

Vote Police

APPROPRIATION MINISTER(S): Minister of Police (M51)

DEPARTMENT ADMINISTERING THE VOTE: New Zealand Police (A28)

RESPONSIBLE MINISTER FOR NEW ZEALAND POLICE: Minister of Police

Overview of the Vote

The Minister of Police is responsible for appropriations in the Vote for 2025/26 financial year covering the following:

- a total of over \$971 million (30.6% of the Vote) for Investigations and Case Resolution
- a total of \$880 million (27.7% of the Vote) for Primary Response Management
- a total of \$613 million (19.3% of the Vote) for Crime Prevention Services
- a total of over \$466 million (14.7% of the Vote) for Road Safety Programme
- a total of over \$154 million (4.9% of the Vote) for Capital Expenditure
- a total of \$77 million (2.4% of the Vote) for Arms Safety and Control
- a total of over \$12 million (0.4% of the Vote) for Policy Advice and Ministerial Services
- a total of over \$1 million for Search and Rescue Activities, and
- a total of \$561,000 for a contribution to Third Party Crime Prevention Activities, United Nations Drug Control Programme and Compensation for Confiscated Firearms.

The Minister of Police is also responsible for Capital Injections of almost \$210 million for the New Zealand Police.

The Department expects to collect a total of \$95 million of Crown revenue in 2025/26, largely arising from traffic infringement fees. These are collected on an agency basis for the Crown.

Details of these appropriations are set out in Parts 2-4.

Details of Appropriations and Capital Injections

Annual Appropriations and Forecast Permanent Appropriations

Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Departmental Output Expenses			
Arms Safety and Control (M51) (A28) This appropriation is limited to the delivery of Arms Regulatory services as set out in the Arms Act 1983.	71,481	71,481	77,060
Road Safety Programme (M51) (A28) This appropriation is limited to the delivery of road safety education and enforcement of road safety legislation as set out in the New Zealand Road Safety Programme.	431,870	431,870	466,714
Search and Rescue Activities PLA (M51) (A28) This appropriation is limited to search and rescue activities and services as authorised under Section 9(1) of the Land Transport Management Act 2003.	1,365	1,365	1,100
Total Departmental Output Expenses	504,716	504,716	544,874
Departmental Other Expenses			
Compensation for Confiscated Firearms (M51) (A28) Compensation paid to owners of firearms confiscated under the provisions of section 28(4) of the Arms Act 1983.	10	10	10
Total Departmental Other Expenses	10	10	10
Departmental Capital Expenditure			
New Zealand Police - Capital Expenditure PLA (M51) (A28) This appropriation is limited to the purchase or development of assets by and for the use of the New Zealand Police, as authorised by section 24(1) of the Public Finance Act 1989.	177,870	177,870	154,445
Total Departmental Capital Expenditure	177,870	177,870	154,445
Non-Departmental Output Expenses			
Third Party Crime Prevention Activities (M51) (A28) This appropriation is limited to addressing crime and negative perceptions of safety through services provided by third parties.	450	450	451
Total Non-Departmental Output Expenses	450	450	451
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
United Nations Drug Control Programme (M51) (A28) United Nations Drug Control Programme contribution.	100	100	100
Total Non-Departmental Other Expenses	100	100	100

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type			
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure			
Policing Services MCA (M51) (A28)	2,339,449	2,339,449	2,476,270
The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to reduce crime by delivering effective and efficient policing services that are responsive to communities.			
<i>Departmental Output Expenses</i>			
<i>Crime Prevention</i>	637,519	637,519	613,101
This category is limited to delivery of services to the community to help prevent crime and delivery of specific crime prevention activities that target risk areas.			
<i>Investigations and Case Resolution</i>	927,019	927,019	970,776
This category is limited to investigative services to prosecute and resolve suspected or reported crime, and provision of custodial activities.			
<i>Policy Advice and Ministerial Services</i>	11,779	11,779	12,198
This category is limited to providing policy advice and other support to Ministers in discharging their policy decision-making and other portfolio responsibilities.			
<i>Primary Response Management</i>	763,132	763,132	880,195
This category is limited to providing advice and information to requests for service, responding to calls for service and service requests, and the initial response to incidents and emergencies.			
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure	2,339,449	2,339,449	2,476,270
Total Annual Appropriations and Forecast Permanent Appropriations	3,022,595	3,022,595	3,176,150

