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# Vote Social Development

Report in relation to selected Non-Departmental Appropriations  
for the year ended 30 June 2009

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# Foreword

Section 32A(2) of the Public Finance Act 1989 requires the Minister responsible for each non-departmental appropriation to report to the House of Representatives, within three months of the end of the financial year, on the services purchased in the preceding year.

The Vote Social Development non-departmental appropriation report contains the statements of service performance for the following non-departmental output expenses for the period 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009:

- Assistance to Disadvantaged Persons
- Connected Communities
- Counselling and Rehabilitation Services
- Education and Prevention Services
- Family Wellbeing Services
- Strengthening Providers and Communities
- Strong Families
- Student Placement Services
- Vocational Services for People with Disabilities.

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Hon Paula Bennett  
Minister for Social Development and Employment

# Introduction

The Ministry of Social Development supports, develops and funds New Zealand's community service providers through its non-departmental output expenses.

During the year, as a result of the change in Government, the High Level Objectives for Vote Social Development changed from those indicated in the Budget 2008 Social Development and Housing Sector Information Supporting the Estimates of Appropriations. These new objectives are shown below.

## *Vote: Social Development 2009/10 Information Supporting the Estimates*

Government Priorities	Government Outcomes	Appropriations
Protect people from the worst effects of the recession and minimise unemployment	People get into or stay in work and for those not ready for work advance their employment prospects – Outcome for Working Age People	Assistance to Disadvantaged Persons, Life Skills and Employment-Related Training Activities, Retirement Commissioner, Student Placement Services, and Vocational Services for People with Disabilities
Improve support for families – and young parents in particular	Families and whānau provide a secure home environment to nurture children and support family members – Outcome for Families and Whānau  Non-government organisations deliver effective services to New Zealanders – Outcome for Communities, Hapū and Iwi	Connected Communities, Counselling and Rehabilitation Services, Education and Prevention Services, Families Commission, Family Wellbeing Services, Strengthening Providers and Communities, Strong Families, and Student Placement Services
Keep at-risk children safe – with emphasis on under two-year-olds	Children are safe. Systems are in place to care for and to protect children in at-risk families – Outcome for Children	Assistance to Disadvantaged Persons, Children's Commissioner, Counselling and Rehabilitation Services, Education and Prevention Services, Families Commission, Family Wellbeing Services, and Strengthening Providers and Communities
Get troubled youth back on track and help young people achieve their potential	Young people who get into trouble stop offending. Young people are in education, training, work or other worthwhile activities – Outcome for Young People	Assistance to Disadvantaged Persons, Children's Commissioner, Counselling and Rehabilitation Services, Education and Prevention Services, Family Wellbeing Services, Families Commission, Life Skills and Employment-Related Training, Strengthening Providers and Communities, and Student Placement Services
Support the independence of older people	Older people are supported and participate in their communities – Outcome for Older People	Assistance to Disadvantaged Persons, and Retirement Commissioner

The revised Government Priorities and Outcomes – Links to Appropriations of the Vote should be referred to when reading the performance information later in the report.

Vote Child, Youth and Family Services was merged with Vote Social Development on 1 July 2008. Therefore the following non-departmental output expenses are included in the Vote Social Development report:

- Counselling and Rehabilitation Services
- Education and Prevention Services
- Family Wellbeing Services
- Strengthening Providers and Communities.

During the first half of 2008/09 community-based services, for children, families, and young people, with contributory funding saw that funding increased. All contracts were adjusted for inflation. The funding also allowed the continuation of a number of time limited programmes. These funding increases will be maintained into 2009/10 and out years.

Budget 2009 redirected \$104.033 million of Pathway to Partnership funding towards a Community Response Contingency, which will be drawn on to provide short term support to critical social services for families, children, young people and older people who are experiencing severe negative impacts as a result of the economic downturn. The fund opened in July 2009 and will last for two years. A maximum of \$40 million will be available for grants over 2009/10.

Work to reshape the longer term funding approach will be done together with the community-based social services sector over the next 18 months.

# Statement(s) of Service Performance

## NON-DEPARTMENTAL OUTPUT EXPENSES

### Assistance to Disadvantaged Persons

#### Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to the provision of resources and assistance to disadvantaged persons in the community and comprises: distribution of talking books and articles for the blind; support for carers of older persons, disabled or others in the community; and advocacy assistance to people seeking entitlements from government agencies.

#### Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives

Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives of Appropriations	Appropriation
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Children and Young People</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Give children the best start in life. Children are New Zealand's future. All children grow up in a safe and happy environment.</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Help young people achieve their potential. Young people are supported to overcome barriers, and develop their understanding and ability to make good decisions about the range of issues and opportunities they may face.</p>	Assistance to Disadvantaged Persons
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Working Age People</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Enable people to live independent lives. All New Zealanders have access to services and the ability to obtain skills that will allow them to live healthy and productive lives and to achieve independence throughout their working lives.</p>	Assistance to Disadvantaged Persons
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Older People</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Enable older people to lead full and secure lives. Older people have access to their full entitlements and are able to live independently.</p>	Assistance to Disadvantaged Persons

#### Description of Activities

This output expense provides resources to disadvantaged communities and individuals to enhance the skills, knowledge and services available to them, and to better achieve the Government's aims for social development and employment.

## Service Performance

### Non-Financial

Performance Measures	2007/08 Actual Standard	2008/09 Budgeted Standard	2008/09 Actual Standard
<b>Talking Books for the Blind</b>			
The number of Talking Books delivered and returned will be no less than:	363,202	370,000	348,254
<b>Articles for the Blind</b>			
The number of articles for the blind delivered will be no less than:	5,794	8,000	5,873
<b>Red Cross</b>			
A contract is established with the Red Cross that provides support for carers of older persons, disabled or others in the community:	New measure in 2008/09	Contract established	See below
<b>Citizens' Support</b>			
Provide advocacy services in each of the Work and Income regions:	10 advocacy services received assistance	11	11

#### Comments

*Talking books and articles for the Blind:* This service provides books and articles as requested by the service's users. The actual numbers therefore reflect the demand.

*Red Cross:* The Ministry held contract discussions with the New Zealand Red Cross; however a contract was not finalised in 2008/09.

### Financial

Expenses and Revenue	2007/08 Actual \$000	2008/09 Estimates \$000	2008/09 Supp Estimates \$000	2008/09 Actual \$000
Total Appropriation	943	1,450	1,450	879
Revenue from the Crown	943	1,450	1,450	879

Expenses and Revenue	2007/08 Actual \$000	2008/09 Estimates \$000	2008/09 Supp Estimates \$000	2008/09 Actual \$000
Talking Books for the Blind	690	690	690	690
Red Cross	-	500	500	-
Citizens' Support	253	260	260	189
Total	943	1,450	1,450	879

#### Comment on Variance

*Red Cross:* The Ministry held contract discussions with the New Zealand Red Cross; however a contract was not finalised in 2008/09.

# Connected Communities

## Scope of Appropriation

Funding of services that strengthen and support communities and community functioning, and which assist communities to support families in improving their family circumstances.

## Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives

Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives of Appropriations	Appropriation
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Communities, Hapū and Iwi</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Strengthening communities. Build our relationships with, and the capability of, the community and voluntary sector to ensure that New Zealand families and communities are strong and resilient.</p>	Connected Communities

## Description of Activities

This output expense provides funding for services that strengthen and support communities and community functioning, and which help communities to support families in improving their family circumstances.

## Service Performance

### Non-Financial

Performance Measures	2007/08 Actual Standard	2008/09 Budgeted Standard	2008/09 Actual Standard
<b>Social Service Development for Refugee and Migrant groups:</b>			
The percentage of projects funded that achieve their contracted outputs within agreed timeframes will be no less than:	100%	90%	100%
The number of refugee and migrant community groups throughout the country that are provided with assistance to develop the skills, knowledge and confidence they need to become fully functioning participants within their communities will be no less than:	More than 30	30	65 groups 300 individuals
<b>Community Initiatives Fund:</b>			
The percentage of outputs contained in the contracts that are delivered within agreed timeframes will be no less than:	100%	90%	95%

### Comments

*Social service development for refugee and migrant groups:* Funding was provided to a wide range of groups for a variety of purposes. These purposes ranged from supporting migrant initiatives in areas like Marlborough and the West Coast where there is no infrastructure, to supporting communities to address social issues like isolated older people and supporting activities already underway to bring older people together. Field workers, support for isolated women raising children with little support, and family violence education were also funded.

