



Parliamentary
Budget Office

Innovation and services to members

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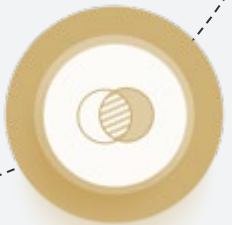
Purpose of the PBO



To create a **more level playing field for all parliamentarians**



To ensure the **accuracy of election commitment costings**



To **improve transparency**, particularly around budget information and budget-related issues

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This service is available to Committees

Policy costings & budget analysis

Prepare high quality policy costings and budget analyses at the request of parliamentarians in a timely manner.

Develop and maintain our costing and projection models and databases.



Self-initiated activity

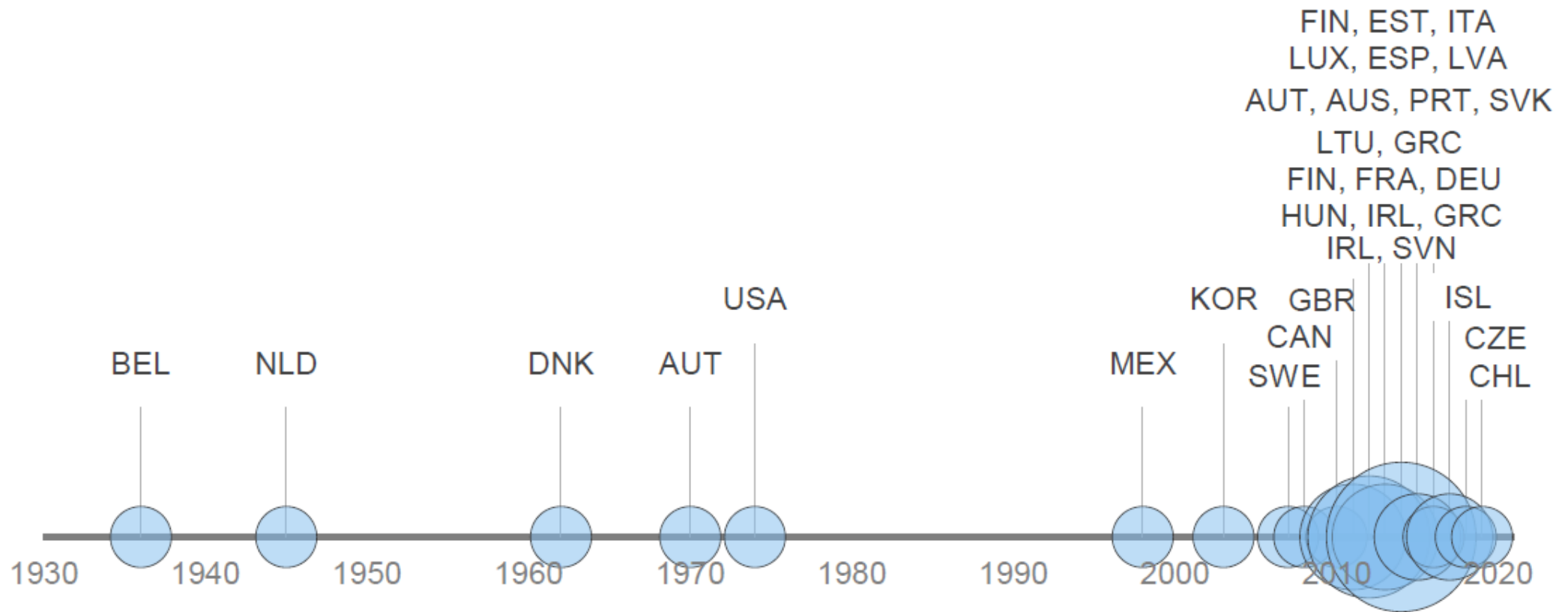
Publish research papers that promote a better public understanding of the budget and fiscal policy settings, with a particular focus on the sustainability of the budget over the medium term.



