

# Unaudited condensed consolidated financial results

for the six months ended 30 September 2025

## SALIENT FEATURES

**Revenue of R45,2 billion** (2024: R41,5 billion), increased by **8,8%**, in line with an increase in volumes across the business and weighted average tariff increases in the port and pipeline businesses.

**Net operating expenses** increased by **5,5%** to **R29,4 billion** (2024: R27,9 billion), due mainly to increased personnel, security, maintenance and material costs.

**EBITDA of R15,7 billion** (2024: R13,6 billion), with the EBITDA margin increasing to 34,8% (2024: 32,8%).

**Cash generated from operations** after working capital changes decreased by **30,7%** to R9,6 billion (2024: R13,8 billion), due mainly to the impact of the Total and Sasol claim settlements.

**Capital investment** increased by **5,0%** to **R11,0 billion** (2024: R10,5 billion).

**B-BBEE** spend amounted to **R20,02 billion** or **111,6%** of total measured procurement spend.

**2,6%** of **labour costs** were spent on training, focusing on artisans, engineers and engineering technicians.

**LTIFR** performance of 0,74 against a tolerance of 0,75, which is within the global benchmark of 1,0.

**Gearing** of **51,9%** and rolling cash interest cover (including working capital changes) at **1,5 times**.

### Income statement

For the period ended

	30 Sept 2025	30 Sept 2024	Audited 31 March 2025
(in R million)			
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>45 183</b>	41 515	82 691
Net operating expenses excluding depreciation and amortisation	(29 445)	(27 899)	(52 060)
<b>Profit from operations before depreciation, derecognition, amortisation and items listed below (EBITDA)</b>	<b>15 738</b>	13 616	30 631
Depreciation, derecognition and amortisation	(10 699)	(9 019)	(19 085)
<b>Profit from operations before items listed below</b>	<b>5 039</b>	4 597	11 546
Reversal of impairment/(impairment) of assets	244	239	(823)
Post-retirement benefit obligation expense	(36)	(35)	(163)
Fair value adjustments	(255)	(394)	1 755
Income/(loss) from associates and joint ventures	4	(2)	2
<b>Profit from operations before net finance costs</b>	<b>4 996</b>	4 405	12 317
Finance costs	(8 020)	(7 439)	(15 239)
Finance income	322	290	527
<b>Loss before tax</b>	<b>(2 702)</b>	(2 744)	(2 395)
Tax	920	579	489
<b>Loss for the period</b>	<b>(1 782)</b>	(2 165)	(1 906)

### Statement of comprehensive income

For the period ended

	30 Sept 2025	30 Sept 2024	Audited 31 March 2025
(in R million)			
<b>Loss for the period</b>	<b>(1 782)</b>	(2 165)	(1 906)
<b>Other comprehensive loss for the period, net of tax</b>	<b>(171)</b>	(526)	(1 840)
Other comprehensive loss	(241)	(713)	(2 511)
Losses on revaluations	(2)	(77)	(1 904)
Cash flow hedges	(209)	(584)	(603)
Actuarial losses on post-retirement benefit obligations	(30)	(52)	(4)
Tax relating to components of other comprehensive loss	70	187	671
<b>Total comprehensive loss for the period</b>	<b>(1 953)</b>	(2 691)	(3 746)

### Headline earnings summarised reconciliation

For the period ended

	30 Sept 2025	30 Sept 2024	Audited 31 March 2025
(in R million)			
Loss for the period attributable to the equity holder	(1 782)	(2 165)	(1 906)
Profit on the disposal of property, plant and equipment	(191)	(104)	(277)
Total remeasurements	(340)	(545)	(1 711)
Investment property fair value adjustments	-	3	(1 868)
(Reversal of impairment)/impairment of non-financial assets	(340)	(548)	157
Total tax effects of adjustments	143	175	436
<b>Headline loss</b>	<b>(2 170)</b>	(2 639)	(3 458)