During the year, a wide range of groups approached the Ministry of Social Development for help in building capacity and capability. This assistance included delivering training on the basic roles of governance and management with a range of ethnic community leaders, working within organisations to identify the systems and structures in place and possible areas for improvement, and running programmes on basic strategic planning, business planning, project management, risk management and conflict resolution.

**Financial**

<b>Expenses and Revenue</b>	<b>2007/08 Actual</b>	<b>2008/09 Estimates</b>	<b>2008/09 Supp Estimates</b>	<b>2008/09 Actual</b>
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Total Appropriation	2,572	2,577	4,644	4,383
Revenue from the Crown	2,572	2,577	4,644	4,383

*Comment on Variance*

Pathway to Partnership funding was initially appropriated in the Strong Families non-departmental output expense. In 2008/09, once details of the programme were finalised, a technical adjustment put this funding in the correct appropriations to reflect the activities to be funded.

# Counselling and Rehabilitation Services

## Scope of Appropriation

Purchase of services, including family counselling and other post-crisis interventions that restore the wellbeing of children, young people and families who have suffered harm and abuse or other forms of family breakdown or youth justice issues.

## Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives

Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives of Appropriations	Appropriation
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Children and Young People</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Give children the best start in life. Children are New Zealand’s future. All children grow up in a safe and happy environment.</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Help young people achieve their potential. Young people are supported to overcome barriers, and develop their understanding and ability to make good decisions about the range of issues and opportunities they may face.</p>	Counselling and Rehabilitation Services
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Families and Whānau</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Supporting families and whānau to be safe and resilient. Families and whānau are able to support their members’ wellbeing, identity, participation in society and interdependence.</p>	Counselling and Rehabilitation Services

## Description of Activities

This output expense provides funding for services, including family counselling and other post-crisis interventions that restore the wellbeing of children, young people and families who have suffered harm and abuse or other forms of family breakdown, and for the perpetrators of harm and abuse.

## Service Performance

### Non-Financial

Performance Measures	2007/08 Actual Standard	2008/09 Budgeted Standard	2008/09 Actual Standard
<b>Quantity</b>			
Number of new clients receiving intervention:	26,850	23,000 – 27,000	24,420
<b>Quality</b>			
Percentage of clients completing intervention:	81%	80 – 90%	91%

### Financial

Expenses and Revenue	2007/08 Actual \$000	2008/09 Estimates \$000	2008/09 Supp Estimates \$000	2008/09 Actual \$000
Total Appropriation	11,219	10,963	17,026	17,018
Revenue from the Crown	11,219	10,963	17,026	17,018

*Comment on Variance*

Pathway to Partnership funding was initially appropriated in the Strong Families non-departmental output expense. In 2008/09, once details of the programme were finalised, a technical adjustment put this funding in the correct appropriations to reflect the activities to be funded.

## Education and Prevention Services

### Scope of Appropriation

Purchase of education and prevention programmes and initiatives that aim to provide skills to children, young people and families who are at risk of harm or abuse, which will help them reduce the risk of that abuse or harm.

### Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives

Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives of Appropriations	Appropriation
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Children and Young People</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Give children the best start in life. Children are New Zealand's future. All children grow up in a safe and happy environment.</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Help young people achieve their potential. Young people are supported to overcome barriers, and develop their understanding and ability to make good decisions about the range of issues and opportunities they may face.</p>	Education and Prevention Services
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Families and Whānau</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Supporting families and whānau to be safe and resilient. Families and whānau are able to support their members' wellbeing, identity, participation in society and interdependence.</p>	Education and Prevention Services

### Description of Activities

This output expense addresses a range of programmes that cover life skills and parenting skills, self-esteem for youth and the prevention of sexual abuse. A considerable portion of this funding is contracted to providers working to prevent and reduce family violence.