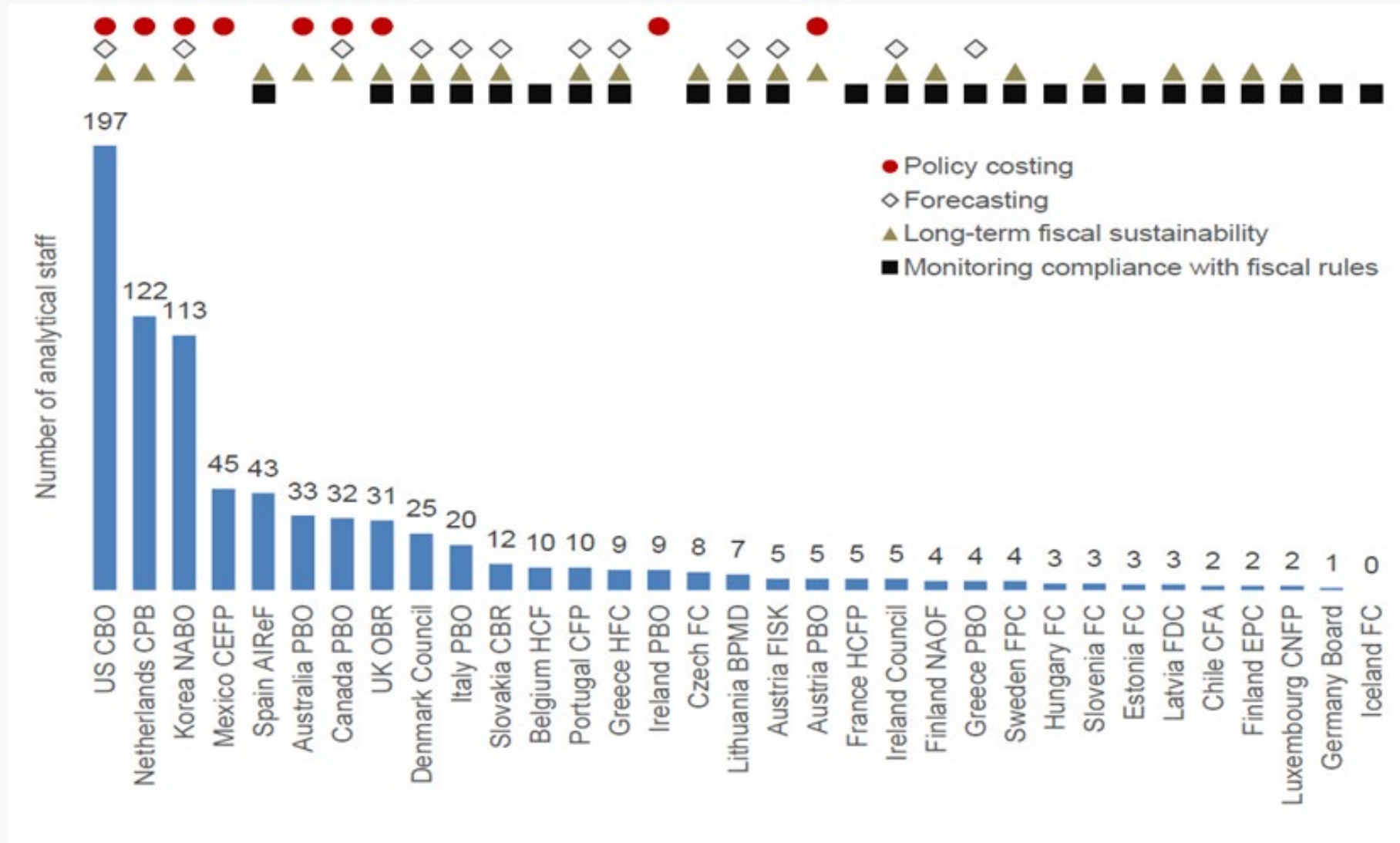
Election commitments report

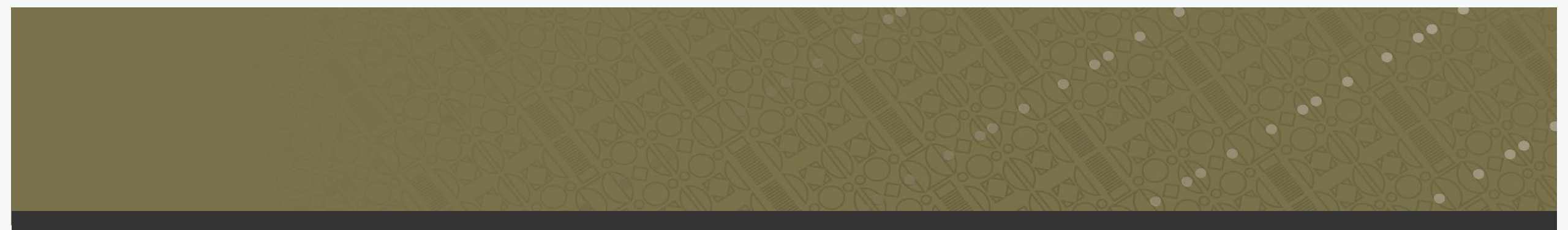
Prepare and publish a report analysing the budget impact of the election commitments of parliamentary parties after the next general election.

