

Vote Oranga Tamariki

APPROPRIATION MINISTER(S): Minister for the Public Service (M66), Minister for Children (M93)

DEPARTMENT ADMINISTERING THE VOTE: Oranga Tamariki - Ministry for Children (A32)

RESPONSIBLE MINISTER FOR ORANGA TAMARIKI - MINISTRY FOR CHILDREN: Minister for Children

Overview of the Vote

The Minister for Children is responsible for the appropriations in this Vote for the 2025/26 financial year covering the following:

- a total of almost \$1,550 million for investing in children and young people including:
 - statutory intervention and transition (\$1,056 million) to provide statutory care and youth justice services, and services to transition children and young people from statutory intervention
 - prevention and early support (\$470 million) which provides prevention, awareness and early support programmes and services to identify and support children, young people and their families at risk of poor life outcomes
 - intensive response (\$13 million) to provide intensive response services for children and young people exhibiting needs which place them at risk of harm and/or requiring a statutory intervention, and
 - policy advice and ministerial services (\$10 million) to provide policy advice and other support to the Ministers in discharging their policy decision-making and other portfolio responsibilities
- a total of over \$3 million for Redress for Abuse in Care including:
 - delivering redress for abuse in care (over \$1 million) for responding to, designing, implementing and delivering redress for abuse in care
 - Support Services (\$405,000) to provide support services to people who lodge a claim for experiencing abuse in state care, and
 - Redress Payments (over \$1 million) to provide financial redress to people who have experienced abuse in care
- a total of almost \$38 million for capital expenditure for the replacement or upgrade of assets in support of the delivery of the Ministry's services
- a total of almost \$11 million for adoption services which helps achieve the legal adoption of children by approved parents and to provide access to information on adoptions
- a total of \$4 million for Connection and Advocacy Service to reduce isolation for children and young people in care by connecting them with each other, promoting their individual and collective voice and building their leadership, and
- a total of over \$1 million for a Ministerial Advisory Board to provide independent advice and assurance to the Minister for Children on Oranga Tamariki.

The Minister for Children is also responsible for a capital injection of over \$13 million to Oranga Tamariki.

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	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Departmental Output Expenses			
Adoption Services (M93) (A32) This appropriation is limited to the management of services, incorporating education, assessment, reporting, counselling, and mediation, to all people who are party to adoption-related matters, past or present.	10,671	10,671	10,978
Crown response to the Abuse in Care Royal Commission of Inquiry and establishment of a new redress system for abuse survivors (M66) (A32) This appropriation is limited to the provision of support to deliver a coordinated and effective Crown response to the Royal Commission of Inquiry into Historical Abuse in State Care and in the Care of Faith-Based Institutions and designing a response recommended by the Royal Commission's redress report.	7,254	7,254	-
Total Departmental Output Expenses	17,925	17,925	10,978
Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Oranga Tamariki-Ministry for Children - Capital Expenditure PLA (M93) (A32) This appropriation is limited to the purchase or development of assets by and for the use of Oranga Tamariki-Ministry for Children; as authorised by section 24(1) of the Public Finance Act 1989.	24,800	24,800	37,986
Total Departmental Capital Expenditure	24,800	24,800	37,986
Non-Departmental Output Expenses			
Connection and Advocacy Service (M93) (A32) This appropriation is limited to supporting an independent connection and advocacy service for children and young people in statutory care.	6,378	6,378	4,000
Independent Advice on Oranga Tamariki (M93) (A32) This appropriation is limited to independent advice and assurance to the Minister for Children.	1,015	1,015	1,044
Total Non-Departmental Output Expenses	7,393	7,393	5,044
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure			
Investing in Children and Young People MCA (M93) (A32) The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to ensure New Zealand's vulnerable children and young people have positive outcomes.	1,509,357	1,494,709	1,549,893
Departmental Output Expenses			
Intensive Response This category is limited to intensive response services for children and young people exhibiting needs which place them at risk of harm and/or requiring a statutory intervention.	13,494	13,494	13,460
Policy Advice and Ministerial Services This category is limited to providing policy advice and other support to the Ministers in discharging their policy decision-making and other portfolio responsibilities.	10,019	10,019	9,924
Prevention and Early Support This category is limited to providing prevention, awareness and early support programmes and services to identify and support children, young people and their families at risk of poor life outcomes.	458,228	452,853	470,449
Statutory Intervention and Transition This category is limited to providing statutory care and youth justice services, and services to transition children and young people from statutory intervention.	1,027,616	1,018,343	1,056,060

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type			
Redress for Abuse in Care MCA (M93) (A32)	-	-	3,266
The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to enable the Government's response to redress recommendations made by the Royal Commission of Inquiry into Abuse in Care.			
Departmental Output Expenses			
<i>Delivering redress for abuse in care</i>	-	-	1,368
This category is limited to responding to, designing, implementing and delivering redress for abuse in care.			
Non-Departmental Output Expenses			
<i>Support Services</i>	-	-	405
This category is limited to providing third party support services to people who report experiencing abuse in care.			
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
<i>Redress Payments</i>	-	-	1,493
This category is limited to providing financial redress to people who experienced abuse in care.			
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure	1,509,357	1,494,709	1,553,159
Total Annual Appropriations and Forecast Permanent Appropriations	1,559,475	1,544,827	1,607,167

Capital Injection Authorisations

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Oranga Tamariki - Ministry for Children - Capital Injection (M93) (A32)	1,000	1,000	13,186

