

Vote Attorney-General

MINISTER(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR APPROPRIATIONS: Attorney-General (M5)

ADMINISTERING DEPARTMENT: Crown Law Office

MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR CROWN LAW OFFICE: Attorney-General

Overview of the Vote

The Attorney-General is responsible for appropriations in the Vote for the 2009/10 financial year covering the following:

- a total of \$3.329 million (5% of the Vote) for the conduct of appeals arising from criminal trials on indictment and from Crown appeals against sentence
- a total of \$22.900 million (35% of the Vote) on providing legal advice and representation services to central government departments and agencies
- a total of \$35.542 million (54% of the Vote) on providing a national Crown prosecution service that undertakes criminal trials on indictment and related appeals
- a total of \$2.978 million (5% of the Vote) on providing legal and administrative services to the Attorney-General and Solicitor-General to assist them in the exercise of their statutory functions and responsibilities
- a total of \$943,000 (1% of the Vote) on the purchase or development of assets by and for the use of the Crown Law Office, as authorised by section 24 (1) of the Public Finance Act 1989.

Crown Law expects to receive a total of \$22.900 million (35% of the Vote) comprising fees and disbursements, from central government departments and agencies for providing legal advice and representation services.

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

Details of Appropriations

Details of Annual and Permanent Appropriations

Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	2008/09		2009/10
	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Departmental Output Expenses			
Conduct of Criminal Appeals (M5) Conducting appeals arising from criminal trials on indictment and from Crown appeals against sentence.	3,444	3,444	3,329
Legal Advice and Representation (M5) Providing legal advice and representation services to central government departments and Crown agencies.	22,900	22,900	22,900
Supervision and Conduct of Crown Prosecutions (M5) The provision of a national Crown prosecution service that undertakes criminal trials on indictment and appeals to the High Court; the supervision of the network of Crown Solicitors who deliver the prosecution service; and the provision of advice on criminal law matters to other government agencies and Crown Solicitors.	36,492	36,492	35,542
The Exercise of Principal Law Officer Functions (M5) Providing legal advice, representation services and administrative services to the Attorney-General and Solicitor-General to assist them in the exercise of their Principal Law Officer functions; and the provision of legal and constitutional advice to the Government, Ministers, and the judiciary.	2,978	2,978	2,978
Total Departmental Output Expenses	65,814	65,814	64,749
Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Crown Law Office - Capital Expenditure PLA (M5) This appropriation is limited to the purchase or development of assets by and for the use of the Crown Law Office, as authorised by section 24(1) of the Public Finance Act 1989.	2,405	2,405	943
Total Departmental Capital Expenditure	2,405	2,405	943
Total Annual and Permanent Appropriations	68,219	68,219	65,692

Details of Projected Movements in Departmental Net Assets

Crown Law Office

Details of Net Asset Schedule	2008/09 Estimated Actual \$000	2009/10 Projected \$000	Explanation of Projected Movements in 2009/10
Opening Balance	2,063	2,933	
Capital Injections	-	-	
Capital Withdrawals	-	-	
Surplus to be Retained (Deficit Incurred)	-	-	
Other Movements	870	(870)	Changes in fee rates for other departments who obtain legal advice from Crown Law.
Closing Balance	2,933	2,063	