Capital Injection Authorisations

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
New Zealand Police - Capital Injection (M51) (A28)	92,844	92,844	209,826

Supporting Information

Part 1 - Vote as a Whole

1.1 - New Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Appropriation	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Drawdown from Police Collective Employment Negotiations tagged contingency	Policing Services (MCA)					
	Crime Prevention	21,243	51,838	51,216	52,490	51,103
	Departmental Output Expense					
	Policing Services (MCA)					
	Investigations and Case Resolution	32,038	78,927	77,940	79,959	77,761
	Departmental Output Expense					
	Policing Services (MCA)					
2024-2027 Road Policing Investment Programme	Policy Advice and Ministerial Services	494	1,084	1,078	1,091	1,076
	Departmental Output Expense					
	Policing Services (MCA)					
	Primary Response Management	19,882	48,191	47,629	48,779	47,527
	Departmental Output Expense					
	Arms Safety and Control					
	Departmental Output Expense	6,050	7,425	7,419	7,432	7,418
2024-2027 Road Policing Investment Programme	Road Safety Programme	98,203	132,403	138,603	-	-
	Departmental Output Expense					
Cost Pressure Funding	Policing Services (MCA)					
	Crime Prevention	-	29,640	29,640	29,640	29,640
	Departmental Output Expense					
	Policing Services (MCA)					
	Investigations and Case Resolution	-	47,280	47,280	47,280	47,280
	Departmental Output Expense					
	Policing Services (MCA)					
	Policy Advice and Ministerial Services	-	360	360	360	360
	Departmental Output Expense					
	Policing Services (MCA)					
	Primary Response Management	-	42,720	42,720	42,720	42,720
	Departmental Output Expense					

Policy Initiative	Appropriation	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Implementation of Arms Legislation Act - draw down from tagged contingency	Arms Safety and Control Departmental Output Expense	-	56,478	52,769	52,769	52,769
Next Generation Critical Communications (NGCC) - draw down from tagged contingency	Policing Services (MCA) Primary Response Management Departmental Output Expense	30,000	29,042	30,000	-	-
Court Timeliness - Police Prosecution Uplift Programme	Policing Services (MCA) Investigations and Case Resolution Departmental Output Expense	-	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Transfer of the Emergency Caller Location Information (ECLI) function from Vote Business, Science and Innovation	Policing Services (MCA) Primary Response Management Departmental Output Expense	6,303	14,113	14,113	14,113	14,113
Victims of Crime: Improving Victims' experience of Victim Impact Statements - draw down from tagged contingency	Policing Services (MCA) Investigations and Case Resolution Departmental Output Expense	298	1,695	1,440	1,440	1,440
Operating efficiencies - New Zealand Police	Policing Services (MCA) Crime Prevention Departmental Output Expense	-	(3,727)	(4,426)	(4,426)	(4,426)
	Policing Services (MCA) Investigations and Case Resolution Departmental Output Expense	-	(5,946)	(7,060)	(7,060)	(7,060)
	Policing Services (MCA) Policy Advice and Ministerial Services Departmental Output Expense	-	(45)	(54)	(54)	(54)
	Policing Services (MCA) Primary Response Management Departmental Output Expense	-	(5,372)	(6,380)	(6,380)	(6,380)
	Policing Services (MCA) Crime Prevention Departmental Output Expense	-	(7,786)	(7,786)	(7,786)	(7,786)
Return of Grant Funding - New Zealand Police	Policing Services (MCA) Crime Prevention Departmental Output Expense	-	(7,786)	(7,786)	(7,786)	(7,786)
Transfer the Provision of Policy Advice on Arms Safety and Control to Vote Justice	Policing Services (MCA) Policy Advice and Ministerial Services Departmental Output Expense	(1,285)	(1,285)	(1,285)	(1,285)	(1,285)
Third Party Crime Prevention Activities	Third Party Crime Prevention Activities Non-Departmental Output Expenses	450	451	451	-	-

