

Vote Internal Affairs

APPROPRIATION MINISTER(S): Minister for Emergency Management and Recovery (M11), Minister for the Community and Voluntary Sector (M15), Minister for Ethnic Communities (M30), Minister of Internal Affairs (M41), Minister Responsible for Ministerial Services (M47), Minister of Local Government (M49), Minister for Racing (M55), Minister for the Public Service and Digitising Government (M66)

DEPARTMENT ADMINISTERING THE VOTE: Department of Internal Affairs (A6)

RESPONSIBLE MINISTER FOR DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS: Minister of Internal Affairs

Overview of the Vote

The Minister for the Community and Voluntary Sector is responsible for an appropriation in the Vote for the 2026/27 financial year covering the following:

- a total of \$26.307 million to support community and voluntary organisations to become stronger, more cohesive and resilient.

The Minister for Emergency Management and Recovery is responsible for appropriations in the Vote for the 2026/27 financial year covering the following:

- a total of \$174.529 million to support the communications networks used by emergency services
- a total of \$177.615 million for investment in the Public Safety Network, and
- a total of \$67.870 million to support leadership of the all-hazards, all-risk emergency management system.

The Minister for Ethnic Communities is responsible for an appropriation in the Vote for the 2026/27 financial year covering the following:

- a total of \$18.213 million for improving the wellbeing of ethnic communities.

The Minister of Internal Affairs is responsible for appropriations in the Vote for the 2026/27 financial year covering the following:

- a total of \$50 million for capital expenditure, mainly for the purchase or development of assets by and for the use of the Department of Internal Affairs
- a total of \$8 million to provide financial support to Fire and Emergency New Zealand
- a total of \$246.326 million to contribute to the collection, management and provision of access to New Zealand's civic and identity information
- a total of \$174.135 million to contribute to the collection, management and provision of access to knowledge and information for New Zealand and support government accountability
- a total of \$20.193 million to support the upgrade and expansion of archival and library facilities and associated activities under the Tāhuhu - Preserving the Nation's Memory Programme
- a total of \$7.556 million to provide support and advisory services to individuals, communities and organisations
- a total of \$68.506 million to carry out the effective delivery of regulatory functions and services that are assigned to the Department of Internal Affairs (excluding Archives New Zealand), and
- a total of \$46.762 million to provide support services to enable ministers and statutory, advisory and other bodies to effectively discharge their responsibilities.

The Minister Responsible for Ministerial Services is responsible for appropriations in the Vote for the 2026/27 financial year covering:

- a total of \$85.461 million for supporting the Government, current Executive, former Heads of State and former Prime Ministers in discharging their responsibilities.

The Minister for Racing is responsible for appropriations in the Vote for the 2026/27 financial year covering the following:

- a total of \$5.050 million for the offshore betting charges regime, and
- a total of \$990,000 contestable fund to match racing industry contributions towards enhancing racecourse safety and raising the quality of facilities at racecourses.

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	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Departmental Output Expenses			
Contestable Services RDA (M41) (A6) Providing translation and other language services to government agencies and the public, and support services to government agencies.	2,000	1,769	2,000
Local Government Policy and Related Services (M49) (A6) This appropriation is limited to the provision of policy advice, system stewardship and leadership, and services to support Ministers to discharge their responsibilities relating to the local government portfolio.	42,106	34,300	-
Total Departmental Output Expenses	44,106	36,069	2,000
Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Department of Internal Affairs - Capital Expenditure PLA (M41) (A6) This appropriation is limited to the purchase or development of assets by and for the use of the Department of Internal Affairs, as authorised by section 24(1) of the Public Finance Act 1989.	65,586	65,586	50,000
Total Departmental Capital Expenditure	65,586	65,586	50,000
Non-Departmental Output Expenses			
Classification of Films, Videos and Publications (M41) (A6) This appropriation is limited to the examination and classification of films, videos and publications by the Office of Film and Literature Classification under the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993.	3,466	3,466	3,278
Fire and Emergency New Zealand - Public Good Services (M41) (A6) This appropriation is limited to the Crown contribution towards the public good component of services provided by Fire and Emergency New Zealand.	8,000	8,000	8,000
Total Non-Departmental Output Expenses	11,466	11,466	11,278
Benefits or Related Expenses			
Rates Rebate Scheme (M49) (A6) This appropriation is limited to assistance with rates for low-income residential ratepayers, as authorised by the Rates Rebate Act 1973.	114,000	114,000	-
Total Benefits or Related Expenses	114,000	114,000	-
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Communications Support for Emergency Services (M11) (A6) This appropriation is limited to supporting the communications networks used by emergency services.	-	-	174,529
Executive Council and Members of the Executive - Salaries and Allowances PLA (M47) (A6) This appropriation is limited to the cost of salaries and allowances for the Executive Council and Members of the Executive, as authorised by section 84 of the Parliament Act 2025.	12,380	12,356	12,780
Former Governors-General - Annuities and Other Payments PLA (M47) (A6) This appropriation is limited to annuities and payments in respect of other benefits and privileges to former Governors-General and their surviving spouses or partners, as authorised by section 12 of the Governor-General Act 2010.	608	603	608

	2025/26		2026/27
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Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type			
Former Prime Ministers - Annuities PLA (M47) (A6) This appropriation is limited to annuities for former Prime Ministers and their surviving spouses or partners, as authorised by section 84 of the Parliament Act 2025.	346	336	346
Former Prime Ministers - Domestic Travel PLA (M47) (A6) This appropriation is limited to costs of domestic travel by former Prime Ministers and their spouses or partners, as authorised by section 84 of the Parliament Act 2025.	506	506	506
Local Authority Emergency Expenses PLA (M11) (A6) This appropriation is limited to reimbursing a local authority for, or meeting, expenses incurred by a local authority in connection with an emergency as authorised by section 115A of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002.	4,630	4,630	5,000
Miscellaneous Grants - Internal Affairs (M41) (A6) This appropriation is limited to payments to individuals or organisations to assist in building a strong and safe nation through serving and connecting citizens, communities and Government.	1,214	1,214	2,278
Racing Safety Development Fund (M55) (A6) This appropriation is limited to matching racing industry contributions towards enhancing racecourse safety and raising the quality of facilities at racecourses.	990	990	990
Supporting Local Government with Natural Hazard Events (M49) (A6) This appropriation is limited to assisting local authorities to deliver effective local government services associated with preventing or responding to adverse natural events or natural hazards.	15,878	15,878	-
Tūwharetoa Māori Trust Board PLA (M49) (A6) This appropriation is limited to payment to Tūwharetoa Māori Trust Board to provide for continued public access to Lake Taupō, based upon a 2007 agreement between the Crown and the Tūwharetoa Māori Trust Board and in accordance with section 10(2) of the Māori Trust Boards Act 1955.	1,556	1,556	-
Total Non-Departmental Other Expenses	38,108	38,069	197,037
Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Capital Equity Investments - Public Safety Network (M11) (A6) This appropriation is limited to acquisition or subscription of shares in the Schedule 4A company established to deliver the Public Safety Network.	-	-	177,615
Total Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure	-	-	177,615
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure			
Civic Information Services MCA (M41) (A6) The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to contribute to the collection, management and provision of access to New Zealand's civic and identity information.	244,229	234,444	246,326
Departmental Output Expenses			
Managing and Accessing Identity Information This category is limited to providing effective management of New Zealand's records of identity, authenticating official documents and coordinating the congratulatory message service.	243,462	233,638	246,210
Publishing Civic Information This category is limited to publishing information through the New Zealand Gazette.	651	690	-
Non-Departmental Output Expenses			
Development of On-line Authentication Services This category is limited to services provided by the Office of the Privacy Commissioner related to identity authentication, identity assertion and identity verification, and information sharing agreements.	116	116	116

Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Community Development and Funding Schemes MCA (M15) (A6)	35,390	35,100	26,307
The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to support communities and voluntary sector organisations so they become stronger, more cohesive and resilient.			
Departmental Output Expenses			
<i>Administration of Grants</i>	2,825	2,707	2,638
This category is limited to administration of the processes supporting government grant funding schemes, from receiving applications to monitoring grant recipients.			
<i>Community Development and Engagement Advice</i>	4,948	4,776	4,836
This category is limited to the provision of advisory support and information (including information related to accessing grants) to support community groups with community development.			
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
<i>Community and Volunteering Capability Fund</i>	1,933	1,933	1,933
This category is limited to providing funding to community and volunteer groups to promote and strengthen their capability and capacity.			
<i>Community Organisation Grants Scheme</i>	12,500	12,500	12,500
This category is limited to providing locally distributed grants to community organisations for programmes that provide social services.			
<i>Community-led Development</i>	4,400	4,400	4,400
This category is limited to providing grants to community organisations for projects to achieve improved economic, social and cultural wellbeing.			
<i>Disarmament Education Grants</i>	100	100	-
This category is limited to providing grants to fund activities to support New Zealand non-government organisations in the disarmament education field.			
<i>National Day of Reflection Fund</i>	1,000	830	-
This category is limited to providing grants to non-government organisations representing survivors of abuse in care who are organising and/or hosting events and activities as part of the National Day of Reflection on 12 November 2025.			
<i>Public Apology for Abuse in Care Fund</i>	2,684	2,854	-
This category is limited to providing grants to non-government organisations delivering support services to survivors of abuse in care and to local authorities to memorialise unmarked graves associated with psychiatric hospitals and psychopaedic sites, or other institutions.			
<i>Safer Communities Fund</i>	5,000	5,000	-
This category is limited to providing grants for initiatives to provide increased security for at-risk communities against hate crimes and terrorism.			
Emergency Management Leadership and Support MCA (M11) (A6)	50,980	50,875	62,870
The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to support leadership of the all-hazards, all-risk emergency management system so that it reduces risk and is ready and able to provide an effective and integrated response to, and recovery from, emergencies.			
Departmental Output Expenses			
<i>Advice and Support for Emergency Risk Reduction, Readiness, Response and Recovery</i>	44,402	44,297	59,204
This category is limited to advice to Ministers and the emergency management sector on the design, operation and performance of the emergency management system; building the capability and capacity of the emergency management sector (including communities) to plan for, respond to and recover from emergencies; and leading and supporting response to and recovery from emergencies.			

	2025/26		2026/27
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Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type			
<i>Non-Departmental Other Expenses</i>			
<i>Emergency Risk Reduction, Readiness, Response and Recovery</i> This category is limited to grants, contributions and other payments to support communities and the emergency management sector in New Zealand and Pacific Realm countries on matters relating to emergency risk reduction, readiness, response and recovery.	6,185	6,185	3,666
<i>Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure</i>			
<i>Emergency Risk Reduction and Readiness - Capital Expenditure</i> This category is limited to capital expenditure and capital contributions to the emergency management sector in New Zealand for matters relating to emergency risk reduction and readiness.	393	393	-
National Archival and Library Services MCA (M41) (A6) The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to contribute to the collection, management and provision of access to knowledge and information for New Zealand and support government accountability.	177,696	175,815	174,135
<i>Departmental Output Expenses</i>			
<i>Knowledge and Information Services</i> This category is limited to the collection, acquisition, preservation, management and provision of access to heritage information and public archives, provision of operational advice and services to enable government accountability, provision of services to schools and to assist access to library collections and other information.	171,104	169,223	167,543
<i>Non-Departmental Output Expenses</i>			
<i>Public Lending Right for New Zealand Authors</i> This category is limited to payment to New Zealand authors in recognition that their books are available for use in New Zealand libraries.	2,400	2,400	2,400
<i>Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure</i>			
<i>Heritage Collections - Annual</i> This category is limited to the purchase and preservation of heritage content held and managed by Archives New Zealand and the National Library of New Zealand.	4,192	4,192	4,192
Offshore Betting Charges MCA (M55) (A6) The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is for the operation of the offshore betting charges regime and distribution in accordance with the Racing Industry Act 2020 and related regulations.	5,050	1,636	5,050
<i>Departmental Output Expenses</i>			
<i>Administration of Offshore Betting Charges Regime</i> This category is limited to operational policy advice and services to administer the offshore betting charges regime in accordance with the Racing Industry Act 2020 and related regulations.	210	210	210
<i>Non-Departmental Other Expenses</i>			
<i>Distribution of Offshore Betting Charges</i> This category is limited to distribution of funds for the purposes outlined in Section 118 of the Racing Industry Act 2020 and related regulations.	4,840	1,426	4,840

Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Policy and Related Services MCA (M41) (A6)	17,751	15,970	17,778
The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to provide policy advice and services to Ministers in order to support them to discharge their portfolio responsibilities.			
Departmental Output Expenses			
<i>Crown Entity Monitoring</i>	647	522	630
This category is limited to providing support, information and advice to Ministers to enable them to discharge their responsibilities (other than policy decision-making) for the Crown entities for which they are responsible.			
<i>Machinery of Government Changes</i>	4,014	3,802	500
This category is limited to providing advice on and giving effect to machinery of government changes.			
<i>Policy and Related Services - Community and Voluntary Sector</i>	1,468	1,764	1,433
This category is limited to the provision of policy advice and services to support Ministers to discharge their portfolio responsibilities relating to the community and voluntary sector.			
<i>Policy and Related Services - Digitising Government</i>	2,027	2,068	1,977
This category is limited to the provision of policy advice and services to support Ministers to discharge their portfolio responsibilities relating to digitising government.			
<i>Policy and Related Services - Internal Affairs</i>	6,522	5,446	11,910
This category is limited to the provision of policy advice and services to support Ministers to discharge their portfolio responsibilities relating to Internal Affairs.			
<i>Policy and Related Services - Ministerial Services</i>	522	156	511
This category is limited to the provision of policy advice and services to support Ministers to discharge their portfolio responsibilities relating to Ministerial Services.			
<i>Policy and Related Services - Racing</i>	2,551	2,212	817
This category is limited to the provision of policy advice and services to support Ministers to discharge their portfolio responsibilities relating to racing.			
Regulatory Services MCA (M41) (A6)	69,213	63,530	68,091
The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to carry out the effective delivery of regulatory functions and services that are assigned to the Department of Internal Affairs (excluding Archives New Zealand).			
Departmental Output Expenses			
<i>Charities Regulation</i>	7,419	7,061	7,266
This category is limited to registration and monitoring of charities.			
<i>Monitoring of TAB New Zealand</i>	500	230	500
This category is limited to monitoring compliance with the TAB New Zealand's online monopoly and TAB New Zealand's compliance with its reporting obligations.			
<i>Regulatory Services</i>	61,294	56,239	60,325
This category is limited to the operational policy advice and services to administer all aspects of the regulatory functions and services (excluding public sector recordkeeping) that are assigned to the Department of Internal Affairs.			