Supporting Information

Part 1 - Vote as a Whole

1.1 - New Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Appropriation	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Oranga Tamariki Contractual Cost Pressures - Changes to Oranga Tamariki Social Service Contracting	Investing in Children and Young People (MCA)					
	Prevention and Early Support	-	9,462	-	-	-
	Statutory Intervention and Transition Department Output Expense	-	14,193	-	-	-
Military Style Academies - Oranga Tamariki	Investing in Children and Young People (MCA)					
	Statutory Intervention and Transition Department Output Expense	-	3,478	9,218	9,218	9,218
	Oranga Tamariki-Ministry for Children - Capital Injection	-	2,000	-	-	-
Safety improvements in Youth Justice Residences	Investing in Children and Young People (MCA)					
	Statutory Intervention and Transition Department Output Expense	-	3,604	6,146	5,890	5,966
	Oranga Tamariki-Ministry for Children - Capital Injection	-	11,186	-	-	-
Young Serious Offenders - Implementation of a new Legislative Regime	Investing in Children and Young People (MCA)					
	Statutory Intervention and Transition Department Output Expense	-	-	4,584	5,585	5,585
Addressing the Wrongs of the Past - Redress for Abuse in Care	Addressing the Wrongs of the Past - Redress for Abuse in Care (MCA)					
	Redress Payments	-	448	1,548	1,500	1,500
	Non-departmental Other expense	-	-	456	456	456
	Support Services	-	-	456	456	456
	Non-departmental Output expense	-	-	456	456	456
	Administration of Redress	-	768	3,934	4,123	4,313
	Departmental Output expense	-	-	-	-	-
Making the care system safe - recognising and responding to abuse in care	Investing in Children and Young People (MCA)					
	Statutory Intervention and Transition Department Output Expense	-	7,600	3,300	3,550	1,550

Policy Initiative	Appropriation	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Making the care system safe - building a diverse, capable and safe care workforce	Investing in Children and Young People (MCA) Statutory Intervention and Transition Department Output Expense	-	155	-	-	-
Frontline Technology Systems Upgrade - to improve outcomes for children and Family	Adoption Services Investing in Children and Young People (MCA) Intensive Response Prevention and Early Support Statutory Intervention and Transition Department Output Expense	79 7 1,395 2,258	510 49 9,054 14,661	579 55 10,284 16,653	145 14 2,580 4,177	126 12 2,238 3,624
Redress for Survivors of Abuse in Care: Work on an Improved Redress Pathway and Interim Enhancements to Current Processes	Investing in Children and Young People (MCA) Statutory Intervention and Transition Department Output Expense Addressing the Wrongs of the Past - Redress for Abuse in Care (MCA) Redress Payments Non-departmental Other expense Support Services Non-departmental Output expense Administration of Redress Departmental Output expense	1,280 - - - -	- 1,045 405 600	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -
Victims' navigator role to support youth victims	Investing in Children and Young People (MCA) Statutory Intervention and Transition Department Output Expense	533	1,600	1,600	2,174	2,205
Specialist support for youth victims of sexual violence	Investing in Children and Young People (MCA) Statutory Intervention and Transition Department Output Expense	567	800	800	800	800
Total		6,119	81,618	59,157	40,212	37,593

1.2 - Trends in the Vote

Summary of Financial Activity

	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25		2025/26			2026/27	2027/28	2028/29
	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	29,038	27,121	50,454	32,838	25,318	25,318	10,978	5,044	16,022	15,317	14,407	14,388
Benefits or Related Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowing Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Expenditure	53,852	13,314	30,648	25,280	24,800	24,800	37,986	-	37,986	24,800	24,800	24,800
Intelligence and Security Department Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure (MCA)												
<i>Output Expenses</i>	1,277,902	1,389,720	1,394,404	1,538,882	1,509,357	1,494,709	1,551,261	405	1,551,666	1,529,944	1,512,330	1,509,730
<i>Other Expenses</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,493	1,493	1,548	1,500	1,500
<i>Capital Expenditure</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Total Appropriations	1,360,792	1,430,155	1,475,506	1,597,000	1,559,475	1,544,827	1,600,225	6,942	1,607,167	1,571,609	1,553,037	1,550,418
Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts												
Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Total Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-

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

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

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

1.3 - Analysis of Significant Trends

Capital PLA

The upward trend of the capital PLA of \$13.186 million is due to Capital Injections through new Budget 2025 initiatives.

Capital Injections

In 2025/26 the capital Injections increased by \$13.186 million due to new Budget initiatives; \$11.186 million increase for Safety Improvements in Youth Justice Residences, and \$2 million for Military Style Academies.

Multi-Category Expenses (MCA) Investing in Children and Young People

The increasing trend for 2020/21 of \$190.685 million is mainly due to:

- increased funding of \$76.450 million as a result of expense transfers carried forward from 2019/20 to 2020/21
- increased funding for the additional costs of remuneration and meeting the increased costs for children in care (\$59.463 million)
- increased funding of \$31.794 million for Budget 2019 initiatives mainly for transitions support services (\$9.866 million), youth justice services (\$14.564 million) and sexual violence services (\$5.421 million)
- increased funding of \$18.712 million for the disestablishment of the existing Departmental output expense appropriations data, analytics and evidence services, policy advice ministerial services into the investing in children and young people multi-category appropriation from 1 July 2020
- increased funding through the COVID-19 response and recovery fund (\$11.879 million)
- increased funding for the social worker pay equity settlement (\$4.568 million)
- increased funding for the impact of consumer price index on the foster care allowance (\$1.950 million), and
- offset by the reduction in expenditure due to cessation of time limited funding of \$13.800 million.

