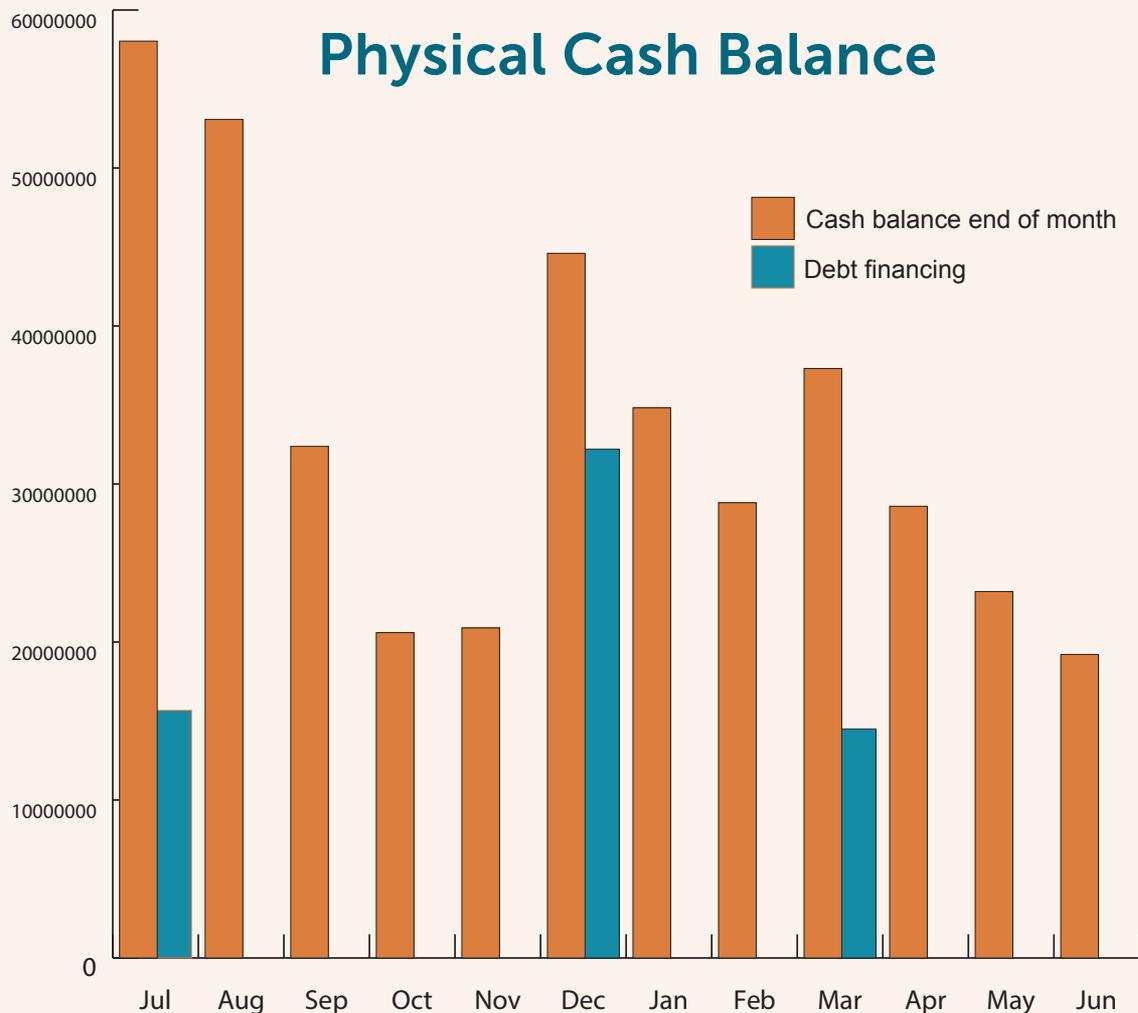


ERP MYTH BUSTERS #2

MYTH: THE GOVERNMENT IS ABOUT TO RUN OUT OF MONEY

Physical Cash Balance



FACT

With sufficient cash reserves, grants, and long-term financing secured, the Cook Islands Government will not run out of money.

According to the Gov't's latest forecasts there is \$66 million of cash reserves to start the financial year. This is being supplemented by debt financing and \$15 million granted by New Zealand to ensure that the Government still has \$19 million of cash remaining at the end of 2020/21 after paying all of its bills, including the Economic Response Plan.

For additional information, please visit www.mfem.gov.ck/erp