	2025/26		2026/27
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Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type			
Services Supporting the Executive MCA (M47) (A6)	68,369	67,054	71,221
The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to support the Government and the Executive to perform their role.			
Departmental Output Expenses			
<i>Coordination of Official Visits and Events</i>	8,382	7,208	8,912
This category is limited to managing programmes for visiting guests of Government, visiting guests of Parliament, State and ministerial functions, coordinating a range of services in support of ceremonial and commemorative events and facilitating passage of New Zealand and foreign dignitaries and others authorised by the Crown into and out of New Zealand.			
<i>Support Services to Members of the Executive</i>	32,490	32,805	36,166
This category is limited to providing support services for Members of the Executive, including in their capacity as a Member of Parliament, primarily through office personnel and administrative services, information and communication technology, and the provision and management of residential and office accommodation.			
<i>VIP Transport Services</i>	9,800	9,755	9,800
This category is limited to providing chauffeur-driven and self-drive vehicle services for parties specified in legislation, as authorised by Members of the Executive, or who otherwise meet qualifying criteria.			
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
<i>Depreciation on Official Residences</i>	297	285	297
This category is limited to depreciation on official residences owned by the Crown.			
<i>Official Residences - Maintenance Costs</i>	1,541	1,541	1,078
This category is limited to costs for maintaining official residences owned by the Crown.			
<i>Services Supporting the Executive - Travel</i>	14,859	14,460	14,473
This category is limited to domestic and international travel by Members of the Executive and approved accompanying parties.			
Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure			
<i>Capital Investments - Official Residences</i>	1,000	1,000	495
This category is limited to capital improvements at official residences.			
Support for Statutory and Other Bodies MCA (M41) (A6)	40,964	38,335	28,984
The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to support statutory, advisory and other bodies to discharge their responsibilities.			
Departmental Output Expenses			
<i>Commissions of Inquiry and Similar Bodies</i>	22,302	20,939	13,687
This category is limited to supporting commissions of inquiry and similar bodies.			
<i>Statutory Body Support - Gambling Commission</i>	1,158	818	1,158
This category is limited to the provision of services and advice to the Gambling Commission to enable the Commission to discharge its responsibilities.			
<i>Support for Grant Funding Bodies - Community and Voluntary Sector</i>	381	271	374
This category is limited to the provision of operational and secretariat support for grant funding bodies, and includes supporting member appointment processes. The focus of operational support is on processing grant applications and grant decisions on behalf of the grant funding bodies.			
<i>Support for Grant Funding Bodies - Internal Affairs</i>	14,410	13,911	13,448
This category is limited to the provision of operational and secretariat support for grant funding bodies, including supporting member appointment processes. The focus of operational support is on processing grant applications and grant decisions on behalf of the grant funding bodies.			

	2025/26		2026/27
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Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type			
Statutory Body Support - Local Government Commission This category is limited to the provision of advisory and support services to the Local Government Commission in respect of its statutory functions.	1,440	1,438	-
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Statutory Inquiries This category is limited to the payment of fees for statutory inquiries.	1,273	958	317
Supporting Ethnic Communities MCA (M30) (A6) The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to improve the wellbeing of ethnic communities.	18,606	18,052	18,213
Departmental Output Expenses			
Advisory and Information Services to assist Ethnic Communities This category is limited to the provision of information, advisory and support services to ethnic communities.	9,393	9,109	9,095
Policy and Related Services - Ethnic Communities This category is limited to the provision of policy advice and services to support Ministers to discharge their portfolio responsibilities relating to ethnic communities.	4,981	4,711	4,886
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Ethnic Communities Grants This category is limited to grants to improve wellbeing and participation in New Zealand society of ethnic communities.	4,232	4,232	4,232
Chatham Islands Wharves MCA (M41) (A6) The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to achieve the recognition of operational, maintenance, minor capital and depreciation expenditure associated with Chatham Islands wharves.	3,528	3,226	-
Departmental Output Expenses			
Chatham Islands Wharves - Administration Costs This category is limited to the administration of funding for the Chatham Islands wharves.	50	50	-
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Chatham Islands Wharves - Operating Costs This category is limited to the costs of operation, maintenance and depreciation associated with the Chatham Islands wharves.	3,278	2,976	-
Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Capital Investments - Chatham Islands Wharves This category is limited to upgrading of Crown owned wharf facilities associated with the Chatham Islands.	200	200	-
Government Digital Services MCA (M66) (A6) The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to lead digital transformation across government.	35,056	32,873	-
Departmental Output Expenses			
Digital Identity Services Trust Framework This category is limited to the establishment and operation of the Digital Identity Regulator and associated regime.	1,931	2,007	-
Digital Skills Development in the Public Sector This category is limited to the delivery and management of Digital Skills in the Public Sector, and to advance the implementation of the Skills Framework for the Information Age (SFIA) in the public sector.	1,275	448	-

	2025/26		2026/27
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Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type			
<i>Government Digital Strategy, System Investment and Leadership</i> This category is limited to the development and support of the system leadership role of the Government Chief Digital Officer, providing oversight of the Government's digital investments, and advice services to implement the government digital strategy, architecture and assurance framework.	9,470	10,621	-
<i>System Capabilities, Services and Platforms</i> This category is limited to the development, support and governance of cross-government system capabilities, services and platforms to deliver digital and data transformation.	22,380	19,797	-
Local Government Administration MCA (M49) (A6) The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to administer local government legislation and relevant regulations and assets.	14,622	14,132	-
Departmental Output Expenses			
<i>Local Government Services</i> This category is limited to administering the Local Government related legislations and regulations, including the Rates Rebate Scheme, providing regulatory and boating services for Lake Taupō (including providing the Harbourmaster and managing the Lake Taupō Landing Reserve) and governance and management of the National Dog Control Information Database.	4,176	3,708	-
Non-Departmental Output Expenses			
<i>Water Services Regulator</i> This category is limited to supporting the water services regulator in meeting its statutory responsibilities.	4,642	4,642	-
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
<i>Chatham Islands Council</i> This category is limited to contribution to the cost of the Chatham Islands Council meeting its statutory responsibilities.	4,203	4,203	-
<i>Crown-owned Assets at Lake Taupō - Depreciation and Maintenance Costs</i> This category is limited to depreciation and maintenance costs associated with Crown-owned assets at Lake Taupō.	1,521	1,499	-
Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure			
<i>Capital Investments - Lake Taupō</i> This category is limited to upgrading of boating facilities at Lake Taupō.	80	80	-
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure	781,454	751,042	718,975
Total Annual Appropriations and Forecast Permanent Appropriations	1,054,720	1,016,232	1,156,905

Multi-Year Appropriations

Type, Title, Scope and Period of Appropriations	Appropriations, Adjustments and Use	\$000
Departmental Output Expenses		
Digital Safety Initiatives for the Pacific (M41) (A6) This appropriation is limited to the provision of advice, information, expertise and technology to improve digital safety for countries in the South Pacific. Commences: 01 July 2021 Expires: 30 June 2026	Original Appropriation	860
	Adjustments to 2024/25	845
	Adjustments for 2025/26	(150)
	Adjusted Appropriation	1,555
	Actual to 2024/25 Year End	1,042
	Estimated Actual for 2025/26	513
	Estimate for 2026/27	-
	Estimated Appropriation Remaining	-
Digital Safety Initiatives for the Pacific 2027 (M41) (A6) This appropriation is limited to the provision of advice, information, expertise and technology to improve digital safety for countries in the South Pacific. Commences: 01 July 2026 Expires: 30 June 2031	Original Appropriation	415
	Adjustments to 2024/25	-
	Adjustments for 2025/26	-
	Adjusted Appropriation	415
	Actual to 2024/25 Year End	-
	Estimated Actual for 2025/26	-
	Estimate for 2026/27	415
	Estimated Appropriation Remaining	-
Tāhuhu - Preserving the Nation's Memory (M41) (A6) This appropriation is limited to supporting the upgrade and expansion of archival and library facilities and associated activities under the Tāhuhu - Preserving the Nation's Memory Programme. Commences: 01 July 2022 Expires: 30 June 2027	Original Appropriation	63,101
	Adjustments to 2024/25	15,283
	Adjustments for 2025/26	-
	Adjusted Appropriation	78,384
	Actual to 2024/25 Year End	44,163
	Estimated Actual for 2025/26	14,028
	Estimate for 2026/27	20,193
	Estimated Appropriation Remaining	-
Non-Departmental Output Expenses		
North Island Severe Weather Events - Administrative Services (M49) (A6) This appropriation is limited to the purchase of administrative services associated with delivery of the Crown's response to the 2023 North Island severe weather events. Commences: 01 July 2025 Expires: 30 June 2030	Original Appropriation	6,802
	Adjustments to 2024/25	-
	Adjustments for 2025/26	(2,377)
	Adjusted Appropriation	4,425
	Actual to 2024/25 Year End	-
	Estimated Actual for 2025/26	4,425
	Estimate for 2026/27	-
	Estimated Appropriation Remaining	-

Type, Title, Scope and Period of Appropriations	Appropriations, Adjustments and Use	\$000
Non-Departmental Other Expenses		
North Island Severe Weather Events (M49) (A6) This appropriation is limited to payments of grants and other payments associated with the Crown's response to the impacts of the 2023 North Island severe weather events. Commences: 01 July 2025 Expires: 30 June 2030	Original Appropriation	1,000
	Adjustments to 2024/25	-
	Adjustments for 2025/26	85,254
	Adjusted Appropriation	86,254
	Actual to 2024/25 Year End	-
	Estimated Actual for 2025/26	86,254
	Estimate for 2026/27	-
	Estimated Appropriation Remaining	-
Water Services Reform: Better Off Support Package (M49) (A6) This appropriation is limited to grants to support investment into community wellbeing, placemaking, housing, and climate related initiatives. Commences: 01 August 2022 Expires: 30 June 2027	Original Appropriation	500,000
	Adjustments to 2024/25	-
	Adjustments for 2025/26	(30,379)
	Adjusted Appropriation	469,621
	Actual to 2024/25 Year End	342,285
	Estimated Actual for 2025/26	127,336
	Estimate for 2026/27	-
	Estimated Appropriation Remaining	-

Total Annual Appropriations and Forecast Permanent Appropriations and Multi-Year Appropriations

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Annual Appropriations and Forecast Permanent Appropriations	1,054,720	1,016,232	1,156,905
Total Forecast MYA Departmental Output Expenses	14,541	14,541	20,608
Total Forecast MYA Non-Departmental Output Expenses	4,425	4,425	-
Total Forecast MYA Non-Departmental Other Expenses	213,590	213,590	-
Total Annual Appropriations and Forecast Permanent Appropriations and Multi-Year Appropriations	1,287,276	1,248,788	1,177,513

Capital Injection Authorisations

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Department of Internal Affairs - Capital Injection (M41) (A6)	23,391	23,391	-

Supporting Information

Part 1 - Vote as a Whole

1.1 - New Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Appropriation	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Supporting a Community-led Approach to the National Day of Reflection and Next Steps for the Survivor Support and Recognition Fund	Community Development and Funding Schemes MCA					
	National Day of Reflection Fund category	1,000	-	-	-	-
	Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure					
	Public Apology for Abuse in Care Fund category	2,000	-	-	-	-
	Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure					
Drawdown from Pacific Geostrategic Resilience: Tagged Operating Contingency to deliver additional Pacific Guest of Government-level visits	Services Supporting the Executive MCA					
	Coordination of Official Visits and Events category	1,464	1,464	1,464	1,464	1,464
	Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure					
	Regulatory Services MCA					
National Emergency Management Agency Host: Resource Transfers	Regulatory Services category	(300)	(400)	-	-	-
	Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure					
	Emergency Management Leadership and Support MCA					
	Advice and Support for Emergency Risk Reduction, Readiness, Response and Recovery category	44,166	50,706	50,706	50,906	50,906
	Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure					
	Emergency Risk Reduction, Readiness, Response and Recovery category	2,652	3,666	3,666	3,666	3,666
	Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure					
	Department of Internal Affairs - Capital Injection	7,095	-	-	-	-
NEMA Host: Further Asset Transfers	Department of Internal Affairs - Capital Injection	1,381	-	-	-	-
Reducing the Risk of Online Harm to Children: Policy Direction and Home Agency	Policy and Related Services MCA					
	Policy and Related Services - Internal Affairs category	1,200	-	-	-	-
	Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure					

Policy Initiative	Appropriation	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Public Inquiry into the Disappearance of the Phillips Children	Support for Statutory and Other Bodies MCA					
	Commissions of Inquiry and Similar Bodies category Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure	2,756	512	-	-	-
Initial Government Financial Assistance for the January 2026 Upper North Island Severe Weather Event	Emergency Management Leadership and Support MCA					
	Emergency Risk Reduction, Readiness, Response and Recovery category Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure	1,200	-	-	-	-
Drawdown of tagged operating contingency for the continuation of the Survivor Experiences Service	Support for Statutory and Other Bodies MCA					
	Commissions of Inquiry and Similar Bodies category Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	6,794	6,794	-	-
Government Inquiry into the Fatal Landslides in Tauranga	Support for Statutory and Other Bodies MCA					
	Commissions of Inquiry and Similar Bodies category Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure	(193)	2,617	-	-	-
	Statutory Inquiries category Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure	193	297	-	-	-
Additional Item: Response to Extra Tropical Cyclone Vaianu: Update	Emergency Management Leadership and Support MCA					
	Emergency Risk Reduction, Readiness, Response and Recovery category Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure	500	-	-	-	-
Transferring the Government Chief Digital Officer function to the Public Service Commission - residual financial matters	Department of Internal Affairs - Capital Injection	3,968	-	-	-	-
2026 General Election - Transition and Support	Services Supporting the Executive MCA					
	Support Services to Members of the Executive category Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	3,976	-	-	-

