



EIGHTEENTH REPORT OF THE

THE COMMITTEE ON

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

AND APPROPRIATIONS

FOURTH SESSION OF THE 11TH PARLIAMENT

A report on the examination of the Statements of Expenditure for the first, second and third quarters as well as the month ending July 31st of the financial year 2018/2019, with respect to:

INQUIRY

- Recurrent Expenditure; and
- Development Programme - Consolidated Fund and Infrastructure Development Fund.



Public Administration and Appropriations Committee

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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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- a) the budgetary expenditure of Government agencies to ensure that expenditure is embarked upon in accordance with parliamentary approval;
- b) the budgetary expenditure of Government agencies as it occurs and keeps Parliament informed of how the budget allocation is being implemented; and
- c) the administration of Government agencies to determine hindrances to their efficiency and to make recommendations to the Government for improvement of public administration.

This Report of the Public Administration and Appropriations Committee (PAAC) for the Eleventh Parliament contains the details of the examination of the Statements of Expenditure for the first, second and third quarters as well as the month ending July 31st of the financial year 2018/2019, with respect to:

- Recurrent Expenditure;
- Development Programme - Consolidated Fund; and
- Infrastructure Development Fund.

The Committee in the discharge of its Parliamentary Financial Oversight function of monitoring the implementation of the budget focused on Recurrent Expenditure, Development Programme - Consolidated Fund and Infrastructure Development Fund. The objective of the Committee's inquiry was to determine the level of expenditure by Ministries and Departments for fiscal 2019.

The Committee made a general call for written submissions from the Ministries and Departments and then focused on a review and analysis of the written submissions. The Committee submits the analysis of the Statements of Expenditure in Chapter 3.

2. INTRODUCTION

The Committee

The PAAC of the Eleventh Republican Parliament was established by the revised Standing Orders to:

- examine current public expenditure, thereby capturing the full budget cycle by providing Parliamentary oversight of the implementation of the budget; and
- conduct a real time examination of the expenditure of Ministries and Departments.

Chairman and Vice-Chairman

By virtue of S.O. 109(6) and 99(6) of the House of Representatives and the Senate respectively, the Chairman of the Committee is the Speaker. At its First Meeting held on January 27, 2016, Dr. Lackram Bodoë was elected the Vice-Chairman.

Change in Membership

1. In the 11th Parliament the Members of the Committee were appointed by resolutions of the House of Representatives and the Senate at sittings held on Friday November 13, 2015 and Tuesday November 17, 2015 respectively.
2. By resolution of the Senate On November 3, 2017, Ms. Jennifer Raffoul was appointed as a Member of the Committee in lieu of Mr. Dhanayshar Mahabir.
3. By resolution of the House of Representatives on November 24, 2017, Brigadier General (Ret.) Ancil Antoine was appointed as a Member of the Committee in lieu of Mr. Maxie Cuffie.
4. By resolution of the Senate on November 28, 2017, Mr. Ronald Huggins was appointed as a Member of the Committee in lieu of Ms. Allyson Baksh.
5. Mr. Ronald Huggins ceased to be a Senator with effect from September 27, 2018.
6. By resolution of the Senate on November 27, 2018, Mr. Garvin Simonette was appointed as a Member of the Committee in lieu of Mr. Ronald Huggins.
7. By resolution of the Senate on November 27, 2018, Ms. Amrita Deonarine was appointed as a Member of the Committee in lieu of Ms. Jennifer Raffoul.
8. Mr. Garvin Simonette ceased to be a Senator with effect from August 14, 2019.

Quorum

In order to exercise the powers granted to it by the House, the Committee was required by the Standing Orders to establish a quorum. A quorum of three (3) Members, inclusive of the Chairman or Vice-Chairman, with representatives from both Houses, was agreed to by the Committee at its First Meeting.

3. METHODOLOGY

Determination of the Committee's Work Programme

Given Ministries and Departments were approaching the middle of the financial year, the Committee agreed that it would examine the expenditure of Ministries and Departments of the Statements of Expenditure for the first, second and third quarters as well as the month ending July 31st of the financial year 2018/2019. Further details on each Ministry and Department analysed can be accessed via the following link:
<http://www.ttparliament.org/publications.php?mid=92>

Review of Documents

The Committee deliberated on the Statements of Expenditure for the first, second and third quarters as well as the month ending July 31st of the financial year 2018/2019, with respect to:

- ✓ Recurrent Expenditure;
- ✓ Development Programme - Consolidated Fund; and
- ✓ Infrastructure Development Fund.

The Inquiry Process

The following Inquiry Process outlines steps taken by the Committee in the conduct of the exercise:

- i. A Circular Letter was sent to all Ministries and Departments on March 19, 2019 requesting their Statements of Expenditure for the first and second quarter of the financial year 2018/2019;
- ii. A second Circular Letter was sent to all Ministries and Departments on August 21, 2019 requesting their Statements of Expenditure for the period April 1 to July 31 of the financial year 2018/2019;
- iii. Based on the responses received, the Committee agreed to draft a report focusing on Ministries/Departments spending over the first, second and third quarters as well as the month ending July 31st, to keep Parliament informed on how the budget allocations are being released; and
- iv. To facilitate the presentation of data in this report, Ministries/Departments were categorised based on the sum of allocations received, according to the following:

- Allocations below **\$50,000,000**;
- Allocations between **\$50,000,000** and **\$125,000,000**;
- Allocations between **\$125,000,000** and **\$710,000,000**; and
- Allocations above **\$710,000,000**.

Request for Information

The Committee sent a Circular Memorandum dated March 19, 2019 to the following Ministries and Departments:

<u>HEAD</u>	<u>Ministry and Department</u>
01	President
02	Auditor General
04	Industrial Court
05	Parliament
06	Service Commissions
08	Elections and Boundaries Commission
09	Tax Appeal Board
11	Registration, Recognition and Certification Board
12	Public Service Appeal Board
13	Office of the Prime Minister
15	Tobago House of Assembly
16	Central Administrative Services, Tobago
17	Personnel Department
18	Ministry of Finance
22	Ministry of National Security
23	Ministry of the Attorney General and Legal Affairs
26	Ministry of Education
28	Ministry of Health
30	Ministry of Labour and Small Enterprise Development
31	Ministry of Public Administration
35	Ministry of Tourism

<u>HEAD</u>	<u>Ministry and Department</u>
37	Integrity Commission
38	Environmental Commission
39	Ministry of Public Utilities
40	Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries
42	Ministry of Rural Development and Local Government
43	Ministry of Works and Transport
48	Ministry of Trade and Industry
61	Ministry of Housing and Urban Development
62	Ministry of Community Development, Culture and the Arts
64	Trinidad and Tobago Police Service
65	Ministry of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs
67	Ministry of Planning and Development
68	Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs
70	Ministry of Communications
75	Equal Opportunity Tribunal
77	Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries
78	Ministry of Social Development and Family Services

Ministries and Departments were grouped into categories based on the allocation received. The categories and respective Ministry/Department are shown in the following tables:

Allocations under **\$50,000,000**

<u>HEAD</u>	<u>Ministry/Department</u>	<u>Allocation Received</u> <u>RE + DP</u>
01	President	20,000,000
02	Auditor General	42,770,455
04	Industrial Court	41,500,000
07	Statutory Authorities Service Commissions	7,000,000
09	Tax Appeal Board	8,000,000
11	Registration, Recognition and Certification Board	4,300,000

12	Public Service Appeal Board	3,500,000
37	Integrity Commission	12,000,000
38	Environmental Commission	9,000,000
75	Equal Opportunity Tribunal	4,400,000

Allocations over **\$50,000,000** and up to **\$125,000,000**

Head	Ministry/Department	Allocation Received (RE+DP)
08	Elections and Boundaries Commission	75,000,000
16	Central Administrative Services, Tobago	40,973,000
17	Personnel Department	51,000,000
35	Ministry of Tourism	80,000,000

Allocations over **\$125,000,000** up to **\$710,000,000**

Head	Ministry/Department	Allocation Received (RE+DP)
05	Parliament	126,500,000
06	Service Commissions	209,847,000
13	Office of the Prime Minister	448,653,240
23	Ministry of the Attorney General and Legal Affairs	360,900,000
30	Ministry of Labour and Small Enterprise Development	374,742,000
31	Ministry of Public Administration	762,005,020
40	Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries	539,403,000
48	Ministry of Trade and Industry	192,710,000
62	Ministry of Community Development, Culture and the Arts	435,350,000
65	Ministry of Foreign and CARICOM Affairs	265,300,000
67	Ministry of Planning and Development	358,351,000
68	Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs	396,360,000

70	Ministry of Communications	232,589,480
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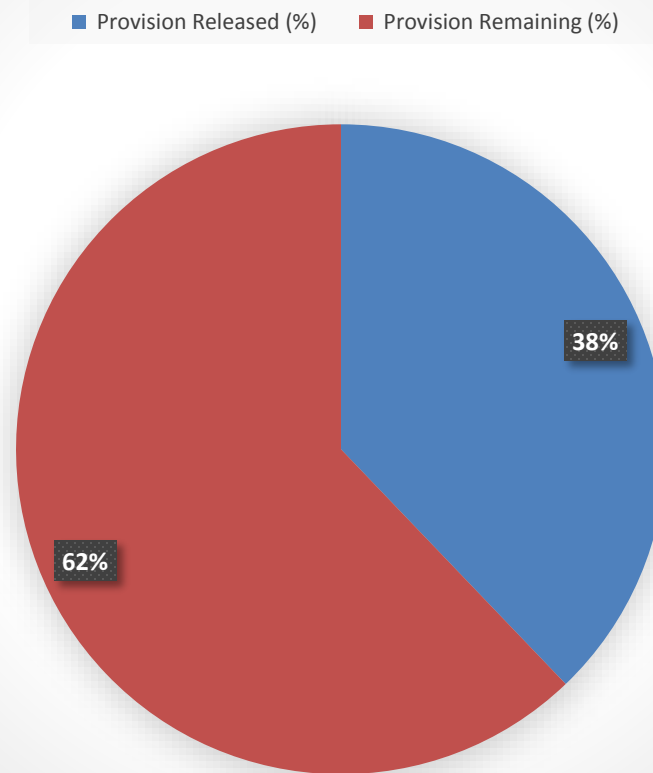
Allocations over **\$710,000,000**

<u>HEAD</u>	<u>Ministry/Department</u>	<u>Allocation Received (RE + DP)</u>
15	Tobago House of Assembly	2,210,630,000
18	Ministry of Finance	5,996,001,890
22	Ministry of National Security	3,875,552,000
26	Ministry of Education	6,133,441,000
28	Ministry of Health	5,221,518,900
42	Ministry of Rural Development and Local Government	2,386,024,980
43	Ministry of Works and Transport	3,530,605,000
61	Ministry of Housing and Urban Development	1,676,192,000
64	Trinidad and Tobago Police Service	2,244,745,000
77	Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries	807,618,000
78	Ministry of Social Development and Family Services	4,965,420,000

4. PRESENTATION OF DATA FROM THE STATEMENTS OF EXPENDITURE

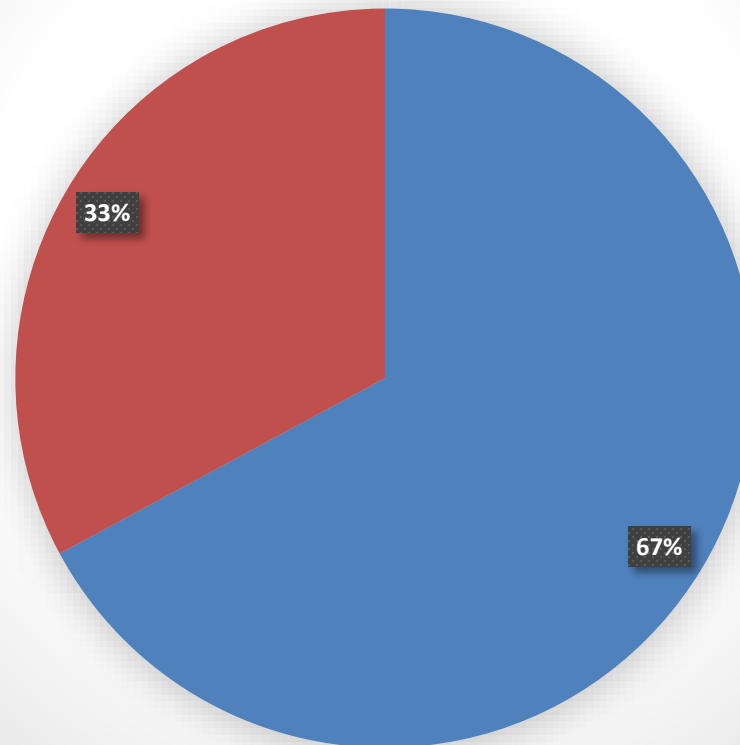
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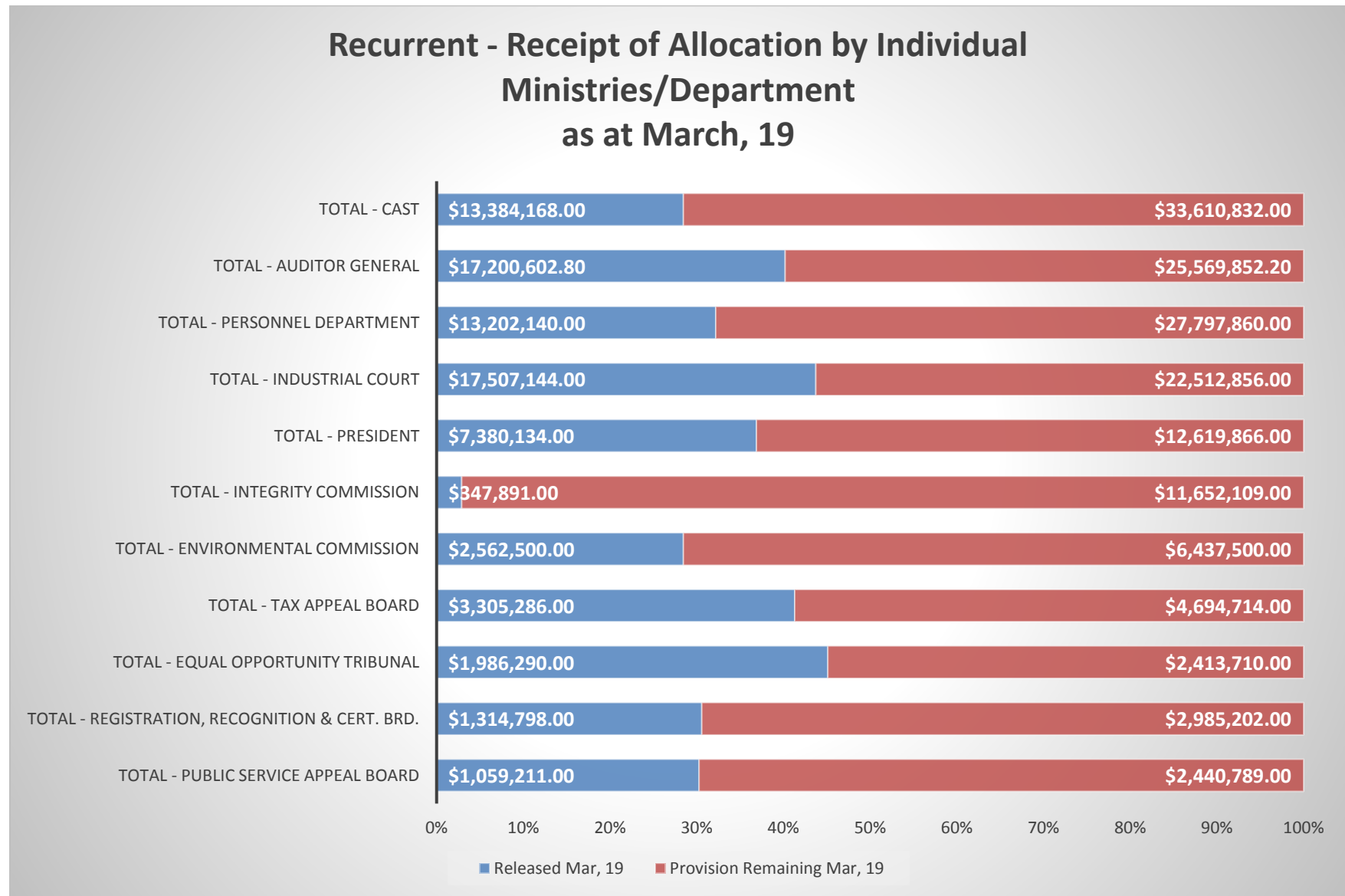


