

## Indigenous outcomes

The department had three Indigenous outcomes in 2004–05. This is a result of the transfer into the department at Budget 2004–05 of estimates formerly administered by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission (ATSIC) and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Services (ATSIS), as part of the measure: Indigenous Australians—Better Service Delivery.

This measure provided for the abolition of ATSIC and ATSIS, and the transfer of programs administered by them to mainstream agencies from 1 July 2004.

In most cases, receiving agencies took over management of relevant ATSIC–ATSIS programs on that date. There were, however, some delays awaiting passage of the ATSIC Amendment Bill. The new *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Act 2005* took effect from 24 March 2005.

Related funding was transferred to the receiving agencies in the Additional Estimates process.

Because of this process, we will report only on those Indigenous outputs in the Portfolio Budget Statements that are relevant to our continuing responsibilities.