Policy Initiative	Appropriation	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Addressing request for urgent funding for security from at-risk communities	Community Development and Funding Schemes MCA Safer Communities Fund category Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure	5,000	-	-	-	-
Baseline Reduction - Ministry for Ethnic Communities	Supporting Ethnic Communities MCA Advisory and Information Services to assist Ethnic Communities category Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure Policy and Related Services - Ethnic Communities category Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	(177)	(177)	(177)	(177)
Common Operating Picture: Strengthening Emergency Management Sector - Operational Systems (EMS-OS)	Emergency Management Leadership and Support MCA Advice and Support for Emergency Risk Reduction, Readiness, Response and Recovery category Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	3,172	4,672	1,898	-
Proposal for Reducing the Risk of Online Harm to Children	Regulatory Services MCA Regulatory Services category Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	6,000	7,750	8,500	8,500
Baseline Reduction - Department of Internal Affairs	Internal Affairs Portfolio - Various Appropriations Community and Voluntary Sector - Various Appropriations Ministerial Services - Various Appropriations Racing- Various Appropriations	(3,021)	(3,310)	(3,310)	(3,310)	(4,317)
Establishment of Ministry for Cities, Environment, Regions and Transport Appropriations	Policy and Related Services MCA Policy and Related Services - Internal Affairs category Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure Department of Internal Affairs - Capital Withdrawal	-	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
		-	(271)	-	-	-

Policy Initiative	Appropriation	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Establishment of new appropriations within Vote Internal Affairs, and transfer of Next Generation Critical Communications funding and tagged contingency	Communications Support for Emergency Services					
	Non-Departmental Other Expense	-	174,529	206,427	123,222	132,055
	Capital Equity Investments - Public Safety Network					
	Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure	-	177,615	90,000	-	-
Funding for Unavoidable Fuel Cost Pressures - Fire and Emergency New Zealand	Miscellaneous Grants - Internal Affairs					
	Non-Departmental Other Expense	1,214	2,278	-	-	-
Total Initiatives		72,477	433,189	371,693	189,870	195,798

1.2 - Trends in the Vote

Summary of Financial Activity

	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26		2026/27			2027/28	2028/29	2029/30
	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	59,339	61,982	51,959	30,968	28,007	27,776	22,608	11,278	33,886	13,278	13,278	13,278
Benefits or Related Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowing Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	24,709	71,099	35,127	12,820	21,044	21,005	-	197,037	197,037	226,657	143,452	152,285
Capital Expenditure	91,865	112,309	137,064	143,381	65,586	65,586	50,000	177,615	227,615	130,000	40,000	40,000
Intelligence and Security Department Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure (MCA)												
<i>Output Expenses</i>	490,690	508,193	579,267	578,469	670,049	646,715	664,036	2,516	666,552	655,953	617,803	613,676
<i>Other Expenses</i>	49,215	75,847	64,532	73,363	61,858	57,718	-	47,736	47,736	47,483	47,540	47,540
<i>Capital Expenditure</i>	6,214	2,773	4,545	5,284	5,585	5,585	N/A	4,687	4,687	4,698	4,709	4,709
Total Appropriations	722,032	832,203	872,494	844,285	852,129	824,385	736,644	440,869	1,177,513	1,078,069	866,782	871,488
Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts												
Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Tax Revenue	3,200	4,724	5,125	16,716	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Total Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts	3,200	4,724	5,125	16,716	-	-	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

	2021/22 Adjustments \$000	2022/23 Adjustments \$000	2023/24 Adjustments \$000	2024/25 Adjustments \$000	2025/26 Final Budgeted Adjustments \$000	2025/26 Estimated Actual Adjustments \$000
Appropriations						
Output Expenses	(53,746)	(103,028)	(73,504)	(28,228)	(46,531)	(38,725)
Benefits or Related Expenses	(55,340)	(65,333)	(71,348)	(75,137)	(114,000)	(114,000)
Borrowing Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	(248,808)	(169,927)	(172,069)	(78,091)	(231,024)	(231,024)
Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intelligence and Security Department Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure (MCA)						
<i>Output Expenses</i>	(22,759)	(118,487)	(179,412)	(26,638)	(10,308)	(9,838)
<i>Other Expenses</i>	(3,279)	(194,051)	(146,858)	(38,572)	(9,002)	(8,678)
<i>Capital Expenditure</i>	(124)	(48)	(44)	(77)	(280)	(280)
Total Appropriations	(384,056)	(650,874)	(643,235)	(246,743)	(411,145)	(402,545)
Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts						
Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-

The table above reflects the transfer of Local Government functions to the Ministry for Cities, Environment, Regions and Transport.

	2021/22 Adjustments \$000	2022/23 Adjustments \$000	2023/24 Adjustments \$000	2024/25 Adjustments \$000	2025/26 Final Budgeted Adjustments \$000	2025/26 Estimated Actual Adjustments \$000
Appropriations						
Output Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Benefits or Related Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowing Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intelligence and Security Department Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure (MCA)						
<i>Output Expenses</i>	(46,407)	(38,409)	(42,138)	(46,351)	(35,707)	(33,563)
<i>Other Expenses</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Capital Expenditure</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Appropriations	(46,407)	(38,409)	(42,138)	(46,351)	(35,707)	(33,563)

	2021/22 Adjustments \$000	2022/23 Adjustments \$000	2023/24 Adjustments \$000	2024/25 Adjustments \$000	2025/26 Final Budgeted Adjustments \$000	2025/26 Estimated Actual Adjustments \$000
Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts						
Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-

The table above reflects the transfer of the Government Chief Digital Officer's functions from the Department of Internal Affairs to the Public Service Commission.

	2021/22 Adjustments \$000	2022/23 Adjustments \$000	2023/24 Adjustments \$000	2024/25 Adjustments \$000	2025/26 Final Budgeted Adjustments \$000	2025/26 Estimated Actual Adjustments \$000
Appropriations						
Output Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Benefits or Related Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowing Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	8,808	49,138	21,964	516	370	370
Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intelligence and Security Department Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure (MCA)						
<i>Output Expenses</i>	37,833	51,780	49,108	51,502	10,321	10,321
<i>Other Expenses</i>	8,584	29,967	14,453	19,408	1,014	1,014
<i>Capital Expenditure</i>	3,952	-	-	-	-	-
Total Appropriations	59,177	130,885	85,525	71,426	11,705	11,705
Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts						
Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-

The table above reflects the transfer of hosting the National Emergency Management Agency from the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet to the Department of Internal Affairs.

The prior year information in the Summary of Financial Activity table has been restated to reflect the current Vote structure.

1.3 - Analysis of Significant Trends

Significant changes in Vote Internal Affairs are discussed briefly below.

Output Expenses

From 2021/22 to 2023/24, funding was provided for the operating expenses associated with the Royal Commission of Inquiry into Historical Abuse in State Care and in the Care of Faith-based Institutions.

From 2022/23 to 2026/27, funding was provided for the Tāhuhu: Preserving the Nation's Memory programme.

Other Expenses

From 2021/22, funding was provided for reimbursing local authorities and meeting the expenses incurred by local authorities associated with an emergency.

From 2026/27, funding was provided for supporting the communications networks used by emergency services.

Capital Expenditure

In 2021/22, funding was provided for rebuilding and upgrading fire stations.

In 2021/22 and 2022/23, funding was provided for the replacement of essential core technology and for the essential preservation of documentary heritage associated with Archives New Zealand and the National Library of New Zealand.

From 2021/22 to 2022/23, funding was provided for the design, pre-decant activities and core technology infrastructure refresh associated with the upgrade and expansion of the physical infrastructure and storage capacity for Archives New Zealand and the National Library of New Zealand.

From 2021/22 to 2024/25, funding was provided for investment in the Te Ara Manaaki: Transforming Identity Services programme to modernise systems for Identity-related products.

From 2021/22 to 2025/26, funding was provided to progress the Tāhuhu: Preserving the Nation's Memory programme.

From 2022/23 to 2024/25, the baseline reflects funding to provide financial support to Fire and Emergency New Zealand.

In 2026/27 and 2027/28, funding was provided for investment in the Public Safety Network.

Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure - Output Expenses

From 2023/24, the increase reflects a higher level of expenditure associated with Identity products.

The increase from 2025/26 reflects the funding associated with the Te Rua building.

The decrease from 2028/29 mainly reflects a lower level of expenditure associated with Identity products.

Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure - Other Expenses

From 2021/22 to 2025/26, funding was provided for at-risk communities to upgrade their security arrangements.

From 2021/22, funding was provided for grants, contributions and other payments to support communities and the emergency management sector in New Zealand and Pacific Realm countries on matters relating to emergency risk reduction, readiness, response and recovery.

Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure - Capital Expenditure

From 2021/22, funding was provided for the preservation of audio-visual heritage content owned by the Crown.

Part 2 - Details of Departmental Appropriations

2.1 - Departmental Output Expenses

Contestable Services RDA (M41) (A6)

Scope of Appropriation

Providing translation and other language services to government agencies and the public, and support services to government agencies.

Expenses and Revenue

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	2,000	1,769	2,000
Revenue from the Crown	-	-	-
Revenue from Others	2,000	2,068	2,000

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve effective translation and other language services to government agencies and the public, and support services to government agencies.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Customers' satisfaction as to whether translations were provided within 'agreed' timeframes (see Note 1)	At least 80%	80%	At least 80%

Note 1 - Small adjustment has been made to this measure to clarify the measure wording. Satisfaction is assessed as 7, 8, 9 or 10. Satisfaction is measured on 0-10 scale, with 0 being Strongly Disagree and 10 Strongly Agree.

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by the Department of Internal Affairs in its Annual Report.

Digital Safety Initiatives for the Pacific 2027 (M41) (A6)

Scope of Appropriation and Expenses

Type, Title, Scope and Period of Appropriations	Appropriations, Adjustments and Use	\$000
Digital Safety Initiatives for the Pacific 2027 (M41) (A6) This appropriation is limited to the provision of advice, information, expertise and technology to improve digital safety for countries in the South Pacific. Commences: 01 July 2026 Expires: 30 June 2031	Original Appropriation	415
	Adjustments to 2024/25	-
	Adjustments for 2025/26	-
	Adjusted Appropriation	415
	Actual to 2024/25 Year End	-
	Estimated Actual for 2025/26	-
	Estimate for 2026/27	415
	Estimated Appropriation Remaining	-

Revenue

	Budget \$000
Revenue from the Crown to end of 2026/27	-
Revenue from Others to end of 2026/27	415
Total Revenue	415

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to improve digital safety for countries in the South Pacific.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Pacific Countries' satisfaction with the Digital Child Exploitation Filter System and with services provided (see Note 1)	New measure	New measure	3 out of 5

Note 1 - Satisfaction is determined on a five-point scale from '1 - Unsatisfied with services provided' through to '5 - Very satisfied with services' provided.

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by the Department of Internal Affairs in its Annual Report.

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

This appropriation was established with effect from 1 July 2026 to provide advice, information, expertise and technology to improve digital safety for countries in the South Pacific.

Tāhuhu - Preserving the Nation's Memory (M41) (A6)

Scope of Appropriation and Expenses

Type, Title, Scope and Period of Appropriations	Appropriations, Adjustments and Use	\$000
Tāhuhu - Preserving the Nation's Memory (M41) (A6) This appropriation is limited to supporting the upgrade and expansion of archival and library facilities and associated activities under the Tāhuhu - Preserving the Nation's Memory Programme. Commences: 01 July 2022 Expires: 30 June 2027	Original Appropriation	63,101
	Adjustments to 2024/25	15,283
	Adjustments for 2025/26	-
	Adjusted Appropriation	78,384
	Actual to 2024/25 Year End	44,163
	Estimated Actual for 2025/26	14,028
	Estimate for 2026/27	20,193
	Estimated Appropriation Remaining	-

Revenue

	Budget \$000
Revenue from the Crown to end of 2026/27	78,384
Revenue from Others to end of 2026/27	1
Total Revenue	78,385

Components of the Appropriation

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Departmental Output Expense			
Tāhuhu - Preserving the Nation's Memory MYA			
Heke Rua Archives	10,234	10,234	10,943
Tāhuhu Programme Costs	1,599	1,599	7,169
Te Puna Rua Collaboration	2,195	2,195	2,081
Total	14,028	14,028	20,193

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to contribute to achieving the long-term preservation of archival holdings and library collections and taonga by providing specialised facilities and expanded storage capacity.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

Assessment of Performance	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Percentage of key milestones that have been met for the Tāhuhu Programme within the agreed timeframe by year	At least 80%	80%	At least 80%

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by the Department of Internal Affairs in its Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Workforce and Other Cost Reductions in Shared Services Functions - Department of Internal Affairs	2024/25	(500)	-	-	-	-
Previous Government						
Final Drawdown of Tāhuhu: Preserving the Nation's Memory tagged contingencies	2022/23	584	584	-	-	-

2.3 - Departmental Capital Expenditure and Capital Injections

Department of Internal Affairs - Capital Expenditure PLA (M41) (A6)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to the purchase or development of assets by and for the use of the Department of Internal Affairs, as authorised by section 24(1) of the Public Finance Act 1989.

Capital Expenditure

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Forests/Agricultural	-	-	-
Land	-	-	-
Property, Plant and Equipment	43,636	43,715	25,461
Intangibles	20,700	20,700	23,289
Other	1,250	1,171	1,250
Total Appropriation	65,586	65,586	50,000

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve investment in the renewal, upgrade and development of assets that support the delivery of the Department's products and services.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Expenditure in accordance with the Department of Internal Affairs' capital expenditure plan and asset management plan	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by the Department of Internal Affairs in its Annual Report.

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

The decrease in this appropriation for 2026/27 is mainly due to the completion of the Tāhuhu - Preserving the Nation's Memory and Te Ara Manaaki - Phase 2 programmes.

