

Summary.

	Public Works Department.	Other Departments.	Total.
	£	£	£
Gross expenditure	15,164,060	3,072,264	18,236,324
Recoveries and receipts	8,364,883	1,424,456	9,789,339

Of the net expenditure of £10,599,566 previously mentioned, £5,750,175 may be regarded as having been expended from loan-moneys (£3,912,806 General Purposes Account, £1,580,300 Electric Supply Account, and £257,069 Main Highways Account), the balance—i.e., £4,849,391—being expended from loan recoveries, war expenses, revenue, and taxation.

The ratio which the various classes bear to the whole is shown below. It should be noted that the figures are gross—that is, before deducting recoveries, which, if deducted, would detract from the true portrayal of activities :—

	£	Per Cent.
Roads, including construction and maintenance of main highways	2,787,920	= 13·67
Hydro-electric (construction and working-expenses)	2,305,081	= 11·31
Railway-construction, improvements and additions	811,015	= 3·98
Public buildings, including schools	1,254,164	= 6·15
Small farms development	436,979	= 2·14
Lands-improvement	163,979	= 0·80
Irrigation	538,176	= 2·64
Public buildings, roads, &c. (maintenance)	379,392	= 1·86
Telegraph extension	434,320	= 2·13
Native-land settlement	862,260	= 4·23
Plant, material, and services for other Departments	5,286,215	= 25·93
Linen-flax development	679,728	= 3·33
Miscellaneous	2,297,095	= 11·27
Revenue receipts	2,152,581	= 10·56
	<u>£20,388,905</u>	<u>= 100·00</u>

In regard to the ways and means of the General Purposes Account of the Public Works Fund the position is as under :—

Balance available 1st April, 1941	£	1,521,270
Add funds received during the year—	£	
Finance Act, 1939, section 2 (Public Works)	4,548,168	
Finance Act 1940, section 3	1,390,127	
	<u>5,938,295</u>	
Less—	£	
Loans redeemed, 1941–42	24,300	
	<u>5,913,995</u>	
Miscellaneous	164,014	
	<u>6,078,009</u>	
		7,599,279
Deduct expenditure during 1941–42 under annual appropriations		3,915,313
Balance available 31st March, 1942		<u>£3,683,966</u>

The estimated net expenditure for the Public Works Department under the Public Works Account for the current financial year is £1,110,000, and arrangements are being made with the Minister of Finance to provide the necessary funds. This is the amount shown on the Public Works departmental estimates, which also show an estimated net expenditure of £2,000,000 from the Electric Supply Account and £1,692,200 from the Main Highways Account, a total for all these accounts of £4,802,200.

Summary of Votes under Control of Minister of Public Works and Proposed Ways and Means of Raising the Necessary Funds—Year ending 31st March, 1943.

Vote.	Loans.	Consolidated Fund.	Special Revenue.	Total.
	£	£	£	£
Departmental	150,000	..	..	150,000
Railway-construction	150,000	..	..	150,000
Public Buildings	350,000	..	..	350,000
Lighthouses and Harbour-works	20,000	..	..	20,000
Roads	170,000	..	..	170,000
Land-improvement	70,000	..	..	70,000
Irrigation	200,000	..	..	200,000
Electric Supply	1,100,000	..	900,000	2,000,000
Main Highways	300,000	..	1,392,200	1,692,200
Maintenance of Public Works and Services	..	500,000	..	500,000
Totals	<u>2,510,000</u>	<u>500,000</u>	<u>2,292,200</u>	<u>5,302,200</u>