

# **VOTE** *Women's Affairs*

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### Overview

The appropriations sought for Vote Women's Affairs in 2007/08 total \$4.591 million. This is intended to be spent on purchasing Policy Advice and Nominations Service.

Details of how the appropriations are to be applied appear in Parts B and C of this Vote.

## Footnotes

Note 1 *Action Plan for New Zealand Women*, Ministry of Women's Affairs, 2004

## Minister Portfolio Table

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ADMINISTERING DEPARTMENT: Ministry of Women's Affairs

The Minister of Women's Affairs is the Responsible Minister for the Ministry of Women's Affairs

## Part A - Statement of Objectives and Trends

### Part A1 - Objectives for Vote

#### *Related Outcomes for Women*

The Ministry of Women's Affairs is the Government's primary provider of gender-specific advice. The appropriations to Vote Women's Affairs will contribute towards the Government's achievement of three high-level outcomes identified in the *Action Plan for New Zealand Women* (see Note 1). They are:

- the improved economic independence of women in New Zealand
- greater work-life balance in New Zealand
- the improved quality of life and well-being for all New Zealand women.

By focusing on these outcomes, a contribution will also be made towards the Government priorities for public sector policy of economic transformation, families - young and old, and national identity.

#### *Output Expenses*

The appropriations are intended to fund activities that fall into the broad area of Policy Advice and Nominations Service. This includes:

- monitoring progress on the *Action Plan for New Zealand Women*
- providing policy advice to achieve improved outcomes for women
- providing nominations for the appointment of women to state sector governance bodies
- managing New Zealand's international obligations in relation to the status of women.

The focus of these activities will be the priorities stated in the *Action Plan for New Zealand Women*.

### Part A2 - Trends in Vote

#### *Output Trends: 2002/03 to 2007/08*

The Ministry of Women's Affairs was established in 1986 to provide gender-specific policy advice to the Government. Significant fluctuations in appropriations over the last five years are summarised below.

Appropriations were increased to bolster policy capability and allow further capability issues to be addressed in 2004/05 (\$267,000) and 2005/06 onwards (\$356,000).

A number of special projects were also funded:

- Assisting attendance at Women's Leaders Network meeting in Mexico (\$20,000 in 2002/03 only).

- Completion of a national memorial for women to coincide with the 110th anniversary of suffrage (\$58,000 in 2002/03 only).
- The 'Improving Pacific Women's Wellbeing' project funded by an allocation from the Cross Departmental Research Pool (\$80,000 in 2003/04 and 2004/05).
- The 'Support for Victims of Sexual Violence' project funded by an allocation from the Cross Departmental Research Pool (\$400,000 in 2007/08 and 2008/09).

Appropriations were also increased by the recovery of employer contributions to the 'State Sector Retirement Saving Scheme' (\$7,000 in 2003/04, \$29,000 in 2004/05, \$68,000 in 2005/06 and \$79,000 in 2006/07 and outyears).

Funding was received from other Departments for a range of activities (\$26,000 in 2002/03, \$26,000 in 2005/06, \$97,000 in 2006/07 and \$56,000 in 2007/08).

Appropriations were transferred for the deferral of projects (\$71,000 from 2003/04 to 2004/05 and \$51,000 from 2005/06 to 2006/07).

## Part B - Statement of Appropriations

### Summary of Financial Activity

	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07		2007/08 Appropriations to be Used				2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	
	Actual \$000	Actual \$000	Actual \$000	Actual \$000	Budget \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	By the Department Administering the Vote		For Non-Departmental Transactions		Total \$000	Estimated \$000	Estimated \$000	Estimated \$000
							Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000				
<b>Appropriations</b>														
Output Expenses	3,667	3,667	3,846	4,099	4,283	4,283	4,591	-	-	-	4,591	4,535	4,135	4,135
Benefits and Other Unrequited Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowing Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intelligence and Security Department Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Appropriations</b>	<b>3,667</b>	<b>3,667</b>	<b>3,846</b>	<b>4,099</b>	<b>4,283</b>	<b>4,283</b>	<b>4,591</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,591</b>	<b>4,535</b>	<b>4,135</b>	<b>4,135</b>
<b>Crown Revenue and Receipts</b>														
Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	-
Non-Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	-
Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Crown Revenue and Receipts</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

## Part B1 - Details of Appropriations

Appropriations	2006/07				2007/08		Scope of 2007/08 Appropriations
	Budget		Estimated Actual		Vote		
	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	
<b>Departmental Output Expenses (General)</b>							
Policy Advice and Nominations Service (M76)	4,283	-	4,283	-	<b>4,591</b>	-	- Purchase of gender specific advice on improving the status of women, nominations advice, and the management of New Zealand's international obligations regarding women.
<b>Total Departmental Output Expenses (General)</b>	4,283	-	4,283	-	4,591	-	
<b>Total Appropriations</b>	4,283	-	4,283	-	4,591	-	

## Part C - Explanation of Appropriations for Output Expenses

### Part C1 - Departmental Output Expenses

#### *Policy Advice and Nominations Service*

Under this Output Expense the Minister of Women's Affairs will purchase the following services:

- Policy advice on improving the status of women in New Zealand. This includes advice on all aspects of policy development, including its implementation, and monitoring progress on the *Action Plan for New Zealand Women*.
- Provision of suitable women nominees for appointment to state sector governance bodies.
- Management of New Zealand's international obligations in relation to women, in particular those under the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women.
- Related ministerial servicing requirements.

## Part E - Explanation of Capital Flows

### Part E1 - Explanation of Movements in Departmental Net Asset Schedules

Details of Net Asset Schedule for Ministry of Women's Affairs	Estimated Actual 2006/07 \$000	Projected 2007/08 \$000	Explanation of Projected Movements in 2007/08
Opening Balance	392	336	
Capital Injections	-	-	
Capital Withdrawals	-	-	
Surplus to be Retained (Deficit Incurred)	-	-	
Other Movements	(56)	-	Further transition adjustments required as a result of adopting NZ equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards.
Closing Balance	336	336	