The increasing trend for 2021/22 of \$111.818 million is mainly due to:

- new funding initiatives in Budget 2021 of \$61.519 million as reflected in the new policy initiatives section
- increased funding of \$25.025 million from the COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund
- increased funding of \$15.793 million from converting capital funding to operating funding to account for the change in accounting policy and treatment related to the customisation and configuration costs for software as a service

- increased funding through Budget 2019 of \$11.925 million for transitions support services and youth justice
- increased funding of \$9.422 million drawdown from the Supporting Partners and Enhancing the Wellbeing of Tamariki and Whānau in Greatest Need Contingency tagged contingency
- increased contribution of \$9.911 million from the Ministry of Health for the children in care who are severely disabled
- offset by decreased funding of \$15.378 million for the Budget 2019 initiative transforming the care system, and
- offset by decreased funding of \$8.824 million for a reduction in services provided to MSD for contract management services.

The increasing trend in 2022/23 of \$4.193 million is mainly due to:

- net increase in funding through Budget 2019 of \$33.381 million mainly for transforming the care system initiative
- increased funding of \$26.684 million to meet the costs of remuneration, including the Public Sector Pay Adjustment and progression
- reduction in funding of \$25.025 million for the reduction in time limited funding received from the COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund
- a net reduction in funding received of \$12.612 million from Budget 2021 mainly from the time limited funding received for Continuing to Meet the Assessed Needs of Children in Oranga Tamariki's Care
- a net reduction of \$8.003 million in funding received in Budget 2020 mainly from the time limited funding received for Maintaining Current Outcomes for Needs of Children in Oranga Tamariki Care
- a reduction of \$8 million from the Ministry of Health for the children in care who are severely disabled, and
- a net reduction in funding of \$3.997 million from the Budget 2021 and Budget 2022 tagged contingencies - Supporting Partners and Enhancing the Wellbeing of Tamariki and Whānau in Greatest Need Contingency and Enabling Partners and Communities.

The increasing trend in 2023/24 of \$68.305 million is mainly due to:

- new funding of \$88.204 million for initiatives funded in Budget 2023 detailed in the new policy initiative section, including
 - an increase in remuneration cost pressure funding of \$54.697 million
 - an increase in funding for the Disability Support Service eligible Tamariki and Rangatahi of \$17.410 million
 - an increase in funding for Partner-provided services of \$15.665 million, and
 - an increase of funding for Court Support Service for Tamariki and Rangatahi Sexual Violence Witnesses of \$432,000

- increased funding of \$39.608 million through Budget 2019 for transforming the care system and transitions support services
- a decrease in funding of \$16.035 million from the 2022/23 conversion of capital funding to operating funding to account for the change in accounting policy and treatment related to the customisation and configuration costs for software as a service
- a net reduction of \$36.049 million in time limited funding received through Budget 2021 mainly comprised of supported continued operations of Oranga Tamariki and supporting social service delivery for community service providers, and
- a decrease in funding of \$7.050 million in time limited funding received to reduce homelessness under the Homelessness Action Plan.

The decreasing trend in 2024/25 of \$46.579 million is in line with the Government's priorities for Budget 2024, and is constituted of savings and reprioritisation initiatives to meet the Government's delivery of an effective and fiscally sustainable public service, as well as cost pressure and new initiatives, and is mainly due to:

- a net decrease of \$49.214 million for the Reduction in Back Office Functions - Oranga Tamariki - Providing for the Cost of Change in 2023/24
- a decrease in funding in Budget 2024 for cost savings initiatives of \$44.803 million
- a net decrease of \$14.328 million for previously funded initiatives such as revenue for high needs children from Whaikaha - Ministry for Disabled People, Wage uplift for care and/or support workers in the health and disability sector and Reducing Risk of Critical Systems - Financial Management Information System and Payroll replacement, offset by:
 - an increase in funding in Budget 2024 for new initiatives Addressing Serious Youth Offending and the Fast Track Youth Offending Programme of \$14.992 million
 - an increase of cost pressure funding for Budget 2024 of \$19.991 million, and
 - a net increase in prior year initiatives of \$25.087 million including Transforming the Care System to Improve the Safety and Wellbeing of Children in Care, Extending Pay Equity Settlement for Social Workers in Community and Iwi Organisations, and Transition Support Service: Improving the Wellbeing Outcomes of Young People Leaving Statutory Care.

The increasing trend in 2025/26 of \$40.536 million is in line with the Government's priorities for Budget 2025, and is constituted of savings and reprioritisation initiatives from Budget 2024 to meet the Government's delivery of an effective and fiscally sustainable public service, as well as and new initiatives, and is mainly due to:

- an increase of \$23.655 million cost pressure funding to support Changes to Oranga Tamariki Social Service Contracting
- a net increase of \$21.436 million providing for the cost of change associated with the reduction in back office functions
- an increase of \$20.104 million Budget 2024 funding for the Frontline Technology Systems Upgrade (FTSU) - Tranche 1 initiative
- an increase of \$7.955 million cost pressure support for remuneration for frontline staff

- an increase of \$7.600 million for Budget 2025 funding for the initiative Making the Care System Safe - Recognising and Responding to Abuse in Care
- an increase of \$3.959 million for Extending Pay Equity Settlement for Social Workers in Community and Iwi Organisations
- an increase of \$3.604 million for the Budget 2025 initiative Safety Improvements in Youth Justice Residences
- an increase of \$3.478 million for the Budget 2025 initiative Military Style Academies
- a net increase of \$1.118 million cost pressure funding to enable Oranga Tamariki to support high needs children who are disability support service-eligible
- an increase of \$1.067 million for Victims navigator role to support youth victims, and
- an increase of 1.017 million for Pay Equity Claim for Social Work in the Funded Sector.