Policy Initiative	Appropriation	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Victims of Crime: Enhancing the voice of victims to support NZ Parole Board hearing outcome	Policing Services (MCA) Investigations and Case Resolution Departmental Output Expense	152	102	102	102	102
Proceeds of Crime - Police Legal Fees cost recovery	Policing Services (MCA) Investigations and Case Resolution Departmental Output Expense	6,100	-	-	-	-
Justice Cluster - Expanding and sustaining the impact of Police's Prosecution Uplift Programme	Policing Services (MCA) Investigations and Case Resolution Departmental Output Expense	5,236	-	-	-	-
Victim of Crime - Improving Victims' experience of Victim impact Statements	Policing Services (MCA) Investigations and Case Resolution Departmental Output Expense	1,138	-	-	-	-
Total Initiatives		226,302	532,588	530,769	366,184	361,318

1.2 - Trends in the Vote

Summary of Financial Activity

	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25		2025/26			2026/27	2027/28	2028/29
	Actual \$000	Actual \$000	Actual \$000	Actual \$000	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Departmental Transactions Budget \$000	Non- Departmental Transactions Budget \$000	Total Budget \$000	Estimated \$000	Estimated \$000	Estimated \$000
Appropriations												
Output Expenses	380,892	402,872	482,775	529,491	505,166	505,166	544,874	451	545,325	546,408	407,367	407,353
Benefits or Related Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowing Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	2,244	5,577	100	100	110	110	10	100	110	110	110	110
Capital Expenditure	105,476	118,247	173,957	113,683	177,870	177,870	154,445	-	154,445	101,945	101,945	101,945
Intelligence and Security Department Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure (MCA)												
<i>Output Expenses</i>	1,748,663	1,865,167	2,052,076	2,164,435	2,339,449	2,339,449	2,476,270	-	2,476,270	2,442,237	2,436,127	2,405,063
<i>Other Expenses</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Capital Expenditure</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Total Appropriations	2,237,275	2,391,863	2,708,908	2,807,709	3,022,595	3,022,595	3,175,599	551	3,176,150	3,090,700	2,945,549	2,914,471
Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts												
Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Tax Revenue	81,245	83,223	97,992	104,099	95,400	95,400	N/A	95,400	95,400	95,400	95,400	95,400
Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Total Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts	81,245	83,223	97,992	104,099	95,400	95,400	N/A	95,400	95,400	95,400	95,400	95,400

Note - where restructuring of the vote has occurred then, to the extent practicable, prior years information has been restated as if the restructuring had occurred before the beginning of the period covered. In this instance Total Appropriations for the Budgeted and Estimated Actual year may not equal Total Annual Appropriations and Forecast Permanent Appropriations and Multi-Year Appropriations in the Details of Appropriations and Capital Injections.

Adjustments to the Summary of Financial Activity Table Due to Vote Restructuring

There have been no restructuring adjustments to prior year information in the Summary of Financial Activity table.

1.3 - Analysis of Significant Trends

Between 2025/26 and 2028/29, Departmental appropriations will decrease by \$208.728 million (6.9%).

This decrease is largely due to:

- 2024-2027 Road Policing Investment Programme \$132.403 million - funding approved over the three-year term of programme to 2026/27 only
- lower funding by \$44.565 million for the Next Generation Critical Communications programme (NGCC) in 2028/29 compared to 2025/26 as a result of phasing of draw-downs from the tagged contingency
- higher savings by \$8.230 million in 2028/29 compared to 2025/26 due to rationalisation of corporate support functions at New Zealand Police, and
- higher funding by \$7.205 million for the Police Enterprise Resource Management (ERM) programme in 2025/26, compared to 2028/29.

Between 2020/21 and 2024/25, Departmental appropriations increased by \$691.133 million (32.1%).

This increase was mainly due to:

- higher funding for Police Constabulary and Employee Collective Employee Agreements (CEAs) \$239.725 million
- new funding of \$120 million to enable the frontline and operational delivery of Police services
- higher funding for NGCC \$63.444 million
- higher funding for Striving Towards 1800 New Police \$60.483 million
- new funding for the Arms Safety and Control \$49.084 million
- new funding for the Preventing Community Harm from Organised Crime: Cross Agency Approach initiative \$44.547 million
- new funding for Enabling National Implementation of the NZ Police Tactical Response Model \$40.620 million
- higher funding for the Road Safety Programme \$31.351 million
- new funding for the Te Pae Oranga programme \$13.709 million, and
- new funding for Investing in Frontline Policing \$13.455 million.

These increases were partially offset by:

- time-limited funding relating to COVID-19 of \$25.171 million in 2020/21, and
- lower funding in 2024/25 for Ensuring Safe, Consistent and Effective Responses to Family Violence in Every Community, compared to 2020/21 \$19.250 million.