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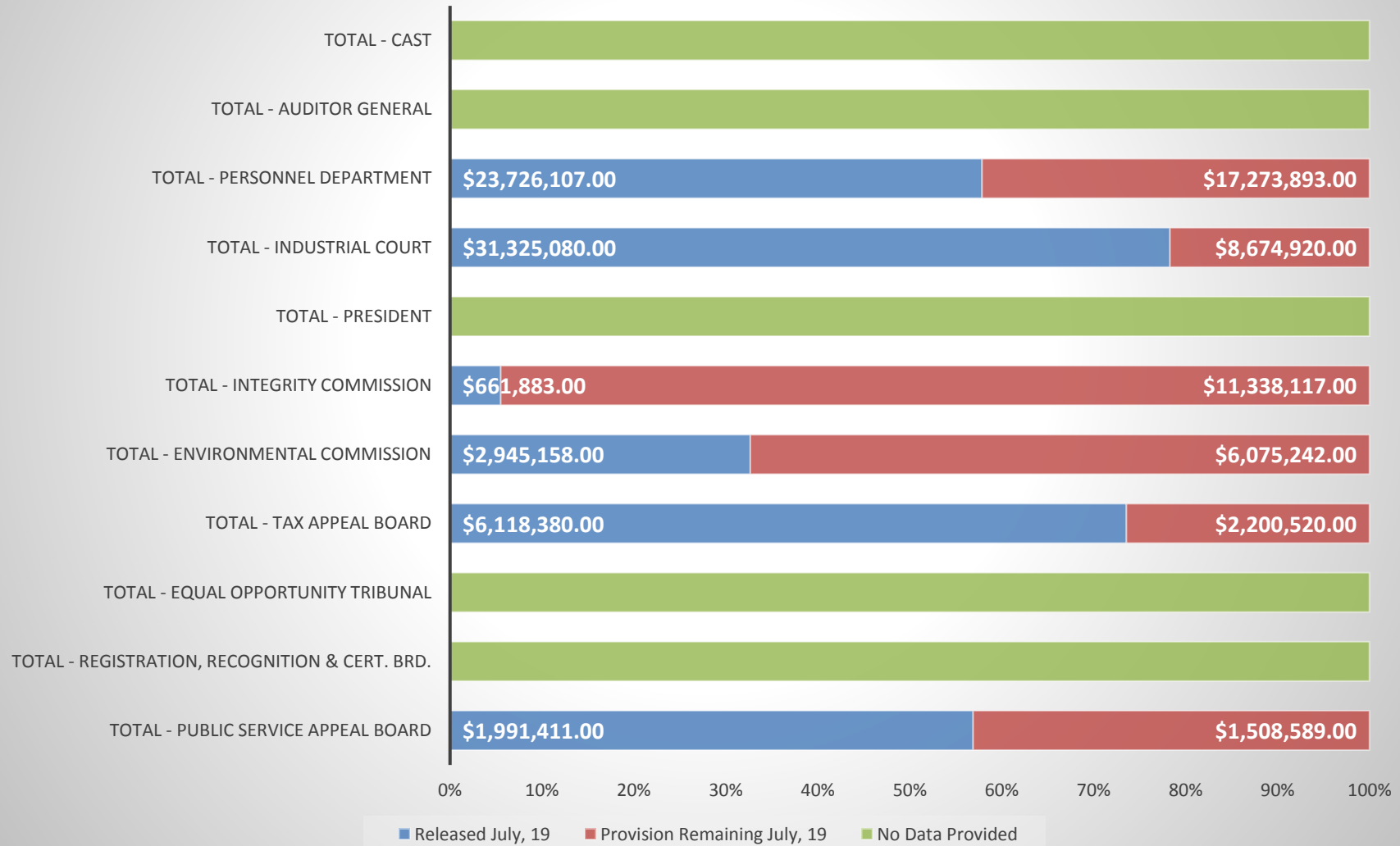
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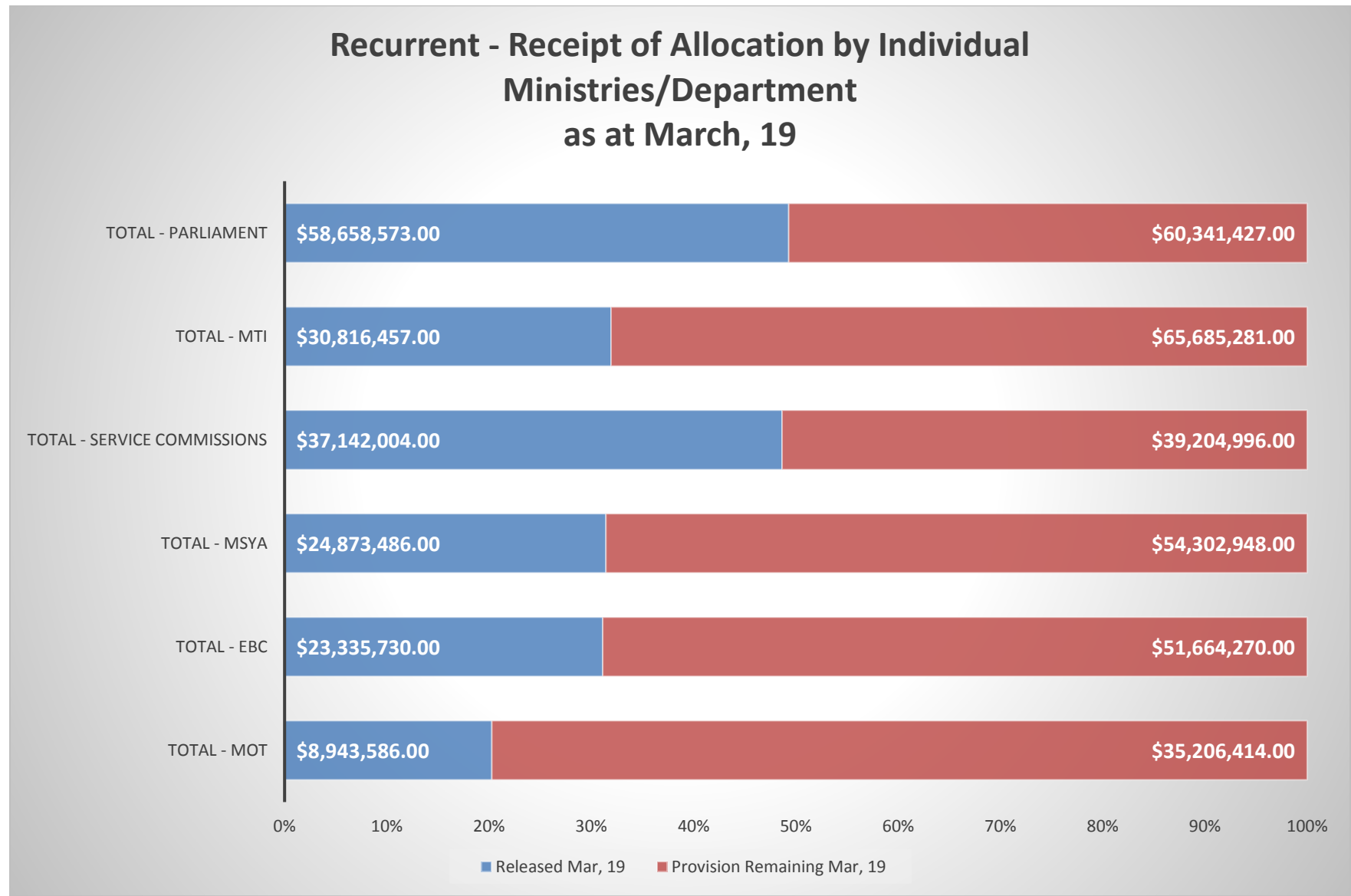
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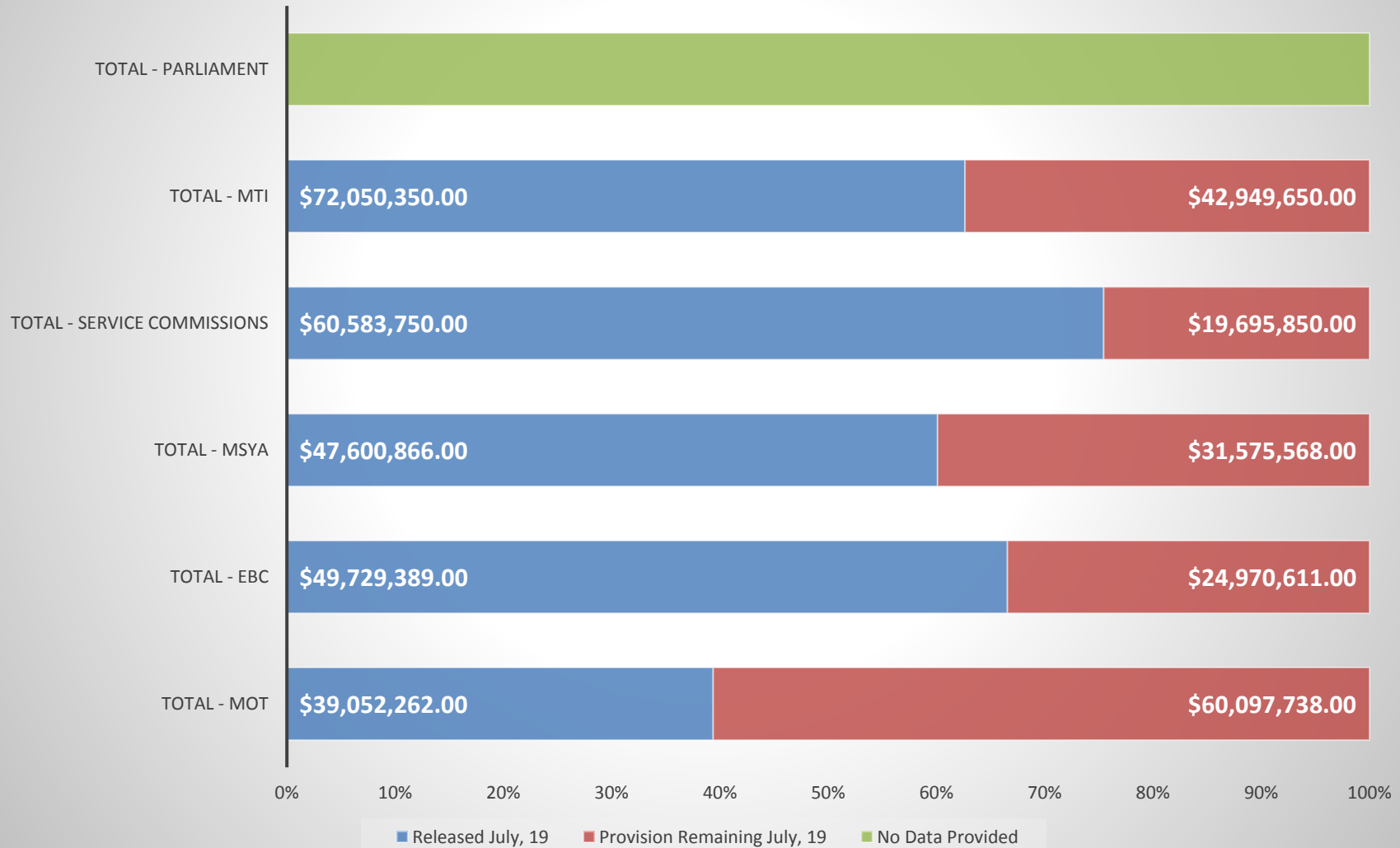
Recurrent - Receipt of Allocation by Individual Ministries/Department as at July, 19



