# Vote Fisheries

MINISTER(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR APPROPRIATIONS: Minister of Fisheries (M32)

ADMINISTERING DEPARTMENT: Ministry of Fisheries

MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR MINISTRY OF FISHERIES: Minister of Fisheries

#### Overview of the Vote

The Minister of Fisheries is responsible for appropriations in the Vote for the 2009/10 financial year covering the following:

- a total of over \$7 million on the provision of policy advice for the sustainable and efficient use of fisheries resources
- a total of over \$34 million on research about New Zealand's fisheries to support decisions for sustainable use, and the provision of information on the biodiversity of New Zealand's marine environment
- a total of \$25 million for the development of standards, guidelines, regulations, fisheries plans and processes that support the operation of the fisheries policy framework
- a total of just under \$31 million to promote compliance with fisheries laws
- a total of just under \$2 million for the implementation of the Māori Commercial Aquaculture Claims Settlement Act 2004
- a total of \$240,000 for the South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation interim secretariat costs
- a total of \$300,000 on contributions to International Organisations
- a total of \$24,000 on costs associated with the sale of Crown quota shares and ACE
- a total of just over \$700,000 on the provision for non-departmental debt write-offs
- an estimate of \$2.500 million Crown Revenue (non-tax) from deemed values applied to catch in excess of quota
- an estimate of \$28.300 million Crown Revenue (non tax) from cost recovery levies applied to the commercial fishing sector.

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

## Details of Appropriations

### **Details of Annual and Permanent Appropriations**

		2008/09	
Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	Estimated Budgeted Actual E \$000 \$000		Budget \$000
Departmental Output Expenses			
Aquaculture Settlement (M32)	2,258	2,258	1,740
Services to implement the Māori Commercial Aquaculture Claims Settlement Act 2004, which provides for a settlement of Māori interests in commercial aquaculture, including the provision of 20% of new space in aquaculture management areas and the provision of 20% equivalent of existing space allocated since September 1992.			
Fisheries Compliance (M32)	32,782	32,782	30,842
Services to promote high levels of voluntary compliance with fisheries laws and create effective deterrence against illegal fisheries activity.			
Fisheries Information (M32)	31,524	26,029	34,396
Services to provide for scientific research (primarily stock assessment and environmental assessment) about New Zealand's fisheries resources, and observer activities on commercial fishing vessels.			
Fisheries Operations (M32)	26,932	25,638	25,033
Services to provide advice to the Minister on appropriate standards defining acceptable impacts of fishing, appropriate allocation of rights to utilise fisheries and services to assist tangata whenua to better contribute to the sustainable management of New Zealand's fisheries.			
Fisheries Policy Advice (M32)	8,773	8,658	7,410
Advice on the development of policies relating the sustainable and efficient utilisation of New Zealand's fisheries, promotion of New Zealand's interests in an international context and provision of Ministerial servicing.			
Interim Secretariat South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation (M32)	478	478	240
Administrative support for the interim secretariat of the South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation.			
Total Departmental Output Expenses	102,747	95,843	99,661
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Contributions to International Organisations (M32)	300	300	300
Contributions to such organisations as the Commission for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna (CCSBT) and the Convention on the Conservation and Management of Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific.			
Provision for Write Downs (M32)	3,211	3,211	711
Provision for non-departmental debt write-offs			
Quota Shares/ACE Administration Costs (M32)	24	24	24
Administration costs associated with the sale of Crown Quota Shares and ACE (Annual Catch Entitlement).			
Settlements (M32)	40,424	40,424	10,922
This expenditure relates to the recognition of negotiated settlements.			
Deemed Value Debt Adjustment (M32)	58	15	-
Adjustment of deemed value debts incurred by fishers.			
Total Non-Departmental Other Expenses	44,017	43,974	11,957

	2008/09		2009/10
Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget
Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Ministry of Fisheries - Capital Expenditure PLA (M32)	5,925	5,054	2,900
This appropriation is limited to the purchase or development of assets by and for the use of the Ministry of Fisheries, as authorised by section 24(1) of the Public Finance Act 1989.			
Total Departmental Capital Expenditure	5,925	5,054	2,900
Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Māori Aquaculture Settlement - Loans (M32)		500	-
This appropriation is limited to loans made to iwi eligible to receive redress under the Māori Aquaculture Commercial Claims Settlement Act 2004.			
Total Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure	500	500	-
Total Annual and Permanent Appropriations		145,371	114,518

## Details of Projected Movements in Departmental Net Assets

#### **Ministry of Fisheries**

Details of Net Asset Schedule	2008/09 Estimated Actual \$000	2009/10 Projected \$000	
Opening Balance	12,658	13,361	
Capital Injections	703	60	Capital injections of: \$139,000 for the Waikato River Comanagement Settlement implementation, \$564,000 for the Ngāti Porou and Te Whānau a Apanui Settlement Negotiations, \$60,000 for increased Fishery Officer presence.
Capital Withdrawals	-	(86)	Transfer to State Services Commission for the Identity Verification Service.
Surplus to be Retained (Deficit Incurred)	-	-	
Other Movements	-	-	
Closing Balance	13,361	13,335	