### Segment information

for the six months ended

	Transnet Freight Rail		Transnet Rail Infrastructure Manager <sup>1</sup>		Transnet Rail Engineering		Transnet National Ports Authority		Transnet Port Terminals		Transnet Pipelines		Total reportable segments		Other <sup>2</sup>		Total Transnet	
(in R million)	30 Sept 2025	30 Sept 2024	30 Sept 2025	30 Sept 2024	30 Sept 2025	30 Sept 2024	30 Sept 2025	30 Sept 2024	30 Sept 2025	30 Sept 2024	30 Sept 2025	30 Sept 2024	30 Sept 2025	30 Sept 2024	30 Sept 2025	30 Sept 2024	30 Sept 2025	30 Sept 2024
External revenue	23 020	21 700	275	-	158	171	6 371	5 807	11 041	10 089	3 820	3 303	44 685	41 070	498	445	45 183	41 515
Internal revenue	48	317	10 052	-	5 151	4 742	1 500	1 374	-	-	3	3	16 754	6 436	(16 754)	(6 436)	-	-
<b>Total revenue</b>	<b>23 068</b>	<b>22 017</b>	<b>10 327</b>	-	<b>5 309</b>	<b>4 913</b>	<b>7 871</b>	<b>7 181</b>	<b>11 041</b>	<b>10 089</b>	<b>3 823</b>	<b>3 306</b>	<b>61 439</b>	<b>47 506</b>	<b>(16 256)</b>	<b>(5 991)</b>	<b>45 183</b>	<b>41 515</b>
Earnings before interest, taxation, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA)	3 202	4 810	2 269	-	(749)	(618)	4 336	3 820	3 706	3 388	2 796	2 107	15 560	13 507	178	109	15 738	13 616
Total assets <sup>3</sup>	113 401	172 930	76 019	-	11 283	11 617	109 421	104 020	40 184	36 794	45 451	45 588	395 759	370 949	(25 627)	(8 575)	370 132	362 374
Total liabilities	97 748	144 735	74 995	-	14 754	12 836	23 619	23 694	7 928	8 164	14 782	21 155	233 826	210 584	4 822	16 738	238 648	227 322
Capital expenditure <sup>4</sup>	4 535	7 111	2 965	-	56	21	746	1 729	2 280	1 185	182	102	10 764	10 148	227	323	10 991	10 471
Cash generated from operations after changes in working capital	3 153	3 775	2 264	-	(284)	(1 138)	4 128	3 876	3 055	3 542	(2 940)	2 335	9 376	12 390	192	1 409	9 568	13 799

<sup>1</sup> Commenced operations on 1 April 2025 in accordance with the structural rail reforms introduced by the National Rail Policy.

<sup>2</sup> Revenue from segments below the quantitative thresholds are attributable to Transnet Property and the corporate centre function. Transnet Property manages internal and external leases of commercial and residential property and the Transnet corporate centre function performs an administration function for the Group. Also includes the elimination of inter-segment transactions.

<sup>3</sup> Excludes assets held-for-sale.

<sup>4</sup> Excludes capitalised borrowing costs, includes capitalised finance leases and capitalised decommissioning liabilities.

### Statement of cash flows

For the period ended

	30 Sept 2025	30 Sept 2024	Audited 31 March 2025
(in R million)			
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>	<b>1 686</b>	6 527	13 761
Cash generated from operations	16 371	15 038	21 990
Changes in working capital	(6 803)	(1 239)	6 636
Cash generated from operations after changes in working capital	9 568	13 799	28 626
Finance costs	(7 778)	(7 195)	(14 722)
Finance income	322	290	527
Tax paid	-	-	-
Settlement of post-retirement benefit obligations	(39)	(51)	(99)
Derivatives settled and raised	(387)	(316)	(571)
<b>Cash flows utilised in investing activities</b>	<b>(11 289)</b>	(11 066)	(24 818)
Investment to maintain operations	(8 573)	(8 523)	(19 443)
Investment to expand operations	(2 645)	(2 391)	(5 079)
Changes in investments, loans, advances and other investing activities	(71)	(152)	(296)
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>	<b>13 630</b>	1 576	7 165
Borrowings raised	28 779	6 588	27 870
Borrowings repaid	(15 149)	(5 012)	(20 705)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	4 027	(2 963)	(3 892)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	9 992	13 884	13 884
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period</b>	<b>14 019</b>	10 921	9 992

### Statement of changes in equity

For the period ended

	Issued capital	Revaluation reserve	Actuarial gains and losses	Cash flow hedging reserve	Other	Retained earnings	Total
(in R million)							
<b>Opening balances as at 1 April 2024</b>	18 498	60 758	2 653	277	249	55 660	138 095
Total comprehensive loss for the period (net of tax and transfers to retained earnings)	-	(120)	(38)	(426)	-	(2 107)	(2 691)
<b>Balances as at 30 September 2024</b>	18 498	60 638	2 615	(149)	249	53 553	135 404
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period (net of tax and transfers to retained earnings)	-	(1 352)	35	(14)	-	276	(1 055)
<b>Balances as at 31 March 2025</b>	<b>18 498</b>	<b>59 286</b>	<b>2 650</b>	<b>(163)</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>53 829</b>	<b>134 349</b>
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period (net of tax)	-	4	(22)	(153)	-	(1 782)	(1 953)
Transfer to retained earnings (net of tax)	-	(19)	-	-	-	19	-
<b>Balances as at 30 September 2025</b>	<b>18 498</b>	<b>59 271</b>	<b>2 628</b>	<b>(316)</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>52 066</b>	<b>132 396</b>



## Commentary

### Introduction

The global economy remains resilient despite ongoing geopolitical tensions and trade disruptions. While the geopolitical environment remains difficult and trade disruptions continue, growth is holding up and market volatility has subsided. The South African economy grew by 0.8% in quarter 2 of 2025, with most industries registering growth, including the manufacturing, mining, trade and agriculture, forestry and fishing sectors. In parallel, and after the conclusion of the recovery plan period, Transnet's financial performance progressed, with improved revenue, volume and EBITDA performance, however, various operational challenges continue to hamper the rail business and a loss was recorded for the interim period.

Security incidents remain a persistent operational challenge. During the reporting period, 3,229 security-related incidents were recorded across the business. The majority of these incidents involved cable infrastructure theft, accounting for 66.0% of the total, resulting in train cancellations and derailments. The Group wide estimated financial impact, including both direct and revenue losses, was approximately R910 million.