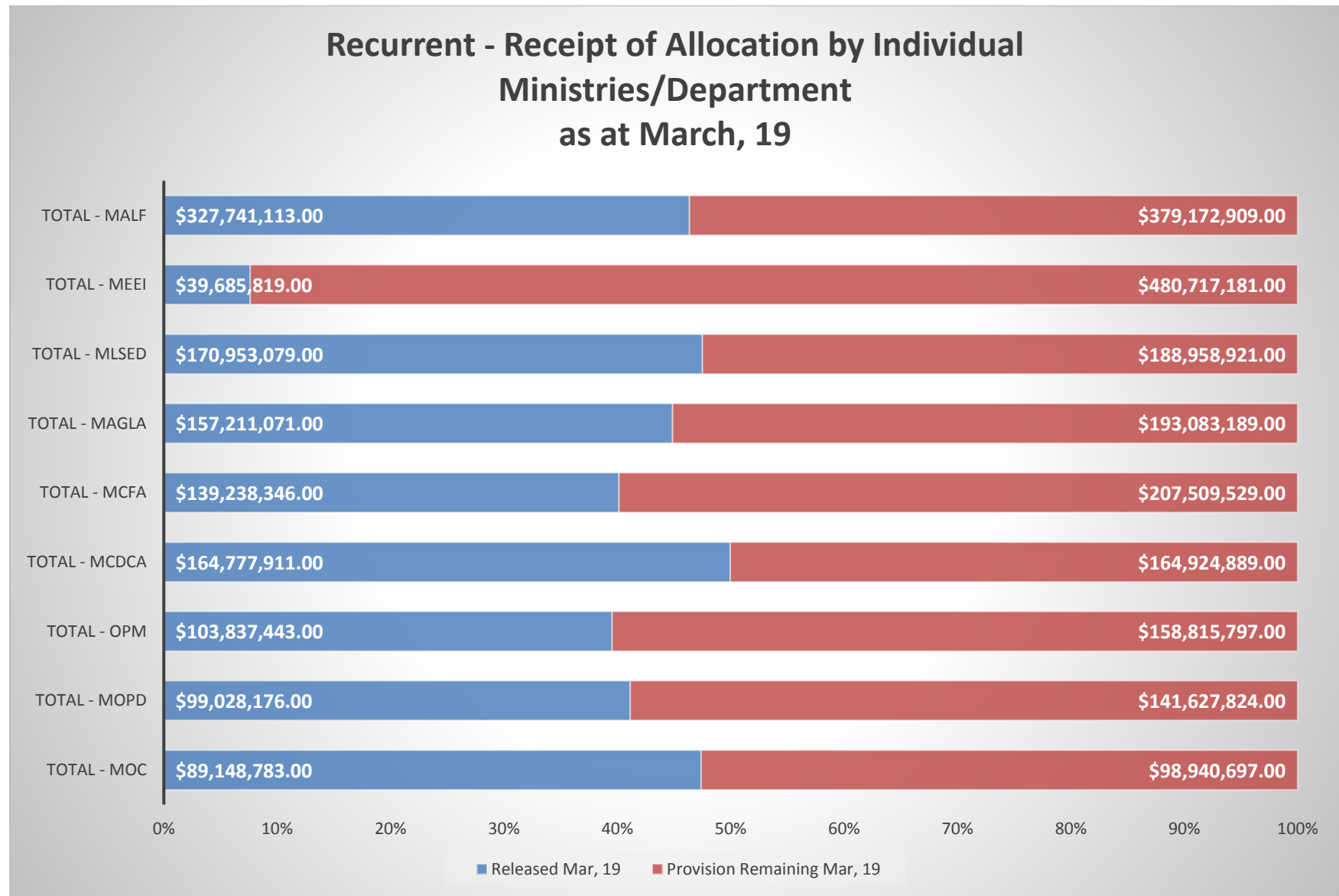
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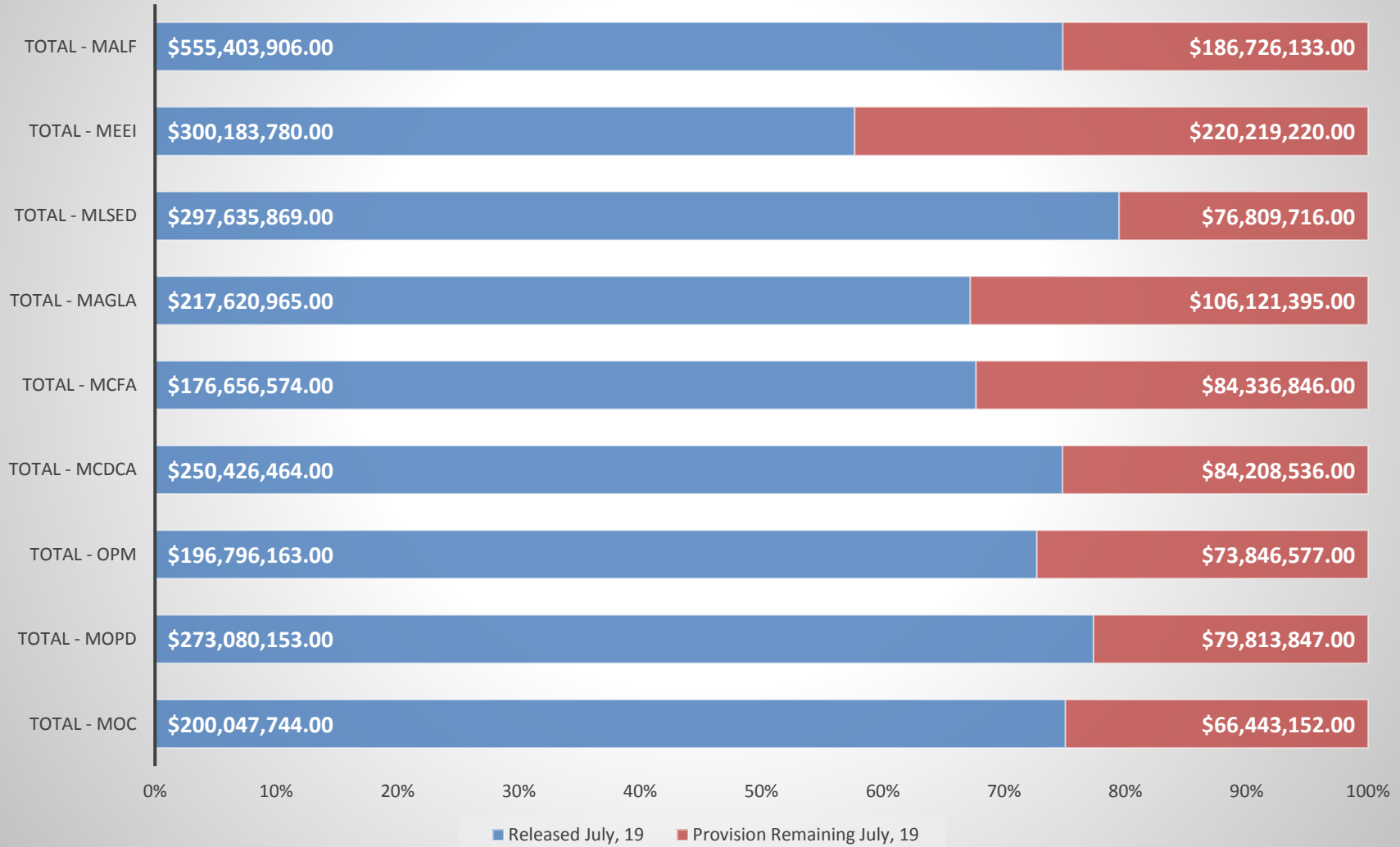
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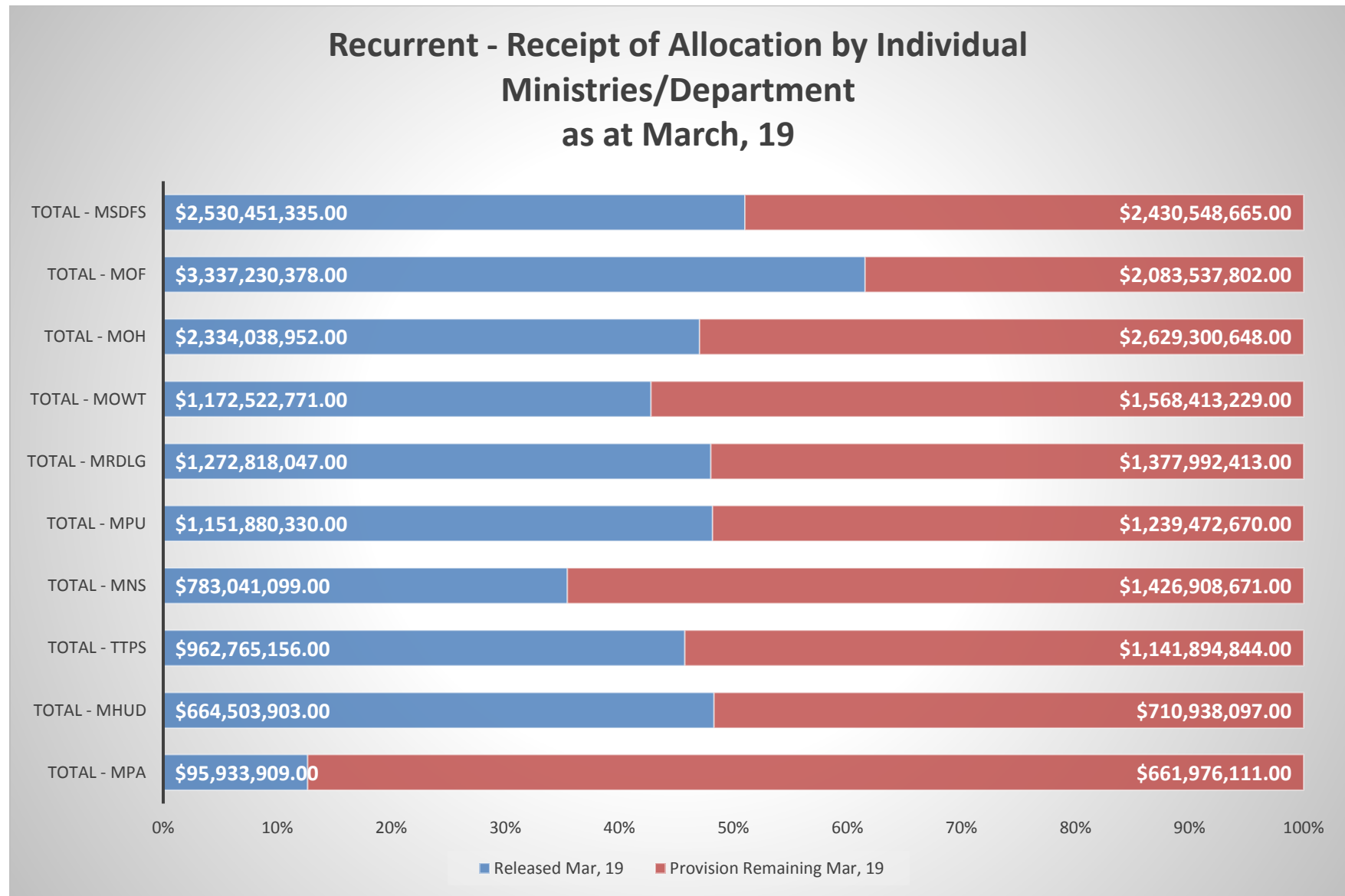
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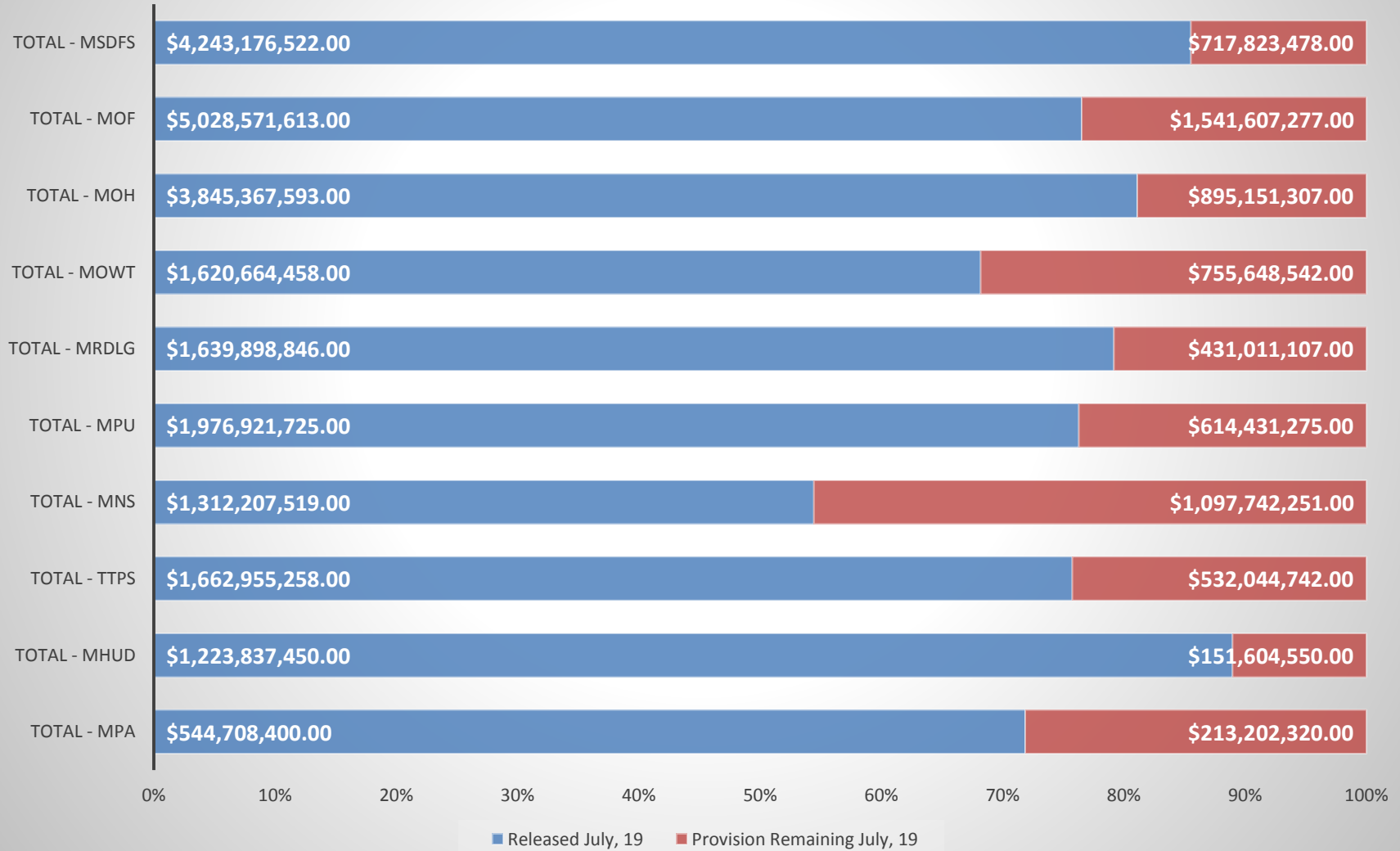
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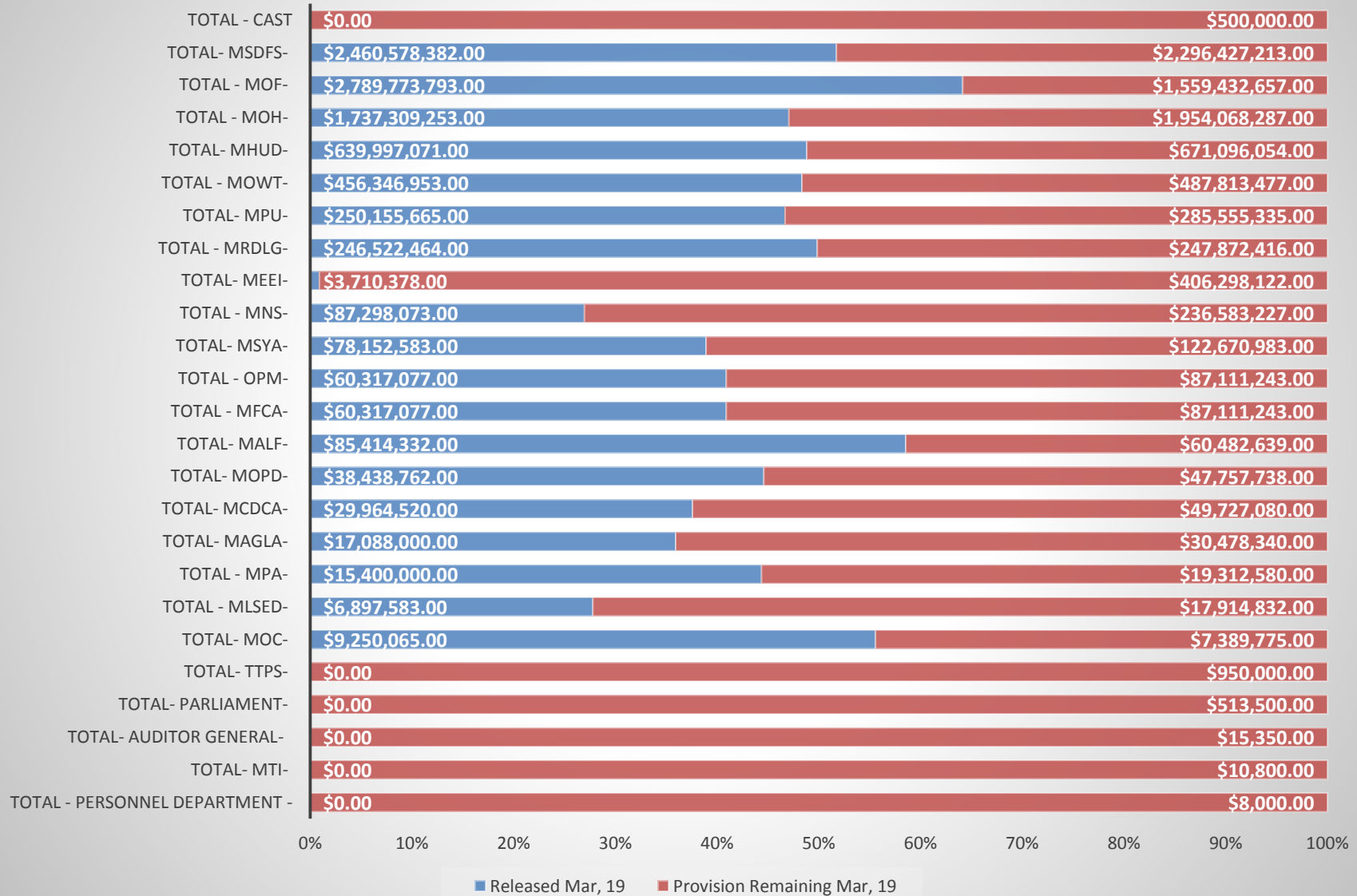