Part 2 - Details of Departmental Appropriations

2.1 - Departmental Output Expenses

Arms Safety and Control (M51) (A28)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to the delivery of Arms Regulatory services as set out in the Arms Act 1983.

Expenses and Revenue

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	71,481	71,481	77,060
Revenue from the Crown	67,375	67,375	71,644
Revenue from Others	4,106	4,106	5,416

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to the delivery of Arms Regulatory services as set out in the Arms Act 1983 to ensure that the public can be safe and feel safe in the legitimate use of firearms in our communities.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Assessment of Performance			
Percentage of pistol endorsement holders investigated for fewer than 12 days of club activities annually	100%	100%	100%
Percentage of pistol ranges inspected for compliance with the Arms Act 1983	100%	100%	100%
Percentage of firearms dealers inspected for compliance with the Arms Act 1983	100%	100%	100%
Median number of days to follow-up with expired firearms licence holders to ensure a new firearms licence is applied for, or appropriate disposal, or removal of firearms has been completed	60 days	60 days	60 days
Percentage of firearms licence applications (includes both new applications and renewals) processed within 90 days from receipt of a fully completed application	At least 80%	80%	At least 80%

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by Police in the Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Implementation of Arms Legislation Act - drawdown tagged contingency	2025/26	-	56,478	52,769	52,769	52,769
Drawdown from Police Collective Employment Negotiations tagged contingency	2024/25	6,050	7,425	7,419	7,432	7,418
Arms Safety & Control - draw down tagged contingency	2024/25	53,584	-	-	-	-
Capital to Operating Swap - Arms Information Solution	2023/24	(790)	(790)	(790)	(790)	-
Previous Government						
Provision of Policy Advice on Arms Safety and Control (fiscally neutral transfer to Policing Services MCA)	2023/24	(1,362)	(1,362)	(1,362)	(1,362)	-
Arms Safety and Control (fiscally neutral transfer from Policing Services MCA)	2022/23	12,206	13,516	13,516	-	-
Arms Safety and Control - draw down from tagged contingency	2022/23	-	-	-	-	-
Police Collective Employment Agreements (fiscally neutral transfer from Policing Services MCA)	2022/23	1,793	1,793	1,793	-	-

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

The increase in this appropriation for 2025/26 is due to:

- \$4.204 million additional funding in 2025/26 compared to 2024/25, for the Implementation of Arms Legislation Act, and
- \$1.375 million additional funding in 2025/26 to cover the costs associated with the employee and constabulary band A-J collective agreements, compared to 2024/25.

Road Safety Programme (M51) (A28)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to the delivery of road safety education and enforcement of road safety legislation as set out in the New Zealand Road Safety Programme.

Expenses and Revenue

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	431,870	431,870	466,714
Revenue from the Crown	431,870	431,870	466,714
Revenue from Others	-	-	-

Components of the Appropriation

The Road Policing Investment Programme (RPIP) 2024-27 represents a step change from the previous programme investing in road policing, which was called the Road Safety Partnership Programme. The RPIP focuses road policing activity across seven components, known as the seven operational priorities. The Road Policing Programme appropriation provided to Police supports delivery across these components, as opposed to funding directly linked to specific components.

The RPIP 2024/27 was signed by joint Ministers in September 2024 and therefore, updated reporting within the Estimates document is required for alignment of the new programme.

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to reduce the harm from crashes through the delivery of the Road Policing Programme, ensure that the public has trust and confidence in Police and that they are satisfied with Police services.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