While these aforementioned economic and operational factors weighed on Transnet's interim financial results, they have also sharpened the required focus and strengthened the Company's resolve to advance the R4G strategy with greater determination on the journey to reliable infrastructure, availability of rolling stock, and sustainable profitability. The R4G strategy reflects a strong commitment to rebuilding the Company's reputation, driving operational excellence, transforming its business model, and fostering economic development. The R4G strategy is being implemented with urgency as it is adapting to the evolving regulatory landscape while maintaining a sharp focus on private sector participation transactions.

### Performance overview

Revenue for the period increased by 8.8% to R45.2 billion (2024: R41.5 billion), in line with an increase in rail (R4.4%); container (9.0%) and ferretrol (R4.6%) volumes and weighted average tariff increases in the port and pipeline businesses. Positive rail volumes were however impacted by various operational challenges (including derailments, rail network, off-loading and tippler challenges, security-related incidents, customer cancellations, resource constraints, and rolling stock unavailability). Container volumes increased due mainly to improved productivity and equipment availability across the business. Petroleum volumes increased due to an increase in demand for refined and avtur volumes.

Net operating expenses increased by 5.5% to R29.4 billion (2024: R27.9 billion) due mainly to increased personnel (salary increases and bargaining council wage agreements), security (mainly rail related incidents) and maintenance and material costs (mainly for locomotives and wagons) compared to the prior period.

Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA) increased by 15.6% to R15.7 billion (2024: R13.6 billion) with a resultant increase in the EBITDA margin to 34.8% (2024: 32.8%).

Depreciation, depreciation and amortisation of assets increased by 18.6% to R10.7 billion (2024: R9.0 billion), due mainly to capital expenditure in line with the Group's strategy of upgrading and expanding capital infrastructure.

Profit from operations after depreciation and amortisation increased by 9.6% to R5.0 billion (2024: R4.6 billion).

Reversal of impairment of assets, amounting to R244 million (2024: R239 million), is primarily due to Freight Rail property, plant and equipment (PPE) impairment reversals (relating mainly to longstanding locomotives brought back into use), PPE and a debtor impairment reversal. The reversal of PPE impairment is primarily due to the Freight Rail Infrastructure Manager as well as debtor impairments at Freight Rail, Rail Infrastructure Manager, Port Terminals and National Ports Authority.

Post-retirement benefit obligations are actuarially assessed in accordance with IAS 19: Employee Benefits and adjusted accordingly. The Company recognised a cost of R36 million (2024: R35 million) during the period.

Fair value adjustments amounted to a R255 million loss (2024: R394 million loss). These adjustments are due mainly to derivative fair value losses as a result of cross currency contracts that are hedge accounted for, in terms of IFRS 13: Fair Value Measurement.

Profit from operations before net finance costs increased by 13.3% to R5.0 billion (2024: R4.4 billion).

Net finance costs increased by 7.7% to R7.7 billion (2024: R7.1 billion) resulting mainly from the increase in total debt compared to the prior period.

The tax credit of R920 million (2024: R579 million charge) consists of a deferred tax credit. The deferred tax credit arose mainly due to the loss before tax. The effective tax rate for the Group is 34.0%.

This resulted in a 1.77% improvement in the loss for the period of R1.8 billion (2024: R2.2 billion loss).

## Commentary on operating divisions

### Transnet Freight Rail (Freight Rail)

Freight Rail's transition to operate in the reformed rail state is making good progress. The organisation actively participated in a consultation process facilitated by the Interim Rail Regulator (IRR). This was part of the process for the finalisation of the final network statement to open train slots for third-party train operator access.

Operationally, Freight Rail has continued to be impacted by challenges relating to security-related incidents, rolling stock unavailability, and the condition of rail infrastructure; however, the organisation has made strides during the concluded recovery plan period and there are positive signs evidenced by positive operational and financial results relative to the prior period.

Rail volume performance is higher than the prior period, reflecting an increase of 4.4% to 81.4 mt (2024: 78.0 mt). Improvements in performance are evident through increased tonnage delivered with the first month of September 2025 recording an annual high of 14.8 mt, the highest month achieved since the 2022 financial year, despite the annual maintenance shutdown affecting manganese volumes. This included improved mineral mining and chrome volumes, which delivered its highest monthly volume since the 2021 financial year, reaching 2.1 mt and iron ore which achieved 1.25 mt, its best weekly result since the 2022 financial year.

Freight Rail revenue for the 30 September 2025 interim period increased by 4.8% to R23.1 billion (2024: R22.0 billion). This increase is driven by the volume increase, despite the impact of the aforementioned operational challenges.

### General freight business

The general freight business raised 27.8 mt (2024: 28.5 mt), 2.5% less than the prior period.

The reduction can be attributed to various operational challenges including security incidents, resource constraints, locomotive failures and derailments particularly in the steel and cement and containers, automotive and bulk liquids portfolios and further impacted by the purported closure of the port of Durban. On the upside, the general freight business did include a sustained performance in the manganese portfolio and significant improvements in the mineral mining and chrome portfolio where a 15.2% increase to 3.8 mt (2024: 3.3 mt) was recorded. Furthermore, mineral mining and chrome was further boosted by the favourable distribution pattern for chrome and ferro chrome exports to Maputo and Richards Bay.

