

Vote Climate Change

MINISTER(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR APPROPRIATIONS: Minister for Climate Change Issues (M12)

ADMINISTERING DEPARTMENT: Ministry for the Environment

MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR MINISTRY FOR THE ENVIRONMENT: Minister for the Environment

Overview of the Vote

The Minister Responsible for Climate Change Issues is responsible for appropriations in Vote Climate Change for the 2009/10 financial year covering the following:

- A total of nearly \$10 million for the development of a national Carbon Accounting System.
- A total of over \$471 million for the allocation of New Zealand emission units to the New Zealand economy.
- A total of over \$14 million for international negotiations under the Kyoto Protocol, development and implementation of the Emissions Trading Scheme and other climate change policy measures.
- A total of \$300,000 for policy advice on energy efficiency and conservation issues.
- A total of \$227,000 for New Zealand's contribution to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.
- A total of \$300,000 for New Zealand's contribution to the Climate Change Development Fund to support international projects addressing climate change impacts.
- A total of over \$3 million for the issue of New Zealand Assigned Amount Units (NZ AAU) to Permanent Forest Sink Initiatives participants.
- A total of nearly \$4 million for the purchase of Projects to Reduce Emissions (PRE) emission units by the Crown from the PRE portfolio.

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

Details of Appropriations

Details of Annual and Permanent Appropriations

Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	2008/09		2009/10
	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Departmental Output Expenses			
Carbon Monitoring Programme (M12) Development of a national carbon accounting system that will contribute to the meeting of New Zealand's greenhouse gas reporting obligations under the Kyoto Protocol and the UNFCCC.	12,081	10,281	9,612
Policy Advice - Climate Change (M12) This appropriation is limited to policy advice and implementation, operational costs and fulfilling international obligations to support the Government's commitment on Climate Change under the Kyoto Protocol; and Ministerial servicing.	12,703	12,703	14,344
Policy Advice - Energy Efficiency and Conservation (M12) This appropriation is limited to policy advice on energy efficiency and conservation issues.	140	140	300
Total Departmental Output Expenses	24,924	23,124	24,256
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Allocation of New Zealand Units (M12) This appropriation is limited to the granting of New Zealand Units to sectors of the New Zealand Economy.	22,844	22,844	471,240
Climate Change Development Fund (M12) This appropriation is limited to supporting international projects to assist developing countries address climate change issues.	300	300	300
Framework Convention on Climate Change (M12) New Zealand's contribution to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.	227	227	227
Issue of New Zealand Assigned Amount Units to Permanent Forest Sink Initiative Participants (M12) This appropriation is limited to the granting of New Zealand Assigned Amount Units to Permanent Forest Sink Initiative participants for eligible afforestation.	586	586	3,221
Total Non-Departmental Other Expenses	23,957	23,957	474,988
Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Purchase of PRE Units (M12) Purchasing of PRE emission units by the Crown from the Projects to Reduce Emissions (PRE) portfolio.	3,500	3,500	3,500
Total Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure	3,500	3,500	3,500
Total Annual and Permanent Appropriations	52,381	50,581	502,744