



Australian Government Impact Analysis, 2026-27

The Office of Impact Analysis (OIA) publishes Impact Analyses (IAs) – formerly known as Regulation Impact Statements (RISs) – on its website as soon as practicable after the date of policy announcements, in consultation with the relevant agency.

The July 2026 '[Australian Government Impact Analysis Framework](#)' outlines when an agency is required to prepare a Dashboard or Detailed IA for relevant policy proposals. The Dashboard IA is the primary product used to inform decision-makers at key decision points. The Prime Minister or the Cabinet may require a Detailed IA for in-scope policy proposals with moderate or major impacts. A Detailed IA is also required for proposals that meet the IA thresholds and involve introducing a mandatory standard that deviates from existing international standards. The framework outlines that when remaking a sunseting legislative instrument, agencies need to assess the instrument against the IA scope and IA threshold and, if required, prepare a Dashboard IA.

This summary report covers IAs published to the OIA website in 2026-27 up to 1 October 2026.

- Published IAs, Addenda providing additional analysis to an IA and IAs for remaking relevant sunseting legislative instruments are available on the OIA website: [Published impact analyses | The Office of Impact Analysis](#).
- IA reports for previous years are also available on the OIA website: [Summary Reports | The Office of Impact Analysis](#).

Department and Agency names in this report reflect their name at the time the IA was published.

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Summary of Impact Analyses, 2026-27

Table 1. Summary of published IA, as at 1 October 2026

Type	Count
Impact Analysis	6
Addenda providing additional analysis to an Impact Analysis	5
Estimated Annual impact on Regulatory Burden ¹	\$77.4 million
Impact Analysis for remaking relevant sunseting legislative instruments ²	5

Impact Analysis by Agency, 2026-27

Australian Securities and Investments Commission

Table 2. Australian Securities and Investments Commission

Proposal	IA type	Estimated Average Annual impact on Regulatory Burden (\$m)
Declaration of qualified accountants under ASIC Corporations (Qualified Accountant) Instrument 2026/734	Sunseting Instrument	The proposal is expected to impose minimal regulatory burden

¹ The estimate draws on analysis in published IAs, including published addenda. Regulatory burden estimates in IAs are based on the 'Regulatory Burden Measurement Framework' and estimate the average annual change in regulatory burden over 10 years (without discounting), where a positive number represents an increase in regulatory burden. The total annual impact on regulatory burden excludes the regulatory burden for IAs where the regulatory burden is not presented in a standardised format or is not quantified, and the regulatory burden due to remaking a sunseting legislative instrument.

² Under the July 2026 'Australian Government Impact Analysis Framework', where remaking relevant sunseting legislative instrument, the Dashboard IA should provide a regulatory burden estimate of the change in regulatory burden relative to the status quo of there being no instrument in place. However, any change in regulatory burden for remaking a legislative instrument is not included in the Estimated Annual Impact on Regulatory Burden.

Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

Table 3. Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

Proposal	IA type	Estimated Average Annual impact on Regulatory Burden (\$m)
Certification of Final Report of the EPBC Act Review: Addendum 2 September 2026 – National Environmental Standard for Matters of National Environmental Significance (MNES)	Addendum	Contributory portion of the overall \$3,045,000,000 p/a in reduced regulatory burden reported in the Addendum 30 October 2025 ³
Certification of Final Report of the EPBC Act Review: Addendum 2 September 2026 – National Environmental Standard for Environmental Offsets	Addendum	Contributory portion of the overall \$3,045,000,000 p/a in reduced regulatory burden reported in the Addendum 30 October 2025 ⁴
Certification of Final Report of the EPBC Act Review: Addendum 2 September 2026 – National Environmental Standard for Community Engagement	Addendum	Contributory portion of the overall \$3,045,000,000 p/a in reduced regulatory burden reported in the Addendum 30 October 2025 ⁵
Certification of Final Report of the EPBC Act Review: Addendum 2 September 2026 – National Environmental Standard for Data and Information	Addendum	Contributory portion of the overall \$3,045,000,000 p/a in reduced regulatory burden reported in the Addendum 30 October 2025 ⁶

Department of Defence

Table 4. Department of Defence

Proposal	IA type	Estimated Average Annual impact on Regulatory Burden (\$m)
Woomera Prohibited Area Rule 2014	Sunsetting Instrument	\$0.02 ⁷

³ As the addenda are contributory portion of the overall \$3,045,000,000 p/a in reduced regulatory burden reported in the Addendum 30 October 2025 [Environmental Law Reform: Certification of Final Report of the EPBC Act Review Addendum to the Final Report](#), this figure was not included in the total estimated annual impact on Regulatory Burden.

⁴ See footnote 3.

⁵ See footnote 3.

⁶ See footnote 3.

⁷ Completed under the March 2023 'Australian Government Guide to Policy Impact Analysis', where the change in the regulatory burden for remaking the sunseting instrument was estimated as the difference of the proposed changes to the existing regulations against the unamended instrument continuing.

Department of Health, Disability and Ageing

Table 5. Department of Health, Disability and Ageing

Proposal	IA type	Estimated Average Annual impact on Regulatory Burden (\$m)
Biosecurity (Ship Sanitation Certification Scheme – Ports) Declaration 2026	Sunsetting Instrument	\$0, the Department noted it is not possible to certify that no shipping operator will incur any cost increase at all, but their assessment is that any potential cost increase is negligible, due to the multiple alternative options for accessing ship sanitation inspections at 36 other Australian ports and hundreds of ports internationally ⁸
Biosecurity (Human Health) Regulations 2026	Sunsetting Instrument	\$0 ⁹
Implementation of Support Determinations in NDIS old framework plans – exclusions and safeguards for NDIS participants	Dashboard IA	The regulatory burden is not quantified

Department of Home Affairs

Table 6. Department of Home Affairs

Proposal	IA type	Estimated Average Annual impact on Regulatory Burden (\$m)
Addendum - Enhanced Critical Infrastructure Risk Management Program (CIRMP) Reforms 2025	Addendum	\$57.5

Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Table 7. Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

Proposal	IA type	Estimated Average Annual impact on Regulatory Burden (\$m)
Radio Prominence Framework for Smart Speakers	Detailed IA	\$1.313
Digital Duty of Care Model for Online Safety	Impact Analysis Equivalent	\$1.408

⁸ Completed under the previous March 2023 'Australian Government Guide to Policy Impact Analysis', where the change in the regulatory burden for remaking the sunsetting instrument was estimated as the difference of the proposed changes to the existing regulations against the unamended instrument continuing.

⁹ Completed under the previous March 2023 'Australian Government Guide to Policy Impact Analysis', where the change in the regulatory burden for remaking the sunsetting instrument was estimated as the difference of the proposed changes to the existing regulations against the unamended instrument continuing.

Proposal	IA type	Estimated Average Annual impact on Regulatory Burden (\$m)
Exemption from Public Tenders Threshold under the National Land Transport Act 2014	Sunsetting Instrument	-\$0.35

Department of the Treasury

Table 8. Department of the Treasury

Proposal	IA type	Estimated Average Annual impact on Regulatory Burden (\$m)
Non-compete clauses and other worker restraints	Impact Analysis	One-off familiarisation cost of \$46.4 million
Superannuation trustee compensation model	Dashboard IA	\$8.81
Enhancing consumer protections for SMSF establishments, and Realignment of the SMSF supervisory levy	Dashboard IA	\$8.4