*Capital Injections and Movements in Departmental Net Assets***Department of Internal Affairs**

Details of Net Asset Schedule	2025/26 Estimated Actual \$000	2026/27 Projected \$000	Explanation of Projected Movements in 2026/27
Opening Balance	703,580	689,665	
Capital Injections	23,391	-	
Capital Withdrawals	(3,000)	(2,771)	The \$2.771 million reflects a capital to operating swap to enable the delivery of the Department of Internal Affairs' core and common ICT software and infrastructure work programme (\$2.500 million) and a capital withdrawal associated with the transfer of memorandum accounts from the Department of Internal Affairs to the Ministry for Cities, Environment, Regions and Transport (\$271,000).
Surplus to be Retained (Deficit Incurred)	(34,306)	(6,489)	The \$6.489 million reflects the forecast net deficit for the memorandum accounts administered by the Department of Internal Affairs as at 30 June 2027.
Other Movements	-	-	
Closing Balance	689,665	680,405	

Part 3 - Details of Non-Departmental Appropriations

3.1 - Non-Departmental Output Expenses

Classification of Films, Videos and Publications (M41) (A6)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to the examination and classification of films, videos and publications by the Office of Film and Literature Classification under the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993.

Expenses

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	3,466	3,466	3,278

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve effective classification of films, videos and publications to restrict access to harmful material within New Zealand.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Percentage of entertainment classification decisions made within 30 working days	90%	90%	90%
Percentage of forensic classification decisions made within 55 working days	85%	85%	85%

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by the Office of Film and Literature Classification in its Annual Report.

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

The decrease in this appropriation for 2026/27 is due to one-off funding for the Office of Film and Literature Classification in 2025/26.

Conditions on Use of Appropriation

Reference	Conditions
Films, Videos and Publications Classification Act 1993, Sections 77, 85 and 88	<p>Section 77 - Functions of Classification Office describes the functions of the Classification Office.</p> <p>Section 85 - Administration of Classification Office details the administrative responsibilities of the Classification Office.</p> <p>Section 88 - Information Unit details the function of the Information Unit which is a unit within the Classification Office.</p>

Fire and Emergency New Zealand - Public Good Services (M41) (A6)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to the Crown contribution towards the public good component of services provided by Fire and Emergency New Zealand.

Expenses

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	8,000	8,000	8,000

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve recognition of the Government's contribution towards public good services that are unrelated to property or motor vehicle insurance.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Percentage of career crews who respond to medical emergencies within 8 minutes	85%	85%	85%
Percentage of volunteer crews who respond to medical emergencies within 11 minutes	80%	80%	80%

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by Fire and Emergency New Zealand in its Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Reduction in Public Good Funding for Fire and Emergency New Zealand	2024/25	(2,000)	(2,000)	(2,000)	(2,000)	(2,000)

3.4 - Non-Departmental Other Expenses

Communications Support for Emergency Services (M11) (A6)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to supporting the communications networks used by emergency services.

Expenses

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	-	-	174,529

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve support for the communications networks used by emergency services.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Advice on accountability and performance documents delivered within statutory or agreed timeframes (based on delivery of documents to the Minister by the Crown entity) (see Note 1)	New measure	New measure	100%

Note 1 - This is a new performance measure for 2026/27 for a new appropriation.

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported in National Emergency Management Agency's report appended to the Department of Internal Affairs' Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Establishment of new appropriations within Vote Internal Affairs, and transfer of Next Generation Critical Communications funding and tagged contingency	2026/27	-	174,529	206,427	123,222	132,055

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

This appropriation was established with effect from 1 July 2026 to fund expenditure associated with supporting the communications networks used by emergency services.

Executive Council and Members of the Executive - Salaries and Allowances PLA (M47) (A6)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to the cost of salaries and allowances for the Executive Council and Members of the Executive, as authorised by section 84 of the Parliament Act 2025.

Expenses

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	12,380	12,356	12,780

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve payment of salaries and allowances to the Executive Council and Members of the Executive.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under section 15D(2)(b)(ii) of the Public Finance Act, as additional performance information is unlikely to be informative because this appropriation is solely for payments of salaries and allowances under the Parliament Act 2025.

Former Governors-General - Annuities and Other Payments PLA (M47) (A6)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to annuities and payments in respect of other benefits and privileges to former Governors-General and their surviving spouses or partners, as authorised by section 12 of the Governor-General Act 2010.

Expenses

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	608	603	608

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve financial support for former New Zealand Governors-General and their surviving spouses or partners.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under section 15D(2)(b)(iii) of the Public Finance Act as the amount of this annual appropriation for a non-departmental other expense is less than \$5 million.

Former Prime Ministers - Annuities PLA (M47) (A6)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to annuities for former Prime Ministers and their surviving spouses or partners, as authorised by section 84 of the Parliament Act 2025.

Expenses

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	346	336	346

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve financial support for former New Zealand Prime Ministers and their surviving spouses or partners.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under section 15D(2)(b)(iii) of the Public Finance Act as the amount of this annual appropriation for a non-departmental other expense is less than \$5 million.

Former Prime Ministers - Domestic Travel PLA (M47) (A6)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to costs of domestic travel by former Prime Ministers and their spouses or partners, as authorised by section 84 of the Parliament Act 2025.

Expenses

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	506	506	506

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve financial support for domestic travel for former New Zealand Prime Ministers and their spouses or partners.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under section 15D(2)(b)(iii) of the Public Finance Act as the amount of this annual appropriation for a non-departmental other expense is less than \$5 million.

Local Authority Emergency Expenses PLA (M11) (A6)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to reimbursing a local authority for, or meeting, expenses incurred by a local authority in connection with an emergency as authorised by section 115A of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002.

Expenses

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	4,630	4,630	5,000

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve reimbursement of local authorities for the purposes of reimbursing, or meeting, expenses incurred by them in connection with an emergency as authorised by section 115A of the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Percentage of claims received are assessed in conjunction with approved criteria as set out in section 33 of the Guide to the National Civil Defence Emergency Management Plan 2015	100%	100%	100%

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported in National Emergency Management Agency's report appended to the Department of Internal Affairs' Annual Report.

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

The increase in this appropriation for 2026/27 is mainly due to a full year of funding for this appropriation in 2026/27 due to the transfer of this activity from Vote Prime Minister and Cabinet with effect from 25 September 2025.

Miscellaneous Grants - Internal Affairs (M41) (A6)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to payments to individuals or organisations to assist in building a strong and safe nation through serving and connecting citizens, communities and Government.

Expenses

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	1,214	1,214	2,278

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve support for Fire and Emergency New Zealand to address unavoidable increases in fuel costs associated with critical operational activities.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under section 15D(2)(b)(iii) of the Public Finance Act as the amount of this annual appropriation for a non-departmental other expense is less than \$5 million.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Funding for Unavoidable Fuel Cost Pressures - Fire and Emergency New Zealand	2025/26	1,214	2,278	-	-	-

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

The increase in the appropriation for 2026/27 is due to a full year of funding for fuel costs associated with Fire and Emergency New Zealand's critical operational activities.

Racing Safety Development Fund (M55) (A6)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to matching racing industry contributions towards enhancing racecourse safety and raising the quality of facilities at racecourses.

Expenses

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	990	990	990

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve enhanced racecourse safety and higher quality facilities at racecourses.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under section 15D(2)(b)(iii) of the Public Finance Act as the amount of this annual appropriation for a non-departmental other expense is less than \$5 million.

Conditions on Use of Appropriation

Reference	Conditions
Cabinet Decision	The Racing Safety Development Fund supports projects that enhance safety in the racing industry and is open to all racing clubs and racing code bodies. Organisations that may receive grants from this fund are registered thoroughbred, harness racing clubs. The Department of Internal Affairs administers the Fund and supports a working group that makes final decisions on applications for funding. Further information on the Fund's criteria can be obtained from the application form, which is available from the Department of Internal Affairs.

3.5 - Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure

Capital Equity Investments - Public Safety Network (M11) (A6)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to acquisition or subscription of shares in the Schedule 4A company established to deliver the Public Safety Network.

Capital Expenditure

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	-	-	177,615

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve the acquisition or subscription of shares in the establishment of Next Generation Critical Communications as a Schedule 4A company.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Advice on accountability and performance documents delivered within statutory or agreed timeframes (based on delivery of documents to the Minister by the Crown entity) (see Note 1)	New measure	New measure	100%

Note 1 - This is a new performance measure for 2026/27 for a new appropriation.

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported in National Emergency Management Agency's report appended to the Department of Internal Affairs' Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Establishment of new appropriations within Vote Internal Affairs, and transfer of Next Generation Critical Communications funding and tagged contingency	2026/27	-	177,615	90,000	-	-

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

This appropriation was established with effect from 1 July 2026 for investment in the Public Safety Network.

Part 4 - Details of Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure

4 - Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure

Civic Information Services (M41) (A6)

Overarching Purpose Statement

The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to contribute to the collection, management and provision of access to New Zealand's civic and identity information.

Scope of Appropriation

Departmental Output Expenses

Managing and Accessing Identity Information

This category is limited to providing effective management of New Zealand's records of identity, authenticating official documents and coordinating the congratulatory message service.

Publishing Civic Information

This category is limited to publishing information through the New Zealand Gazette.

Non-Departmental Output Expenses

Development of On-line Authentication Services

This category is limited to services provided by the Office of the Privacy Commissioner related to identity authentication, identity assertion and identity verification, and information sharing agreements.

Expenses, Revenue and Capital Expenditure

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	244,229	234,444	246,326
Departmental Output Expenses			
Managing and Accessing Identity Information	243,462	233,638	246,210
Publishing Civic Information	651	690	-
Non-Departmental Output Expenses			
Development of On-line Authentication Services	116	116	116
Funding for Departmental Output Expenses			
Revenue from the Crown	33,101	33,101	29,907
Managing and Accessing Identity Information	33,101	33,101	29,907
Revenue from Others	167,641	167,526	213,222
Managing and Accessing Identity Information	166,808	166,471	213,222
Publishing Civic Information	833	1,055	-

Components of the Appropriation

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Departmental Output Expenses			
Managing and Accessing Identity Information			
Passports	152,665	145,967	153,578
Citizenship	38,960	37,409	43,633
Births, Deaths and Marriages and Civil Unions, authenticating official documents and congratulatory message service	29,245	28,777	26,407
RealMe	20,752	19,691	20,752
Life Events	1,840	1,794	1,840
Total	243,462	233,638	246,210
Publishing Civic Information			
New Zealand Gazette	651	690	-
Total	651	690	-
Non-Departmental Output Expense			
Developing On-line Authentication Services			
Developing On-line Authentication Services	116	116	116
Total	116	116	116

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

The appropriation is intended to achieve the collection, preservation, accessibility and security of New Zealand's civic and identity information.

How Performance will be Assessed for this Appropriation

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Perception of the overall ease of Identity and Life Event Services	At least 80%	90%	At least 80%

What is Intended to be Achieved with each Category and How Performance will be Assessed

Assessment of Performance	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Departmental Output Expenses			
Managing and Accessing Identity Information			
This category is intended to achieve secure and effective management of New Zealand's identity information.			
Percentage of people who report that Identity and Life Event Services are easy to use (see Note 1)	At least 80%	90%	At least 80%
Percentage of Identity and Life Events issued or registered without error (see Note 1)	At least 99%	99.3%	At least 99%
Birth and deaths registrations; births, deaths, marriages, and civil unions certificates and print outs processed within business timeframes	At least 90%	92%	At least 90%
Citizenship by Grant and Citizenship by Descent applications processed within business timeframe standards	At least 90%	90%	At least 90%
Passports issued within business timeframe standards on receipt of complete and correct application	At least 90%	99%	At least 90%
Percentage of all Identity and Life Event applications received via the online service	At least 80%	83%	At least 80%
Number of notifiable privacy breaches	No more than 3	No more than 3	No more than 3
Number of transactions where customers use their identity online	1,900,000	2,100,000	1,900,000
Applications for verified identity processed within business timeframe standards (see Note 2)	At least 90%	90%	At least 90%
Non-Departmental Output Expenses			
Development of On-line Authentication Services			
This category is intended to achieve effective privacy support for identity services and information sharing agreements.			
Authentication services issued without error	At least 99%	99%	At least 99%

Note 1 - Identity and Life Event services includes birth, death, marriage and civil union certificates and printouts, congratulatory messages, citizenship status certificates and printouts, authentications, Apostilles, passports, certificates and other travel documents.

Note 2 - The business timeframe standard is based on applications processed within 5 working days.

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by the Department of Internal Affairs in its Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Baseline Reduction - Department of Internal Affairs	2026/27	-	(145)	(145)	(145)	(649)
Workforce and Other Cost Reductions in Shared Services Functions - Department of Internal Affairs	2024/25	(432)	(447)	(459)	(459)	(459)
Return of Funding for Civil Registration Systems Replacement	2024/25	(3,900)	(3,900)	(3,900)	(3,900)	(3,900)
Smartstart and Smith-Traynor Fraud Response - Return of Funding	2024/25	(1,360)	(1,360)	(1,360)	(1,360)	(1,360)
Previous Government						
Non-Remuneration Inflationary Related Cost Pressures - Vote Internal Affairs	2023/24	68	68	68	68	68
Public Sector Pay Adjustment - Vote Internal Affairs Remuneration Cost Pressure	2022/23	599	599	599	599	599
Continuing the Operation of the RealMe System	2022/23	21,020	21,020	21,020	21,020	21,020

Memorandum Account

	2025/26		2026/27
	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Passport Products			
Opening Balance at 1 July	20,989	20,989	1,074
Revenue	127,436	125,980	167,181
Expenses	152,068	145,895	152,981
Transfers and Adjustments	-	-	-
Closing Balance at 30 June	(3,643)	1,074	15,274

In Budget 2022, repayable capital injections were provided to assist in managing demand fluctuations due to the decision to change the Adult Passport validity from five to ten years. With the forecasted increase in demand for Passports Products in 2025/26 and outyears, these capital injections will be repaid utilising surpluses to ensure full repayment by the end of 2031/32.

