4.3. FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OPERATING EXPENDITURE BY OBJECT RM million

	2014	%	2015	%	2016	%	2017³	%	20184	%
Emoluments	66,947	30.5	70,050	32.3	73,108	34.8	78,801	35.8	79,149	33.8
Retirement charges	18,218	8.3	18,872	8.7	21,029	10.0	23,648	10.8	24,550	10.5
Debt service charges	22,588	10.3	24,283	11.2	26,480	12.6	28,866	13.1	30,882	13.2
Domestic	22,089	10.1	23,714	10.9	25,732	12.2	28,150	12.8	30,147	12.9
External	499	0.2	569	0.3	748	0.4	716	0.3	735	0.3
Grants and transfers to state governments	6,530	3.0	6,920	3.2	6,942	3.3	8,058	3.7	8,023	3.4
Constitutional grants	4,822	2.2	4,978	2.3	4,970	2.4	5,783	2.6	5,673	2.4
Other grants/transfers ¹	1,708	0.8	1,942	0.9	1,972	0.9	2,275	1.1	2,350	1.0
Supplies and services	34,259	15.6	36,373	16.8	30,070	14.3	32,642	14.8	33,621	14.4
Subsidies and social assistance	39,703	18.1	27,269	12.6	24,690	11.7	23,085	10.5	26,544	11.3
Asset acquisition	1,802	0.8	1,723	0.8	676	0.3	698	0.3	577	0.2
Refunds and write-offs	1,336	0.6	947	0.4	799	0.4	802	0.4	888	0.4
Grants to statutory bodies	16,353	7.4	15,487	7.1	13,557	6.5	13,449	6.1	13,099	5.6
Others ²	11,853	5.4	15,074	6.9	12,822	6.1	9,861	4.5	16,917	7.2
Total	219,589 <i>(</i> 3.9 <i>)</i>	100.0	216,998 <i>(-1.2)</i>	100.0	210,173 (-3.1)	100.0	219,910 <i>(4.6)</i>	100.0	234,250 (6.5)	100.0

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ Grants to state governments include transfer payments other than those listed in the Federal Constitution.

Note: Figures in parentheses are annual percentage changes.

² Include grants to Statutory Funds, public corporations, international organisations, insurance claims and gratuities as well as others.

³ Revised estimate.

⁴ Budget estimate, excluding 2018 Budget measures.