Partially offset by:

- a decrease of \$900,000 for the cessation of time-limited funding from the Ministry for Social Development for Disability Support Services revenue reimbursement to Oranga Tamariki for over 18 year olds
- a decrease of \$1.278 million for the cessation of time-limited funding from the Ministry of Social Development for an increment to the Disability Support Services for 2024/25
- a decrease of \$1.310 million for the cessation of time-limited funding for the Homeless Action Plan
- a decrease of \$1.396 million for the Addressing Serious Youth Offending programme
- a net decrease of \$4.280 million for the return of capital charge for capital returned as part of the Budget 2024 savings initiatives
- a decrease of \$7.196 million for the drawdown of Budget 2021 and Budget 2022 contingency funding, and
- a decrease of \$37.156 million to back-office staff funding to support Budget 2024 savings initiatives.

Multi-Category Expenses (MCA) - Redress for Abuse in Care

The increasing trend in 2025/26 of \$3.266 million is due to the establishment of the Government's response to redress recommendations made by the Royal Commission of Inquiry into Abuse in Care, and is mainly due to:

- an increase of \$1.216 million through a Budget 2025 Initiative Addressing the Wrongs of the Past - Redress System Changes and Provision of Redress for Abuse in Care, and
- an increase of \$2.050 million through a Cabinet initiative Redress for Survivors of Abuse in Care: Work on an Improved Redress Pathway and Interim Enhancements to Current Processes.

Part 2 - Details of Departmental Appropriations

2.1 - Departmental Output Expenses

Adoption Services (M93) (A32)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to the management of services, incorporating education, assessment, reporting, counselling, and mediation, to all people who are party to adoption-related matters, past or present.

Expenses and Revenue

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	10,671	10,671	10,978
Revenue from the Crown	10,671	10,671	10,978
Revenue from Others	-	-	-

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve the legal adoption of children by approved parents and to provide access to information on adoptions.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
The percentage of assessments of suitability to adopt that are completed within 3 months will be at least:	90%	90%	90%

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported in the Oranga Tamariki - Ministry for Children's Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Frontline Technology Systems Upgrade (FTSU) - to improve outcomes for children and Family	2025/26	79	510	579	145	126
Remuneration Cost Pressures for Frontline Staff	2024/25	144	272	272	272	272
Reduction in Back Office Administration Costs - Oranga Tamariki	2024/25	(197)	(197)	(197)	(197)	(197)
Reduction in Back Office Functions - Oranga Tamariki	2024/25	-	(594)	(594)	(594)	(594)
Reduction in Back Office Functions - Oranga Tamariki - Providing for the Cost of Change in 2023/24	2023/24	(393)	-	-	-	-
Previous Government						
Oranga Tamariki Remuneration Cost Pressures Tagged Contingencies Budget 23 PSPA Contingency Drawdown	2023/24	55	55	55	55	55
Oranga Tamariki Remuneration Cost Pressures	2022/23	825	825	825	825	825
Public Sector Pay Adjustment - Vote Oranga Tamariki Remuneration Cost Pressure	2022/23	432	432	432	432	432
Enabling the Separation of the Ministry of Social Development and Oranga Tamariki Corporate Services Functions	2021/22	33	33	33	33	33
Oranga Tamariki Corporate Systems Replacement Programme	2021/22	114	114	114	114	114

2.3 - Departmental Capital Expenditure and Capital Injections

Oranga Tamariki-Ministry for Children - Capital Expenditure PLA (M93) (A32)

Scope of Appropriation

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

Capital Expenditure

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Forests/Agricultural	-	-	-
Land	-	-	-
Property, Plant and Equipment	14,800	14,800	27,986
Intangibles	10,000	10,000	10,000
Other	-	-	-
Total Appropriation	24,800	24,800	37,986

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve the replacement or upgrade of assets in support of the delivery of the Ministry's services.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Expenditure is in accordance with the Ministry's approved capital plan	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported in the Oranga Tamariki - Ministry for Children's Annual Report.

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

The increase in this appropriation for 2025/26 is mainly due to:

- an increase of \$11.186 million of Budget 2025 funding for the initiative Safety improvements in Youth Justice Residences, and
- an increase of \$2 million of Budget 2025 funding for the initiative Military Style Academies.

*Capital Injections and Movements in Departmental Net Assets***Oranga Tamariki - Ministry for Children**

Details of Net Asset Schedule	2024/25 Estimated Actual \$000	2025/26 Projected \$000	Explanation of Projected Movements in 2025/26
Opening Balance	602,463	503,911	
Capital Injections	1,000	13,186	This projected injection for 2025/26 is for: Safety improvements in Youth Justice Residences of \$11.186 million, and Military Style Academies of \$2 million.
Capital Withdrawals	(114,200)	-	
Surplus to be Retained (Deficit Incurred)	14,648	-	
Other Movements	-	-	
Closing Balance	503,911	517,097	

Part 3 - Details of Non-Departmental Appropriations

3.1 - Non-Departmental Output Expenses

Connection and Advocacy Service (M93) (A32)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to supporting an independent connection and advocacy service for children and young people in statutory care.

Expenses

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	6,378	6,378	4,000

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve reduced isolation for children and young people in care by connecting them with each other, promoting their individual and collective voice and building their leadership.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Expenditure supports the delivery of services to children and young people with care experience and progress on contracting measurables is reported quarterly to Oranga Tamariki	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by the Minister for Children in the Vote Oranga Tamariki Non-Departmental Appropriations Report.

Service Providers

The funding is paid to VOYCE - Whakarongo Mai, an independent advocacy and connection service for children and young people with experience of statutory care.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Previous Government						
VOYCE - Whakarongo Mai: independent advocacy and connection services for tamariki and rangatahi with care experience	2022/23	2,378	-	-	-	-

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

The decrease in this appropriation for 2025/26 is mainly due to the cessation of time-limited funding for the independent advocacy and connection services for tamariki and rangatahi with care experience.

