Vote Justice

MINISTER(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR APPROPRIATIONS: Minister of Justice (M42)

ADMINISTERING DEPARTMENT: Ministry of Justice

MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR MINISTRY OF JUSTICE: Minister of Justice

Overview of the Vote

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Appropriations sought for Vote Justice in 2008/09 total \$400.033 million. This is intended to be spent as follows:

Services purchased directly from the Ministry of Justice:

- \$1.832 million (less than 1% of the Vote) on purchasing crime prevention and community safety initiatives
- \$24.638 million (6% of the Vote) on purchasing the management of the parliamentary electoral system
- \$29.883 million (7% of the Vote) on purchasing policy advice
- \$5.357 million (1% of the Vote) on purchasing sector leadership and support.

Services purchased through Non-departmental Output Expenses:

- \$17.952 million (5% of the Vote) funding the costs of administering the Legal Services Agency
- \$4.035 million (1% of the Vote) on purchasing policy advice from the Law Commission
- \$7.950 million (2% of the Vote) on purchasing community crime prevention services and programmes delivered by community and local government agency providers
- \$16.378 million (4% of the Vote) on purchasing equity promotion and protection services from the Human Rights Commission, the Independent Police Conduct Authority, the Privacy Commissioner and the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security
- \$129.563 million (32% of the Vote) funding the Legal Services Agency to make payments of legal aid
- \$17.589 million (5% of the Vote) on purchasing services relating to producing and maintaining electoral rolls
- \$4.139 million (1% of the Vote) on purchasing services relating to the provision of electoral services and election broadcasting
- \$4.500 million (1% of the Vote) on purchasing protective fiduciary services
- \$1.702 million (less than 1% of the Vote) on purchasing Sentencing Council services
- \$7.931 million (2% of the Vote) on purchasing support for victims
- \$5.267 million (1% of the Vote) for other expenses to be incurred by the Crown and capital expenditure for Crown entities
- \$121.317 million (30% of the Vote) on the purchase of development assets by and for the use of the Ministry of Justice as authorised by section 24(1) of the Public Finance Act 1989.

Details of these appropriations are set out in Parts 2-6 for Vote Justice in the Information Supporting the Estimates of Appropriations.

Details of Appropriations

Details of Annual and Permanent Appropriations

	2007/08		2008/09
Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Departmental Output Expenses			
Crime Prevention and Community Safety (M42)	1,806	1,806	1,832
This appropriation is limited to provision of services and advice (excluding policy advice) focused on assisting local authorities and communities to develop crime prevention and community safety programmes.			
Managing the Parliamentary Electoral Process (M42)	9,831	9,431	24,638
This appropriation is limited to the preparation for and conducting of the next general election and any by-elections, election of list members, and referenda.			
Policy Advice (M42)	25,199	25,199	29,883
This appropriation is limited to policy advice, legal advice and research and evaluation in relation to civil, criminal and constitutional law, foreshore and seabed policy and treaty negotiation advice and providing agreed services to the Minister of Justice, Minister for Courts and Minister in Charge of Treaty Negotiations.			
Sector Leadership and Support (M42)	5,213	5,213	5,357
This appropriation is limited to advice and services focused on the Ministry's leadership role in the justice sector. This covers enhancing the Ministry's coordination with other sector and Government agencies, advice and information about judicial and statutory appointments and monitoring specific crown entities.			
Total Departmental Output Expenses	42,049	41,649	61,710
Non-Departmental Output Expenses			
Administration of Legal Services Agency (M42)	18,765	18,765	17,952
This appropriation is limited to funding the costs of administering the legal aid schemes. This includes the processing of legal aid applications and certified claims, managing legal aid debt establishment and repayment, and the process of approving and auditing providers of legally aided services. This appropriation does not include the payment for legally aided services.	gal aid schemes. This nanaging legal aid debt ing providers of legally aided		
Advice from the Law Commission (M42)	5,390	5,390	4,035
This appropriation is limited to funding the Law Commission for advice on the review, reform and development of all aspects of the law in New Zealand.			
Crime Prevention and Community Safety Programmes (M42)	7,950	7,950	7,950
This appropriation is limited to the funding of programmes delivered by non government organisations and local government agencies to prevent and reduce crime.			
Equity Promotion and Protection Services (M42)	14,959	14,959	16,248
This appropriation is limited to funding the following; Human Rights Commission to advocate and promote respect for, and an understanding and appreciation of, human rights in New Zealand, and encourage the maintenance and development of harmonious relations between individuals and among the diverse groups in New Zealand society; Independent Police Conduct Authority to investigate incidents and investigate and resolve complaints against the Police, and to uphold the rights of persons in Police detention; Privacy Commissioner on privacy issues relating to the collection and disclosure of personal information and the privacy of individuals and Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security to fund administrative support.			
Equity Promotion and Protection Services - Inspector General PLA (M42)	150	150	130
This appropriation is limited to funding the Inspector-General as per the provisions of the Permanent Legislative Authority contained in section 8 of the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security Act 1996.			