### Service Performance

#### Non-Financial

Performance Measures	2007/08 Actual Standard	2008/09 Budgeted Standard	2008/09 Actual Standard
<b>Quantity</b>			
Number of new clients receiving intervention:	31,782	26,000 – 32,000	29,409
<b>Quality</b>			
Percentage of clients completing intervention:	78%	75 – 85%	86.7%

#### Financial

Expenses and Revenue	2007/08 Actual	2008/09 Estimates	2008/09 Supp Estimates	2008/09 Actual
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Total Appropriation	5,897	5,771	8,766	8,539
Revenue from the Crown	5,897	5,771	8,766	8,539

*Comment on Variance*

Pathway to Partnership funding was initially appropriated in the Strong Families non-departmental output expense. In 2008/09, once details of the programme were finalised, a technical adjustment put this funding in the correct appropriations to reflect the activities to be funded.

# Family Wellbeing Services

## Scope of Appropriation

Purchase of services that aim to improve the life outcomes for children, young people and families through support and development programmes, and programmes that will prevent any future harm or abuse.

## Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives

Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives of Appropriations	Appropriation
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Children and Young People</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Give children the best start in life. Children are New Zealand’s future. All children grow up in a safe and happy environment.</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Help young people achieve their potential. Young people are supported to overcome barriers, and develop their understanding and ability to make good decisions about the range of issues and opportunities they may face.</p>	Family Wellbeing Services
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Families and Whānau</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Supporting families and whānau to be safe and resilient. Families and whānau are able to support their members’ wellbeing, identity, participation in society and interdependence.</p>	Family Wellbeing Services

## Description of Activities

This output expense focuses on restoring the wellbeing of families who are suffering a family breakdown. The emphasis is on keeping families intact and helping families to meet their care and support responsibilities, including the provision of a safe home environment for children and young people.

## Service Performance

### Non-Financial

Performance Measures	2007/08 Actual Standard	2008/09 Budgeted Standard	2008/09 Actual Standard
<b>Quantity</b>			
Number of new clients or families receiving intervention will be between:	64,313	62,000 – 68,000	65,538
Number of schools receiving services from the Social Workers in Schools programme will be between:	335	330 – 350	335
Number of full time equivalent social workers employed in the Social Workers in Schools programme will be:	126	125	125
<b>Quality</b>			
Percentage of clients/families completing a planned intervention will be between:	87%	85 – 90%	87.4%

## Financial

<b>Expenses and Revenue</b>	<b>2007/08 Actual</b>	<b>2008/09 Estimates</b>	<b>2008/09 Supp Estimates</b>	<b>2008/09 Actual</b>
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Total Appropriation	40,815	45,637	52,662	51,429
Revenue from the Crown	40,815	45,637	52,662	51,429

### *Comment on Variance*

The main reason for the increase in this appropriation between 2007/08 and 2008/09 was the initial Pathway to Partnership funding was greater in 2008/09 than in 2007/08.

Pathway to Partnership funding was initially appropriated in the Strong Families non-departmental output expense. In 2008/09, once details of the programme were finalised, a technical adjustment put this funding in the correct appropriations to reflect the activities to be funded.

# Strengthening Providers and Communities

## Scope of Appropriation

Purchase of services that contribute to strengthening the capacity and capability of providers to deliver strong and effective social services.

## Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives

Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives of Appropriations	Appropriation
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Children and Young People</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Give children the best start in life. Children are New Zealand’s future. All children grow up in a safe and happy environment.</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Help young people achieve their potential. Young people are supported to overcome barriers, and develop their understanding and ability to make good decisions about the range of issues and opportunities they may face.</p>	Strengthening Providers and Communities
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Families and Whānau</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Supporting families and whānau to be safe and resilient. Families and whānau are able to support their members’ wellbeing, identity, participation in society and interdependence.</p>	Strengthening Providers and Communities
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Communities, Hapū and Iwi</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Strengthening communities. Build our relationships with, and the capability of, the community and voluntary sector to ensure that New Zealand families and communities are strong and resilient.</p>	Strengthening Providers and Communities

## Description of Activities

This output expense supports national or regional social service organisations to help affiliated members and/or branches with their management, administration, training and service development needs. It also funds specific initiatives that support the strengthening of the organisational, workforce and service capability of providers, such as Enhanced Caregiver Support, training under the Children, Young Persons, and Their Families Act 1989, the Pacific Peoples’ Provider Development Fund and the Iwi Māori Provider Development Fund.

