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PUBLIC SPENDING ON THE 2024 OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES

The Court of Accounts has published an initial assessment of public spending on the 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games. This initial report lists the spending that was essential to the smooth running of the event, as well as the spending initiated by the organisers or resulting from the actions of the public authorities to maximise the positive impact of the event on local development and infrastructure, with a view to the legacy of the Games. Following on from the work undertaken since the 2018 Olympic law, the financial jurisdictions, without waiting for the summary report that will be presented to Parliament in October 2025, have deemed it useful, given the situation of public finances and the preparations underway for the future 2030 Winter Games, to propose a progress report in June on all the expenditure incurred in connection with the 2024 Games.

Organisational spending characterised by the importance of security

The COJOP's funding was based on private resources and very little on public subsidies, the latter being mainly earmarked for the Paralympic Games.

These public subsidies remained limited in proportion to the Committee's budget but contributed to maintaining the ambition of the Olympic project and to the Organising Committee's surplus. Outside the COJOP budget, the public authorities were mainly responsible for expenditure in the areas of security (€1.44bn), transport (€570m) and public health (€21.6m). This total commitment of €2.77 billion represents a major mobilisation of public services. The security arrangements were adapted to meet the requirements of an event of this scale, with the police heavily involved to ensure maximum security. Transport services were stepped up to facilitate the movement of spectators, athletes and delegations, while the health sector was reorganised to ensure continuity of care while meeting the specific needs generated by the event.

The Games also provided an opportunity to support the high performance of French athletes, thanks to substantial resources (€80.3m). They mainly relate to the schemes run by the national sports agency (ANS) aimed at optimally preparing 600 athletes. The government allocated funds to support athletes, optimise performance and set up support systems for coaches and federations. This spending is part of a desire to give long-term structure to the national sports policy and maximise the impact of the Games on the competitiveness of French sport.

Spending on infrastructure in the run-up to the Games, but designed to ensure a lasting legacy

The organisation of the 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games was based on an investment policy aimed at creating sustainable infrastructure, partly overseen by Solideo. This public body supervised 70 projects, for which it was the contracting authority for 13, and developed two concerted development zones (ZACs) for the Olympic and Paralympic Villages and the Media Village. The Court considers that it is impossible to separate spending specific to the Games from that relating to the legacy of the Games. This means that all public funding for operations overseen by Solideo is included in public spending on infrastructure related to the Games and their legacy.

This financing, on the scale of the operations under Solideo's supervision, amounts to €2.23 billion, of which €1.65 billion comes from the Solideo budget and €581.8 million from additional financing. Around 50 % of spending on sports infrastructure went to the competition venues, while most of the urban development work was aimed at redeveloping the areas around the Olympic and media villages.

In addition, investments to meet the needs of the Games were made outside the scope of Solideo's supervision, in particular for certain sports infrastructures and part of the urban development (€369m), transport (€311m) and security (€281m). In total, public investment expenditure known to the Court as at March 2025 amounted to €3.19bn.

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