Independent Advice on Oranga Tamariki (M93) (A32)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to independent advice and assurance to the Minister for Children.

Expenses

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	1,015	1,015	1,044

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to provide quality and timely independent advice and assurance to the Minister for Children that Oranga Tamariki on the performance of Oranga Tamariki.

End of Year Performance Reporting

An exemption was granted under s15D(2)(b)(iii) of the Public Finance Act as the average amount of this appropriation for non-departmental other expense is less than \$5 million.

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

4 - Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure

Investing in Children and Young People (M93) (A32)

Overarching Purpose Statement

The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to ensure New Zealand's vulnerable children and young people have positive outcomes.

Scope of Appropriation

Departmental Output Expenses

Intensive Response

This category is limited to intensive response services for children and young people exhibiting needs which place them at risk of harm and/or requiring a statutory intervention.

Policy Advice and Ministerial Services

This category is limited to providing policy advice and other support to the Ministers in discharging their policy decision-making and other portfolio responsibilities.

Prevention and Early Support

This category is limited to providing prevention, awareness and early support programmes and services to identify and support children, young people and their families at risk of poor life outcomes.

Statutory Intervention and Transition

This category is limited to providing statutory care and youth justice services, and services to transition children and young people from statutory intervention.

Expenses, Revenue and Capital Expenditure

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	1,509,357	1,494,709	1,549,893
Departmental Output Expenses			
Intensive Response	13,494	13,494	13,460
Policy Advice and Ministerial Services	10,019	10,019	9,924
Prevention and Early Support	458,228	452,853	470,449
Statutory Intervention and Transition	1,027,616	1,018,343	1,056,060
Funding for Departmental Output Expenses			
Revenue from the Crown	1,495,341	1,495,341	1,538,747
Intensive Response	13,494	13,494	13,460
Policy Advice and Ministerial Services	10,019	10,019	9,924
Prevention and Early Support	458,228	458,228	470,449
Statutory Intervention and Transition	1,013,600	1,013,600	1,044,914

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Revenue from Others	14,016	14,016	11,146
Statutory Intervention and Transition	14,016	14,016	11,146

Components of the Appropriation

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Intensive Response			
Personnel	8,785	8,785	9,018
Childrens Costs	1,700	1,700	1,750
Other Costs	3,009	3,009	2,692
Total	13,494	13,494	13,460
Policy Advice and Ministerial Services			
Personnel	7,755	7,755	7,840
Other Costs	2,264	2,264	2,084
Total	10,019	10,019	9,924
Prevention and Early Support			
Preventative Programmes	290,166	285,951	298,577
Other Costs	124,482	123,322	127,108
Personnel	43,580	43,580	44,764
Total	458,228	452,853	470,449
Statutory Intervention and Transition			
Personnel	494,979	494,979	508,570
Placements (bed nights)	225,343	222,069	231,875
Other Childrens Costs	172,790	170,280	177,798
Other Costs	134,504	131,015	137,817
Total	1,027,616	1,018,343	1,056,060

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to enhance the wellbeing of children and young people, their families, and their communities, who are most in need of extra support.

How Performance will be Assessed for this Appropriation

The progress and achievement of intentions and outputs under this appropriation are monitored with key performance measures assessed under each appropriation category.

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

	2024/25		2025/26
Assessment of Performance	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Departmental Output Expenses			
Intensive Response			
This category is intended to provide intensive support, with partners and community providers, for families where a child is at risk of going into care. This involves working closely with families so that a child can remain, where possible, safely at home.			
The percentage of children who received intensive response services in the last twelve months, who subsequently did not require an out of home placement, will be at least:	97%	97%	97%
Policy Advice and Ministerial Services			
This category is intended to ensure high-quality policy advice and other support is provided to the Minister and Associate Minister for Children, including timely responses to information requests, ensuring legislative timeframes can be met where required.			
The score for the Minister's satisfaction with the services provided by the policy function, based on the common Ministerial Policy Satisfaction Survey and on a five-point scale, will be at least:	4	4	4
In relation to the quality of policy advice, the average score for policy papers assessed using the common Policy Quality Framework, on a five-point scale, will be at least:	3.5	3.5	3.5
The percentage of ministerial OIA request replies completed five working days prior to the statutory time limit, unless otherwise agreed, will be at least:	95%	95%	95%
The percentage of ministerial replies completed within twenty working days of receipt by Oranga Tamariki, unless otherwise agreed, will be at least:	95%	95%	95%
The percentage of Parliamentary question responses provided to the Minister's Office so that the answers can meet the timeframe set in Parliamentary Standing Orders will be at least:	95%	95%	95%
Prevention and Early Support			
This category is intended to help keep children safely with their families, with the support of community service providers. This includes providing and co-ordinating prevention and early support services to address early signs of need and reduce the risk factors that may lead to a child going into care.			
The percentage of all contracted services which achieved or exceeded the target for their primary contracted measure will be at least:	75%	70%	75%
The percentage of all service contract funding contracted with iwi and Māori organisations will be greater than:	23%	23%	23%
The percentage of critical or very urgent reports of concern, addressed within operational timeframes, will be at least:	95%	80%	95%