	2024/25		2025/26
Assessment of Performance	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
<i>Quantity</i>			
Number of officer issued enforcement actions (infringement notices, summons, and written warnings) relating to:			
• restraints	At least 60,000	60,000	At least 60,000
• impaired driving (alcohol, drugs, logbooks, and work time)	At least 32,000	32,000	At least 32,000
• distractions (mobile phones)	At least 40,000	40,000	At least 40,000
• speed	At least 430,000	430,000	At least 430,000
• other 'high risk' driving behaviours	At least 110,000	110,000	At least 110,000
Number of breath tests conducted	At least 3,300,000	3,300,000	At least 3,300,000
Number of blood samples tested for drugs resulting from compulsory impairment tests	At least 350	350	At least 350
Number of emergency traffic events responded to	At least 40,000	40,000	At least 40,000
Number of non-emergency traffic events responded to	At least 194,000	194,000	At least 194,000
<i>Quality</i>			
Number of supported resolutions:			
• compliance offered	At least 200,000	200,000	At least 200,000
• referral to Driver Licensing Programme (DLP)	At least 9,000	9,000	At least 9,000
• referral to Te Pae Oranga (TPO)	At least 1,900	1,900	At least 1,900
• Written Traffic Warning	At least 41,000	41,000	At least 41,000
Percentage of eligible traffic offences resolved by way of supported resolution (including warnings, compliance, diversion, TPO, DLP)	At least 10%	10%	At least 10%
Percentage of people who had contact with Police at the roadside that agree they were treated fairly	Greater than 80%	81%	Greater than 80%

	2024/25		2025/26
Assessment of Performance	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
<i>Timeliness</i>			
Median response time to emergency traffic events:			
• urban policing areas	Less than 10 minutes	9 minutes 59 seconds	Less than 10 minutes
• rural policing areas (includes the Greater Auckland Motorway system)	Less than 20 minutes	19 minutes 59 seconds	Less than 20 minutes
Time taken for 90% of emergency traffic events to be attended:			
• urban policing areas	Less than 45 minutes	44 minutes 59 seconds	Less than 45 minutes
• rural policing areas (includes the Greater Auckland Motorway system)	Less than 60 minutes	59 minutes 59 seconds	Less than 60 minutes

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by New Zealand Police in the Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
2024-2027 Road Policing Investment Programme	2024/25	98,203	132,403	138,603	-	-

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

The increase in this appropriation for 2025/26 is mainly due to \$34.200 million additional funding in 2025/26 compared to 2024/25, for the 2024-2027 Road Policing Investment Programme.

Search and Rescue Activities PLA (M51) (A28)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to search and rescue activities and services as authorised under Section 9(1) of the Land Transport Management Act 2003.

Expenses and Revenue

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	1,365	1,365	1,100
Revenue from the Crown	1,365	1,365	1,100
Revenue from Others	-	-	-

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to increase prevention and reduce crime by providing effective and efficient search and rescue policing activities, to ensure that the public has trust and confidence in Police.

End of Year Performance Reporting

An exemption was granted under s15D (1) of the Public Finance Act as the appropriation relates exclusively to outputs supplied by a department to one or more other departments.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Previous Government						
Increased funding for Search and Rescue activities (Fiscally neutral transfer from Vote Transport)	2023/24	265	-	-	-	-
Search and Rescue activities (Fiscally neutral transfer from Vote Transport)	2021/22	1,100	1,100	1,100	-	-

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

The decrease in the appropriation for 2025/26 is mainly due to higher funding in 2024/25 for Search and Rescue activities resulting from a fiscally neutral transfer from Vote Transport.

Conditions on Use of Appropriation

Reference	Conditions
Search and Rescue Activities PLA	The funding can be spent only in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding between the New Zealand Police and the New Zealand Search and Rescue Council

2.2 - Departmental Other Expenses

Compensation for Confiscated Firearms (M51) (A28)

Scope of Appropriation

Compensation paid to owners of firearms confiscated under the provisions of section 28(4) of the Arms Act 1983.

Expenses

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	10	10	10

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve removal and disposal of firearms confiscated under Section 28(4) of the Arms Act 1983.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

Any compensation due to firearms licence holders will be paid within 60 days.

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by New Zealand Police in the Annual Report.

2.3 - Departmental Capital Expenditure and Capital Injections

New Zealand Police - Capital Expenditure PLA (M51) (A28)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to the purchase or development of assets by and for the use of the New Zealand Police, as authorised by section 24(1) of the Public Finance Act 1989.

Capital Expenditure

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Forests/Agricultural	-	-	-
Land	-	-	-
Property, Plant and Equipment	98,006	98,006	106,331
Intangibles	79,864	79,864	48,114
Other	-	-	-
Total Appropriation	177,870	177,870	154,445

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve the maintenance and upgrade of New Zealand Police's infrastructure to ensure efficient and effective delivery of performance.

How Performance will be Assessed and End of Year Reporting Requirements

The expenditure on capital projects is incurred in accordance with New Zealand Police's capital expenditure plan.

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by New Zealand Police in the Annual Report.