The general freight business also recorded an efficiency improvement in key flows contributing to an overall turnaround time improvement of 8.3% to 11 days from 12 days in the prior period.

### Export coal line

Export coal loaded 26.7 mt (2024: 24.5 mt), 9.0% more than the prior period. The increase in performance was mainly due to improved efficiencies as well as an increase in customer demand. The efficiency improvements contributed to an average wagon cycle time improvement of 2.2% to 90 hours from 92 hours in the prior period.

### Export iron ore line

Export iron ore volumes transported increased by 7.6% to 26.9 mt (2024: 25.0 mt), in the current period. The increase in performance was primarily driven by improved operational efficiencies, resulting from a reduction in speed restrictions, which created additional train slots and enhanced cycle times. In addition, the CR13/14 wagon fleet was increased from 16 to 17 sets, further facilitating the increase in performance. The increase in performance was also supported by a 36% increase in the average wagon cycle time improvement to 103 hours from 107 hours in the prior period.

Operating expenditure increased by 15.5% to R19.9 billion (2024: 17.2 billion) due mainly to increased maintenance costs (increased maintenance activities), other operating expenses (mainly network access costs related to Rail Infrastructure manager) and security costs (to combat rail related security incidents). The general expenditure on personnel, security, fuel, materials and other discretionary costs is due mainly to the Freight Rail/Rail Infrastructure Manager split. This resulted in an EBITDA of R3,2 billion (2024: R4.8 billion), which is 33.4% lower than the prior period.

### Transnet Rail Infrastructure Manager (Rail Infrastructure Manager)

Rail Infrastructure Manager was established in April 2025 as a division of Transnet. This formation gives effect to the structural rail reforms introduced by the National Rail Policy, 2022. Rail Infrastructure Manager's core purpose is to serve as the custodian of the rail infrastructure, ensuring that it is safe, transparent, reliable, affordable, and safe access to a resilient rail network for all train operating companies. In line with rail reforms, Rail Infrastructure Manager is pleased to confirm that 11 private train operating companies have successfully met the requirements to operate on the rail network. This milestone is projected to boost volume throughput to 20.0 mt per hour. It further complements the ongoing Lease of Use transaction, with some train operating companies expressing interest in leasing rolling stock. The division is also mandated to continue supporting regional transport integration and to facilitate port access for landlocked countries since South Africa's vast rail network provides connectivity with the railways in the Southern African Development Community countries. Furthermore, the National Treasury approved R2.3 billion Budget Facility for Infrastructure (BFI) funding, marking a significant step forward in efforts to enhance rail infrastructure.

As this is the first year of operation for Rail Infrastructure Manager, comparative numbers are not applicable.

Revenue is R10.33 billion for the 6 month period ended 30 September 2025, with R9.7 billion relating to the access fee.

Net operating expenses for the interim period is R8.06 billion, mainly relating to personnel, electricity and security costs.

This resulted in an EBITDA of R2.27 billion.

### Transnet Engineering (Engineering)

Revenue for the period increased by 8.1%, to R5.3 billion (2024: R4.9 billion). This growth was driven by a combination of a 5.1% inflationary adjustment and heightened demand for rolling stock. Freight Rail's revenue increased primarily due to the increase in revenue from revenue from cross-border and domestic customers to R158 million (2024: R171 million). This decrease is primarily attributed to reduced order volumes from the external market.

Net operating expenses rose by 9.5%, amounting to R6.1 billion (2024: R5.5 billion). The increase was largely due to higher material costs (in line with Freight Rail's rolling stock requirements) and the write-off of Transnambi's interest-related bad debt (notably, the capital portion of this debt was fully settled).

Consequently, the EBITDA loss worsened by 21.2%, to R749 million (2024: R618 million), reflecting the combined impact of rising costs and lower external revenue.

### Transnet National Ports Authority (National Ports Authority)

Revenue increased by 9.6% to R7.87 billion (September 2024: R7.18 billion), driven by an increase in lease income, cargo dues, marine services revenue, and port authority revenue.

Net operating expenses increased by 5.2% to R3.53 billion (2024: R3.36 billion), primarily due to inflationary pressures and increased operational activity, and included increased personnel, electricity and maintenance costs.

Accordingly, EBITDA increased by 13.5% to R4.34 billion (2024: R3.82 billion).

### Transnet Port Terminals (Port Terminals)

Revenue increased by 9.4% to R11.0 billion (September 2024: R10.1 billion).

Volume performance across most sectors improved compared to the prior period due mainly to volume and equipment availability. Container volumes increased by 8.0% to 2.298 490 TEUs (2024: 2.129 054 TEUs). This is owing to improved productivity and equipment availability across the business, (evidenced by the Ngura Container Terminal (NCT) closing bulk volumes previously lost to competing ports). Automotive volumes increased by 14.4% to 458 100 units (2024: 400 458 units). While original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) continue to face challenges (MPSA has cut production due to weak global demand), the auto sector has been boosted by the high demand in the rental market and consumer demand for Chinese models. Bulk volumes increased by 6.1% to 36.8mt (2024: 34.7mt) due mainly to improved rail performance and quayside productivity. However, equipment challenges, derailments and weather challenges persist, which has had an adverse impact on performance. Break-bulk volumes declined by 6.3% to 14.4mt (2024: 15.3mt) due to a 30.0% and 23.0% decline in coal and Ferrochrome volumes, respectively at the Richards Bay Multi-purpose Terminal (MPT).