	2024/25		2025/26
Assessment of Performance	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Statutory Intervention and Transition			
This category is intended to deliver well-coordinated support to address the needs of children and their families requiring statutory intervention if concerns and risk factors are not addressed, and to prepare young people for transition from care.			
Report on the percentage of children to exit out of home placement in the last eighteen months, who subsequently required an out of home placement	Report on	Report on	Report on
The number of supported accommodation places available to young people, will be at least:	150	134	150
The number of young people eligible to return or remain with a caregiver beyond age eighteen, who are enabled to do so, will be at least:	95	95	95
The number of young people, held in police custody for more than 24 hours will be less than:	140	186	140
The percentage of children in care with quality engagement with an Oranga Tamariki practitioner will be at least:	95%	85%	95%
The percentage of children in care with regular engagement with an Oranga Tamariki practitioner will be at least:	95%	70%	95%
The percentage of children in out of home placement more than three months, who are placed with family/whānau, will be at least:	58%	53%	58%
The percentage of children in out of home placement, who have had two or fewer caregivers over the year, will be at least:	85%	85%	85%
The percentage of children who have been in statutory care for more than six months, who have a completed Gateway assessment, will be at least:	75%	75%	75%
The percentage of children, in care for more than three months, whose plan reflects actions to establish, maintain or strengthen connections with members of their family, whānau, and/or family group, will be at least:	95%	85%	95%
The percentage of children, in care for more than three months, with a current plan that contains actions to address their needs, when those actions will be taken, and by whom, will be at least:	95%	85%	95%
The percentage of eligible young people who are referred for support from a transition support worker will be at least:	60%	60%	60%
The percentage of siblings in out of home placements, who are placed with at least one sibling, will be at least:	73%	73%	73%
The percentage of tamariki Māori, in care for more than three months, who are being supported to establish, maintain or strengthen connections with their marae, hapū or iwi or for whom strong connections are already in place will be at least:	95%	60%	95%
The percentage of under eighteen-year-olds who previously had a Youth Justice family group conference, who had a subsequent Youth Justice family group conference, will be less than:	40%	40%	40%
The percentage of young people held on remand who are placed within their community will be at least:	30%	30%	30%

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported in the Oranga Tamariki-Ministry for Children's Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Intensive Response						
Current Government						
Frontline Technology Systems Upgrade (FTSU) - to improve outcomes for children and Family	2024/25	7	49	55	14	12
Remuneration Cost Pressures for Frontline Staff	2024/25	89	167	167	167	167
Reduction in Back Office Administration Costs - Oranga Tamariki	2024/25	(152)	(152)	(152)	(152)	(152)
Reduction in Back Office Functions - Oranga Tamariki - Providing for the Cost of Change in 2023/24	2023/24	(242)	-	-	-	-
Reduction in Back Office Functions - Oranga Tamariki	2023/24	(365)	(493)	(493)	(493)	(493)
Previous Government						
Public Sector Pay Adjustment - Remuneration Cost Pressure	2023/24	101	101	101	101	101
Oranga Tamariki Remuneration Cost Pressure	2023/24	192	192	192	192	192
Oranga Tamariki Remuneration Cost Pressures Tagged Contingencies Budget 23 PSPA Contingency Drawdown	2023/24	13	13	13	13	13
Accounting for Software as a Service (SaaS) (Capital charge returned)	2022/23	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)
Approval of Reducing risk in critical systems and implementing legislative changes drawdown	2022/23	6	6	6	6	6
Capital Charge Baseline Adjustment from Revaluation of Land and Buildings	2022/23	12	12	12	12	12
Public Sector Pay Adjustment - Vote Oranga Tamariki Remuneration Cost Pressure	2022/23	101	101	101	101	101
Oranga Tamariki Remuneration Cost Pressures	2022/23	192	192	192	192	192
Contract Management Services (CARMSA) Crown	2021/22	1,186	1,186	1,186	1,186	1,186
Oranga Tamariki Corporate Systems Replacement Programme	2021/22	27	27	27	27	27
Enabling the Separation of the Ministry of Social Development and Oranga Tamariki Corporate Services Functions	2021/22	8	8	8	8	8
Prevention and Early Support						
Current Government						
Oranga Tamariki Contractual Cost Pressures - Changes to Oranga Tamariki Social Service Contracting	2025/26	9,462	-	-	-	-
Pay equity extension: Whānau as first navigator funding for Te Puawaitanga Trust	2024/25	96	101	103	103	103

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Frontline Technology Systems Upgrade (FTSU) - to improve outcomes for children and Family	2024/25	1,395	9,054	10,284	2,580	2,238
Reduction in Back Office Functions - Oranga Tamariki	2025/26	-	(9,942)	(13,406)	(13,406)	(13,406)
Fast Track Youth Offending Programme - Oranga Tamariki	2024/25	7,650	7,650	7,650	7,650	7,650
Remuneration Cost Pressures for Frontline Staff	2024/25	2,418	4,547	4,547	4,547	4,547
Reduction in Back Office Administration Costs - Oranga Tamariki	2024/25	(3,824)	(3,824)	(3,824)	(3,824)	(3,824)
Reduction in Contracting Service Costs - Oranga Tamariki	2024/25	(18,000)	(18,000)	(18,000)	(18,000)	(18,000)
Home Builders Family Services Pay Equity	2024/25	218	221	225	225	225
Reduction in Back Office Functions - Oranga Tamariki - Providing for the Cost of Change in 2023/24	2023/24	(6,584)	-	-	-	-
Previous Government						
Extending Pay Equity Settlement for Social Workers in Community and Iwi Organisations	2023/24	31,852	34,594	36,983	36,983	36,983
Oranga Tamariki Remuneration Cost Pressures Tagged Contingencies Budget 23 PSPA Contingency Drawdown	2023/24	1,028	1,028	1,028	1,028	1,028
Maintaining the Purchasing Power of Oranga Tamariki's Partner-provided Services	2023/24	13,018	13,018	13,018	13,018	13,018
Maintaining Momentum Across Te Aorerekura - Court Support Service for Tamariki and Rangatahi Sexual Violence Witnesses	2023/24	1,240	2,118	3,259	3,259	3,259
Oranga Tamariki Remuneration Cost Pressures	2022/23	15,342	15,342	15,342	15,342	15,342
Public Sector Pay Adjustment - Vote Oranga Tamariki Remuneration Cost Pressure	2022/23	8,029	8,029	8,029	8,029	8,029
Preventing FVSV Family Start-towards more integrated family violence and sexual violence prevention and early response	2022/23	1,260	1,160	1,160	1,160	1,160
Oranga Tamariki Corporate Systems Replacement Programme	2021/22	2,121	2,121	2,121	2,121	2,121
Enabling the Separation of the Ministry of Social Development and Oranga Tamariki Corporate Services Functions	2021/22	611	611	611	611	611
Preventing Family Violence and Sexual Violence: Working with Communities and Whānau to Support Parents and Reduce Risk	2021/22	2,648	2,648	2,648	2,648	2,648
Policy Advice and Ministerial Services						
Current Government						
Reduction in Back Office Functions - Oranga Tamariki	2025/26	-	(453)	(611)	(611)	(611)
Remuneration Cost Pressures for Frontline Staff	2024/25	110	207	207	207	207
Reduction in Back Office Administration Costs - Oranga Tamariki	2024/25	(192)	(192)	(192)	(192)	(192)
Reduction in Back Office Functions - Oranga Tamariki - Providing for the Cost of Change in 2023/24	2032/24	(300)	-	-	-	-

