



# Tax Transparency information for the 2014-15 Income Year

## Summary

- As an **Australian oil and gas company** with approximately 3,500 employees, Woodside recognises the importance of stability, fairness and competitiveness in Australia's tax regime and we acknowledge that the payment of tax is a significant way in which we contribute to the Australian community.
- Woodside derives the majority of its income from the sale of petroleum products produced in Australia. The company pays tax in Australia on the profits made in relation to these sales.
- Woodside has paid approximately **\$1.5 billion** in primary and secondary taxes in respect of the company's 2014-15 income year.
- Woodside Petroleum Ltd operates under an **Annual Compliance Arrangement** with the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) for income tax and Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (PRRT).
- Woodside has committed to apply the Board of Taxation's Tax Transparency Code (TTC), with the company's first release scheduled for 2017.

*All amounts are denoted in Australian dollars, the currency in which Australian taxes are paid. Woodside's published consolidated financial statements are presented in US dollars, the company's reporting currency.*

## Introduction

The ATO has published information about certain corporate tax entities including Woodside for the 2014-15 income year; refer to the [2014-15 Report of Entity Tax Information](#). The [ATO's guidance material](#) should be read in conjunction with this information.

In addition to corporate income tax and PRRT Woodside also pays other taxes in Australia. The most significant of these is Federal royalties and excise, which is disclosed below.

## Income Tax

Woodside's published income tax information is outlined in Table 1.

Company Name	ABN	Total income (\$)	Taxable income (\$)	Income tax payable (\$)
Woodside Petroleum Ltd	55 004 898 962	8,460,295,354	3,608,969,932	810,889,738
Burrup Facilities Company Pty Ltd	28 122 234 539	1,347,369,687	651,472,373	194,742,950
Burrup Train 1 Pty Ltd	77 122 234 306	2,207,810,844	412,231,440	123,669,432
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>12,015,475,885</b>	<b>4,672,673,745</b>	<b>1,129,302,120</b>

Table 1 - Income tax summary for the year ended 31 December 2014 (in lieu of the year ended 30 June 2015)

- Woodside Petroleum Ltd is the head company (and taxpayer) of the Woodside Australian Tax Consolidated group, which includes all of Woodside's wholly-owned Australian entities.<sup>1</sup>
- Woodside holds a 90% interest in the other entities included in Table 1. The published figures relate to a 100% interest.
- Woodside's effective tax rate for the year ended 31 December 2014 is 30.1%. It is near to the headline corporate tax rate of 30% for the four years up to and including the year ended 31 December 2014.<sup>2</sup>

## Petroleum Resource Rent Tax (PRRT)

Woodside's published PRRT information is outlined in Table 2.

Company Name	ABN	PRRT payable (\$)
Woodside Energy Ltd	63 005 482 986	31,087,035

Table 2 - PRRT summary for the year ended 30 June 2015

- Woodside Energy Ltd is the PRRT taxpayer for a number of Woodside's PRRT projects including those that paid PRRT for the year ended 30 June 2015.
- Refer to the Australian Petroleum Production & Exploration Association's (APPEA) [guidance material](#) for additional information relating to PRRT.

## Royalties and Excise

Outlined in Table 3 is the amount of royalties and excise payable by Woodside in relation to the North West Shelf (NWS) project for the year ended 30 June 2015. This information is not included in the ATO's data release.

Company Name	ABN	Royalties (\$)	Excise (\$)
Woodside Energy Ltd	63 005 482 986	252,177,693	108,041,117

Table 3 - Royalties and Excise summary for the year ended 30 June 2015

- Woodside has been subject to the Federal royalties and excise regimes since the NWS project commenced.
- This has not changed since the extension of PRRT to the NWS project from 1 July 2012. The existing royalties and excise regimes continue to operate alongside PRRT.

<sup>1</sup> Woodside's published consolidated financial statements details the members of the Woodside Petroleum Ltd Australian Tax Consolidated group – refer note 29(a) in the [2014 Annual Report](#) in respect of the year ended 31 December 2014.

<sup>2</sup> The effective income tax rate for the 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 income year is 30.5%, 27.2%, 29.8% and 30.1% respectively. This is calculated from Woodside's published consolidated financial statements for 2011 to 2014, as follows:

$$\text{Effective income tax rate} = \text{Income tax expense} / (\text{Accounting profit} - \text{PRRT expense})$$