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

The decrease in this appropriation in 2025/26, compared to 2024/25 reflects New Zealand Police's latest capital expenditure projections.

*Capital Injections and Movements in Departmental Net Assets***New Zealand Police**

Details of Net Asset Schedule	2024/25 Estimated Actual \$000	2025/26 Projected \$000	Explanation of Projected Movements in 2025/26
Opening Balance	1,187,918	1,280,762	
Capital Injections	92,844	209,826	Capital injections of \$209.826 million in 2025/26 relates to: NextGeneration Critical Communications (NGCC) (\$178.839 million); Investing in Frontline Policing (\$21.500 million); Police Fleet Renewal Programme (\$12.750 million); and Preventing Community Harm from Organised Crime: Cross Agency Approach (\$840,000), and a Capital to Operating swap of \$4.103 million for the Police Enterprise Resource Management (ERM) project.
Capital Withdrawals	-	-	
Surplus to be Retained (Deficit Incurred)	-	-	
Other Movements	-	-	
Closing Balance	1,280,762	1,490,588	

Part 3 - Details of Non-Departmental Appropriations

3.1 - Non-Departmental Output Expenses

Third Party Crime Prevention Activities (M51) (A28)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to addressing crime and negative perceptions of safety through services provided by third parties.

Expenses

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	450	450	451

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to reduce the incidence of violent crime and improve safety, by maintaining and strengthening responses that address crime or anti-social behaviour.

End of Year Performance Reporting

An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under s15D(2)(b)(iii) of the Public Finance Act as the amount of this annual appropriation for a non-departmental other expense is less than \$5 million.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Third Party Crime Prevention Activities	2024/25	450	451	451	-	-

3.4 - Non-Departmental Other Expenses

United Nations Drug Control Programme (M51) (A28)

Scope of Appropriation

United Nations Drug Control Programme contribution.

Expenses

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	100	100	100

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to ensure that New Zealand continues to receive the benefits of the United Nations Drug Control Programme.

End of Year Performance Reporting

An exemption was granted as the appropriation is one from which resources will be provided to a person or entity other than a department, a functional chief executive, an Office of Parliament, or a Crown entity under section 15D(2)(b)(iii) of the Public Finance Act as the amount of this annual appropriation for a non-departmental other expense is less than \$5 million.

Part 4 - Details of Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure

4 - Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure

Policing Services (M51) (A28)

Overarching Purpose Statement

The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to reduce crime by delivering effective and efficient policing services that are responsive to communities.

Scope of Appropriation

Departmental Output Expenses

Crime Prevention

This category is limited to delivery of services to the community to help prevent crime and delivery of specific crime prevention activities that target risk areas.

Investigations and Case Resolution

This category is limited to investigative services to prosecute and resolve suspected or reported crime, and provision of custodial activities.

Policy Advice and Ministerial Services

This category is limited to providing policy advice and other support to Ministers in discharging their policy decision-making and other portfolio responsibilities.

Primary Response Management

This category is limited to providing advice and information to requests for service, responding to calls for service and service requests, and the initial response to incidents and emergencies.

Expenses, Revenue and Capital Expenditure

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	2,339,449	2,339,449	2,476,270
Departmental Output Expenses			
Crime Prevention	637,519	637,519	613,101
Investigations and Case Resolution	927,019	927,019	970,776
Policy Advice and Ministerial Services	11,779	11,779	12,198
Primary Response Management	763,132	763,132	880,195
Funding for Departmental Output Expenses			
Revenue from the Crown	2,283,594	2,283,594	2,450,777
Crime Prevention	587,383	587,383	601,904
Investigations and Case Resolution	924,406	924,406	968,205
Policy Advice and Ministerial Services	11,767	11,767	12,186
Primary Response Management	760,038	760,038	868,482

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Revenue from Others	55,855	55,855	25,493
Crime Prevention	50,136	50,136	11,197
Investigations and Case Resolution	2,613	2,613	2,571
Policy Advice and Ministerial Services	12	12	12
Primary Response Management	3,094	3,094	11,713