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Previous Government						
Oranga Tamariki Remuneration Cost Pressures Tagged Contingencies Budget 23 PSPA Contingency Drawdown	2023/24	46	46	46	46	46
Oranga Tamariki Remuneration Cost Pressures	2022/23	684	684	684	684	684
Public Sector Pay Adjustment - Vote Oranga Tamariki Remuneration Cost Pressure	2022/23	358	358	358	358	358
Oranga Tamariki Corporate Systems Replacement Programme	2021/22	95	95	95	95	95
Enabling the Separation of the Ministry of Social Development and Oranga Tamariki Corporate Services Functions	2021/22	27	27	27	27	27
Statutory Intervention and Transition						
Current Government						
Young Serious Offenders - Implementation of a new Legislative Regime	2026/27	-	-	4,584	5,585	5,585
Oranga Tamariki Contractual Cost Pressures - Changes to Oranga Tamariki Social Service Contracting	2025/26	-	14,193	-	-	-
Military Style Academies - Oranga Tamariki	2025/26	-	3,478	9,218	9,218	9,218
Safety Improvements in Youth Justice Residences	2025/26	-	3,604	6,146	5,890	5,966
Making the care system safe - recognising and responding to abuse in care	2025/26	-	7,600	3,300	3,550	1,550
Making the care system safe - building a diverse, capable and safe care workforce	2025/26	-	155	-	-	-
MSD - Disability Support Services revenue reimbursement for over 18-year olds to Oranga Tamariki	2024/25	900	-	-	-	-
Specialist support for youth victims of sexual violence	2024/25	567	800	800	800	800
Victims navigator role to support youth victims	2024/25	533	1,600	1,600	2,174	2,205
Frontline Technology Systems Upgrade (FTSU) - Tranche 1	2024/25	2,258	14,661	16,653	4,177	3,624
Return of Capital Charge	2025/26	-	(4,280)	(4,280)	(4,280)	(4,280)
Reduction in Back Office Functions - Oranga Tamariki	2025/26	-	(26,396)	(35,590)	(35,590)	(35,590)
High Needs Children Services - Oranga Tamariki Cost Pressure	2024/25	10,955	29,483	29,673	29,673	29,673
Addressing Serious Youth Offending - Oranga Tamariki	2024/25	7,342	5,946	7,190	7,563	7,563
Remuneration Cost Pressures for Frontline Staff	2024/25	6,419	12,070	12,070	12,070	12,070
Reduction in Back Office Administration Costs - Oranga Tamariki	2024/25	(10,635)	(10,635)	(10,635)	(10,635)	(10,635)
Reduction in Contracting Service Costs - Oranga Tamariki	2024/25	(12,000)	(12,000)	(12,000)	(12,000)	(12,000)
Reduction in Back Office Functions - Oranga Tamariki - Providing for the Cost of Change in 2023/24	2023/24	(17,481)	-	-	-	-

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Previous Government						
Homeless Action Plan	2023/24	1,310	-	-	-	-
Extending Pay Equity Settlement for Social Workers in Community and Iwi Organisations	2023/24	13,705	14,922	15,985	15,985	15,985
Oranga Tamariki Remuneration Cost Pressures Tagged Contingencies Budget 23 PSPA Contingency Drawdown	2023/24	2,645	2,645	2,645	2,645	2,645
Emergency Housing Reset and Redesign - Housing Education Programme	2023/24	240	240	240	240	240
Meeting Oranga Tamariki's Care Response Costs of Disability Support Service-eligible Tamariki and Rangatahi	2023/24	17,410	-	-	-	-
Maintaining the Purchasing Power of Oranga Tamariki's Partner-provided Services	2023/24	2,647	2,647	2,647	2,647	2,647
Justice Sector Resourcing - Addressing the Impacts of the Delta COVID-19 Restrictions	2023/24	98	-	-	-	-
Oranga Tamariki Remuneration Cost Pressures	2022/23	39,484	39,484	39,484	39,484	39,484
Public Sector Pay Adjustment - Vote Oranga Tamariki Remuneration Cost Pressure	2022/23	20,665	20,665	20,665	20,665	20,665
Oranga Tamariki Corporate Systems Replacement Programme	2021/22	5,459	5,459	5,459	5,493	5,493
Enabling the Separation of the Ministry of Social Development and Oranga Tamariki Corporate Services Functions	2021/22	1,571	1,571	1,571	1,571	1,571
Improving Financial Assistance for Caregivers	2021/22	488	488	488	488	488