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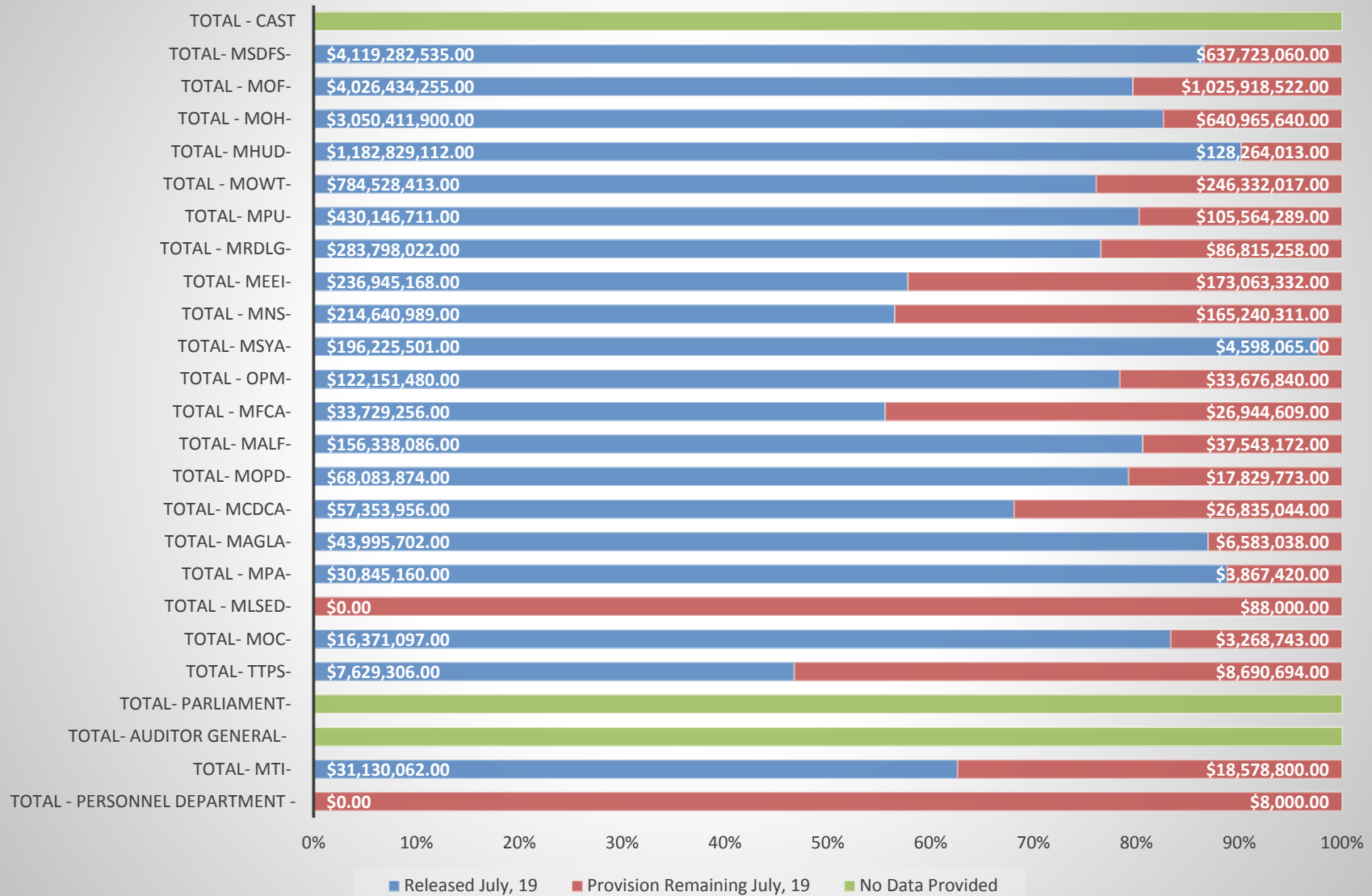
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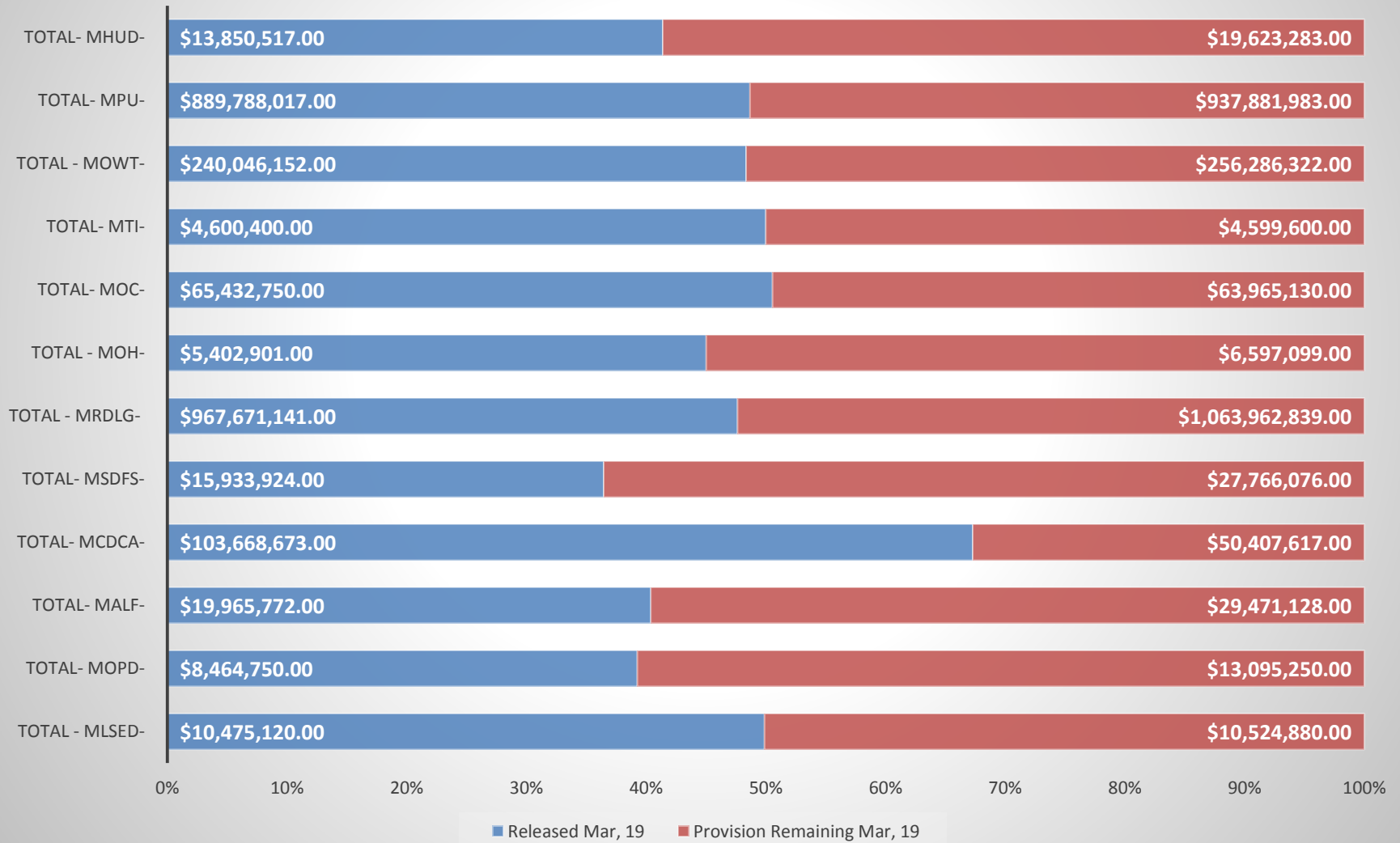


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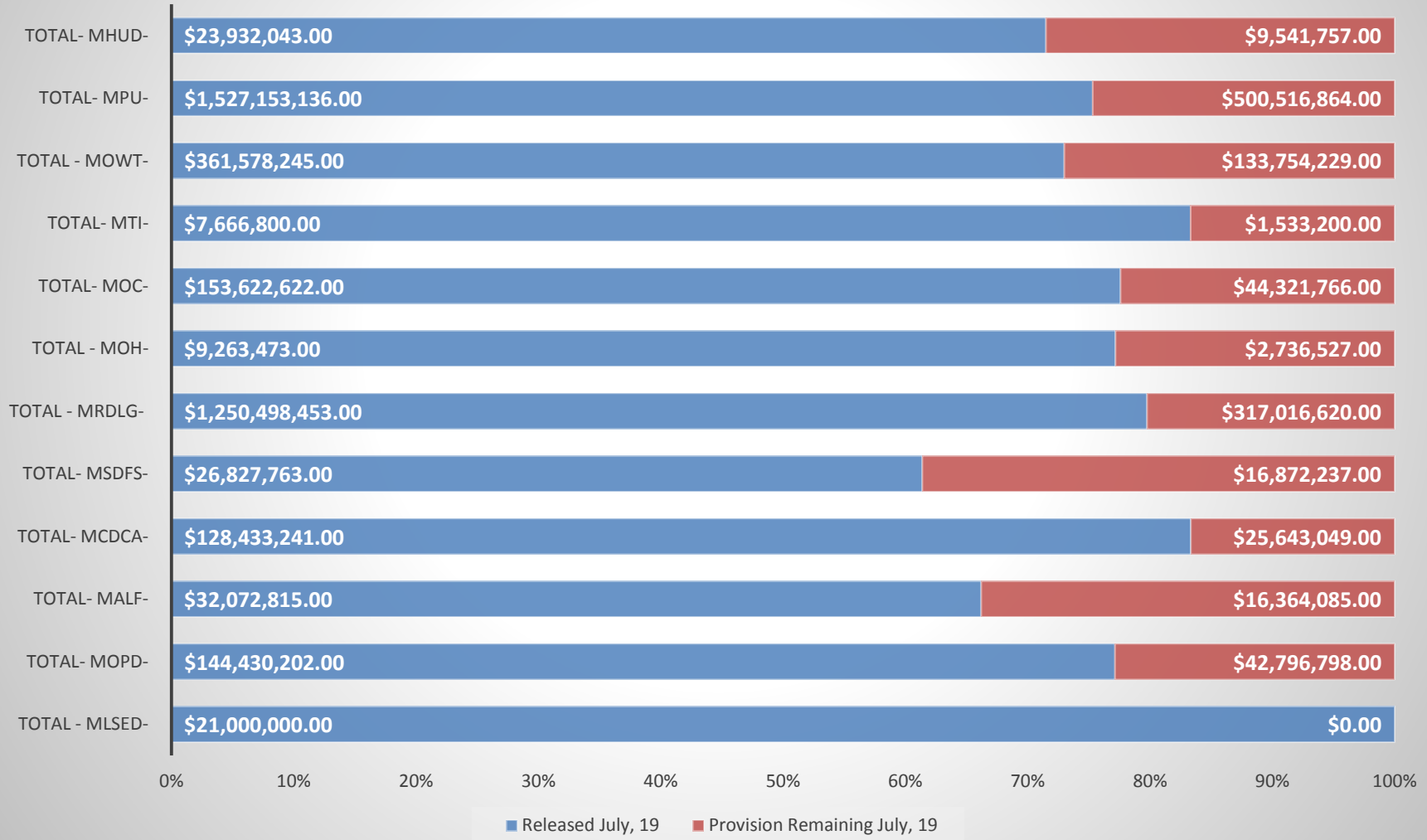
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06: Current Transfers to Stat. Brds. & Similar Bodies Receipt of Allocation by Individual Ministries/Department as at March, 19