	2025/26		2026/27
	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Citizenship Products			
Opening Balance at 1 July	(9,240)	(9,240)	(22,095)
Revenue	21,956	22,535	28,625
Expenses	37,050	35,390	41,723
Transfers and Adjustments	-	-	-
Closing Balance at 30 June	(24,334)	(22,095)	(35,193)

The increase in deficit in 2026/27 mainly reflects an expansion of the workforce to accommodate additional Citizenship by Grant applications as a result of the one-off 2021 Residence Visa programme.

	2025/26		2026/27
	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Issue of Birth, Death and Marriage Certifications and other Products			
Opening Balance at 1 July	(844)	(844)	(1,631)
Revenue	15,256	15,489	15,256
Expenses	16,642	16,276	16,998
Transfers and Adjustments	-	-	-
Closing Balance at 30 June	(2,230)	(1,631)	(3,373)

A fee review is in progress to address the growing deficit.

Community Development and Funding Schemes (M15) (A6)

Overarching Purpose Statement

The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to support communities and voluntary sector organisations so they become stronger, more cohesive and resilient.

Scope of Appropriation

Departmental Output Expenses

Administration of Grants

This category is limited to administration of the processes supporting government grant funding schemes, from receiving applications to monitoring grant recipients.

Community Development and Engagement Advice

This category is limited to the provision of advisory support and information (including information related to accessing grants) to support community groups with community development.

Non-Departmental Other Expenses

Community and Volunteering Capability Fund

This category is limited to providing funding to community and volunteer groups to promote and strengthen their capability and capacity.

Community Organisation Grants Scheme

This category is limited to providing locally distributed grants to community organisations for programmes that provide social services.

Community-led Development

This category is limited to providing grants to community organisations for projects to achieve improved economic, social and cultural wellbeing.

Disarmament Education Grants

This category is limited to providing grants to fund activities to support New Zealand non-government organisations in the disarmament education field.

National Day of Reflection Fund

This category is limited to providing grants to non-government organisations representing survivors of abuse in care who are organising and/or hosting events and activities as part of the National Day of Reflection on 12 November 2025.

Public Apology for Abuse in Care Fund

This category is limited to providing grants to non-government organisations delivering support services to survivors of abuse in care and to local authorities to memorialise unmarked graves associated with psychiatric hospitals and psychopaedic sites, or other institutions.

Safer Communities Fund

This category is limited to providing grants for initiatives to provide increased security for at-risk communities against hate crimes and terrorism.

Expenses, Revenue and Capital Expenditure

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	35,390	35,100	26,307
Departmental Output Expenses			
Administration of Grants	2,825	2,707	2,638
Community Development and Engagement Advice	4,948	4,776	4,836
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Community and Volunteering Capability Fund	1,933	1,933	1,933
Community Organisation Grants Scheme	12,500	12,500	12,500
Community-led Development	4,400	4,400	4,400
Disarmament Education Grants	100	100	-
National Day of Reflection Fund	1,000	830	-
Public Apology for Abuse in Care Fund	2,684	2,854	-
Safer Communities Fund	5,000	5,000	-
Funding for Departmental Output Expenses			
Revenue from the Crown	7,773	7,773	7,474
Administration of Grants	2,825	2,825	2,638
Community Development and Engagement Advice	4,948	4,948	4,836

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve financial support for communities and organisations for community development.

How Performance will be Assessed for this Appropriation

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Percentage of respondents reporting that the advice, support and funding received has contributed to their capability to continue supporting communities	At least 75%	81%	At least 75%

What is Intended to be Achieved with each Category and How Performance will be Assessed

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Departmental Output Expenses			
Administration of Grants			
This category is intended to achieve effective support for the government grant funding schemes that the Department administers and to ensure processes are maintained for receiving applications and monitoring grants.			
Percentage of grant decision making committees members who felt supported from the services received	At least 90%	93%	At least 90%
The average number of days taken for grant requesters to receive a decision	100 working days	100 working days	100 working days
Community Development and Engagement Advice			
This category is intended to achieve advisory and information support for communities and community groups for the purpose of community development.			
Number of customer contacts accessing community development information and advisory support	At least 8,000	10,500	At least 8,000
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Community and Volunteering Capability Fund			
This category is intended to achieve improved leadership, capability and capacity within community and volunteer groups and across the sector.			
An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under section 15D(2)(b)(iii) of the Public Finance Act as the amount of this annual appropriation for a non-departmental other expense is less than \$5 million	Exempted	Exempted	Exempted
Community Organisation Grants Scheme			
This category is intended to achieve benefit from social services provided by grass-roots non-profit organisations to communities (see Note 1).			
Number of Community Organisations Grant Scheme applications that provide social services to communities are funded	At least 2,700	4,366	At least 2,700

Assessment of Performance	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Community-led Development			
This category is intended to achieve support for diverse communities to improve economic, social and cultural wellbeing (see Note 2).			
Percentage of communities and/or hapū within the Community-led Development Programme that have a community plan within one year of signing relationship agreement	At least 70%	70%	At least 70%

Note 1 - Community Organisation Grants Scheme - this is a community-driven funding scheme that provides essential support to grass-roots non-profit organisations.

Note 2 - Community-led Development - the purpose of this scheme is to contribute to the outcome of New Zealand's diverse people and communities/hapu/iwi being resilient and prosperous through supporting communities to develop and enhance wellbeing and generate solutions to locally defined issues. The scheme evolved from the Community Project Workers Scheme.

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by the Department of Internal Affairs in its Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Baseline Reduction - Department of Internal Affairs	2026/27	-	(141)	(141)	(141)	(141)
Addressing request for urgent funding for security from at-risk communities	2025/26	5,000	-	-	-	-
Supporting a Community-led Approach to the National Day of Reflection and Next Steps for the Survivor Support and Recognition Fund	2025/26	3,000	-	-	-	-
Disarmament Education Grants	2025/26	(100)	(200)	(200)	(200)	(200)
Request to draw down contingency funding for a survivor-focussed fund	2024/25	124	-	-	-	-
Workforce and Other Cost Reductions in Shared Services Functions - Department of Internal Affairs	2024/25	(256)	(269)	(277)	(277)	(277)
Previous Government						
Non-Remuneration Inflationary Related Cost Pressures - Vote Internal Affairs	2023/24	50	50	50	50	50
Public Sector Pay Adjustment - Vote Internal Affairs Remuneration Cost Pressure	2022/23	472	472	472	472	472

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

The decrease in this appropriation for 2026/27 is mainly due to funding in 2025/26 only for the National Day of Reflection Fund, the Public Apology for Abuse in Care Fund and the Safer Communities Fund.

Emergency Management Leadership and Support (M11) (A6)

Overarching Purpose Statement

The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to support leadership of the all-hazards, all-risk emergency management system so that it reduces risk and is ready and able to provide an effective and integrated response to, and recovery from, emergencies.

Scope of Appropriation

Departmental Output Expenses

Advice and Support for Emergency Risk Reduction, Readiness, Response and Recovery

This category is limited to advice to Ministers and the emergency management sector on the design, operation and performance of the emergency management system; building the capability and capacity of the emergency management sector (including communities) to plan for, respond to and recover from emergencies; and leading and supporting response to and recovery from emergencies.

Non-Departmental Other Expenses

Emergency Risk Reduction, Readiness, Response and Recovery

This category is limited to grants, contributions and other payments to support communities and the emergency management sector in New Zealand and Pacific Realm countries on matters relating to emergency risk reduction, readiness, response and recovery.

Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure

Emergency Risk Reduction and Readiness - Capital Expenditure

This category is limited to capital expenditure and capital contributions to the emergency management sector in New Zealand for matters relating to emergency risk reduction and readiness.

Expenses, Revenue and Capital Expenditure

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	50,980	50,875	62,870
Departmental Output Expenses			
Advice and Support for Emergency Risk Reduction, Readiness, Response and Recovery	44,402	44,297	59,204
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Emergency Risk Reduction, Readiness, Response and Recovery	6,185	6,185	3,666
Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Emergency Risk Reduction and Readiness - Capital Expenditure	393	393	-

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Funding for Departmental Output Expenses			
Revenue from the Crown	42,185	42,185	58,472
Advice and Support for Emergency Risk Reduction, Readiness, Response and Recovery	42,185	42,185	58,472
Revenue from Others	2,217	1,767	732
Advice and Support for Emergency Risk Reduction, Readiness, Response and Recovery	2,217	1,767	732

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve an all-hazards, all-risk emergency management system that reduces risk, and is ready and able to respond to, and assist recovery from, emergencies.

How Performance will be Assessed for this Appropriation

Assessment of Performance	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
The National Emergency Management Agency maintains a score above the average public reputation score (see Note 1)	At least 5 points above average score	At least 5 points above average score	At least 5 points above average score
Overall preparedness - New Zealanders are actively preparing for emergencies and know how to protect themselves against life safety risks posed by our most dangerous natural hazards (see Note 1)	67%	67%	67%

Note 1 - Maintaining a positive reputation is measured using the annual Public Sector Reputation Index across 16 attributes, which are combined into a single reputation score and compared with the average score across public sector agencies.

What is Intended to be Achieved with each Category and How Performance will be Assessed

Assessment of Performance	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Departmental Output Expenses			
Advice and Support for Emergency Risk Reduction, Readiness, Response and Recovery			
This category is intended to achieve the provision of advice to Ministers and the emergency management sector on the design, operation and performance of the emergency management system; building the capability and capacity of the emergency management sector (including communities) to plan for, respond to and recover from, emergencies; and leading and supporting response to and recovery from emergencies.			
Community Awareness and Readiness			
Percentage of New Zealanders who have taken action to prepare for an emergency in the last 12 months	50%	50%	50%

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Percentage of New Zealanders who know the correct action to take during an earthquake	67%	67%	67%
Percentage of New Zealanders who know the correct action to take if they feel a long or strong earthquake near the coast	85%	85%	85%
<i>Emergency Sector Support and Management</i>			
Civil Defence Emergency Management sector agencies' satisfaction that if a Guideline, Technical Standard, or Code was required, it met the CDEM sector users' needs (see Notes 1, 2 and 3)	6 out of 10	6	6 out of 10
Civil Defence Emergency Management sector agencies' satisfaction that the National Emergency Management Agency supports the capability development by facilitating learning and training activities for organisations with responsibilities under the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002 (see Notes 1, 2 and 3)	6 out of 10	6	6 out of 10
Number of Tsunami Monitoring and Detection Network DART buoys maintained to minimum manufacturer's standard	12	12	12
<i>Policy Advice</i>			
The Minister for Emergency Management and Recovery is satisfied with the policy advice service provided by the National Emergency Management Agency (see Note 4)	4 out of 5	4	4 out of 5
Average score for assessed policy papers (see Note 5)	4 out of 5	4	4 out of 5
Quality of policy advice papers - 70% score 3 or higher, 30% score 4 or higher and no more than 10% score 2 or less (see Note 5)	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Emergency Risk Reduction, Readiness, Response and Recovery			
This category is intended to provide for grants, contributions and other payments to support communities in the emergency management sector in New Zealand and Pacific Realm countries (Niue, Tokelau and the Cook Islands).			
An exemption was granted, as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or an entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Officer of Parliament, or a Crown entity, under section 15D(2)(b)(ii) of the Public Finance Act 1989, as additional performance information is unlikely to be informative, because this category is solely for discretionary contributions towards local authority and communities' preparedness for, and recovery from, emergency events	Exempted	Exempted	Exempted
Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Emergency Risk Reduction and Readiness - Capital Expenditure			
This category is intended to support the emergency management sector through capital contributions for monitoring equipment that enables the observation and assessment of natural hazards for emergency risk reduction and preparedness.			
Percentage of funds paid within agreed criteria and timeframes to support the emergency management sector	100%	100%	100%

Note 1 - Satisfaction with guidance and support to the Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM) sector is measured on a scale from 1-10, where 1 means has not met needs and 10 means exceeded needs.

Note 2 - CDEM sector agencies refer to CDEM Groups, emergency services, relevant government agencies with statutory CDEM responsibilities, and other related agencies.

Note 3 - Relevant publications are those found on the National Emergency Management Agency website: <https://www.civildefence.govt.nz/resources/publications>.

Note 4 - The Minister's Satisfaction Survey measures satisfaction with the quality of policy advice on a scale from 1 to 5, where 1 means never met expectations and 5 means always exceeded expectations.

Note 5 - A sample of the National Emergency Management Agency's policy advice will be assessed by a panel using the Policy Quality Framework. There are two targets for reporting on overall policy advice: an average score and a distribution score. Policy advice will be scored on a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 means unacceptable and 5 means outstanding.

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported in National Emergency Management Agency's report appended to the Department of Internal Affairs' Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Common Operating Picture: Strengthening Emergency Management Sector - Operational Systems (EMS-OS)	2026/27	-	3,172	4,672	1,898	-
Additional Item: Response to Extra Tropical Cyclone Vaianu: Update	2025/26	500	-	-	-	-
Initial Government Financial Assistance for the January 2026 Upper North Island Severe Weather Event	2025/26	1,200	-	-	-	-
National Emergency Management Agency Host: Resource Transfers	2025/26	46,818	54,372	54,372	54,572	54,572

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

The increase in this appropriation for 2026/27 is due to a full year of funding for this appropriation in 2026/27 due to the transfer of this activity from Vote Prime Minister and Cabinet with effect from 25 September 2025.

National Archival and Library Services (M41) (A6)

Overarching Purpose Statement

The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to contribute to the collection, management and provision of access to knowledge and information for New Zealand and support government accountability.

Scope of Appropriation

Departmental Output Expenses

Knowledge and Information Services

This category is limited to the collection, acquisition, preservation, management and provision of access to heritage information and public archives, provision of operational advice and services to enable government accountability, provision of services to schools and to assist access to library collections and other information.

Non-Departmental Output Expenses

Public Lending Right for New Zealand Authors

This category is limited to payment to New Zealand authors in recognition that their books are available for use in New Zealand libraries.

Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure

Heritage Collections - Annual

This category is limited to the purchase and preservation of heritage content held and managed by Archives New Zealand and the National Library of New Zealand.

