

Vote Communications

MINISTER(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR APPROPRIATIONS: Minister for Communications and Information Technology (M14)

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

	2008/09		
	Estimates Budget \$000	Supplementary Estimates Budget \$000	Total Budget \$000
Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type			
Departmental Output Expenses			
Administration of Broadband Investment Mechanisms (M14)	-	850	850
This appropriation is limited to developing mechanisms and administering and monitoring grant funding to deliver increased investment in broadband infrastructure.			
Management and Enforcement of the Radiocommunications Act 1989 (M14)	9,853	199	10,052
Management of the radio spectrum, including technical arrangements for the allocation of spectrum, representation of New Zealand's international radio spectrum interests, and management of spectrum sales including costs associated with financial assistance for transition of radio licences when a management right is created or spectrum is allocated to a different use.			
Policy Advice - Communications (M14)	5,794	566	6,360
This appropriation is limited to policy advice and ministerial servicing in relation to information technology, the Government's Digital Strategy, telecommunications (including broadband), postal services, and the allocation and management of the radio spectrum.			
Total Departmental Output Expenses	15,647	1,615	17,262
Non-Departmental Output Expenses			
Accelerating Broadband (M14)	65,000	(65,000)	-
Development and implementation of mechanisms designed to accelerate investment in broadband infrastructure.			
Administrative Support for Telecommunications Relay Equipment and Services (M14)	859	(16)	843
This appropriation is limited to funding expenditure for administering contracts procuring the supply of telecommunications relay services textphones and other equipment for user access to relay service platforms (including video) and the cost for administering rental of relay user equipment and depreciating this equipment, together with sponsoring New Zealand Sign Language interpreter scholarships and the purchase of ancillary services to support the availability and uptake of relay services.			
Enforcement of Telecommunications Sector Regulation (M14)	7,790	-	7,790
Purchase of services for dispute resolution over regulated telecommunication services and advice on possible future regulated services and Kiwi Share related issues.			
Total Non-Departmental Output Expenses	73,649	(65,016)	8,633
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Contributions to International Telecommunications Organisations (M14)	930	-	930
The Crown's annual membership of the Asia Pacific Telecommunity and subscription to the International Telecommunications Union.			
Total Non-Departmental Other Expenses	930	-	930

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Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Accelerating Broadband (M14) Development and implementation of mechanisms designed to accelerate investment in broadband infrastructure.	15,000	-	15,000
Acquisition of Textphone Equipment (M14) To purchase textphones after the establishment of a textphone pool for deaf, hearing impaired and speech impaired people.	610	-	610
Total Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure	15,610	-	15,610
Total Annual and Permanent Appropriations	105,836	(63,401)	42,435

Details of Multi-Year Appropriations

Type, Title, Scope and Period of Appropriations	Appropriations, Adjustments and Use	\$000
Non-Departmental Other Expenses		
Digital Strategy - High Speed Connectivity for Growth (M14)	Original Appropriation	20,267
A contestable fund for partnerships that have projects that extend high-speed broadband to regional centres and businesses and make broadband available to smaller communities.	Adjustments to 2007/08	(320)
	Adjustments for 2008/09	(4,200)
Commences: 1 July 2005	Adjusted Appropriation	15,747
Expires: 30 June 2009	Actual to 2007/08 Year End	12,959
	Estimated Actual for 2008/09	2,780
	Estimated Actual for 2009/10	-
	Estimated Appropriation Remaining	8