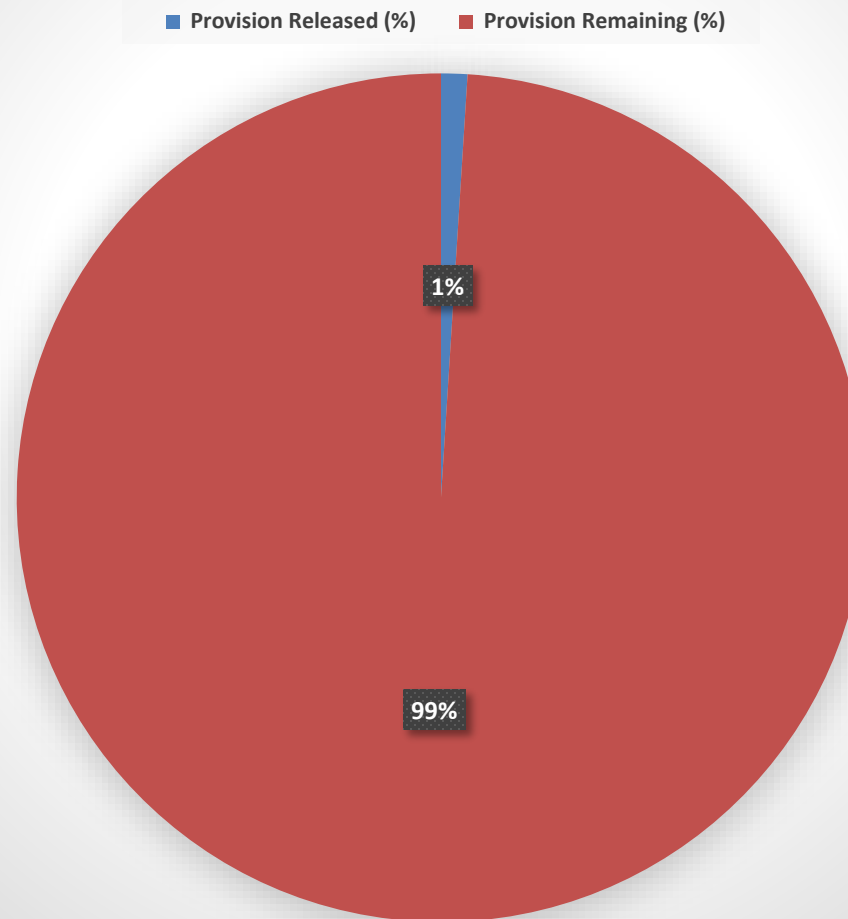


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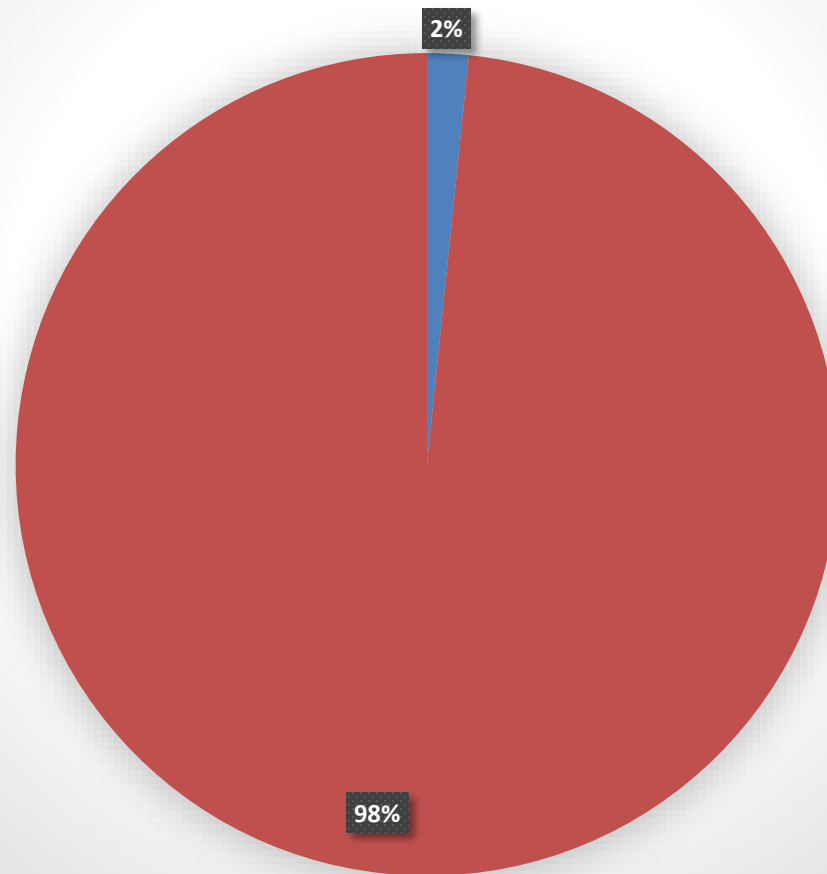
Summary Data for PSIP

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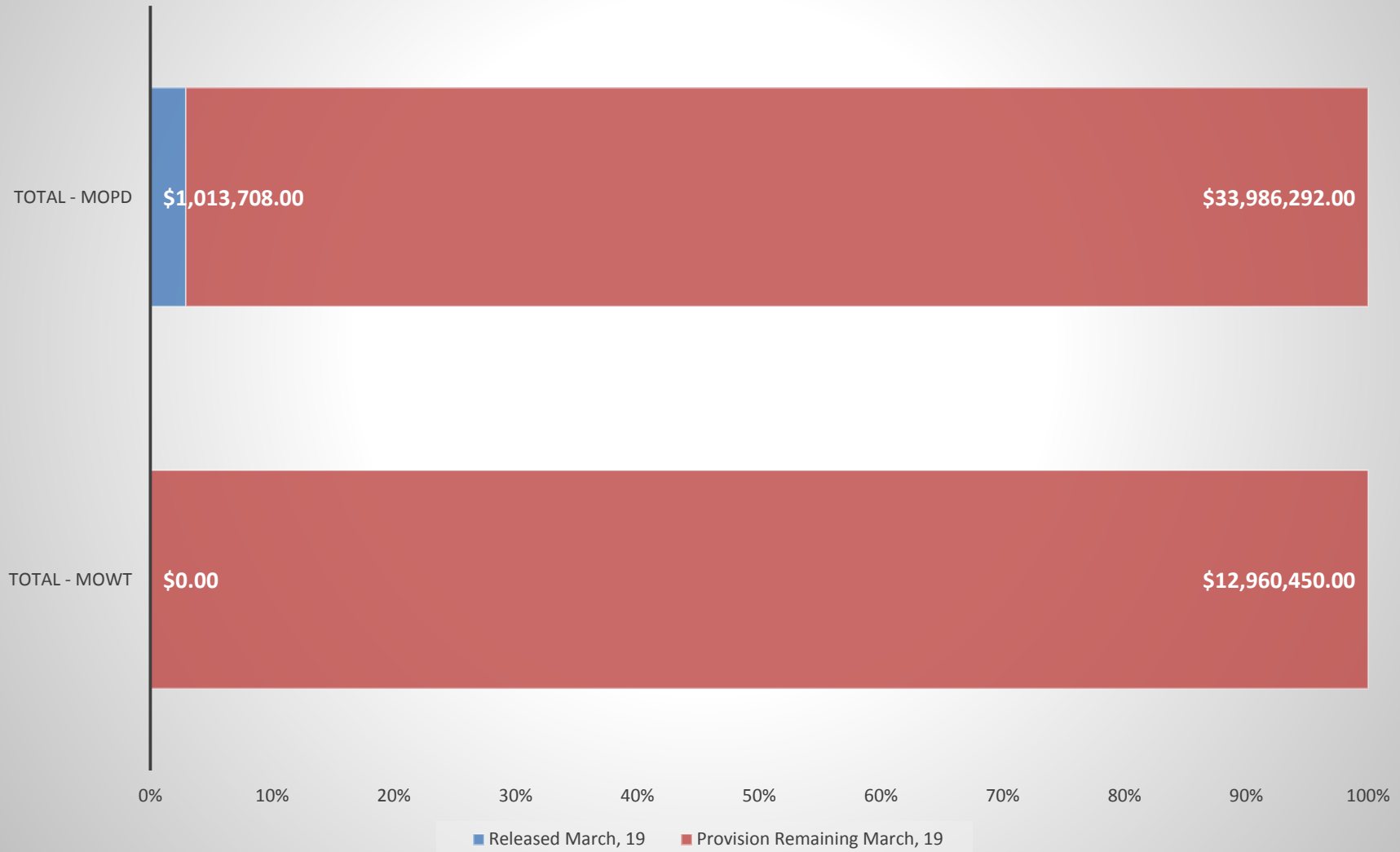


