Vote Consumer Affairs

MINISTER(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR APPROPRIATIONS: Minister of Consumer Affairs (M17)

ADMINISTERING DEPARTMENT: Ministry of Economic Development

MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Minister for Economic Development

Details of Appropriations

Details of Annual and Permanent Appropriations

Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	Estimates Budget \$000	Supplementary Estimates Budget \$000	Total Budget \$000
Departmental Output Expenses			
Policy Advice, Promotion and Conformance - Consumer Issues MCOA (M17)	5,815	64	5,879
Policy Advice and Support on Consumer Issues	3,605	64	3,669
Provision of policy advice and information on issues, policies and programmes affecting or potentially affecting the ability of consumers to transact with confidence.			
Promotion and Enforcement of Measurement and Product Safety Infrastructure	2,210	-	2,210
Promotion and enforcement of a supportive measurement and product safety infrastructure for business and consumers.			
Total Departmental Output Expenses	5,815	64	5,879
Non-Departmental Output Expenses			
Consumer Data Capture Pilot (M17)	81	339	420
The purchase of data from the NZ Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux to enhance the Ministry of Consumer Affairs' policy advice and research and monitoring capability and to improve access to key information on consumers.			
Total Non-Departmental Output Expenses	81	339	420
Total Annual and Permanent Appropriations	5,896	403	6,299

Information Supporting the Supplementary Estimates

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Part 1 - Summary of the Vote

Part 1.3 - Trends in the Vote

Summary of Financial Activity

	2007/08				
		Supplementary Estimates			
	Estimates \$000	Departmental Transactions \$000	Non- Departmental Transactions \$000	Total Transactions \$000	Total \$000
Appropriations					
Output Expenses	5,896	64	339	403	6,299
Benefits and Other Unrequited Expenses	-	N/A	-	-	-
Borrowing Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-
Intelligence and Security Department Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	-	N/A	-	-
Total Appropriations	5,896	64	339	403	6,299
Crown Revenue and Receipts					
Tax Revenue	-	N/A	N/A	-	-
Non-Tax Revenue	20	N/A	N/A	-	20
Capital Receipts	-	N/A	N/A	-	-
Total Crown Revenue and Receipts	20	N/A	N/A	-	20

Part 2 - Details and Expected Performance for Output Expenses

Part 2.1 - Departmental Output Expenses

Intended Impacts, Outcomes and Objectives

Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives of Appropriations	Appropriations
Outcome : Consumer policy in New Zealand is responsive to the changing nature of markets and consumers' issues.	Policy Advice and Support on Consumer Issues
Impact: That market practices that are shown to be significantly detrimental to consumers are effectively addressed.	Policy Advice and Support on Consumer Issues

Policy Advice, Promotion and Conformance - Consumer Issues MCOA (M17)

Scope of Appropriation

Policy Advice and Support on Consumer Issues

Provision of policy advice and information on issues, policies and programmes affecting or potentially affecting the ability of consumers to transact with confidence.

Promotion and Enforcement of Measurement and Product Safety Infrastructure

Promotion and enforcement of a supportive measurement and product safety infrastructure for business and consumers.

Explanation for Use of Multi-Class Output Expense Appropriation

Both output classes contribute to the outcome of creating an environment in which consumers can transact with confidence.

Expenses and Revenue

	2007/08			
	Estimates \$000	Supplementary Estimates \$000	Total \$000	
Total Appropriation	5,815	64	5,879	
Policy Advice and Information on Consumer Issues	3,605	64	3,669	
Measurement and Product Safety Compliance and Enforcement	2,210	-	2,210	
Revenue from the Crown	5,267	64	5,331	
Policy Advice and Information on Consumer Issues	3,298	-	3,298	
Measurement and Product Safety Compliance and Enforcement	2,033	-	2,033	
Revenue from Others	598	-	598	
Policy Advice and Information on Consumer Issues	471	-	471	
Measurement and Product Safety Compliance and Enforcement	177	-	177	
Revenue Department	50	-	50	
Policy Advice and Information on Consumer Issues	33	-	33	
Measurement and Product Safety Compliance and Enforcement	17	-	17	

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

An expense transfer was approved during the October Baseline Update to account for the delays in an OECD best practice research project, Pawnbrokers compliance policy work and Fair Trading Act amendments.

Output Performance Measures and Standards

	2007/08		
Performance Measures	Estimates Standard	Supplementary Estimates Standard	Total Standard
Compliance with the Quality Standards for Policy Advice and Ministerial Servicing (refer Conditions on Use of Appropriation), as assessed twice during the year. The Ministry will seek a written response, at least six-monthly from Ministers on its performance against the Quality Standard for Policy Advice and Ministerial Servicing (refer Conditions of Use of Appropriation).	Ministers six monthly rating of performance no less than a 4 (met and sometimes exceeded my expectations)	Ministers six monthly rating of performance no less than a 4 (met and sometimes exceeded my expectations)	100%

Part 2.2 - Non-Departmental Output Expenses

Consumer Data Capture Pilot (M17)

Scope of Appropriation

The purchase of data from the NZ Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux to enhance the Ministry of Consumer Affairs' policy advice and research and monitoring capability and to improve access to key information on consumers.

Expenses

	2007/08		
	Estimates \$000		Total
Total Appropriation	81	339	420

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

Expense transfer was approved during the October Baseline Update for the underspent amount from 2006/07 to 2007/08 financial year.

Output Performance Measures and Standards

		2007/08		
Performance Measures	Estimates Standard	Supplementary Estimates Standard	Total Standard	
Required data are received in all selected categories	90%	Required data are received in all selected categories	90%	
Data provided meet negotiated Ministry quality standards	90%	Data provided meet negotiated Ministry quality standards	90%	
Data will be provided at the times agreed with the Ministry	90%	Data will be provided at the times agreed with the Ministry	90%	