

Value-for-money assessment in England using the DfT Value for Money Framework: the new approach from 2024

1. Initial BCR

- BCR from AMCB table
- Can now include reliability for rail schemes

“Established Monetised Impacts”

Initial BCR	VfM Category *
> 4	Very high
2.0 to 4.0	High
1.5 to 2.0	Medium
1.0 to 1.5	Low
0 to 1.0	Poor
<= 0	Very poor

2. Adjusted BCR

(optional)

- Add Level 2 WEIs
- Add JT reliability (non-rail)

“Evolving Monetised Impacts”

Adjusted BCR	Provisional VfM Category
> 4	Very high
2.0 to < 4.0	High
1.5 to < 2.0	Medium
1.0 to < 1.5	Low
0 to < 1.0	Poor
<= 0	Very poor

3. Indicative BCR

(optional)

- Add monetised Level 3 impacts (WEIs and/or landscape) if robust enough

“Indicative Monetised Impacts”

Indicative BCR

- If robust enough
- Include scenarios and sensitivities

Apply checklist
(VfM Framework para 4.3.14)

No update to VfM category at this stage

4. Final VfM category

Make a judgement:

- Indicative monetised impacts:
 - In Indicative BCR
 - Not in indicative BCR (switching values)
- Confidence in BCR?
- Sensitivity tests & uncertainty
- **Non-monetised impacts** (hence now includes all economic, environmental & social impacts)

Final VfM Category

Very high
High
Medium
Low
Poor
Very poor

Consider distributional impacts alongside

5. VfM statement

Key facts and risks/uncertainties about the impacts, VfM category and distributional impacts
Also consider the impact on objectives in a SOAS alongside the VfM statement