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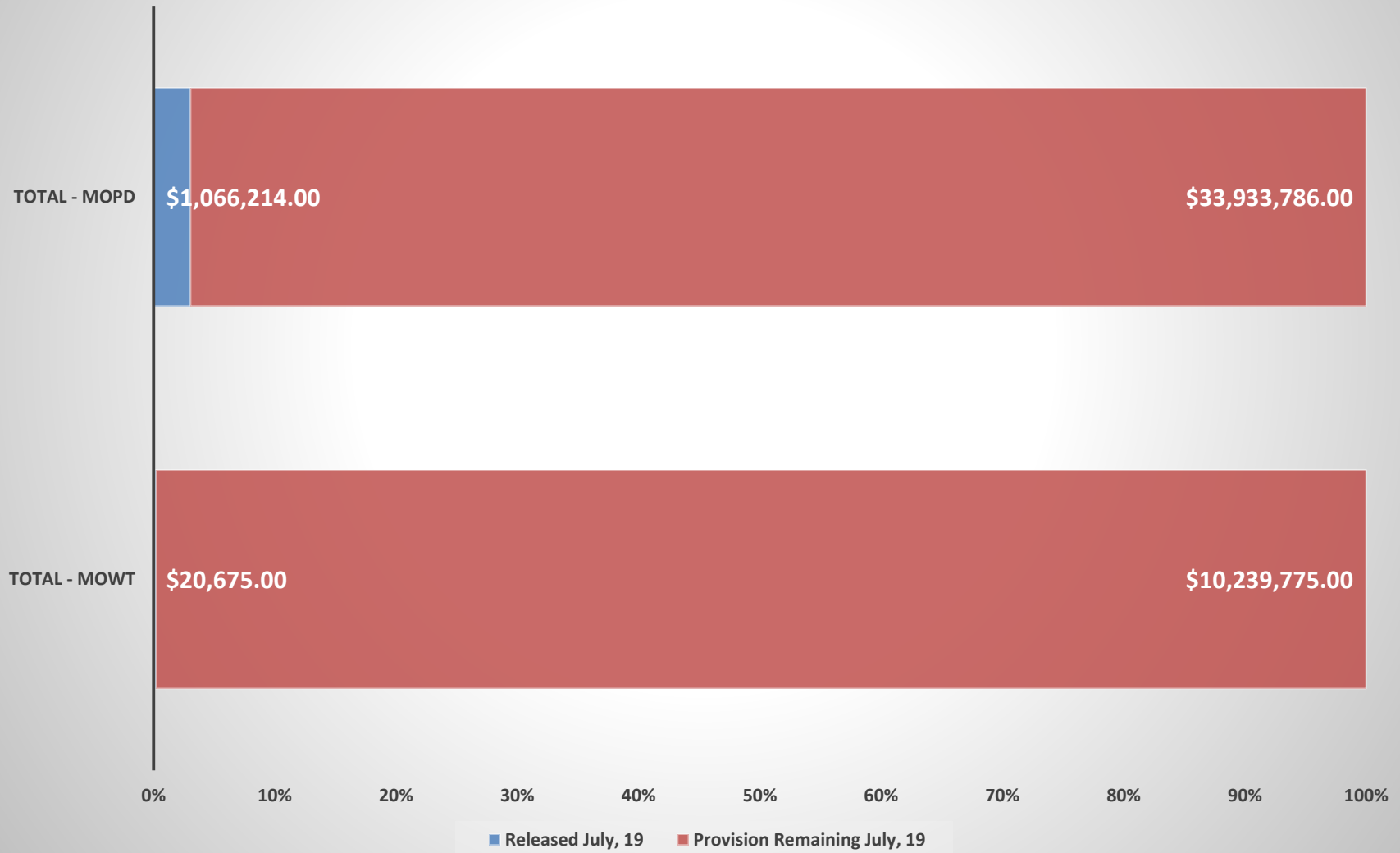
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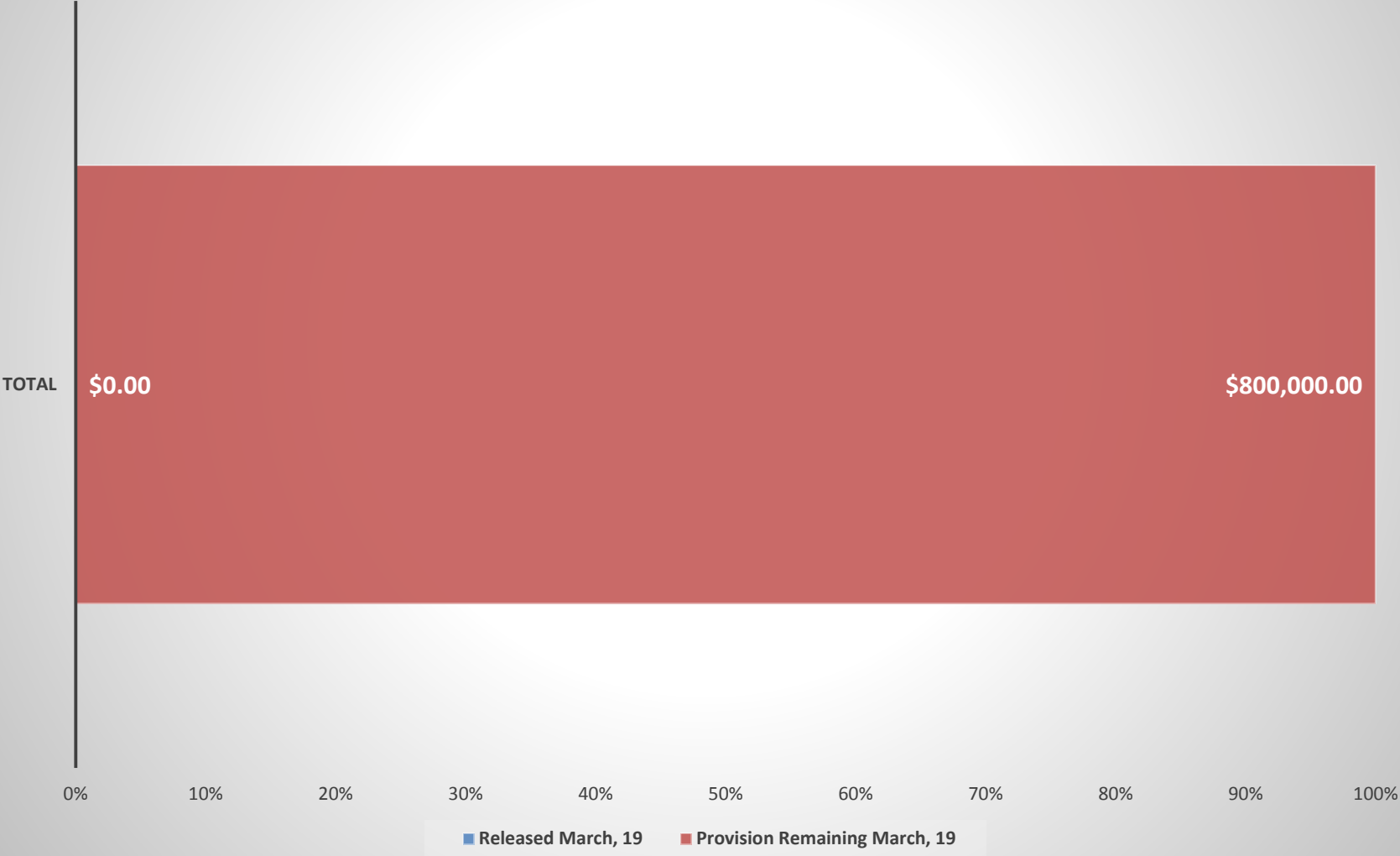
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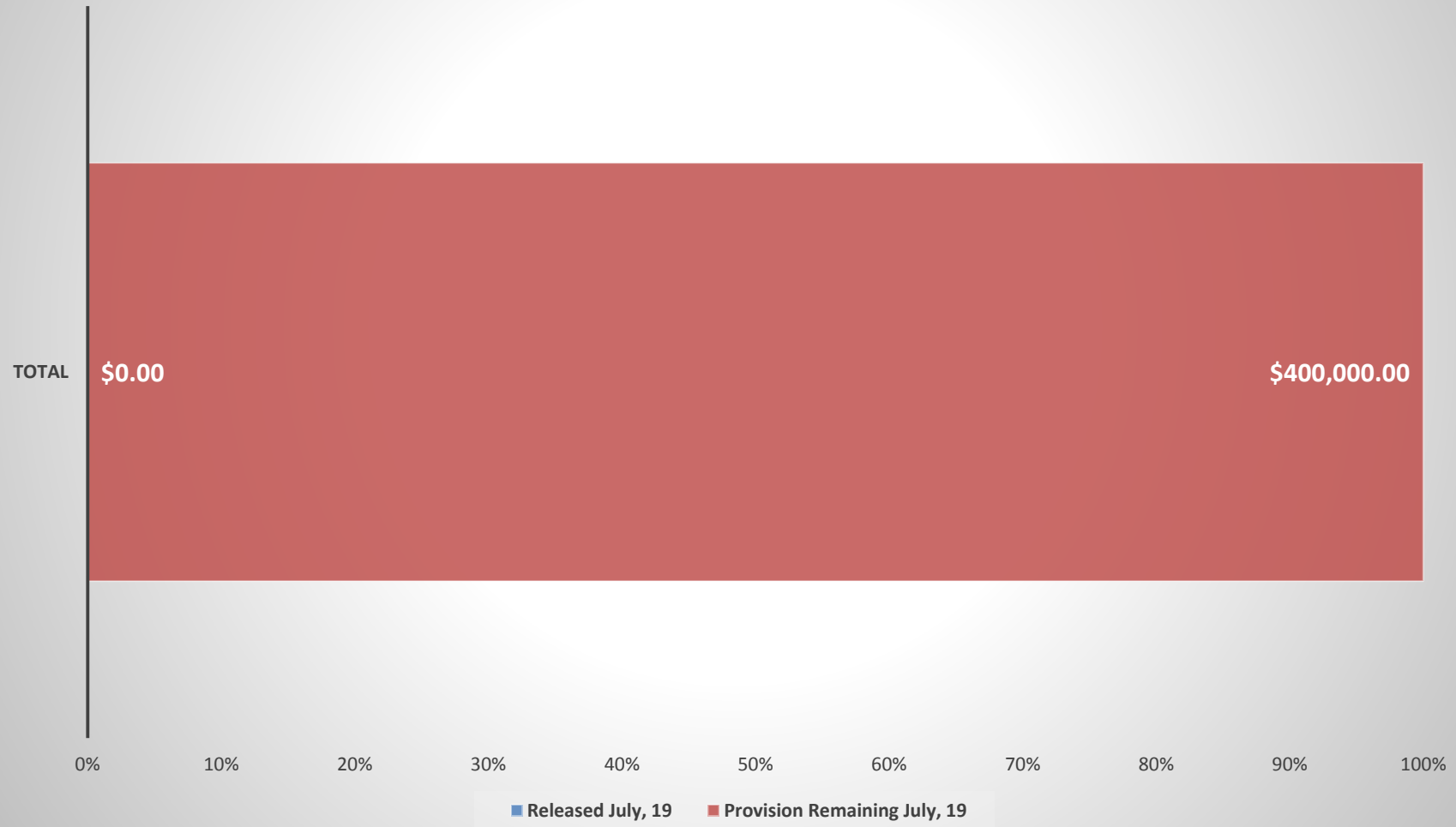
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**Item 002: Productive Sectors
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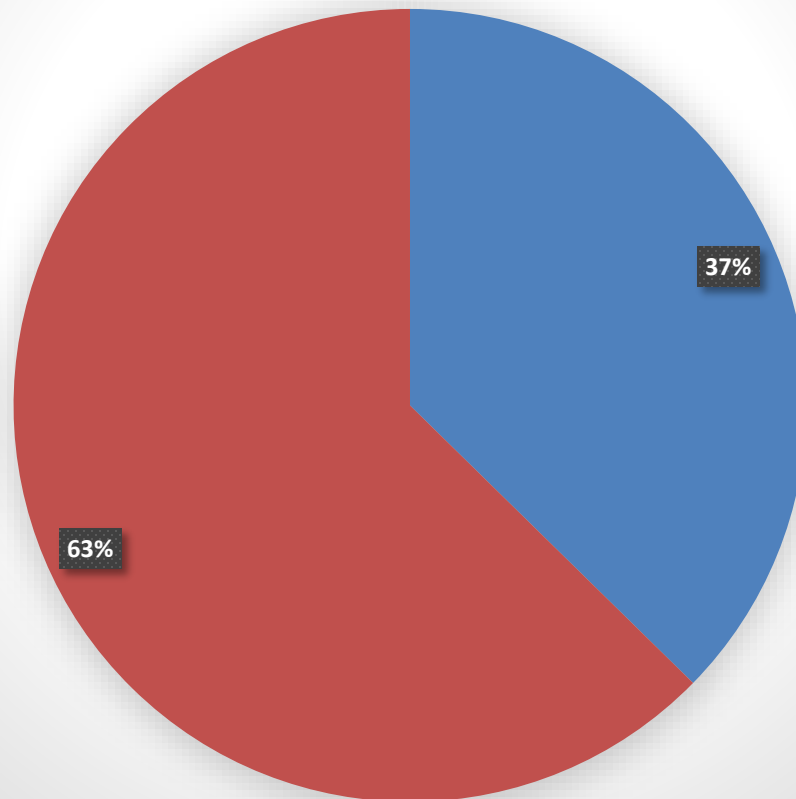


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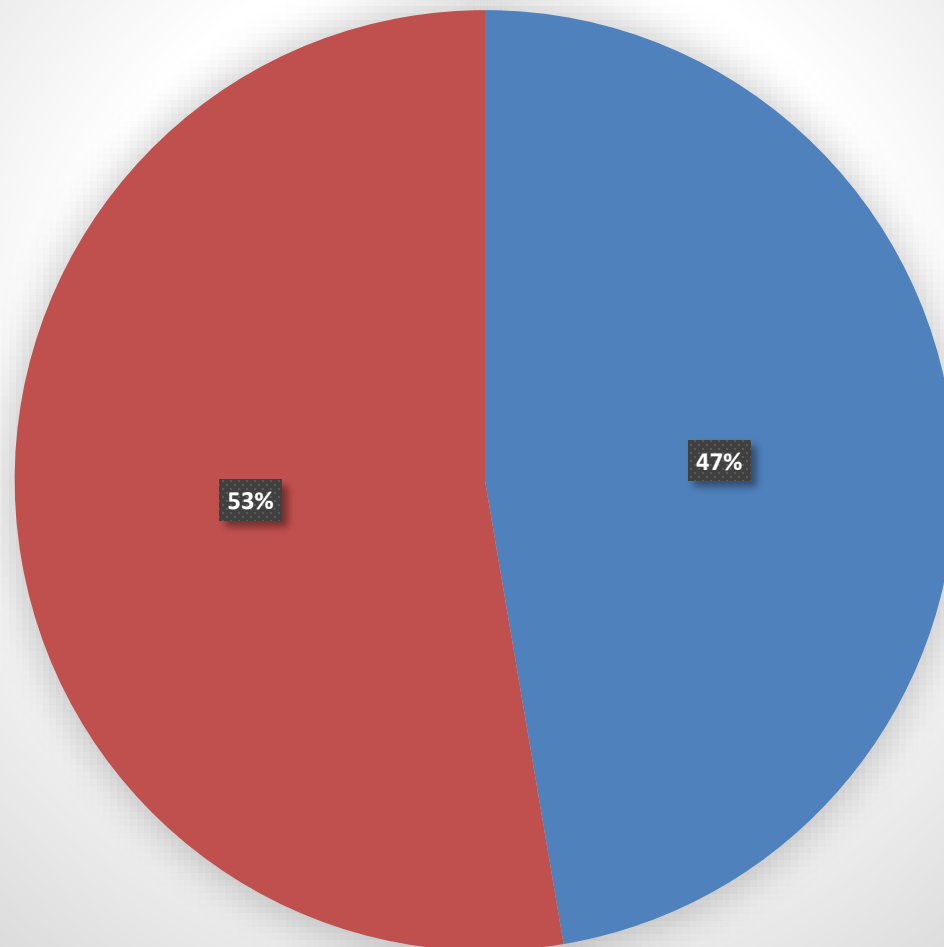
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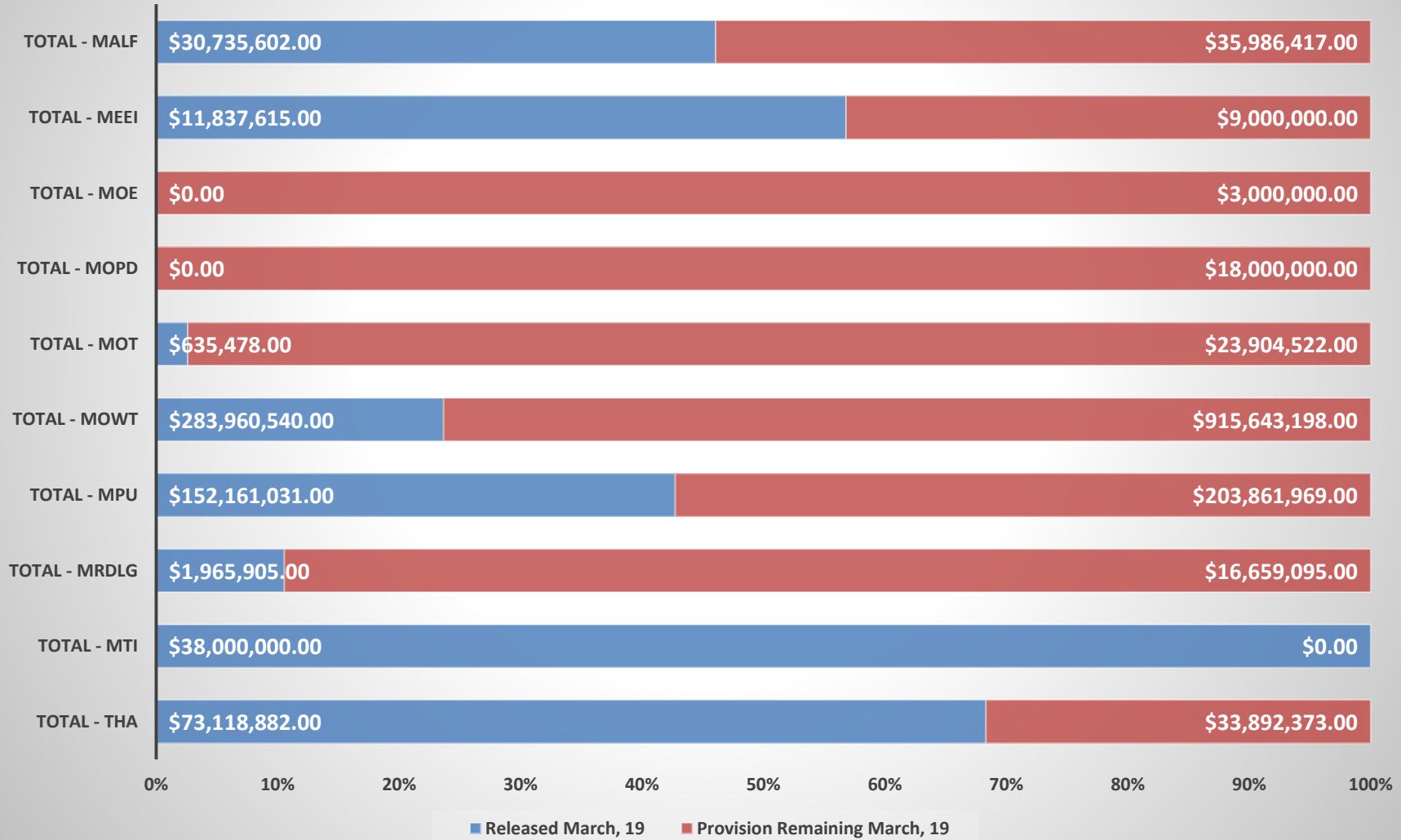