Expenses, Revenue and Capital Expenditure

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	177,696	175,815	174,135
Departmental Output Expenses			
Knowledge and Information Services	171,104	169,223	167,543
Non-Departmental Output Expenses			
Public Lending Right for New Zealand Authors	2,400	2,400	2,400
Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Heritage Collections - Annual	4,192	4,192	4,192
Funding for Departmental Output Expenses			
Revenue from the Crown	159,045	159,045	156,908
Knowledge and Information Services	159,045	159,045	156,908
Revenue from Others	12,169	12,004	10,745
Knowledge and Information Services	12,169	12,004	10,745

Components of the Appropriation

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Departmental Output Expenses			
Knowledge and Information Services			
National Library and Archives Property	83,454	79,921	83,454
National Library collection, preservation and information access	57,559	59,498	55,514
Access, management and preservation of public archives	19,114	17,676	18,072
Provision of electronic resources and Te Puna products to New Zealand Libraries	5,322	5,671	4,848
Public Records Act 2005 Regulation	2,976	3,572	2,976
Kōtui - Shared integrated library management and resource discovery	2,679	2,885	2,679
Total	171,104	169,223	167,543
Non-Departmental Output Expenses			
Public Lending Right for New Zealand Authors			
Public Lending Right for New Zealand Authors	2,400	2,400	2,400
Total	2,400	2,400	2,400
Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Heritage Collections - Annual			
Library Heritage Collections	4,192	4,192	4,192
Total	4,192	4,192	4,192

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

The appropriation is intended to achieve the collection, preservation, accessibility and integrity of New Zealand's government and heritage information.

How Performance will be Assessed for this Appropriation

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Number of items accessed that are held by National Library and Archives New Zealand	At least 24 million	24 million	At least 24 million

What is Intended to be Achieved with each Category and How Performance will be Assessed

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Departmental Output Expenses			
Knowledge and Information Services			
This category is intended to achieve the collection, preservation, accessibility and integrity of New Zealand's government and heritage information by Archives New Zealand and National Library of New Zealand.			
<i>People connect with New Zealand's heritage and knowledge</i>			
The number of items accessed digitally (Government Digital Archive and National Digital Heritage Archive; and virtual reading rooms), and physically via reading rooms	At least 1.5 million	1.5 million	At least 1.5 million
The number of engaged sessions across New Zealand heritage and knowledge content online	At least 3.4 million	3.4 million	At least 3.4 million
<i>Our heritage and knowledge are cared for</i>			
Percentage of collections and holdings that are maintained according to the policies for collections and holdings care	At least 85%	85%	At least 85%
<i>People trust government records</i>			
Percentage of agencies that meet or exceed managing level on the Information Management Maturity Assessment	At least 20% of new assessments	20% of new assessments	At least 20% of new assessments
<i>New Zealanders are lifelong learners</i>			
Requests (non-school) for the off-site supply of documents - completed within 2 days of receipt (see Note 1)	At least 90%	90%	At least 90%
Public Lending Right payments to all authors eligible for payment made within the timeframe stipulated by regulation	At least 99%	100%	At least 99%
Number of schools supported	At least 800	800	At least 800
The percentage of teachers that say the resources provided supported learning outcomes	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Non-Departmental Output Expenses			
Public Lending Right for New Zealand Authors			
This category is intended to achieve appropriate recognition for New Zealand authors for books available for use in New Zealand libraries.			
An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under section 15D(2)(b)(iii) of the Public Finance Act as the amount of this annual appropriation for a non-departmental output expense is less than \$5 million	Exempted	Exempted	Exempted

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Heritage Collections - Annual			
This category is intended to achieve appropriate purchases and preservation of materials for the Archives New Zealand and the National Library of New Zealand heritage collections.			
An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under section 15D(2)(b)(iii) of the Public Finance Act as the amount of this annual appropriation for a non-departmental capital expenditure is less than \$15 million	Exempted	Exempted	Exempted

Note 1 - All timeliness measures using 'days' are references to 'working days'.

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by the Department of Internal Affairs in its Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Baseline Reduction - Department of Internal Affairs	2025/26	(500)	(2,175)	(2,175)	(2,175)	(2,175)
Making the Care System Safe 6: Recordkeeping to Improve Quality, Quantity, Capacity, Access and Whanau Connections	2025/26	1,242	1,255	1,267	1,280	1,280
Baseline Savings Programme: National Library and Archives New Zealand	2025/26	(2,000)	(2,000)	(2,000)	(2,000)	(2,000)
Workforce and Other Cost Reductions in Shared Services Functions - Department of Internal Affairs	2024/25	(3,398)	(3,567)	(3,680)	(3,680)	(3,680)
Workforce and Other Cost Reductions - National Library of New Zealand and Archives New Zealand	2024/25	(4,374)	(4,374)	(4,374)	(4,374)	(4,374)
Previous Government						
Final Drawdown of Tāhuhu: Preserving the Nation's Memory tagged contingencies	2025/26	1,204	1,204	1,788	1,788	1,315
Non-Remuneration Inflationary Related Cost Pressures - Vote Internal Affairs	2023/24	736	736	736	736	736
Public Sector Pay Adjustment - Vote Internal Affairs Remuneration Cost Pressure	2022/23	4,675	4,675	4,675	4,675	4,675

Conditions on Use of Appropriation

Reference	Conditions
Public Lending Right for New Zealand Authors Act 2008	The Public Lending Right for New Zealand Authors Act 2008. Section 11 states “the purpose of the scheme is to provide for New Zealand Authors to receive payments in recognition of the fact that their books are available for use in New Zealand Libraries”.
Heritage Collection (Alexander Turnbull Library)	National Library of New Zealand (Te Puna Mātauranga o Aotearoa) Act 2003. Section 7(a). This section and clause notes the purpose of the National Library is to “enrich the cultural and economic life of New Zealand” by “collecting, preserving, and protecting documents, particularly those relating to New Zealand”.
National Library of New Zealand (Te Puna Mātauranga o Aotearoa) Act 2003. Part 2, Section 9(1)(c)	Notes that one of the functions of the National Library is to “provide other services, including access to information resources, and bibliographical and school services, as the Minister thinks fit”.

Memorandum Account

	2025/26		2026/27
	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Kōtui Library Services			
Opening Balance at 1 July	2,363	2,363	2,370
Revenue	2,840	2,892	2,840
Expenses	2,679	2,885	2,679
Transfers and Adjustments	-	-	-
Closing Balance at 30 June	2,524	2,370	2,531

	2025/26		2026/27
	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Electronic Purchasing in Collaboration (EPIC)			
Opening Balance at 1 July	332	332	160
Revenue	4,780	4,883	4,780
Expenses	4,831	5,055	4,831
Transfers and Adjustments	-	-	-
Closing Balance at 30 June	281	160	109

Offshore Betting Charges (M55) (A6)

Overarching Purpose Statement

The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is for the operation of the offshore betting charges regime and distribution in accordance with the Racing Industry Act 2020 and related regulations.

Scope of Appropriation

Departmental Output Expenses

Administration of Offshore Betting Charges Regime

This category is limited to operational policy advice and services to administer the offshore betting charges regime in accordance with the Racing Industry Act 2020 and related regulations.

Non-Departmental Other Expenses

Distribution of Offshore Betting Charges

This category is limited to distribution of funds for the purposes outlined in Section 118 of the Racing Industry Act 2020 and related regulations.

Expenses, Revenue and Capital Expenditure

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	5,050	1,636	5,050
Departmental Output Expenses			
Administration of Offshore Betting Charges Regime	210	210	210
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Distribution of Offshore Betting Charges	4,840	1,426	4,840
Revenue from Others	210	210	210
Administration of Offshore Betting Charges Regime	210	210	210

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve financial support for racing and sports, and support measures to prevent and minimise harm from gambling in accordance with the Racing Industry Act 2020 and related regulations.

How Performance will be Assessed for this Appropriation

Assessment of Performance	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Percentage of distribution payments under the Racing Industry (Offshore Betting - Consumption Charges) Regulations 2021 made within the agreed timeframes	100%	100%	100%

What is Intended to be Achieved with each Category and How Performance will be Assessed

Assessment of Performance	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Departmental Output Expenses			
Administration of Offshore Betting Charges Regime			
This category is intended to achieve effective administration of the offshore betting charges regime in accordance with the Racing Industry Act 2020 and related regulations.			
Percentage of distribution payments under the Racing Industry (Offshore Betting - Consumption Charges) Regulations 2021 made within the agreed timeframes	100%	100%	100%
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Distribution of Offshore Betting Charges			
This category is intended to achieve the effective distribution of funds from the Offshore Betting Charges Regime to organisations in accordance with the Racing Industry Act 2020 and related regulations.			
An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under section 15D(2)(b)(iii) of the Public Finance Act as the amount of this annual appropriation for a non-departmental other expense is less than \$5 million	Exempted	Exempted	Exempted

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by the Department of Internal Affairs in its Annual Report.

Conditions on Use of Appropriation

Reference	Conditions
Racing Industry Act 2020, Section 118	Funds received from consumption charges are distributed for the purposes of funding measures to prevent and minimise harm from gambling; identify and address risks to the integrity of racing and sports betting; promote the long term viability of New Zealand racing and sport; and pay administration costs.

Policy and Related Services (M41) (A6)

Overarching Purpose Statement

The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to provide policy advice and services to Ministers in order to support them to discharge their portfolio responsibilities.

Scope of Appropriation

Departmental Output Expenses

Crown Entity Monitoring

This category is limited to providing support, information and advice to Ministers to enable them to discharge their responsibilities (other than policy decision-making) for the Crown entities for which they are responsible.

Machinery of Government Changes

This category is limited to providing advice on and giving effect to machinery of government changes.

Policy and Related Services - Community and Voluntary Sector

This category is limited to the provision of policy advice and services to support Ministers to discharge their portfolio responsibilities relating to the community and voluntary sector.

Policy and Related Services - Digitising Government

This category is limited to the provision of policy advice and services to support Ministers to discharge their portfolio responsibilities relating to digitising government.

Policy and Related Services - Internal Affairs

This category is limited to the provision of policy advice and services to support Ministers to discharge their portfolio responsibilities relating to Internal Affairs.

Policy and Related Services - Ministerial Services

This category is limited to the provision of policy advice and services to support Ministers to discharge their portfolio responsibilities relating to Ministerial Services.

Policy and Related Services - Racing

This category is limited to the provision of policy advice and services to support Ministers to discharge their portfolio responsibilities relating to racing.

Expenses, Revenue and Capital Expenditure

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	17,751	15,970	17,778
Departmental Output Expenses			
Crown Entity Monitoring	647	522	630
Machinery of Government Changes	4,014	3,802	500
Policy and Related Services - Community and Voluntary Sector	1,468	1,764	1,433
Policy and Related Services - Digitising Government	2,027	2,068	1,977
Policy and Related Services - Internal Affairs	6,522	5,446	11,910
Policy and Related Services - Ministerial Services	522	156	511
Policy and Related Services - Racing	2,551	2,212	817
Funding for Departmental Output Expenses			
Revenue from the Crown	17,715	17,715	17,742
Crown Entity Monitoring	647	647	630
Machinery of Government Changes	4,014	4,014	500
Policy and Related Services - Community and Voluntary Sector	1,468	1,468	1,433
Policy and Related Services - Digitising Government	2,027	2,027	1,977
Policy and Related Services - Internal Affairs	6,486	6,486	11,874
Policy and Related Services - Ministerial Services	522	522	511
Policy and Related Services - Racing	2,551	2,551	817
Revenue from Others	36	1	36
Policy and Related Services - Internal Affairs	36	1	36

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve well-informed decision-making by Ministers through the provision of support, and high-quality advice about government policy matters.

How Performance will be Assessed for this Appropriation

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Average Score of policy briefings independently assessed according to DPMC Policy Quality Framework	3.5 out of 5	3.5	3.5 out of 5
Percentage of policy briefings independently assessed according to DPMC Policy Quality Framework as 3 or higher	90%	90%	90%
Portfolio Ministers' satisfaction with the overall quality of policy advice (see Note 1)	4 out of 5	4	4 out of 5

What is Intended to be Achieved with each Category and How Performance will be Assessed

Assessment of Performance	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Departmental Output Expenses			
Crown Entity Monitoring			
This category is intended to achieve support for responsible Ministers in monitoring the performance of Crown entities.			
Ministers' satisfaction with the quality of support, information, and advice to enable them to discharge their Crown Entity monitoring responsibilities	4 out of 5	4	4 out of 5
Machinery of Government Changes			
This category is limited to giving effect to machinery of government changes.			
Machinery of Government changes are successfully implemented	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved
Policy and Related Services - Community and Voluntary Sector			
This category is intended to achieve support and high-quality advice for the Minister for the Community and Voluntary Sector.			
Required timeframes are met: Parliamentary Questions (written) - within 3 days of notification or as agreed with the Minister (see Note 2)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Required timeframes are met: Ministerial correspondence (draft responses) - within 15 days of receipt or as specifically agreed (see Note 2)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Required timeframes are met: Ministerial Official Information Act requests - at least 5 days prior to statutory timeframes (see Note 2)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Minister's satisfaction with the quality of policy advice (see Note 1)	4 out of 5	4	4 out of 5
Policy and Related Services - Digitising Government			
This category is intended to achieve support and high-quality advice for the Minister for Digitising Government.			
Required timeframes are met: Parliamentary Questions (written) - within 3 days of notification or as agreed with the Minister (see Note 2)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Required timeframes are met: Ministerial correspondence (draft responses) - within 15 days of receipt or as specifically agreed (see Note 2)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Required timeframes are met: Ministerial Official Information Act requests - at least 5 days prior to statutory timeframes (see Note 2)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Minister's satisfaction with the quality of policy advice (see Note 1)	4 out of 5	4	4 out of 5

Assessment of Performance	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Policy and Related Services - Internal Affairs			
This category is intended to achieve support and high-quality advice for the Minister of Internal Affairs.			
Required timeframes are met: Parliamentary Questions (written) - within 3 days of notification or as agreed with the Minister (see Note 2)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Required timeframes are met: Ministerial correspondence (draft responses) - within 15 days of receipt or as specifically agreed (see Note 2)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Required timeframes are met: Ministerial Official Information Act requests - at least 5 days prior to statutory timeframes (see Note 2)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Minister's satisfaction with the quality of policy advice	4 out of 5	4	4 out of 5
Policy and Related Services - Ministerial Services			
This category is intended to achieve support and high-quality advice for the Minister Responsible for Ministerial Services.			
Required timeframes are met: Parliamentary Questions (written) - within 3 days of notification or as agreed with the Minister (see Note 2)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Required timeframes are met: Ministerial correspondence (draft responses) - within 15 days of receipt or as specifically agreed (see Note 2)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Required timeframes are met: Ministerial Official Information and Privacy Act requests, and Ombudsmen inquiries - within agreed timeframes	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Policy and Related Services - Racing			
This category is intended to achieve support and high-quality advice for the Minister for Racing.			
Required timeframes are met: Parliamentary Questions (written) - within 3 days of notification or as agreed with the Minister (see Note 2)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Required timeframes are met: Ministerial correspondence (draft responses) - within 15 days of receipt or as specifically agreed (see Note 2)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Required timeframes are met: Ministerial Official Information Act requests - at least 5 days prior to statutory timeframes (see Note 2)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Minister's satisfaction with the quality of policy advice (see Note 1)	4 out of 5	4	4 out of 5

Note 1 - This is the average score provided for four areas of satisfaction: General satisfaction, Quality of policy advice, Confidence in policy advice, and Trust in officials. Each rating uses the scale: 1=Never, 2=Some of the time, 3>About half the time, 4=Most of the time, 5=Always.