Components of the Appropriation

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Crime Prevention			
Directed Patrols	242,504	242,504	233,541
Community Responsiveness	229,722	229,722	221,234
Youth Services	86,316	86,316	82,014
Maintenance of Public Order	34,949	34,949	34,949
Staff Deployment Overseas and Support to the Pacific Islands Chiefs of Police	31,145	31,145	29,994
Lost & Found Property	6,084	6,084	5,860
Vetting Services	4,220	4,220	4,220
Arms Act Services	2,579	2,579	2,579
Total	637,519	637,519	613,101
Investigations and Case Resolution			
Criminal Investigations	652,155	652,155	682,941
Custody and Escort Services	112,976	112,976	118,308
Criminal Case Resolution	95,273	95,273	99,768
Other Investigations	41,066	41,066	43,004
Execution of Court Summonses, Warrants & Orders	25,549	25,549	26,755
Total	927,019	927,019	970,776
Policy Advice and Ministerial Services			
Policy Advice	10,080	10,080	10,439
Ministerial Services	1,699	1,699	1,759
Total	11,779	11,779	12,198
Primary Response Management			
Police Response to Incidents and Emergencies	594,306	594,306	608,758
Next Generation Critical Communications (NGCC)	79,156	79,156	179,586
Communications Centres	89,670	89,670	91,851
Total	763,132	763,132	880,195

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to reduce crime by providing effective and efficient policing services to ensure that the public has trust and confidence in police, and that they are satisfied with Police services.

What is Intended to be Achieved with each Category and How Performance will be Assessed

	2024/25		2025/26
Assessment of Performance	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Departmental Output Expenses			
Crime Prevention			
This category is intended to support delivery of services to the community to help prevent crime including the delivery of specific crime prevention activities that target risk areas, to ensure that the public has trust and confidence in Police, and that they are satisfied with Police Services.			
<i>Quantity</i>			
Total victimisations per 10,000 population	Fewer than 2023/24	711.0	Fewer than 2024/25
<i>Quality</i>			
Percentage of survey respondents who agree 'Police is responsive to the needs of my community'	Greater than 75%	76%	Greater than 75%
Percentage of survey respondents who feel safe in their neighbourhood after dark	Greater than 75%	76%	Greater than 75%
Percentage reduction in the number of high-risk victims (red victim attrition)	Greater than 50%	51%	Greater than 50%
Percentage of victims of crime satisfied with the overall quality of Police service delivery	Greater than 75%	76%	Greater than 75%
Percentage of repeat calls for service to the location of crimes where Police has attended crimes in the previous 12 months	Less than 2023/24	51%	Less than 2024/25
<i>Timeliness</i>			
Percentage of vetting requests processed within agreed timeframes:			
• Priority (within 1 to 5 working days)	At least 90%	90%	At least 90%
• General (within 20 working days)	At least 90%	90%	At least 90%
Investigations and Case Resolution			
This category is intended to support investigative services to prosecute and resolve suspected or reported crime, and provide custodial activities, to ensure that the public has trust and confidence in Police, and that they are satisfied with Police Services.			
<i>Quantity</i>			
Dollar value of assets restrained from serious criminal activity	Greater than \$75m	\$76m	Greater than \$75m
Total number of victims recorded within the year:			
• crime against the person	Fewer than 65,000	65,500	Fewer than 65,000
• property crime	Fewer than 164,000	163,500	Fewer than 164,000