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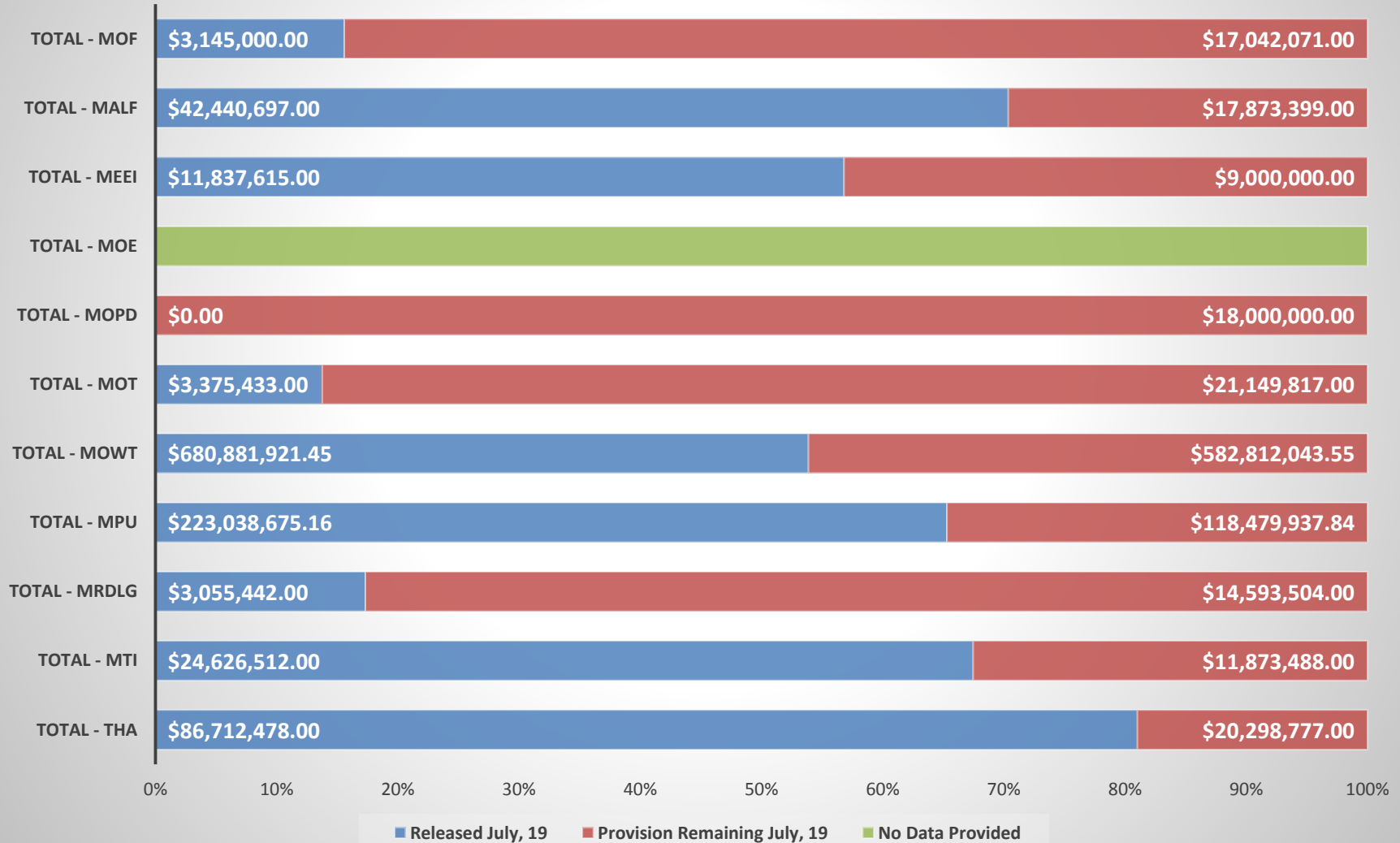
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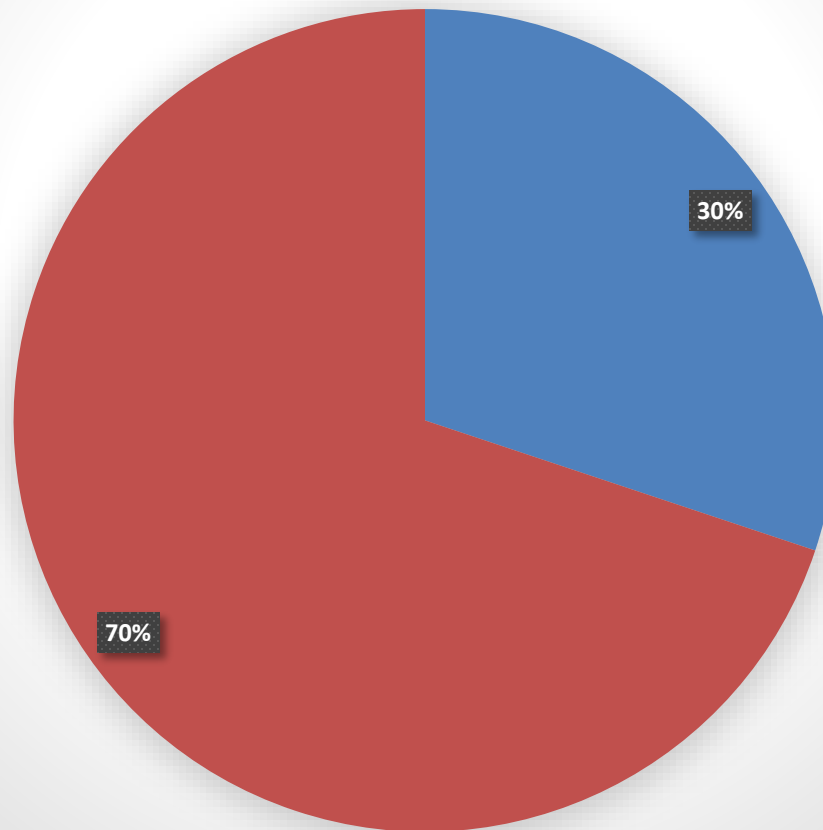


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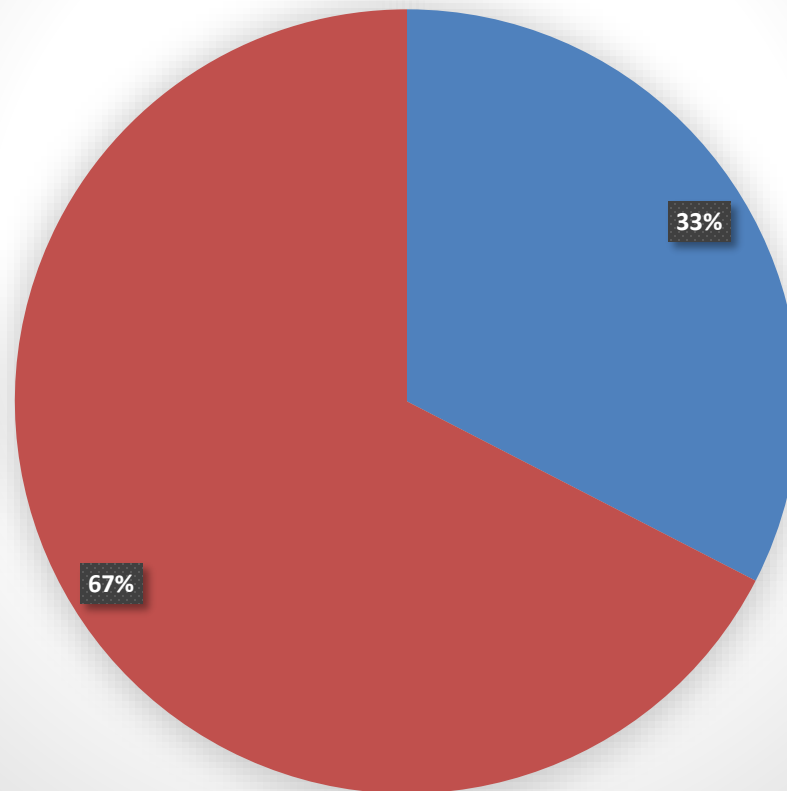
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Overall Allocation to Ministries/Departments
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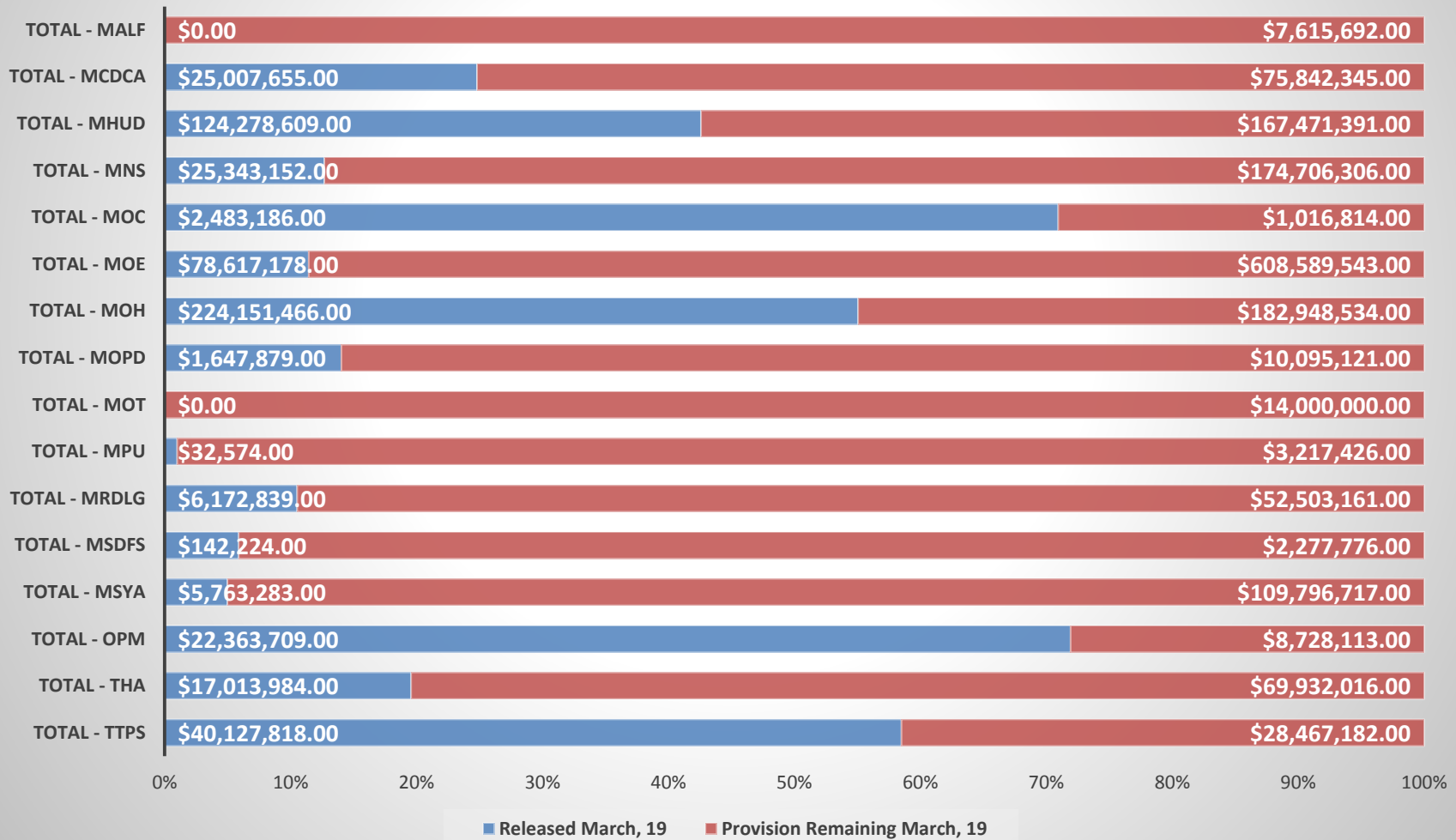