Port Terminals' primary measure of container operational efficiency, namely average moves per ship working hour (SWH), has improved across all the container terminals compared to the prior period. Durban Container Terminal (DCT) Pier 1 improved from 37 moves per hour to 43 moves per hour for the current period. The SWH at Durban's Pier 2 container Terminal also improved from 36 moves per hour to 44 moves per hour for the current period. Similarly, NCT has improved from 31 to 38 moves per hour and the Cape Town Container Terminal (CTCT) has improved from 27 to 34 moves per hour in the current period.

The improvement on performance is due to the new equipment that has been received thus far. DCT Pier 1 has operationalised 9 rubber tyred gantry (RTG) cranes, with a further 7 planned for 2026. The replacement of the straddle carriers at DCT has also had a positive impact on the terminal's performance. An additional 15 RTG cranes are currently being procured. Four ship to shore (STS) cranes are being replaced at DCT Pier 2. They have already been delivered and are in the process of being assembled. CTCT has also operationalised 9 RTG cranes. A further 9 are in the commissioning phase and another 10 will be assembled before the end of the financial year.

The focus on maintenance on critical equipment played a significant role in enhancing the terminals operations, which is supported by spares contracts with the OEMs and original parts in the terminals' spare parts inventory to ensure availability of spares. The implementation of the fourth shift also improved performance, which has had the positive impact of reducing fatigue due to lower overtime hours. The new shift-based container incentive has been implemented and plays a vital role in increasing employee morale and creating healthy competition between the shifts in the terminal and even across terminals.

The Saldanha Iron Ore (Bulk) Terminal overall loading rate has declined from 7 958 tons per hour in September 2024 to 7 580 tons per hour for September 2025. Stacker reclaim challenges impacted the loading rate performance of the terminal. Blocked chutes and conveyor breakdowns also impacted performance. The planned annual maintenance is currently being conducted in October 2025 and is expected to improve the plant reliability and the overall productivity of the terminal.

The Richards Bay Dry Bulk Terminal (DBT) has improved the magnetite loading rate significantly from 1 632 tons per hour to 1 756 tons per hour in the current period. The chrome loading rate was marginally above the prior period performance (1 081 tons per hour for the current period compared to 1 079 tons per hour in the prior period). The terminal is collaborating with customers to further improve performance in the terminal.

The Port Elizabeth Bulk Operating Terminal (PE BOT) loading rate in September 2025 improved to 747 tons per hour compared to 620 tons per hour achieved in the prior period. PE BOT scheduled an annual plant refurbishment which was successfully completed on 26 September 2025.

Both the Durban and East London Auto Terminals recorded improvements in their loading and discharge rates compared to the same period last year. The Durban Auto Terminals improved from 153 units per hour in the prior period to 165 units per hour in the current period. The East London Auto Terminal maintained the 200 units per hour threshold, achieving 223 units per hour for the current period (compared to 203 units per hour in the prior period). The Port Elizabeth Automotive Terminal decreased marginally from 178 units per hour in 2024 to 175 units per hour in 2025.

Net operating expenses increased by 9.5% to R7.3 billion (2024: R6.7 billion). The increase is due to higher labour costs (salary increases, additional headcount and other costs related to the continued implementation of the fourth shift), higher National Ports Authority rentals, repairs and maintenance (aging equipment) and higher cargo claim-related costs.

The resultant impact on EBITDA is an increase of 9.4% to R3.7 billion (2024: R3.4 billion).

### Transnet Pipelines (Pipelines)

Revenue for the period has increased by 15.6% to R3.8 billion (2024: R3.3 billion) due to the higher allowable revenue granted by NERSA and increase in volumes transported during the period.

The petroleum volumes transported have increased by 8.5% to 7 120 million litres (2024: 6 564 million litres) due to an increase in demand for refined and avtur volumes. The crude volume increase is mostly attributable to there being no planned refinery shutdown in the current period.

Net operating expenses have decreased to R1.0 billion (2024: R1.2 billion). As the litigious claim with two parties were settled, there is no related third party claims in the current period.

Consequently, EBITDA for the period has increased by 32.7% to R2.8 billion (2024: R2.1 billion).

### Group financial position

#### Evaluation of property, plant and equipment

The Group assesses the revaluation of its rail infrastructure, port infrastructure and pipeline networks in line with its accounting policy, which require an independent valuation every three years, as well as index valuations in the intervening periods. During the period, a discounted cash flow valuation was performed on rail infrastructure, and an index valuation was performed on pipeline assets.

- The carrying value of rail infrastructure did not require a revaluation adjustment (March 2025: R2.2 billion devaluation).
- The carrying value of port facilities did not require a revaluation adjustment (March 2025: R85 million revaluation).
- The carrying value of pipeline networks did not require a revaluation adjustment (March 2025: R195 million revaluation).