Independent Fiscal Institutions



International comparisons





How we support the Parliament

Our products

Regular reports

- Beyond the Budget
- National Fiscal Outlook

Explainers & Budget Bites

- Guide to the Budget
- Bracket Creep
- The Contingency Reserve
- Online Budget Glossary
- Indexation
- Superannuation taxation
- Jobseeker

Resources

- Budget chart packs
- Public Debt Interest (PDI) calculator
- Historical Fiscal Data

Other reports

- Ageing population
- Trends in GST
- Jobseeker

NEW INTERACTIVE TOOLS

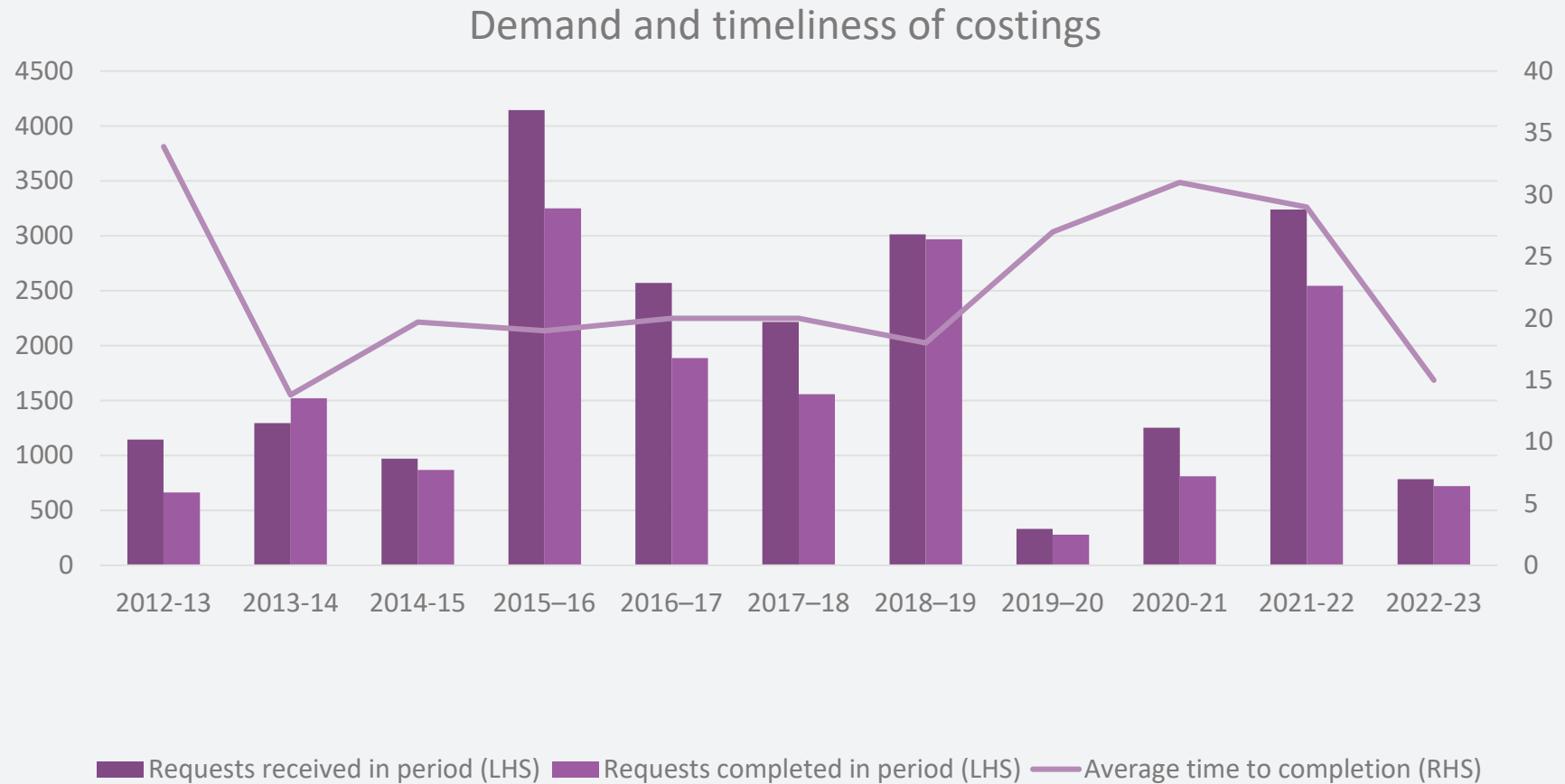
Build your own budget (BYOB)

An educational interactive tool to explore the impact of different economic assumptions and policy settings of your choice.

