



The Bureau at a glance

Our purpose

Our purpose is defined by our mission:

To provide trusted, reliable and responsive weather, water, climate, ocean and space weather services for Australia – all day, every day.

To achieve our purpose – across the domains of weather, water, climate, oceans and space weather – we:

- monitor and report on current conditions
- provide forecasts, warnings and long-term outlooks
- analyse and explain trends
- foster greater public understanding and use of the information we provide
- continue to extend our understanding of, and ability to forecast, Australian conditions.

Our vision

Our vision is:

To be an organisation of global standing, that is highly valued by the community for our pivotal role in enabling a safe, prosperous, secure and healthy Australia.

Our Strategy

Our Strategy is focused on four pillars of success:

Impact and value

Products and services that enhance the wellbeing of all Australians.

Operational excellence

Outstanding people supported by secure, effective and resilient systems, processes and technology.

Insight and innovation

Practical implementation of novel, mission-directed solutions for our customers.

The Bureau way

One enterprise that lives its values through agreed behaviours every day.

Authority

The Bureau operates under the authority of the *Meteorology Act 1955* and the *Water Act 2007*. The Bureau is an Executive Agency under the *Public Service Act 1999*, and a non-corporate entity under the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013*. The *Meteorology Act 1955* requires the Bureau to fulfil Australia's international obligations under the Convention of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and related international treaties and agreements.

Portfolio and ministers

At 30 June 2023, the Bureau operated within the Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water Portfolio reporting to the Minister for the Environment and Water, the Hon Tanya Plibersek MP.

Funding

The Bureau receives the majority of its funding from the Australian Government (\$345.5 million in 2022–23). Additional revenue (\$101.8 million in 2022–23) was derived from other sources, including the sale of goods and services. More information is provided in the Financial resource management chapter (p.203) and in the Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water Portfolio Budget Statements 2022–23.

Under the Portfolio Budget Statements, the Bureau is responsible to the Australian Government for Program 1.1 – Bureau of Meteorology, and for delivering the following outcome:

Enabling a safe, prosperous, secure and healthy Australia through the provision of weather, water, climate, ocean and space weather services.



Top: Senior Meteorologists Rosa Hoff and Baden Gilbert in National Production Services in Brisbane. Bottom: Ashwin Naidu, Aviation Customer Lead at the 2023 Avalon Airshow.

Our staff

At 30 June 2023, the Bureau had 2,374 total staff, including 1,583 ongoing staff, 213 non-ongoing staff, and 578 contractors, as well as over 3,100 volunteer rainfall observers who help maintain Australia's climate record. More information can be found in the People management chapter (p.180).

Bureau staff are located across Australia, on remote islands and in Antarctica. The Bureau's administrative and operational headquarters are in Melbourne. The Bureau observe and forecast from the Antarctic to north of the equator, and from the Indian Ocean to the Pacific. More information on the location of our staff and services is provided in the Agency overview (p.28).

Our values

The values that guide our behaviours are:

- safety
- integrity
- customer focus
- passion and tenacity
- responsibility
- humility.

More information on the Bureau's values can be found in the Agency overview (p.28).