Revaluation adjustments are performed in accordance with IAS 16: Property, plant and equipment.

### Deferred tax

The deferred tax liability decreased to R38.8 million (March 2025: R39.8 billion), due mainly to the impact of the reversal of temporary differences and the impact of the net loss for the period.

### Cash flows

Cash generated from operations after working capital changes decreased by 30.7% to R9.6 billion (2024: R13.8 billion), due mainly to the TotalEnergies and Sasol oil claim settlements paid. The rolling cash interest cover ratio at 1.5 times (2024: 1.9 times) is mainly a result of, the impact of the aforementioned claim settlements, as well as higher net finance costs. This has resulted in a breach in loan covenants, with all the required waivers received from the affected lenders.

### Borrowings

While the Company progresses toward self-sustainability, external funding remains essential to achieving targets. Transnet values the continued support of the Shareholder Representative and the National Treasury, which has strengthened the Group's position in negotiations with lenders, enabling the refinancing of existing debt and securing new facilities on competitive terms, including cost, tenure, and covenants. Transnet raised funding of R28.8 billion (2024: R6.6 billion) during the interim period, comprised mainly of the following funding sources:

- R 15.0 billion in domestic bonds;
- R 4.85 billion of commercial paper;
- R 4.6 billion from development finance institutions; and
- R 4.3 billion from finance institutions.

Transnet repaid borrowings amounting to R15.1 billion (2024: R5.0 billion), which related predominantly to loans, bonds and commercial paper that matured during the period.

The gearing ratio increased to 51.9% (March 2025: 49.6%), and is within the triggers in loan covenants. The deterioration is mainly as a result of the increase in borrowings for the interim reporting period.

### Derivative financial assets and liabilities

Derivative financial instruments are held by the Group to hedge financial risks associated with its capital investment and borrowing programmes. The 'mark-to-market' of these derivative financial instruments resulted in a net derivative financial asset of R285 million (March 2025: R3.1 billion). The reduction in the net derivative financial asset is due mainly to the movement in foreign exchange rates. Cross-currency swaps and interest rate hedges were executed to eliminate the foreign exchange and interest rate risk on borrowings. These hedges have been hedge accounted for in terms of IFRS 9: Financial Instruments.

### Pension and post-retirement benefit obligations

The two defined benefit funds, namely the Transnet sub-fund of the Transport Pension Fund (TPF) and the Transnet Second Defined Benefit Fund (TSDBF) are fully funded with actuarial surpluses of R1 149 million (March 2025: R1 165 million) and R4 266 million (March 2025: R4 225 million) respectively. Transnet has not recognised any portion of the surplus on these funds, as the fund rules do not allow for the distribution of a surplus.

The total value of ad hoc bonuses paid to beneficiaries by the TPF (since December 2011) and TSDBF (since November 2007) amounts to R686 million and R5.6 billion respectively. These payments continue to supplement the current statutory increase of the beneficiaries of the TPF and TSDBF to provide pensioners with increases above CPI.

The post-retirement medical benefit obligation is approximately R311 million (March 2025: R286 million).

## Contingencies and commitments

There were no material movements in contingencies and commitments since 31 March 2025.

## Going concern assessment

The consolidated interim results are prepared on the going-concern basis. In undertaking the going concern assessment for the foreseeable future, the directors have considered and evaluated the following:

- Financial performance;
- Current economic factors and projections;
- Funding and liquidity considerations;
- Loan covenants;
- Credit rating agencies;
- Economic regulation risks;
- Current litigation matters;
- Contingent liabilities and post balance sheet events; and
- Counter party risk.

The key features of this assessment are summarised as follows:

The Transnet Board (Board) has reviewed the Group's performance for the interim period and considered the robustness of budgets and business results, cash flow projections for the 15 months ending 31 December 2026, cost-saving opportunities, the cost of capital projects and related optimisation opportunities and the funding plan.

Financial performance for the interim reporting period was positive driven by increased volumes throughout the business resulting in increased revenue, EBITDA and a reduced loss for the period. Capital expenditure for the interim period has also increased, predominantly focused on sustaining capital investment, and has aided in the noted improvement in operational efficiencies. The improvement is positive and a step in the right direction in the Group's recovery, but it is clear that Transnet must maintain its continued focus on addressing operational challenges to aid in returning the Company to a sustained profitable operational performance and in so doing address rising debt levels.

Transnet will continue to navigate an ever-changing legislative landscape on its path of recovery, including reforms that could result in the corporatisation of National Ports Authority into a wholly-owned subsidiary of Transnet. The Minister of Transport, in a letter dated 20 March 2025, established a task team chaired by the Department of Transport (DoT), to provide recommendations to the minister on the most suitable process for incorporating National Ports Authority. The fully utilised Guarantee Support Framework Agreement (GSFA) provided that Transnet must establish the National Ports Authority as a wholly-owned subsidiary by 30 April 2025. However, following several submissions and engagements with the DoT, and the work of the task team, National Treasury withdrew the incorporation date of 30 April 2025, to allow the task team to establish the appropriate mechanisms and timelines required to incorporate National Ports Authority, in a manner that will have a minimal impact on the financial sustainability and going concern status of Transnet. On 31 July 2025, the technical team, a sub-committee of the task team, presented financial models suggesting that an autonomous National Ports Authority by 2030 is possible. However, this is contingent on key assumptions like a 'tax holiday' and regulatory approvals. Therefore, more work is needed to assess the impact on Transnet's finances. Transnet Freight Rail has split into Freight Rail and Rail Infrastructure Manager in the beginning of the 2026 financial year. The process for the corporatisation of TRIM by 30 September 2026 has commenced within Transnet with a dedicated project focused on the corporatisation requirements.

