penrith City Council	Randwick City Council	Ryde City Council
Strathfield Municipal Council	Sutherland Shire Council	Sydney, Council of the City of
Waverley Council	Willoughby City Council	Wollondilly Shire Council
Woollahra Municipal Council		

Regional councils

Albury City Council	Armidale Regional Council	Ballina Shire Council
Bathurst Regional Council	Bega Valley Shire Council	Broken Hill City Council
Byron Shire Council	Cessnock City Council	Clarence Valley Council
Coffs Harbour City Council	Dubbo Regional Council	Eurobodalla Shire Council
Goulburn Mulwaree Council	Griffith City Council	Kempsey Shire Council
Kiama, the Council of the Municipality of	Lake Macquarie City Council	Lismore City Council
Lithgow Council, City of	Maitland City Council	Mid-Coast Council
Mid-Western Regional Council	Newcastle City Council	Orange City Council
Port Macquarie-Hastings Council	Port Stephens Council	Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council
Richmond Valley Council	Shellharbour City Council	Shoalhaven City Council
Singleton Council	Snowy Monaro Regional Council	Tamworth Regional Council
Tweed Shire Council	Wagga Wagga City Council	Wingecarribee Shire Council
Wollongong City Council		

Rural councils

Balranald Shire Council	Bellingen Shire Council	Berrigan Shire Council
Bland Shire Council	Blayney Shire Council	Bogan Shire Council
Bourke Shire Council	Brewarrina Shire Council	Cabonne Council
Carrathool Shire Council	Central Darling Shire Council	Cobar Shire Council
Coolamon Shire Council	Coonamble Shire Council	Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council
Cowra Shire Council	Dungog Shire Council	Edward River Council
Federation Council	Forbes Shire Council	Gilgandra Shire Council
Glen Innes Severn Council	Greater Hume Shire Council	Gunnedah Shire Council
Gwydir Shire Council	Hay Shire Council	Hilltops Council
Inverell Shire Council	Junee Shire Council	Kyogle Council
Lachlan Shire Council	Leeton Shire Council	Liverpool Plains Shire Council
Lockhart Shire Council	Moree Plains Shire Council	Murray River Council
Murrumbidgee Council	Muswellbrook Shire Council	Nambucca Shire Council
Narrabri Shire Council	Narrandera Shire Council	Narromine Shire Council
Oberon Council	Parkes Shire Council	Snowy Valleys Council
Temora Shire Council	Tenterfield Shire Council	Upper Hunter Shire Council
Upper Lachlan Shire Council	Uralla Shire Council	Walcha Council
Walgett Shire Council	Warren Shire Council	Warrumbungle Shire Council
Weddin Shire Council	Wentworth Shire Council	Yass Valley Council

County councils

Castlereagh-Macquarie County Council	Central Murray County Council	Central Tablelands County Council
Goldenfields Water County Council	Hawkesbury River County Council	New England Weeds Authority
Riverina Water County Council	Rous County Council	Upper Hunter County Council
Upper Macquarie County Council		