Note 2 - All timeliness measures using 'days' are references to 'working days'.

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by the Department of Internal Affairs in its Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Establishment of Ministry for Cities, Environment, Regions, and Transport Appropriations	2026/27	-	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Baseline Reduction - Department of Internal Affairs	2025/26	(800)	(474)	(474)	(474)	(474)
Reducing the Risk of Online Harm to Children: Policy Direction and Home Agency	2025/26	1,200	-	-	-	-
Future of the Greyhound Racing Industry	2024/25	660	55	-	-	-
Workforce and Other Cost Reductions in Policy and Regulatory Functions	2024/25	(1,126)	(1,126)	(1,126)	(1,126)	(1,126)
Workforce and Other Cost Reductions in Shared Services Functions - Department of Internal Affairs	2024/25	(419)	(440)	(455)	(455)	(455)
Previous Government						
Non-Remuneration Inflationary Related Cost Pressures - Vote Internal Affairs	2023/24	87	87	87	87	87
Public Sector Pay Adjustment - Vote Internal Affairs Remuneration Cost Pressure	2022/23	828	828	828	828	828

Regulatory Services (M41) (A6)

Overarching Purpose Statement

The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to carry out the effective delivery of regulatory functions and services that are assigned to the Department of Internal Affairs (excluding Archives New Zealand).

Scope of Appropriation

Departmental Output Expenses

Charities Regulation

This category is limited to registration and monitoring of charities.

Monitoring of TAB New Zealand

This category is limited to monitoring compliance with the TAB New Zealand's online monopoly and TAB New Zealand's compliance with its reporting obligations.

Regulatory Services

This category is limited to the operational policy advice and services to administer all aspects of the regulatory functions and services (excluding public sector recordkeeping) that are assigned to the Department of Internal Affairs.

Expenses, Revenue and Capital Expenditure

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	69,213	63,530	68,091
Departmental Output Expenses			
Charities Regulation	7,419	7,061	7,266
Monitoring of TAB New Zealand	500	230	500
Regulatory Services	61,294	56,239	60,325
Funding for Departmental Output Expenses			
Revenue from the Crown	31,120	31,120	35,509
Charities Regulation	6,567	6,567	6,414
Regulatory Services	24,553	24,553	29,095
Revenue from Others	27,077	26,713	28,989
Charities Regulation	852	935	852
Monitoring of TAB New Zealand	500	230	500
Regulatory Services	25,725	25,548	27,637

Components of the Appropriation

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Departmental Output Expenses			
Charities Regulation			
Charities Services	7,419	7,061	7,266
Total	7,419	7,061	7,266
Monitoring of TAB New Zealand			
Monitoring of TAB New Zealand	500	230	500
Total	500	230	500
Regulatory Services			
Gaming	28,782	27,570	28,758
Digital Safety	10,838	8,631	16,941
Anti-Money Laundering and Countering Financing of Terrorism	13,095	12,915	11,462
Online Gambling	7,423	6,173	2,000
Complaints, Investigation and Prosecution Unit	1,156	950	1,164
Total	61,294	56,239	60,325

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve effective promotion of regulatory regimes to minimise harm and maximise benefits.

How Performance will be Assessed for this Appropriation

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Number of regulatory actions (see Note 1)	At least 900	At least 900	At least 900

What is Intended to be Achieved with each Category and How Performance will be Assessed

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Departmental Output Expenses			
Charities Regulation			
This category is intended to achieve effective support for registered charities, in order to contribute to the promotion of public trust and confidence in the sector.			
Customer satisfaction with Charities Services service received assessed as '4' or '5' (see Note 2)	At least 75%	90%	At least 75%
Charities Services regulatory decisions are independently assessed to measure quality and timeliness	At least 75%	75%	At least 75%
Satisfaction with the quality of advice and support received by the Charities Registration Board assessed as '4' or '5' (see Note 2)	At least 75%	75%	At least 75%
Monitoring of TAB New Zealand			
This category is intended to achieve effective compliance monitoring as outlined in the Racing Industry Act 2020.			
Percentage of identified cases of non-compliance that are reviewed within agreed timeframes	At least 85%	85%	At least 85%
Regulatory Services			
This category is intended to achieve effective regulatory activity.			
Gambling			
Percentage of high-risk venues that we have inspected in past year (see Note 3)	New measure	New measure	At least 90%
Percentage of recommendations that are actioned by casinos following an audit or inspection	At least 90%	90%	At least 90%
Percentage of venues that have rectified non-compliance following a regulatory intervention	At least 85%	85%	At least 85%
Percentage of societies that meet their community return obligations	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Digital Safety			
Number of prevention and education activities undertaken by Digital Safety for businesses and communities	At least 150	146	At least 150
Percentage of search warrants within an investigation that led to a regulatory outcome	80%	87%	80%
Total number of Enforcement Actions (excluding education letters) under the Unsolicited Electronic Messaging Act and Films, Videos and Publications Classifications Act	At least 35	36	At least 35

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
<i>Anti-Money Laundering and Countering Financing of Terrorism</i>			
The percentage of inspections that target high-risk reporting entities (see Note 3)	New measure	New measure	At least 80%
The number of suspicious activity reports submitted	At least 14,400	14,400	At least 14,400
The number of enforcement actions (defined as formal warnings, injunctions, enforceable undertakings, civil proceedings, and prosecutions)	At least 10	10	At least 10
<i>Complaints, Investigations and Prosecution Unit</i>			
Ministry of Justice satisfaction with services provided by the Complaints, Investigation and Prosecution Unit (see Note 4)	3	3	3
<i>Demand Information - Estimates (see Note 5)</i>			
Number of investigation requests received from the Private Security Personnel Licensing Authority	15-45	45	15-45

Note 1 - Regulatory actions are the formal compliance and enforcement steps taken when regulated parties don't meet their obligations.

Note 2 - Satisfaction is determined on a five-point scale, either numerical (1-5, with '5' the being highest rating) or qualitative (Very Good, Good, Satisfied, Poor and Very Poor).

Note 3 - These are new performance measures for 2026/27.

Note 4 - Satisfaction is determined on a five-point scale from '1=Very Satisfied' through to '5=Very Unsatisfied'.

Note 5 - Measures of demand provide estimated levels (volumes) at which the Department of Internal Affairs' service will be required.

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by the Department of Internal Affairs in its Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Proposal for Reducing the Risk of Online Harm to Children	2026/27	-	6,000	7,750	8,500	8,500
Baseline Reduction - Department of Internal Affairs	2025/26	(864)	(646)	(646)	(646)	(1,149)
National Emergency Management Agency Host: Resource Transfers	2025/26	(300)	(400)	-	-	-
Supporting the Long-term Financial Sustainability of the Racing Industry	2024/25	500	-	-	-	-

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Netsafe Funding Arrangement: Reversal of Decision to Transfer	2024/25	(4,715)	(4,715)	(4,715)	(4,715)	(4,715)
Workforce and Other Cost Reductions in Policy and Regulatory Functions	2024/25	(1,724)	(1,724)	(1,724)	(1,724)	(1,724)
Workforce and Other Cost Reductions in Shared Services Functions - Department of Internal Affairs	2024/25	(862)	(903)	(932)	(932)	(932)
Previous Government						
Digital Safety Transformation: Transfer of Netsafe Funding	2024/25	4,715	4,715	4,715	4,715	4,715
Non-Remuneration Inflationary Related Cost Pressures -Vote Internal Affairs	2023/24	175	175	175	175	175
Charities Act 2005 - Implementation of Changes	2023/24	365	365	365	365	365
Public Sector Pay Adjustment - Vote Internal Affairs Remuneration Cost Pressure	2022/23	1,718	1,718	1,718	1,718	1,718

Memorandum Account

	2025/26		2026/27
	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Gaming			
Opening Balance at 1 July	15,048	15,048	13,026
Revenue	25,675	25,548	25,611
Expenses	28,782	27,570	28,718
Transfers and Adjustments	-	-	-
Closing Balance at 30 June	11,941	13,026	9,919

	2025/26		2026/27
	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Online Casino Gambling Regulation			
Opening Balance at 1 July	1,855	1,855	(4,318)
Revenue	-	-	2,000
Expenses	7,423	6,173	2,000
Transfers and Adjustments	-	-	-
Closing Balance at 30 June	(5,568)	(4,318)	(4,318)

Services Supporting the Executive (M47) (A6)

Overarching Purpose Statement

The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to support the Government and the Executive to perform their role.

Scope of Appropriation

Departmental Output Expenses

Coordination of Official Visits and Events

This category is limited to managing programmes for visiting guests of Government, visiting guests of Parliament, State and ministerial functions, coordinating a range of services in support of ceremonial and commemorative events and facilitating passage of New Zealand and foreign dignitaries and others authorised by the Crown into and out of New Zealand.

Support Services to Members of the Executive

This category is limited to providing support services for Members of the Executive, including in their capacity as a Member of Parliament, primarily through office personnel and administrative services, information and communication technology, and the provision and management of residential and office accommodation.

VIP Transport Services

This category is limited to providing chauffeur-driven and self-drive vehicle services for parties specified in legislation, as authorised by Members of the Executive, or who otherwise meet qualifying criteria.

Non-Departmental Other Expenses

Depreciation on Official Residences

This category is limited to depreciation on official residences owned by the Crown.

Official Residences - Maintenance Costs

This category is limited to costs for maintaining official residences owned by the Crown.

Services Supporting the Executive - Travel

This category is limited to domestic and international travel by Members of the Executive and approved accompanying parties.

Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure

Capital Investments - Official Residences

This category is limited to capital improvements at official residences.

Expenses, Revenue and Capital Expenditure

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	68,369	67,054	71,221
Departmental Output Expenses			
Coordination of Official Visits and Events	8,382	7,208	8,912
Support Services to Members of the Executive	32,490	32,805	36,166
VIP Transport Services	9,800	9,755	9,800
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Depreciation on Official Residences	297	285	297
Official Residences - Maintenance Costs	1,541	1,541	1,078
Services Supporting the Executive - Travel	14,859	14,460	14,473
Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Capital Investments - Official Residences	1,000	1,000	495
Funding for Departmental Output Expenses			
Revenue from the Crown	40,774	40,774	44,696
Coordination of Official Visits and Events	8,284	8,284	8,530
Support Services to Members of the Executive	32,490	32,490	36,166
Revenue from Others	9,898	9,902	10,182
Coordination of Official Visits and Events	98	-	382
VIP Transport Services	9,800	9,902	9,800

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve provision of administration, travel, accommodation and support services for Government and the Executive to support effective democratic arrangements within New Zealand.

How Performance will be Assessed for this Appropriation

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Minister Responsible for Ministerial Services' satisfaction with the quality of support provided by the Department to the Executive (see Note 1)	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied

What is Intended to be Achieved with each Category and How Performance will be Assessed

Assessment of Performance	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Departmental Output Expenses			
Coordination of Official Visits and Events			
This category is intended to achieve facilitation of ceremonies of national and international importance and official visits.			
Stakeholders' satisfaction that the Visits and Ceremonial Office's services have helped visits and events to achieve their objectives assessed as satisfied or better (see Note 1)	At least 90%	90%	At least 90%
<i>Demand Information - Estimates (see Note 2)</i>			
Number of Guests of Government visits	At least 15	24	At least 15
Number of Partial Guests of Government visits	At least 10	10	At least 10
Number of Commemorative and special events	At least 10	10	At least 10
Facilitations through New Zealand International Airports	At least 300	300	At least 300
Support Services to Members of the Executive			
This category is intended to achieve support for Members of the Executive to enable the discharge of their Ministerial responsibilities.			
Minister Responsible for Ministerial Services' satisfaction with the quality of support provided by the Department to the Executive (see Note 1)	Satisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
<i>Demand Information - Estimates (see Note 2)</i>			
Average number of Ministerial office personnel provided	150-170	160	150-170
VIP Transport Services			
This category is intended to achieve efficient and effective land transport services for Members of the Executive and other VIPs.			
Chauffeur-driven services provided leading to no sustained complaints	At least 99.5%	99.5%	At least 99.5%
Reduction in Crown Fleet emissions	At least 6%	6%	At least 6%
<i>Demand Information - Estimates (see Note 2)</i>			
Total vehicle fleet	No more than 75	74	No more than 75

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Depreciation on Official Residences			
This category is intended to achieve the recognition of depreciation expenditure associated with Crown-owned official residences.			
An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under section 15D(2)(b)(iii) of the Public Finance Act as the amount of this annual appropriation for a non-departmental other expense is less than \$5 million	Exempted	Exempted	Exempted
Official Residences - Maintenance Costs			
This category is intended to achieve maintenance of Crown-owned official residences.			
An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under section 15D(2)(b)(iii) of the Public Finance Act as the amount of this annual appropriation for a non-departmental other expense is less than \$5 million	Exempted	Exempted	Exempted
Services Supporting the Executive - Travel			
This category is intended to achieve support for Members of the Executive and approved accompanying parties to undertake travel to discharge Ministerial duties.			
An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under section 15D(2)(b)(ii) of the Public Finance Act, as additional performance information is unlikely to be informative because this appropriation is solely for the cost of domestic and international travel by Members of the Executive and approved accompanying parties	Exempted	Exempted	Exempted
Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Capital Investments - Official Residences			
This category is intended to achieve necessary capital improvements to official residences.			
An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under section 15D(2)(b)(iii) of the Public Finance Act as the amount of this annual appropriation for a non-departmental capital expenditure is less than \$15 million	Exempted	Exempted	Exempted

Note 1 - Satisfaction is determined on a five-point scale: Very Satisfied, Good, Satisfied, Poor, Very Unsatisfied.