Small Model of Australian Representative Taxpayers (SMART)

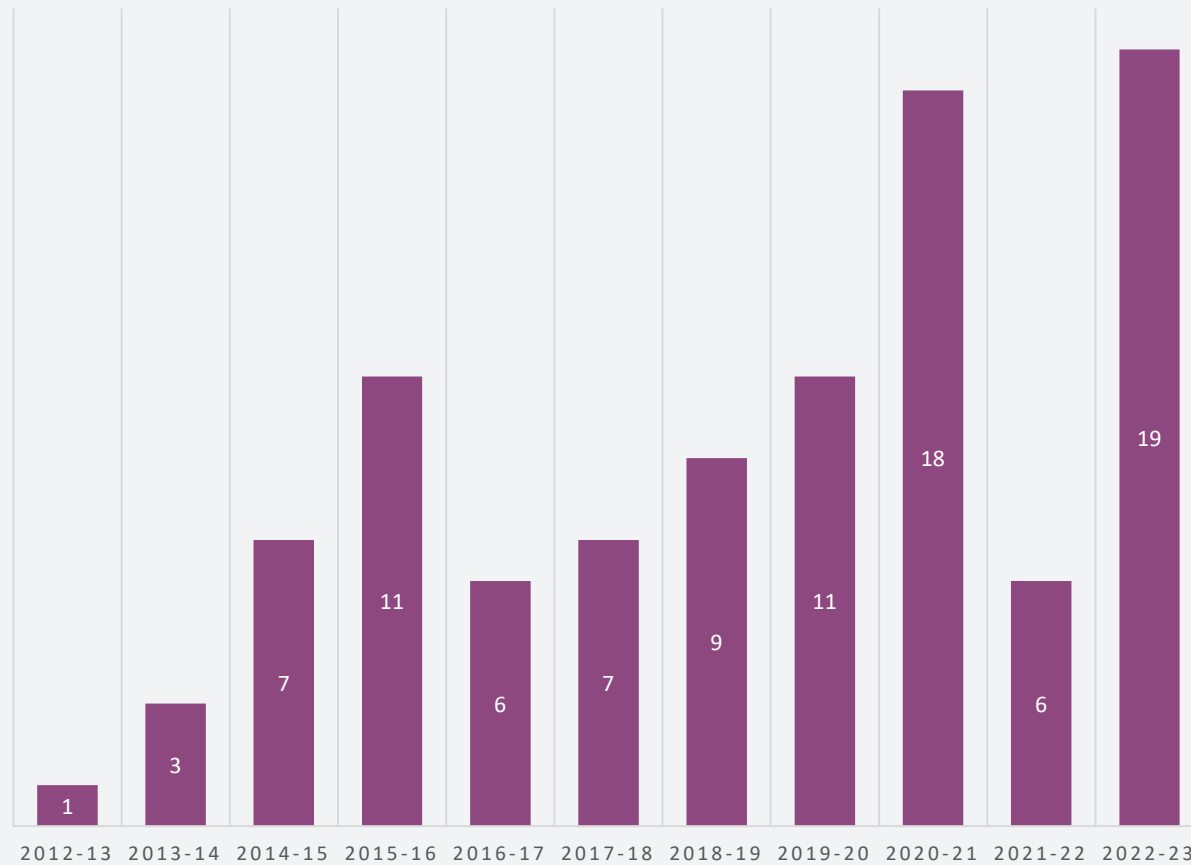
An experimental analytical tool that allows users change income tax rates and thresholds, enabling finer analysis than what can be achieved with *BYOB*.

Parliamentarian requests



Self-initiated products

NUMBER OF SELF-INITIATED PRODUCTS



Innovations

Budget snapshot – Power BI

[Budget Charts | pbo](#)

Build your own budget

An experimental tool to explore the impact of different economic assumptions and policy settings of your choice.

[Build your own budget](#)

Small Model of Australian Representative Taxpayers (SMART)

An experimental analytical tool that allows users to adjust various personal income tax policy settings.

[Launch SMART](#)

What's next

How to get in touch with us

Drop-in

We will be running regular drop-in sessions, but you can also visit PBO for consultations.

We are located in Parliament House in the Senate wing (S1.115)

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