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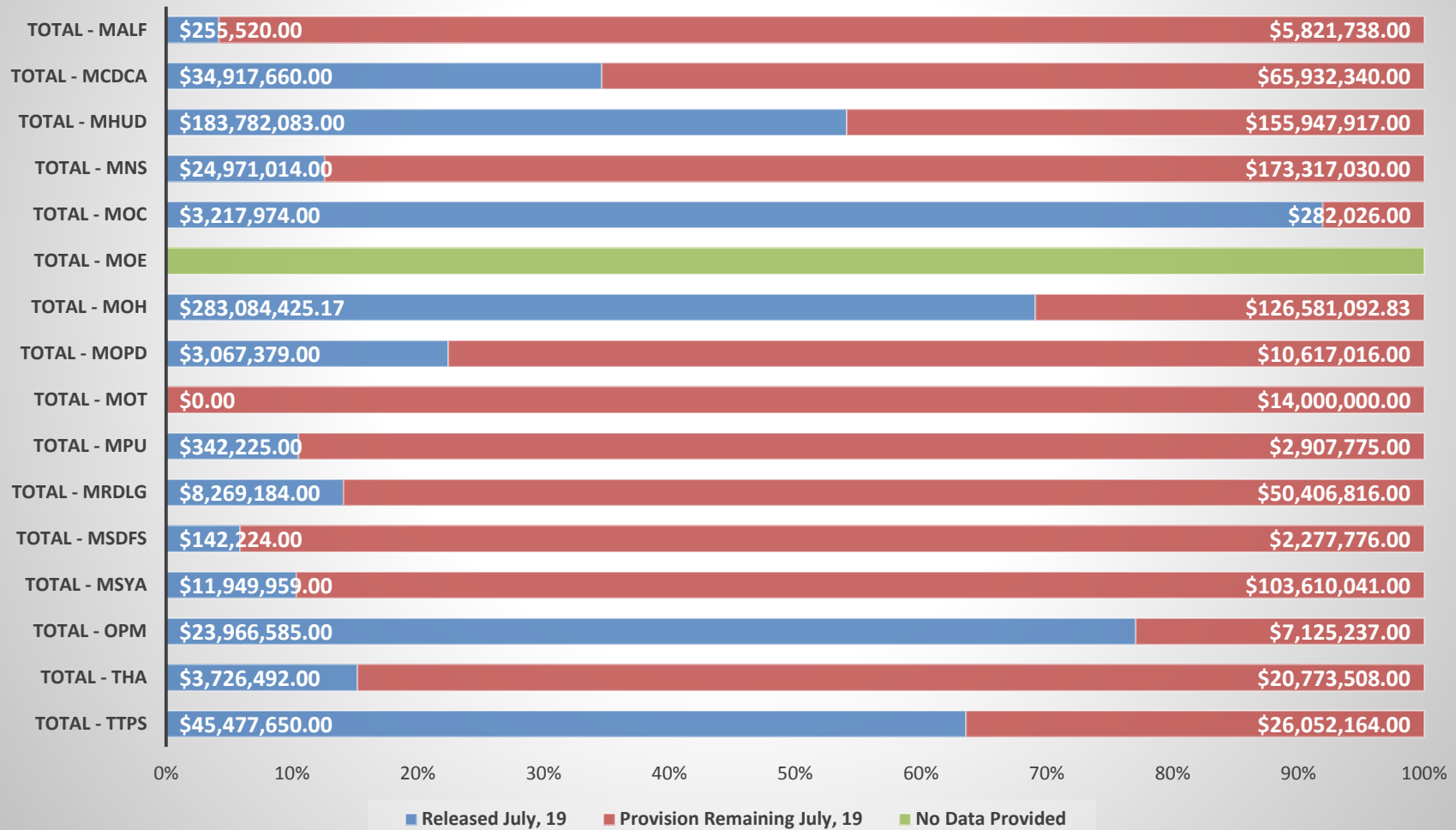
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Overall Expenditure by Ministries/Departments
Receipt of Allocation by Individual Ministries/Department
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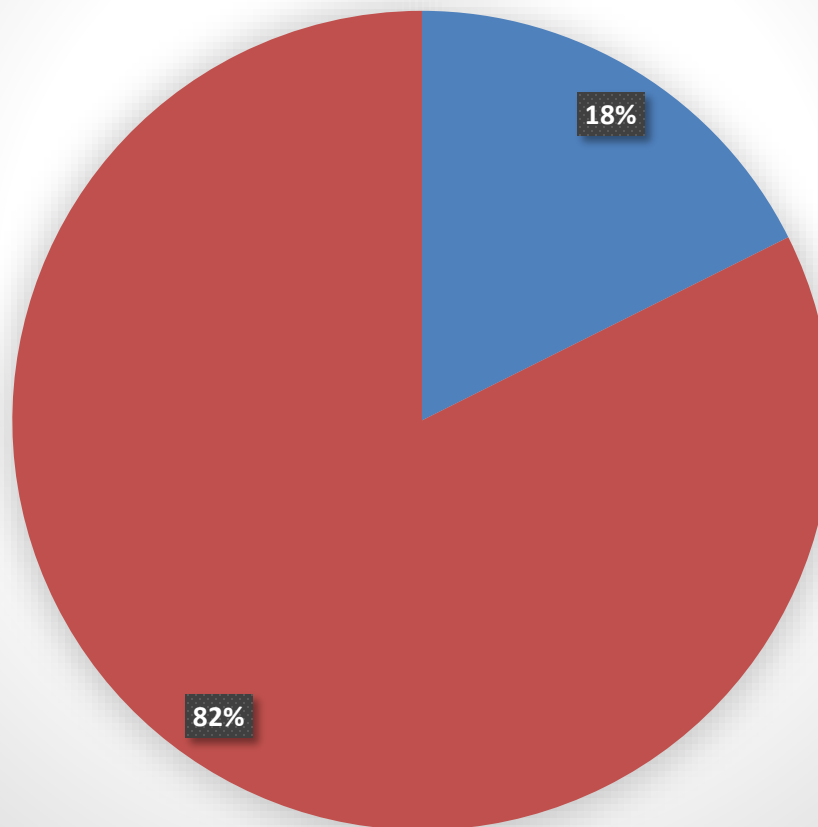


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Receipt of Allocation by Individual Ministries/Department
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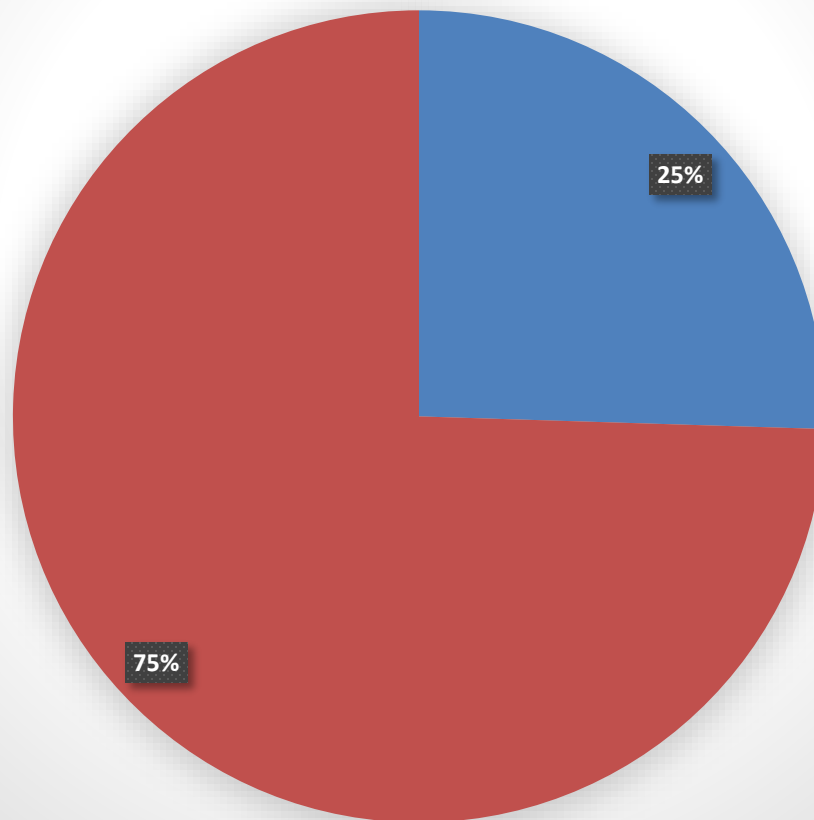
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Overall Allocation to Ministries/Departments
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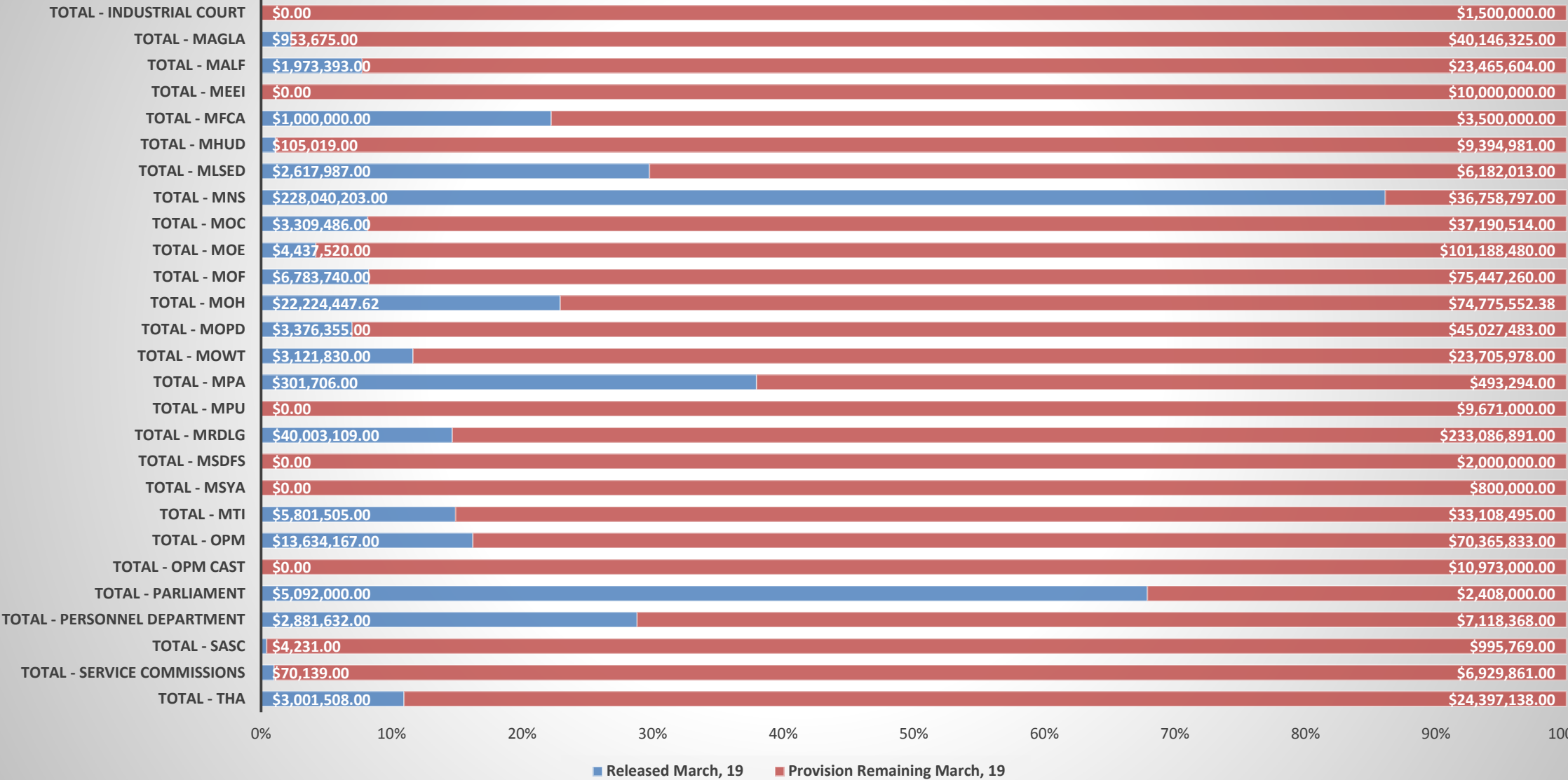


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Overall Allocation to Ministries/Departments
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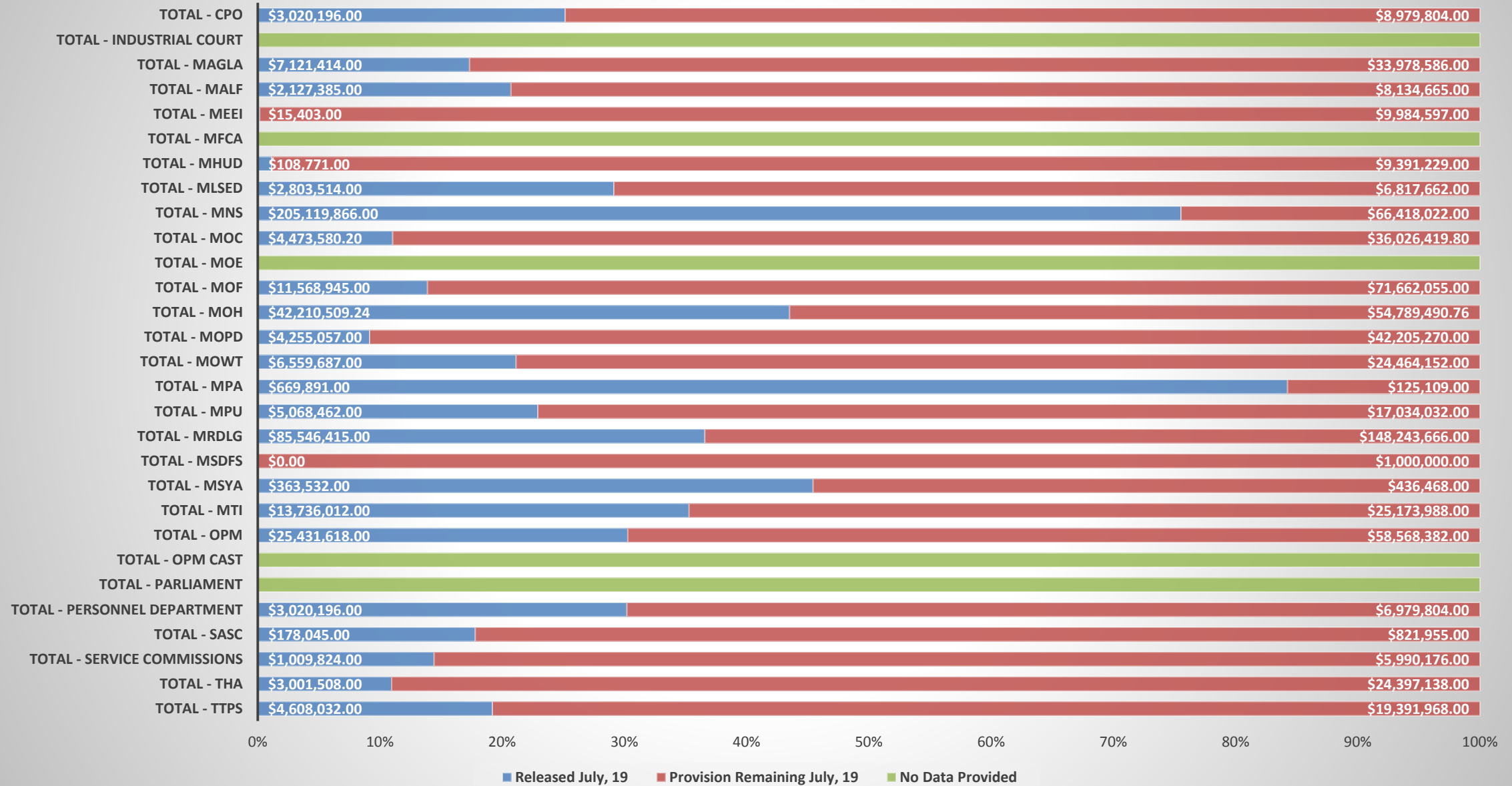
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Item 005: Multi-Sectoral and Other Services
Receipt of Allocation by Individual Ministries/Department as at March, 19



Item 005: Multi-Sectoral and Other Services
Receipt of Allocation by Individual Ministries/Department as at July, 19



5. CONCLUSION

In support of the PAAC's mandate to monitor the budgetary expenditure of Government agencies as it occurs; and to keep Parliament informed of how the budget allocation is being implemented, the Committee engaged in quarterly tracking of the expenditure of all Ministries and Departments during the Fourth Session of the Eleventh Parliament. The Statements of Expenditure received for the first, second and third quarters of fiscal 2019, as well as the month ending July 31, 2019, were used to develop a database off of which the relevant graphs and charts presented above were populated.

The Committee presents this data to the House as information that would be useful to gain an appreciation for the spending patterns of Government agencies over the examined periods during fiscal 2019.

This Committee respectfully submits this Report for the consideration of the Parliament.

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6. EVIDENCE

An electronic copy of the evidence for this report can be found on the Parliament website using the following link:

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