Note 2 - Measures of demand provide estimated levels (volumes) at which the Department of Internal Affairs' services will be required.

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by the Department of Internal Affairs in its Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Baseline Reduction - Department of Internal Affairs	2026/27	-	(873)	(873)	(873)	(873)
2026 General Election - Transition and Support	2026/27	-	3,976	-	-	-
Drawdown from Pacific Geostrategic Resilience: Tagged Operating Contingency to deliver additional Pacific Guest of Government-level visits	2025/26	1,464	1,464	1,464	1,464	1,464
Ministerial Services - Cost Pressures	2025/26	4,136	5,161	5,731	6,303	6,303
Ministerial Services Cost Pressures - International Engagement	2025/26	2,023	2,023	2,023	2,023	2,023
Workforce and Cost Reductions - Ministerial Services	2024/25	(200)	(200)	(200)	(200)	(200)
Workforce and Other Cost Reductions in Shared Services Functions - Department of Internal Affairs	2024/25	(582)	(610)	(630)	(630)	(630)
Drawdown of contingency funding for Election 2023 Executive transition support costs	2023/24	255	255	255	255	255
Previous Government						
Non-Remuneration Inflationary Related Cost Pressures - Vote Internal Affairs	2023/24	197	197	197	197	197
Public Sector Pay Adjustment - Vote Internal Affairs Remuneration Cost Pressure	2022/23	1,019	1,019	1,019	1,019	1,019
2023 General Election Transition Support for the Executive and Ministerial Information Management	2022/23	2,037	2,037	2,037	2,037	2,037

Support for Statutory and Other Bodies (M41) (A6)

Overarching Purpose Statement

The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to support statutory, advisory and other bodies to discharge their responsibilities.

Scope of Appropriation

Departmental Output Expenses

Commissions of Inquiry and Similar Bodies

This category is limited to supporting commissions of inquiry and similar bodies.

Statutory Body Support - Gambling Commission

This category is limited to the provision of services and advice to the Gambling Commission to enable the Commission to discharge its responsibilities.

Statutory Body Support - Local Government Commission

This category is limited to the provision of advisory and support services to the Local Government Commission in respect of its statutory functions.

Support for Grant Funding Bodies - Community and Voluntary Sector

This category is limited to the provision of operational and secretariat support for grant funding bodies, and includes supporting member appointment processes. The focus of operational support is on processing grant applications and grant decisions on behalf of the grant funding bodies.

Support for Grant Funding Bodies - Internal Affairs

This category is limited to the provision of operational and secretariat support for grant funding bodies, including supporting member appointment processes. The focus of operational support is on processing grant applications and grant decisions on behalf of the grant funding bodies.

Non-Departmental Other Expenses**Statutory Inquiries**

This category is limited to the payment of fees for statutory inquiries.

Expenses, Revenue and Capital Expenditure

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	40,964	38,335	28,984
Departmental Output Expenses			
Commissions of Inquiry and Similar Bodies	22,302	20,939	13,687
Statutory Body Support - Gambling Commission	1,158	818	1,158
Statutory Body Support - Local Government Commission	1,440	1,438	-
Support for Grant Funding Bodies - Community and Voluntary Sector	381	271	374
Support for Grant Funding Bodies - Internal Affairs	14,410	13,911	13,448
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Statutory Inquiries	1,273	958	317
Funding for Departmental Output Expenses			
Revenue from the Crown	24,766	24,766	14,689
Commissions of Inquiry and Similar Bodies	22,302	22,302	13,687
Statutory Body Support - Local Government Commission	1,440	1,440	-
Support for Grant Funding Bodies - Community and Voluntary Sector	381	381	374
Support for Grant Funding Bodies - Internal Affairs	643	643	628
Revenue from Others	14,925	14,586	13,978
Statutory Body Support - Gambling Commission	1,158	818	1,158
Support for Grant Funding Bodies - Internal Affairs	13,767	13,768	12,820

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve provision of support services for statutory and other bodies to support effective constitutional arrangements within the community.

How Performance will be Assessed for this Appropriation

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Statutory body members satisfaction with the quality of support provided by the Department assessed as good or better (see Note 1)	Good	Good	Good

What is Intended to be Achieved with each Category and How Performance will be Assessed

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Departmental Output Expenses			
Commissions of Inquiry and Similar Bodies			
This category is intended to achieve effective support for inquiries and similar bodies.			
Inquiries' satisfaction with timeliness and quality of services (see Note 1)	At least 4	4	At least 4
Percentage of people who respond positively about the Survivor Experiences Service (Note 2)	At least 90%	90%	At least 90%
Statutory Body Support - Gambling Commission			
This category is intended to achieve effective support for the Gambling Commission.			
Gambling Commission's satisfaction with the quality of advice and support services (see Note 1)	At least 4	4	At least 4
Support for Grant Funding Bodies - Community and Voluntary Sector			
This category is intended to achieve effective support of grant funding bodies.			
Percentage of grant funding bodies' rate the overall quality of support as good or very good	At least 90%	90%	At least 90%
Average score of grant funding bodies' rating the overall quality of support received	4 out of 5	4.6	4 out of 5

Assessment of Performance	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Support for Grant Funding Bodies - Internal Affairs			
This category is intended to achieve effective support for grant funding bodies to enable them to make appropriate grant decisions (see Note 3).			
Grant applicants are satisfied with the ease with which they are able to apply for grants and advisory services	At least 75%	84%	At least 75%
Grant decisions are transparent and consistent with regard to eligibility requirements	At least 97%	100%	At least 97%
Grant decisions are managed within business timeframe standards (see Note 4)	At least 95%	100%	At least 95%
Percentage of grant funding bodies' rate the overall quality of support as good or very good	At least 90%	90%	At least 90%
Average score of grant funding bodies' rating the overall quality of support received	4 out of 5	4.6	4 out of 5
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Statutory Inquiries			
This category is intended to achieve timely and efficient payment of fees to Chairs and members appointed to inquiries and similar investigations.			
An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under section 15D(2)(b)(iii) of the Public Finance Act as the amount of this annual appropriation for a non-departmental other expense is less than \$5 million	Exempted	Exempted	Exempted

Note 1 - Satisfaction is determined on a five-point scale, either numerical (1-5, with '5' being the highest rating) or qualitative (Very Good, Good, Satisfied, Poor, Very Poor).

Note 2 - This performance measure represents the outcomes of the activities to improve redress for survivors of abuse in care in relation to the Survivor Experiences Service.

Note 3 - The grant funding bodies for Internal Affairs include the New Zealand Lottery Grants Board, New Zealand Winston Churchill Memorial Trust and the Chinese Poll Tax Heritage Trust.

Note 4 - The business timeframe standard is based on grant decisions being made within 18 weeks of submission of request.

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by the Department of Internal Affairs in its Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Drawdown of tagged operating contingency for the continuation of the Survivor Experiences Service	2026/27	-	6,794	6,794	-	-
Government Inquiry into the Fatal Landslides in Tauranga	2026/27	-	2,914	-	-	-
Baseline Reduction - Department of Internal Affairs	2025/26	(857)	(55)	(55)	(55)	(55)
Public Inquiry into the Disappearance of the Phillips Children	2025/26	2,958	532	-	-	-
Addressing the Wrongs of the Past - Redress for Abuse in Care	2025/26	6,794	-	-	-	-
Cyclone Gabrielle Trust Crown Administration Funding	2024/25	(889)	-	-	-	-
Phase 2 of the Royal Commission of Inquiry into COVID-19 Lessons	2024/25	8,149	-	-	-	-
Workforce and Other Cost Reductions in Shared Services Functions - Department of Internal Affairs	2024/25	(808)	(810)	(813)	(813)	(813)
Previous Government						
Non-Remuneration Inflationary Related Cost Pressures - Vote Internal Affairs	2023/24	17	17	17	17	17
Statutory Inquiry Administration	2023/24	1,752	1,752	1,752	1,752	1,752
Public Sector Pay Adjustment - Vote Internal Affairs Remuneration Cost Pressure	2022/23	882	882	882	882	882
Funding decisions on Cyclone Gabrielle Appeal Trust	2022/23	889	-	-	-	-

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

The decrease in this appropriation for 2026/27 is mainly due to the completion of the Royal Commission of Inquiry into COVID-19 Lessons Learned.

Supporting Ethnic Communities (M30) (A6)

Overarching Purpose Statement

The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to improve the wellbeing of ethnic communities.

Scope of Appropriation

Departmental Output Expenses

Advisory and Information Services to assist Ethnic Communities

This category is limited to the provision of information, advisory and support services to ethnic communities.

Policy and Related Services - Ethnic Communities

This category is limited to the provision of policy advice and services to support Ministers to discharge their portfolio responsibilities relating to ethnic communities.

Non-Departmental Other Expenses

Ethnic Communities Grants

This category is limited to grants to improve wellbeing and participation in New Zealand society of ethnic communities.

Expenses, Revenue and Capital Expenditure

	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	18,606	18,052	18,213
Departmental Output Expenses			
Advisory and Information Services to assist Ethnic Communities	9,393	9,109	9,095
Policy and Related Services - Ethnic Communities	4,981	4,711	4,886
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Ethnic Communities Grants	4,232	4,232	4,232
Funding for Departmental Output Expenses			
Revenue from the Crown	13,993	13,993	13,721
Advisory and Information Services to assist Ethnic Communities	9,012	9,012	8,835
Policy and Related Services - Ethnic Communities	4,981	4,981	4,886
Revenue from Others	381	381	260
Advisory and Information Services to assist Ethnic Communities	381	381	260

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve wellbeing of ethnic communities, improved social cohesion and well-informed decision-making by Government.

How Performance will be Assessed for this Appropriation

Assessment of Performance	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Satisfaction with the Intercultural Capability e-learning modules (see Note 1)	3	3	3

What is Intended to be Achieved with each Category and How Performance will be Assessed

Assessment of Performance	2025/26		2026/27
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Departmental Output Expenses			
Advisory and Information Services to assist Ethnic Communities			
This category is intended to achieve increased participation and belonging in New Zealand society for ethnic communities.			
Approved Ethnic Communities Development Fund grant applications are paid within business timeframe standards (see Notes 2 and 3)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Ethnic Communities Development Fund decisions are consistent with priorities, policies and procedures	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Policy and Related Services - Ethnic Communities			
This category is intended to achieve support and high-quality advice for Ministers and other government agencies for matters related to the ethnic communities portfolio.			
Required timeframes are met: Parliamentary Questions (written) - within 3 days of notification or as agreed with the Minister (see Note 3)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Required timeframes are met: Ministerial correspondence (draft responses) - within 15 days of receipt or as specifically agreed (see Note 3)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Required timeframes are met: Ministerial Official Information Act requests - at least 5 days prior to statutory timeframes (see Note 3)	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Minister's satisfaction with the quality of advice (see Note 4)	4 out of 5	4	4 out of 5
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Ethnic Communities Grants			
This category is intended to support ethnic communities to achieve improved participation and belonging in New Zealand society.			
An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under section 15D(2)(b)(iii) of the Public Finance Act as the amount of this annual appropriation for a non-departmental other expense is less than \$5 million	Exempted	Exempted	Exempted

Note 1 - Satisfaction is determined on the basis of a monthly survey comprising four questions, with each question scored via a 5-point scale (5 is the highest score and 1 is lowest score). The final score represents the average over a 12-month period.

Note 2 - The business timeframe standard is based on notification of decisions within 10 days, and payment of grants within 10 days of notification.

Note 3 - All timeliness measures using 'days' are references to 'working days'.

Note 4 - The rating is based on a number of attributes using the scale: 1=Never, 2=Some of the time, 3=About half the time, 4=Most of the time, 5=Always.

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported in Ministry for Ethnic Communities' report appended to the Department of Internal Affairs' Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2025/26 Final Budgeted \$000	2026/27 Budget \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000	2029/30 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Baseline Reduction - Ministry for Ethnic Communities	2026/27	-	(277)	(277)	(277)	(277)
Language Assistance Services programme March Baseline Update	2024/25	325	325	325	325	325
Reduction in Back Office functions - Ministry for Ethnic Communities	2024/25	(1,244)	(1,244)	(1,244)	(1,244)	(1,244)
Previous Government						
Building a Pipeline of Ethnic Talent in the Labour Market	2023/24	154	159	159	159	159
Non-Remuneration Inflationary Related Cost Pressures - Vote Internal Affairs	2023/24	59	59	59	59	59
Foreign Interference Work Programme	2023/24	2,250	2,250	2,250	2,250	2,250
Public Sector Pay Adjustment - Vote Internal Affairs Remuneration Cost Pressure	2022/23	615	615	615	615	615
Ministry for Ethnic Communities - Additional Engagement Capability	2022/23	1,318	1,318	1,318	1,318	1,318
Ministry for Ethnic Communities - Ensuring Government Services Respond to the Diversifying Needs of Ethnic Communities	2022/23	1,122	1,122	1,122	1,122	1,122