## Service Performance

### Non-Financial

Performance Measures	2007/08 Actual Standard	2008/09 Budgeted Standard	2008/09 Actual Standard
<b>Quantity</b>			
Number of groups/organisations whose infrastructure was supported by a national body will be between:	189	180 – 210	189
Number of groups/organisations receiving organisation development funding, eg training, business mentoring or other forms of development, will be between:	285	260 – 320	328
<b>Quality</b>			
Satisfaction survey results indicate the level of satisfaction with service received from a national body will be between:	84%	80 – 90%	87.3%
Percentage of objectives set out in service provider's development and/or training plans will be between:	82%	80 – 90%	81.5%

### Financial

Expenses and Revenue	2007/08 Actual \$000	2008/09 Estimates \$000	2008/09 Supp Estimates \$000	2008/09 Actual \$000
Total Appropriation	4,716	4,886	5,803	4,993
Revenue from the Crown	4,716	4,886	5,803	4,993

#### *Comment on Variance*

Pathway to Partnership funding was initially appropriated in the Strong Families non-departmental output expense. In 2008/09, once details of the programme were finalised, a technical adjustment put this funding in the correct appropriations to reflect the activities to be funded.

The under-spend in 2008/09 was because the Iwi Māori Provider Development Fund (IMPDF) completed its final two-year programme and there was an associated wind down of the number of provider development plans.

# Strong Families

## Scope of Appropriation

Purchase of services to improve outcomes for families and their members. These services aim to support vulnerable families with a focus on prevention and early intervention.

## Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives

Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives of Appropriations	Appropriation
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Families and Whānau</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Supporting families and whānau to be safe and resilient. Families and whānau are able to support their members' wellbeing, identity, participation in society and interdependence.</p>	Strong Families

## Description of Activities

This output expense provides funding for services to improve outcomes for families and their members, including services that provide general advice and information, and services that improve family resilience and safety.

## Service Performance

### Non-Financial

Performance Measures	2007/08 Actual Standard	2008/09 Budgeted Standard	2008/09 Actual Standard
<b>Prevention Initiatives</b>			
The number of families and individuals who will receive home and life skills mentoring education will be between:	539	300 – 500	491
The number of people who will receive elder abuse and neglect prevention services education will be between:	880	850 – 950	1,080
<b>Early Intervention Initiatives</b>			
The number of “current active clients” receiving Family and Early Start services will be between:	5,800 <sup>1</sup>	5,500 – 6,000	5,660
The number of Family Start sites will be no less than:	26	26	32
The number of advocates acting as a resource for people working with children and young people affected by family violence will be between:	30	30 – 45 <sup>2</sup>	44

<sup>1</sup> In an effort to more accurately reflect the throughput of Family Start clients, the 2007/08 actual result reported the combined data of the end of year “current active clients” and the number of new clients joining through the year. This data cannot be accurately calculated in 2008/09. To be consistent the actual result for 2007/08 should be revised to 4,708. This is the number of “current active clients” as at 30 June 2008. This is consistent with the method for reporting in 2006/07 and in the current year, 2008/09.

<sup>2</sup> The Budgeted Standard in the 2008/09 Estimates was 25 – 30. This was amended during the year.

Performance Measures	2007/08	2008/09	2008/09
	Actual Standard	Budgeted Standard	Actual Standard
The number of current study awards, Social Work and Family Start combined will be between:	New measure in 2008/09	280 – 315 <sup>33</sup>	266
The number of students who have completed their study and graduated since the inception of Study Awards will be between:	New measure in 2008/09	105 – 130	137

#### Comments

*Family Start sites:* This includes the six sites transferred from the Ministry of Education to the Ministry of Social Development from 1 July 2008.

*Study awards:* The number of current Family Start study award recipients was lower than originally estimated, primarily due to a review of providers that identified that more staff already held equivalent qualifications to those supported by the award. Therefore there were fewer applicants than expected and an associated reduction in the number of awards granted.

#### Financial

Expenses and Revenue	2007/08 Actual	2008/09 Estimates	2008/09 Supp Estimates	2008/09 Actual
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Total Appropriation	68,032	109,478	91,539	89,940
Revenue from the Crown	68,032	109,478	91,539	89,940

#### Comment on Variance

The main reason for the increase in the appropriation between 2007/08 and 2008/09 was that additional funding was approved for the Pathway to Partnership initiative. Parent Support and Development programmes were also transferred from Vote Education.

