

# State budget of the Republic of Slovenia for 2018

Overview of the key areas of state budget expenditure and budgetary resources

EUR 9.6 billion of state budget expenditure through the indicated expenditure priorities reflect the care for the individuals and will serve to stimulate sustainable growth and development.



## SECURITY:

For security purposes, more funds out of a total of EUR 1.3 billion will be allocated to the development of the defense system, technical equipment of the police, better functioning of the judicial authorities and increased flood safety. A total of 7,093 police officers and 7,450 members of the Slovenian Armed Forces take care of Slovenia's security.



## INFRASTRUCTURE :

Key investments will be made in the upgrading and updating of the rail infrastructure and the road network, the development of public transportation services, renewable energy sources and government IT network. Investments in the infrastructure will total EUR 822 million, which will also contribute to balanced regional development.



## SCIENCE:

EUR 275 million will be allocated to the research equipment, projects and research infrastructure. This will strengthen the development of scientific staff and young researchers with a view to supporting innovation and basic and applied science, thus creating higher added value. There are 2,333 researchers working in Slovenia.



## HEALTH:

More funds will be allocated to the improvement of public health, the quality of and access to health services, the shortening of waiting periods and more efficient management of health institutions. Allocations to the health sector from the state budget and the health insurance fund will total EUR 170 million and EUR 2.8 billion, respectively.

## Revenue, expenditure and surplus

2018 (in EUR million)

Total revenue **9.676**

Total expenditure **9.625**

Budget  
**SURPLUS**  
**51**

## The state budget shows a surplus. How will the surplus be allocated?

Higher revenue will be primarily allocated to debt reduction, additional funding of the aforementioned priorities, investments on the state and municipal levels and to the financing of areas that were subject to restrictive measures in the past, such as the elimination of wage disparities in the public sector, pension indexation, yearly bonuses paid to pensioners, and family and social benefits.

## Method of raising funds – main budget revenue

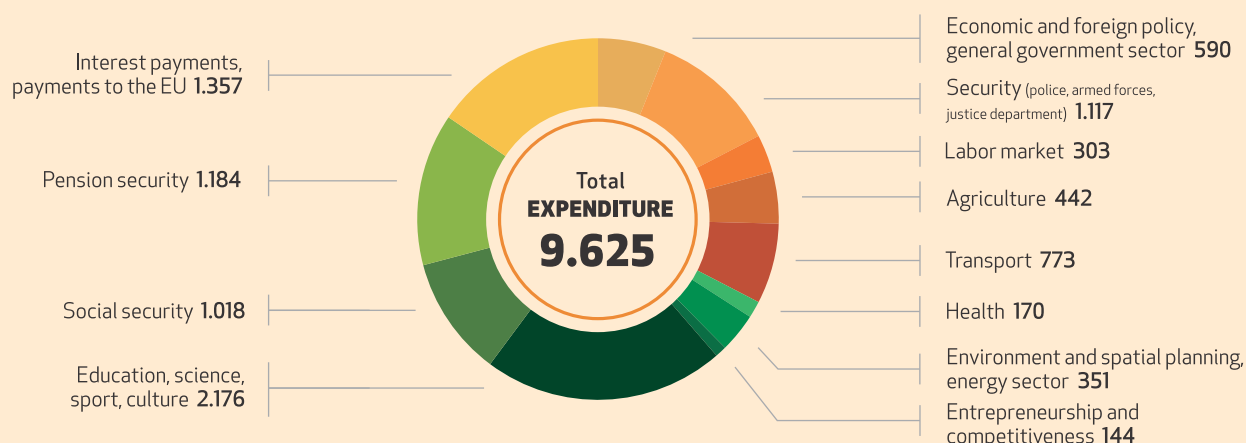
2018 (in EUR million)



Total  
**REVENUE**  
**9.676**

## How the money is spent – budget expenditure

2018 (in EUR million)



### EDUCATION AND SPORTS:



EUR 1.7 billion will be allocated to education and sports. EUR 800 million of this amount will be allocated to the financing of 455 elementary schools and 69 music schools, EUR 310 million to the financing of secondary education provided by 117 schools, and EUR 300 million to post-secondary vocational and higher education. The education system employs 40,933 childcare workers, teachers and professors in total. This sector also pursues objectives in the field of sports and related infrastructure.

### SOCIAL SECURITY:



EUR 1 billion will be paid out as family benefits and parental allowances (EUR 502 million), social assistance benefits in cash (EUR 173 million), supplementary benefits (EUR 19 million), benefits to war-disabled persons, war veterans and victims of wartime violence (EUR 59 million), home-to-school transport subsidies (EUR 44 million), subsidies for school and student meals (EUR 59 million) and scholarships (EUR 72 million).

### PENSIONS:



EUR 4.5 billion will be paid out as retirement pensions and pension indexation benefits, of which EUR 1.2 billion will be provided from the state budget, and the rest from the pension and disability insurance fund which is financed from the contributions paid.

### EMPLOYMENT:



EUR 82 million will be allocated to finance the active labor market policy (employment incentives, integration of unemployed persons into support and development programs, community work, education and training). This will contribute to the strengthening of employment and further reducing of unemployment. EUR 150 million will be allocated to unemployment benefits.

### ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND COMPETITIVENESS:



EUR 144 million will be allocated to the promotion of entrepreneurship, competitiveness, foreign investments, marketing, tourism development, rehabilitation of companies and support for technological development. Financial instruments will be implemented with EU funds (through loans, microloans, guarantees and equity financing) for higher risk corporate investments with a view to increasing value added.

### EU BUDGETARY RESOURCES:



EUR 905 million will be provided from EU funds. Most of these funds will be allocated to cohesion policy projects and agricultural and fisheries policy programs. More emphasis will be placed on repayable sources of financing (loans).



## Debt is decreasing and so are interest payments

EUR 856 million will be allocated from the state budget for interest payments, which is EUR 117 million less than in 2017. The state budget debt will decrease in 2018, with the total general government reaching 71.7% of GDP.

### How to find information in budget documents?

The **GENERAL PART** contains information about state fiscal policies for raising and allocating public revenue. Budget users and program areas are covered by the **SPECIAL PART** of the budget. The **DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM PLAN** is the third part of the state budget which shows individual projects throughout their lifetime.

### Budget publication and links

[http://www.mf.gov.si/si/delovna\\_podrocja/proracun/sprejeti\\_proracun](http://www.mf.gov.si/si/delovna_podrocja/proracun/sprejeti_proracun)



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