

 Early Warning System

IFC-49631

Cape Town Debt



Quick Facts

Countries	South Africa
Specific Location	City of Cape Town
Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2024-06-25
Borrower	Government of South Africa - City of Cape Town
Sectors	Energy, Infrastructure, Transport, Water and Sanitation
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 150.00 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 150.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 421.00 million



Project Description

As stated by the IFC, the Project is to support the City of Cape Town Metropolitan Municipality's FY24/25 capital investment program, through a proposed IFC loan of up to the lower of ZAR2.8 billion or US\$150 million (in South African Rands equivalent) with an up to 20-year tenor. The investment aims to support the City's FY24/25 capital investment program for infrastructure assets, which comprises primarily upgrades, replacements and expansion of sanitation and water supply infrastructure, roads, electrical infrastructure, and transport assets, amongst others. The capital investment program forms part of the City's ten-year infrastructure plan, under which the City aims to address key infrastructure gaps to deliver quality basic services to its growing population and enable inclusive economic growth.

The City of Cape Town is located in the Western Cape province of South Africa and has a population of ~4.7 million people (approximately 8% of the population of South Africa) (<https://www.capetown.org.za>).



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- International Finance Corporation (IFC)

As stated by the IFC, the City plans to raise up to ZAR8 billion (around US\$421 million) through loans to finance its FY23/24 and FY24/25 capital expenditure program of ZAR25.3 billion (around US\$1.3 billion).

The ESRS states that the "IFC is now considering a debt package of up to US\$ 300 million (c. ZAR 5.7 billion)".



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Bank Documents

- [Environmental and Social Review Summary \(ESRS\)](#)