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

The increase in this appropriation for 2025/26 of \$40.536 million is mainly due to:

- an increase of \$23.655 million cost pressure funding to support Changes to Oranga Tamariki Social Service Contracting
- a net increase of \$21.436 million providing for the cost of change associated with the reduction in back office functions
- an increase of \$20.104 million Budget 2024 funding for the Frontline Technology Systems Upgrade (FTSU) - modernising the technology our frontline staff use
- an increase of \$7.955 million cost pressure support for remuneration for frontline staff
- an increase of \$7.600 million for Budget 2025 funding for the initiative Making the care system safe - recognising and responding to abuse in care
- an increase of \$3.959 million for Extending Pay Equity Settlement for Social Workers in Community and Iwi Organisations
- an increase of \$3.604 million for the Budget 2025 initiative Safety Improvements in Youth Justice Residences

- an increase of \$3.478 million for the Budget 2025 initiative Military Style Academies
- a net increase of \$1.118 million cost pressure funding to enable Oranga Tamariki to support high needs children who are disability support service-eligible
- an increase of \$1.067 million for Victims navigator role to support youth victims, and
- an increase of 1.017 million for Pay Equity Claim for Social Work in the Funded Sector.

Partially offset by:

- a decrease of \$37.156 million to back-office staff funding to support Budget 2024 savings initiatives
- a decrease of \$7.196 million for the drawdown of Budget 2021 and Budget 2022 contingency funding
- a net decrease of \$4.280 million for the return of capital charge for capital returned as part of the Budget 2024 savings initiatives
- a decrease of \$1.396 million for the Addressing Serious Youth Offending programme
- a decrease of \$1.310 million for the cessation of time-limited funding for the Homeless Action Plan
- a decrease of \$1.278 million for the cessation of time-limited funding from the Ministry of Social Development for an increment to the Disability Support Services for 2024/25, and
- a decrease of \$900,000 for the cessation of time-limited funding from the Ministry for Social Development for Disability Support Services revenue reimbursement to Oranga Tamariki for over 18 year olds.

Redress for Abuse in Care (M93) (A32)

Overarching Purpose Statement

The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to enable the Government's response to redress recommendations made by the Royal Commission of Inquiry into Abuse in Care.

Scope of Appropriation

Departmental Output Expenses

Delivering redress for abuse in care

This category is limited to responding to, designing, implementing and delivering redress for abuse in care.

Non-Departmental Output Expenses

Support Services

This category is limited to providing third party support services to people who report experiencing abuse in care.

Non-Departmental Other Expenses

Redress Payments

This category is limited to providing financial redress to people who experienced abuse in care.

Expenses, Revenue and Capital Expenditure

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	-	-	3,266
Departmental Output Expenses			
Delivering redress for abuse in care	-	-	1,368
Non-Departmental Output Expenses			
Support Services	-	-	405
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Redress Payments	-	-	1,493
Funding for Departmental Output Expenses			
Revenue from the Crown	-	-	1,368
Delivering redress for abuse in care	-	-	1,368

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to enable the Government's response to redress recommendations made by the Royal Commission of Inquiry into Abuse in Care.

How Performance will be Assessed for this Appropriation

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Redress for Abuse in Care			
Institute a redress process by June 2026 for people who experience abuse in care	New measure	New measure	Achieved

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

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Departmental Output Expenses			
Delivering redress for abuse in care			
This category is intended to design and deliver a well-functioning redress system.			
The percentage of lodged claims that receive a complete resolution process for abuse or neglect while in care is no less than:	New measure	New measure	95%
Non-Departmental Output Expenses			
Support Services			
This category is intended to provide support services to people who lodge a claim for experiencing abuse in state care.			
The percentage of claimants who receive a support service(s) as part of their settlement offer have a support plan in place at the time of settlement is no less than:	New measure	New measure	95%

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Redress Payments			
This category is intended to provide consistent and timely payments to people who have experienced abuse in care.			
An exemption was granted under section 15D(2)(b)(ii) because end-of-year performance information for the appropriation or category is not likely to be informative in the light of the nature of the transaction or causal event giving rise to the expenses or capital expenditure			

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported in the Oranga Tamariki - Ministry for Children's Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Delivering redress for abuse in care						
Addressing the Wrongs of the Past - Redress System Changes and Provision of Redress for Abuse in Care	2025/26	-	768	3,934	4,123	4,313
Redress for Survivors of Abuse in Care: Work on an Improved Redress Pathway and Interim Enhancements to Current Processes	2025/26	-	1,045	-	-	-
Support Services						
Addressing the Wrongs of the Past - Redress System Changes and Provision of Redress for Abuse in Care	2025/26	-	-	456	456	456
Redress for Survivors of Abuse in Care: Work on an Improved Redress Pathway and Interim Enhancements to Current Processes	2025/26	-	405	-	-	-
Redress Payments						
Addressing the Wrongs of the Past - Redress System Changes and Provision of Redress for Abuse in Care	2025/26	-	448	1,548	1,500	1,500
Redress for Survivors of Abuse in Care: Work on an Improved Redress Pathway and Interim Enhancements to Current Processes	2025/26	-	600	-	-	-

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

This is a new appropriation for 2025/26 to implement the establishment of the Government's response to redress recommendations made by the Royal Commission of Inquiry into Abuse in Care.