

Vote Regulation

APPROPRIATION MINISTER(S): Minister for Regulation (M112)

DEPARTMENT ADMINISTERING THE VOTE: Ministry for Regulation (A41)

RESPONSIBLE MINISTER FOR MINISTRY FOR REGULATION: Minister for Regulation

Overview of the Vote

The Minister for Regulation is responsible for appropriations in Vote Regulation for the 2024/25 financial year covering a total of \$16 million to:

- support regulatory system reform
- ensure the quality of new regulation
- improve the functioning of the existing regulatory systems
- raise capability of design and operation of regulatory systems, and
- promote enduring improvement of the regulatory management system.

Details of these appropriations are set out in Parts 2-4.

Details of Appropriations and Capital Injections

Annual Appropriations and Forecast Permanent Appropriations

Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	2023/24		2024/25
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Departmental Output Expenses			
Leadership of the Regulatory Quality System (M112) (A41) This appropriation is limited to advice and services to support a regulatory quality system with focused leadership and ensure that regulations are well designed and implemented.	2,334	2,334	16,000
Total Departmental Output Expenses	2,334	2,334	16,000
Total Annual Appropriations and Forecast Permanent Appropriations	2,334	2,334	16,000

Capital Injection Authorisations

	2023/24		2024/25
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Ministry for Regulation - Capital Injection (M112) (A41)	2,145	2,145	-

Supporting Information

Part 1 - Vote as a Whole

1.1 - New Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Appropriation	2023/24 Final Budgeted \$000	2024/25 Budget \$000	2025/26 Estimated \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000
Ministry for Regulation - Establishment and ongoing funding	Leadership of the Regulatory System Departmental Output Expense	-	8,306	10,306	12,306	14,306
	Departmental Capital Injection	2,145	-	-	-	-
Transfer of funding from Productivity Commission to Vote Regulation	Leadership of the Regulatory System Departmental Output Expense	1,977	5,930	5,930	5,930	5,930
Transfer of funding from Vote Finance to Vote Regulation	Leadership of the Regulatory System Departmental Output Expense	357	1,764	1,764	1,764	1,764
Total Initiatives		4,479	16,000	18,000	20,000	22,000

1.2 - Trends in the Vote

Summary of Financial Activity

	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24		2024/25			2025/26	2026/27	2027/28
	Actual \$000	Actual \$000	Actual \$000	Actual \$000	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Departmental Transactions Budget \$000	Non- Departmental Transactions Budget \$000	Total Budget \$000	Estimated \$000	Estimated \$000	Estimated \$000
Appropriations												
Output Expenses	-	-	-	-	2,334	2,334	16,000	-	16,000	18,000	20,000	22,000
Benefits or Related Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowing Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intelligence and Security Department Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure (MCA)												
<i>Output Expenses</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Other Expenses</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Capital Expenditure</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Total Appropriations	-	-	-	-	2,334	2,334	16,000	-	16,000	18,000	20,000	22,000
Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts												
Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Total Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-

Note - where restructuring of the vote has occurred then, to the extent practicable, prior years information has been restated as if the restructuring had occurred before the beginning of the period covered. In this instance Total Appropriations for the Budgeted and Estimated Actual year may not equal Total Annual Appropriations and Forecast Permanent Appropriations and Multi-Year Appropriations in the Details of Appropriations and Capital Injections.

Adjustments to the Summary of Financial Activity Table Due to Vote Restructuring

There have been no restructuring adjustments to prior year information in the Summary of Financial Activity table.

1.3 - Analysis of Significant Trends

Details of significant movements within each appropriation type are detailed below:

Output Expenses

The Ministry for Regulation is forecasting an increasing level of spending over the forecast period, as its work programme picks up over time in line with an increased number of reviews being undertaken.

Part 2 - Details of Departmental Appropriations

2.1 - Departmental Output Expenses

Leadership of the Regulatory Quality System (M112) (A41)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to advice and services to support a regulatory quality system with focused leadership and ensure that regulations are well designed and implemented.

Expenses and Revenue

	2023/24		2024/25
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	2,334	2,334	16,000
Revenue from the Crown	2,334	2,334	16,000
Revenue from Others	-	-	-

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve the work of the Ministry for Regulation to support regulatory system reform; to ensure the quality of new regulation, to improve the functioning of the existing regulatory systems, to raise capability of design and operation of regulatory systems, and enduring improvement of the regulatory management system.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

	2023/24		2024/25
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
The satisfaction of the Minister for Regulation with the policy advice service, as per the common satisfaction survey	Average score of 4 out of 5 or better	Achieved	Average score of 4 out of 5 or better
The average quality of policy advice papers, using an appropriately robust assessment process, meets a standard of 'acceptable' as defined by quality advice standards	At least 3.3/5.0	Achieved	At least 3.3/5.0
The Ministry initiates three regulatory reviews	New measure	New measure	Achieved
Issue updated requirements for regulatory impact analysis and quality assurance	New measure	New measure	Requirements updated
Attendees at Ministry-run training events are satisfied with the events (G-Reg)	New measure	New measure	75% satisfied

These reporting measures were chosen as they reflect the key focus areas of the Ministry in 2024/25. Regulatory system advice from the Ministry to the Minister for Regulation is key to the purpose and on-going success of the Ministry, therefore policy advice is a key focus. The Ministry will be accelerating the number of Regulatory Reviews, which is another key focus area. The Ministry will also be issuing updated requirements to regulators in 2024/25 and running regular events through the G-Reg function which will be integrated into the Ministry.

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by the Ministry for Regulation in the 2024/25 Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2023/24 Final Budgeted \$000	2024/25 Budget \$000	2025/26 Estimated \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Ministry for Regulation - Establishment and ongoing funding	2024/25	-	8,306	10,306	12,306	14,306
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Reasons for Change in Appropriation

The increase in this appropriation for 2024/25 is mainly due to:

- \$8.306 million reflecting budget decisions to fund the establishment and ongoing operation of the Ministry for Regulation
- \$3.953 million reflecting the full-year impact of a fiscally neutral transfer from the decommissioning of the Productivity Commission to fund the Ministry for Regulation, and
- \$1.407 million reflecting the full-year impact of a fiscally neutral transfer from the Treasury to transfer the Regulatory Strategy Team to the Ministry for Regulation.

2.3 - Departmental Capital Expenditure and Capital Injections

Ministry for Regulation - Capital Expenditure PLA (M112) (A41)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to the purchase or development of assets by and for the use of the Ministry for Regulation; as authorised by section 24(1) of the Public Finance Act 1989.

Capital Expenditure

	2023/24		2024/25
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Forests/Agricultural	-	-	-
Land	-	-	-
Property, Plant and Equipment	-	-	-
Intangibles	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-
Total Appropriation	-	-	-

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve the renewal and replacement of life-expired assets in support of the delivery of the Ministry for Regulation's services.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

Expenditure will be in accordance with the Ministry for Regulation's capital asset management policy.

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by the Ministry for Regulation in the 2024/25 Annual Report.

Capital Injections and Movements in Departmental Net Assets

Ministry for Regulation

Details of Net Asset Schedule	2023/24 Estimated Actual \$000	2024/25 Projected \$000	Explanation of Projected Movements in 2024/25
Opening Balance	-	2,145	
Capital Injections	2,145	-	
Capital Withdrawals	-	-	
Surplus to be Retained (Deficit Incurred)	-	-	
Other Movements	-	-	
Closing Balance	2,145	2,145	