Pathway to Partnership funding was initially appropriated in the Strong Families non-departmental output expense. In 2008/09, once details of the programme were finalised, a technical adjustment put this funding in the correct appropriations to reflect the activities to be funded.

<sup>3</sup> The Budgeted Standard in the 2008/09 Estimates was 260 – 290. This was amended during the year.

# Student Placement Services

## Scope of Appropriation

Provision of placement services for students for holiday and term employment.

## Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives

Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives of Appropriations	Appropriation
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Children and Young People</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Give children the best start in life. Children are New Zealand's future. All children grow up in a safe and happy environment.</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Help young people achieve their potential. Young people are supported to overcome barriers, and develop their understanding and ability to make good decisions about the range of issues and opportunities they may face.</p>	Student Placement Services
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Working Age People</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Enable people to live independent lives. All New Zealanders have access to services and the ability to obtain skills that will allow them to live healthy and productive lives and to achieve independence throughout their working lives.</p>	Student Placement Services
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Families and Whānau</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Supporting families and whānau to be safe and resilient. Families and whānau are able to support their members' wellbeing, identity, participation in society and interdependence.</p>	Student Placement Services

## Description of Activities

This output expense purchases services from Student Job Search to place students in employment during the summer break and in-term periods.

## Service Performance

### Non-Financial

Performance Measures	2007/08 Actual Standard	2008/09 Budgeted Standard	2008/09 Actual Standard
The number of weeks that students are connected to work placements through services provided by Student Job Search will be between:	193,088	194,000 – 199,000 weeks of work	159,029
The estimated earnings by students who are connected to work placements through services provided by Student Job Search will be between:	\$82.920m	\$81 – 86m	\$68.683m
The percentage of independently surveyed students satisfied with the service they receive from Student Job Search will be between:	83%	80 – 85%	84%

### Comments

In 2008/09 Student Job Search performed at 82 per cent of its target for weeks of work and 85 per cent of its target for dollars earned. The main factor that contributed to lower-than-forecast performance against these measures was the economic downturn, which reduced all job placement services.

### Financial

<b>Expenses and Revenue</b>	<b>2007/08 Actual</b>	<b>2008/09 Estimates</b>	<b>2008/09 Supp Estimates</b>	<b>2008/09 Actual</b>
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Total Appropriation	3,511	3,512	3,512	3,511
Revenue from the Crown	3,511	3,512	3,512	3,511

# Vocational Services for People with Disabilities

## Scope of Appropriation

Provision of vocational services for people with disabilities including community participation and employment services.

## Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives

Intended Impacts, Outcomes or Objectives of Appropriations	Appropriation
<p><b>Outcome</b> – Working Age People</p> <p><b>Objective</b> – Enable people to live independent lives. All New Zealanders have access to services and the ability to obtain skills that will allow them to live healthy and productive lives and to achieve independence throughout their working lives.</p>	Vocational Services for People with Disabilities

## Description of Activities

This output expense provides supported employment services, including business enterprises, and other vocational services for people with disabilities that:

- increase the participation of people with disabilities in employment
- increase the participation of people with disabilities in their communities.

The strategies implemented to achieve these objectives are outlined in the Government's document *Pathways to Inclusion: Improving Vocational Services for People with Disabilities*.

## Service Performance

### Non-Financial

Performance Measures	2007/08 Actual Standard	2008/09 Budgeted Standard	2008/09 Actual Standard
<b>Quantity</b>			
The number of individuals placed or supported to remain in paid open employment will be:	9,404	9,300	9,384
The number of individuals receiving a range of Vocational Services will be:	19,645	20,000	19,918
<b>Quality</b>			
Independent quality reviews completed for 20 service providers:	New measure in 2008/09	20 reviews completed	37

### Comments

The Ministry was in a position in 2008/09 to purchase additional quality reviews.

## Financial

<b>Expenses and Revenue</b>	<b>2007/08 Actual</b>	<b>2008/09 Estimates</b>	<b>2008/09 Supp Estimates</b>	<b>2008/09 Actual</b>
	\$000	\$000	\$000	\$000
Total Appropriation	84,788	88,240	88,240	87,956
Revenue from the Crown	84,788	88,240	88,240	87,956