The directors continue to track and assess the potential impact of the 30.0% tariff on South Africa's ports and the impact of the increase in interest rates on the Group's financing. The mitigation options available to the organisation. The expected impact on Transnet operations at this stage is unknown.

The 2025/26 corporate plan depicts an improvement in financial performance as operations improve over time. Financial performance has shown signs of stabilisation in key areas of the business and with the continued joint effort of management and the Board to improve efficiencies and build on the positive signs, the Group is projected to accelerate and contribute to the sustainable economic recovery in South Africa. Transnet will focus on improving cash generation to support capital investment and to partially repay loans.

Transnet expects continued access to debt capital markets, primarily through its Domestic Medium-Term Note (DMTN) programme and long-term loans to satisfy its funding requirements. The funding pipeline has been bolstered by further government guarantees of R51.0 billion and R94.8 billion which were approved by Natonal Treasury in May and July 2025, respectively. Transnet has raised R28.8 billion funding in the current period in the form of bonds and commercial paper under the DMTN programme and bank loans, in line with the funding plan and to allow for pre-funding for the coming financial year to support a positive liquidity position. In November 2025, Transnet approached the market regarding a R5.0 billion DMTN bond auction. This issuance was 8 times subscribed, evidencing the significant investor demand for Transnet paper.

For the 30 September 2025 reporting period, Transnet achieved a CIC of 1.5 times and therefore breached the CIC loan covenants with affected lenders (as detailed in the events after reporting date section). The breach is an event of default and is the main driver for the Group's net current liabilities (MBSA has cut production due to weak global demand), the auto sector has been boosted by the high demand in the rental market and consumer demand for Chinese models. The net repayment of short-term borrowings and the increase in cash and cash equivalents), Transnet submitted waiver requests to each of the affected lenders requesting that they waive the triggered event of default. The waiver process has been completed and Transnet has received all the required waivers from the affected lenders.

Importantly, Transnet's credit profile has enhanced as a result of the government guarantee facilities and that has mitigated the impact of the breach in the CIC. Transnet's credit rating is not included in any of the new funding deals. Transnet is also still engaging with the affected lenders to conclude the process of replacing the rating and financial covenant requirements in the loan agreements with the available guarantee facilities approved by government in July 2025.

The directors note the resultant increase in debt levels, the related borrowing cost pressure on the cash flow projections, and the ability of the Group to settle their debts as they become due and payable. However, the recent debt secured is over a longer tenure at concessionary pricing, thus alleviating some of the cash flow pressure.

The directors also note the concerns raised by the rating agencies in their last Transnet rating report, but believe that these concerns are mitigated by the focus on addressing operational challenges (aided by the Group capital expenditure programme) and the continued government support in the form of government guarantee facilities.

The directors evaluated all significant matters, including ongoing legal proceedings and contingent liabilities with any developments during the post-reporting period and assessed their impact on the liquidity and solvency of the Group.

After performing the assessment and considering all associated risks, the directors believe that material uncertainties relating to events or conditions which may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern exist, but these are adequately mitigated as detailed above. The directors will continue to manage these mitigation strategies as a priority

as it is important that they materialise as envisaged. The directors after carefully considering the improved performance on the back of the concluded recovery plan (early phases and commencement of the reinvest for growth strategy) and the financial support from the government, through the provision of guarantees, still believes that the Group will continue to have access to adequate resources and facilities to be able to continue its operations and fund the capital investment programme for the foreseeable future as a going concern. They therefore continue to adopt the going concern assumption in preparing the financial statements of Transnet SOC Ltd.

## Guarantees

The sole Shareholder in Transnet SOC Ltd, namely the South African Government, has guaranteed certain borrowings of the Group amounting to R66.75 billion (March 2025: R50.7 billion), representing 42.6% of total borrowings of R156.7 billion.

## Capital investment

The Transnet Group continued to execute its capital investment programme, focusing on addressing key capital needs and addressing the maintenance backlog. The capital investment for the interim period ended 30 September 2025 amounts to R11.0 billion, representing a 5.0% increase in capital expenditure compared to the prior period. The expansion of capacity accounted for 18.3% of the expenditure, while 81.7% was invested to maintain current capacity.

The infrastructure investment highlights for the period include:

- R2.45 billion invested to maintain the condition of rail infrastructure;
- R3.03 billion invested to maintain the condition of rolling stock;
- R1.05 billion invested in the acquisition of new locomotives;
- R391 million invested in the Transnet Port Terminals maintenance programme;
- R244 million invested in the replacement of La Spezia cranes;
- R373 million invested in wagon new builds, fleet renewal and modernisations;
- R200 million invested in the Bayhead Park roads upgrade;
- R180 million invested in the acquisition of haulers and empty container handlers; and
- R98 million invested in the refurbishment of the PE manganese plant.