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Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Non-Departmental Output Expenses - cont'd			
Legal Aid (M42)	111,779	111,779	129,563
This appropriation is limited to funding the Legal Services Agency to make payments of legal aid.			
Producing and Maintaining Electoral Rolls (M42)	-	-	17,589
This appropriation is limited to funding the Electoral Enrolment Centre (New Zealand Post Ltd), for services relating to the maintenance of electoral rolls, including all activities required to register electors and produce electoral rolls as required by law.			
Provision of Electoral Services (M42)	18,600	18,600	1,284
This appropriation is limited to funding the Electoral Commission for services relating to the registration of political parties, the conduct of education and information programmes and other activities to promote public awareness on electoral matters, receiving and forwarding protected disclosure donations to registered political parties, receiving returns of registered political parties' election expenses and advisory services on electoral matters.			
Provision of Electoral Services - Broadcasting PLA (M42)	-	-	2,855
This appropriation is limited to funding to enable political parties to meet all or part of the cost of broadcasting election programmes. The appropriation for election broadcasting is a permanent legislative authority established under section 74 of the Broadcasting Act 1989.			
Provision of Protective Fiduciary Services (M42)	4,500	4,500	4,500
This appropriation is limited to the purchase of fiduciary services provided by the Public Trust as specified by statute where charges to the recipient, if any, will not meet the costs of the service.			
Sentencing Council (M42)	-	-	1,702
This appropriation is limited to funding the Sentencing Council to produce sentencing and parole guidelines, and to provide information to the judiciary and the public about sentencing and parole.			
Support and Assistance provided by Victim Support to Victims of Crime (M42)	5,446	5,446	7,931
This appropriation is limited to the purchase of services from the New Zealand Council of Victim Support Groups ("Victim Support") for the provision of services to victims of crime and trauma. This covers personalised support services (covering 24 hour emergency support and follow up support through the criminal justice system) and the administration of victim assistance schemes (covering counselling for families of homicide victims, and financial assistance to help victims.			
Intensive Intervention for Serious Recidivist Young Offenders (M42)	3,397	3,397	-
This appropriation is limited to funding of the operating costs relating to the Te Hurihanga Youth Residential Programme.			
Total Non-Departmental Output Expenses	190,936	190,936	211,739
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Contribution to Foreshore and Seabed Negotiation Costs (M42)	600	300	1,103
Contributions to negotiations on customary rights and interests in the foreshore and seabed areas for Ngāti Porou and Te Whānau-a-Apanui.			
Moriori Identity and Heritage Trust (M42)	6,000	-	-
Establishment of a trust that is intended to rebuild, reclaim and promote Moriori culture, identity and heritage.			
Total Non-Departmental Other Expenses	6,600	300	1,103
Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Ministry of Justice - Capital Expenditure PLA (M42)	92,372	92,372	121,317
This appropriation is limited to the purchase or development of assets by and for the use of the Ministry of Justice, as authorised by section 24(1) of the Public Finance Act 1989			
Total Departmental Capital Expenditure	92,372	92,372	121,317

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Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	Budgeted \$000		Budget \$000
Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Human Rights Commission (M42)	445	445	50
Capital Expenditure to upgrade the Commission's IT infrastructure and knowledge management			
Independent Police Conduct Authority (M42)	-	-	257
Capital Funds for Independent Police Conduct Authority			
Legal Services Agency (M42)	376	376	3,737
Capital Expenditure to Implement the Legal Services Management System			
Sentencing Council (M42)	-	-	120
Capital funding for Sentencing Council.			
Total Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure	821	821	4,164
Total Annual and Permanent Appropriations	332,778	326,078	400,033

Details of Projected Movements in Departmental Net Assets

Ministry of Justice

Details of Net Asset Schedule	Estimated Actual 2007/08 \$000	Projected 2008/09 \$000	
Opening Balance	533,616	634,609	
Capital Injections	100,993	41,514	Mainly relates to funding approved in 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008 Budgets.
Capital Withdrawals	-	-	
Surplus to be Retained (Deficit Incurred)	-	-	
Other Movements	-	-	
Closing Balance	634,609	676,123	