## Economic, social and environmental impact

### Broad-based black economic empowerment (B-BBEE) enterprise and supplier development

Transnet undertakes all its procurement activities in a manner that protects and advances persons, or categories of persons, who have been disadvantaged by past discrimination and ensures that procurement activities are fair, equitable, transparent, competitive and cost-effective. Transnet's procurement activities contribute directly to the growth and economic transformation of South Africa and as such, can decrease income inequalities, while significantly increasing the number of previously disadvantaged individuals who manage, own and control businesses. Transnet recognises that socio-economics remain a significant challenge in South Africa.

As such, the Group continues to implement a value creation approach in transforming communities and societies by providing opportunities through B-BBEE as well as employment equity. The Company seeks to empower small, medium and micro-sized enterprises (SMMEs) that are black-owned, black youth owned, black female owned and people with disabilities owned by developing their capabilities in order to be competitive. As a state-owned company (SOC), Transnet recognises that the ongoing weak economic conditions and high levels of unemployment in South Africa significantly impact the job market hence entrepreneurship, innovation and transformation is encouraged.

Transnet embraces transformation through alignment with the B-BBEE legislation in order to realise South Africa's full economic potential. The Group is guided by the Enterprise Development programme informed by the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, No 53 of 2003, as amended (Act 46 of 2013), as well as the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice. As a state-owned company (SOC), Transnet is also guided by section 5 of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (PPPFA) which is intended to assist with the implementation of the PPPFA Regulations of 2000. Transnet remains focused on broadening and improving meaningful B-BBEE participation in the economy and enthusiastically increasing its participation through the involvement of communities in the Company's procurement opportunities to drive ownership and control of enterprise and supplier development.

As a SOC, Transnet's B-BBEE verification covers six of the seven elements of the Generic Transport Public Sector Scorecard, excluding the ownership element. The Rail Charter, Maritime Charter and Property Charter are also applied. Transnet maintained and retained a level 2-B in 2024/2025. Transnet acknowledges the importance of B-BBEE as a critical component of achieving sustainable and inclusive economic growth. The Company will, therefore, continue to optimise its contribution to B-BBEE in the execution of its mandate as a SOC.

Transnet's total recognised B-BBEE spend for the interim period, as per the Department of Trade and Industry Codes (the Codes), is R20.02 billion or 111.6% of total measured procurement spend (TPMS) of R17.94 billion. Transnet spent R10.43 billion (58.1% of TPMS) on black-owned enterprises; R6.43 billion (35.8% of TPMS) on black women-owned enterprises; R1.97 billion (11.1% of TPMS) on black youth-owned enterprises (BLYOE) and R2.71 billion (15.1% of TPMS) on qualifying small enterprises (QSE). Black youth enterprises spend of R1.52 billion (8.5% of TPMS). Enterprise spend relating to black people living with disabilities accounts for R15 million (0.08% of TPMS).

## Safety

Transnet's commitment to fostering a robust safety culture continues to yield measurable progress in pursuit of its Vision Zero Harm. For the mid-year period of financial year 2026, Transnet achieved a lost time injury frequency rate (LTIFR) of 0.74, performing within the internal tolerance of 0.75 and well below the global benchmark of 1.0. This reflects a maturing safety culture, as evidenced by progress along the Bradley Curve towards the independent and, ultimately, independent stages.

Despite these achievements, Transnet mourns the tragic loss of two colleagues in work-related incidents during the current period. Transnet extends its heartfelt condolences to the families, friends and colleagues of the deceased, and expresses its deepest sympathy. Underway to ensure lessons are learned and preventive measures are implemented. These incidents reinforce Transnet's commitment to fostering a learning culture to prevent future tragedies and achieve 'Vision Zero Harm'.

Additionally, a 52.0% reduction in public fatalities compared to the prior period highlights the effectiveness of targeted interventions, particularly in reducing level crossing fatalities to zero in the rail sector. Transnet remains steadfast in executing its 'Safety 10-Point Plan', with strategic focus on better safety management, enhanced safety awareness programmes to drive sustainable safety improvements. This decline is attributed to fewer 10-Point Plan involving bodies found near railway lines, electrocution-related fatalities and trespassing. Notably, zero level crossing fatalities were reported in the rail sector during this period, reflecting the success of targeted community safety initiatives. However, Transnet recognises the need for continued focus on public safety awareness to sustain and build on these gains.

Transnet's safety culture is advancing along the Bradley Curve, moving towards a more mature, proactive, and interdependent approach. Key drivers of this transformation include:

- Leadership commitment: The visible fleet leadership (VFL) programme has been instrumental in embedding safety as a core value, with management leading by example to foster accountability and awareness.
- Strategic safety initiatives: The 'Safety 10-Point Plan' remains the cornerstone of Transnet's safety strategy, with a heightened focus on behavioral-based safety to drive a cultural change; and
- Employee engagement: Increased awareness and participation in safety programmes have empowered employees to take ownership of their safety and that of their colleagues.

Transnet aspires to reach the independent stage of the Bradley Curve and, ultimately,