	2024/25		2025/26
Assessment of Performance	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Number of charges resolved by:			
• prosecution	At least 180,000	180,000	At least 180,000
• warnings	At least 65,000	65,000	At least 65,000
• supported resolution (including Family Group Conferences)	At least 25,000	25,000	At least 25,000
• not proceeded with	At least 130	130	At least 130
Number of prisoners escorted and/or held in custody	Fewer than 100,000	100,000	Fewer than 100,000
Number of escapes from Police custody	0	0	0
Number of deaths and serious injuries in Police custody	0	0	0
<i>Quality</i>			
Percentage of people who have reported offences that are advised of results or updated on the investigation within 21 days of reporting that offence	Greater than 75%	76%	Greater than 75%
Dwelling burglary clearance rate	At least 11%	11%	At least 11%
Percentage of judge-alone trial cases withdrawn/dismissed at trial stage due to the Police providing insufficient evidence	Less than 6%	5%	Less than 6%
Percentage of judge-alone trials that do not proceed on the date agreed between Police and the Courts, for reasons that are the responsibility of Police	Less than 3%	2%	Less than 3%
District Court judges' satisfaction with the performance of Police prosecutors	Greater than 85%	86%	Greater than 85%
Percentage of charges laid by Police that result in conviction	Greater than 70%	71%	Greater than 70%
<i>Timeliness</i>			
Percentage of victimisations where investigation is finalised within 30 days because Police determine 'no crime has occurred' or the 'offender is proceeded against':			
• crime against the person	Greater than 25%	26%	Greater than 25%
• property crime	Greater than 10%	11%	Greater than 10%
Percentage of victimisations where investigation is finalised within the year because Police determine 'no crime has occurred' or the 'offender is proceeded against':			
• crime against the person	Greater than 31%	32%	Greater than 31%
• property crime	Greater than 15%	16%	Greater than 15%
Percentage of homicide, sexual assault, and serious assault investigations finalised within 12 months	Greater than 60%	61%	Greater than 60%
Percentage of home/dwelling burglaries attended by Police within 48 hours	Greater than 85%	86%	Greater than 85%
Policy Advice and Ministerial Services			
This category is intended to support the provision of quality advice for decision-making, to enable the Minister to discharge their portfolio responsibilities.			
<i>Quantity</i>			
Number of briefings for the Minister	At least 300	300	At least 300
Number of policy related briefings (formal and additional) for the Minister	At least 250	250	At least 250
Number of second opinion advice and contributions to policy advice led by other agencies	At least 250	250	At least 250

	2024/25		2025/26
Assessment of Performance	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
<i>Quality</i>			
The satisfaction of the Minister of Police with the policy advice service	At least 80%	80%	At least 80%
Technical quality of policy advice papers assessed by the Policy Quality Framework	At least 3.8 (76%)	76%	At least 3.8 (76%)
<i>Timeliness</i>			
Percentage of draft responses to parliamentary questions provided within specified timeframes	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Percentage of items of Ministerial correspondence provided within the timeframes specified	At least 95%	95%	At least 95%
Primary Response Management			
This category is intended to support the provision of advice and information of requests for service, responses to calls for service and service requests, and the initial response to incidents and emergencies, to ensure that the public has trust and confidence in Police, and that they are satisfied with Police Services.			
<i>Quantity</i>			
Number of 111 calls answered	At least 900,000	900,000	At least 900,000
Number of non-emergency calls answered (including 105 Service)	At least 600,000	600,000	At least 600,000
Number of emergency events responded to	At least 150,000	150,000	At least 150,000
Number of non-emergency events responded to	At least 800,000	800,000	At least 800,000
<i>Quality</i>			
Percentage of people satisfied with service delivery from Police Emergency Communications Centres	Greater than 75%	76%	Greater than 75%
Percentage of people satisfied with the 105 service	Greater than 75%	76%	Greater than 75%
Percentage of people satisfied with the speed of Police response	Greater than 65%	66%	Greater than 65%
Percentage of repeat calls for service to the location of emergencies where Police has attended emergencies in the previous 12 months	Less than 2023/24	30%	Less than 2024/25
<i>Timeliness</i>			
Percentage of 111 calls answered within 10 seconds	Greater than 90%	91%	Greater than 90%
Median response time to emergency events:			
• urban policing areas	Less than 10 minutes	9 minutes 59 seconds	Less than 10 minutes
• rural policing areas (including the Greater Auckland motorway system)	Less than 20 minutes	19 minutes 59 seconds	Less than 20 minutes
Time taken for 90% of emergency events to be attended:			
• urban policing areas	Less than 30 minutes	29 minutes 59 seconds	Less than 30 minutes
• rural policing areas (includes the Greater Auckland Motorway system)	Less than 60 minutes	59 minutes 59 seconds	Less than 60 minutes

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by New Zealand Police in the Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Cost Pressure Funding (Budget 2025)	2025/26	-	120,000	120,000	120,000	120,000
Court Timeliness - Police Prosecution Uplift Programme	2025/26	-	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Operating efficiencies - New Zealand Police	2025/26	-	(15,090)	(17,920)	(17,920)	(17,920)
Return of Grant Funding - New Zealand Police	2025/26	-	(7,786)	(7,786)	(7,786)	(7,786)
Drawdown from Police Collective Employment Negotiations tagged contingency	2024/25	73,657	180,040	177,863	182,319	177,467
Next Generation Critical Communications (NGCC) - drawdown tagged contingency	2024/25	30,000	29,042	30,000	-	-
Operating Safety Cameras on behalf of NZTA	2024/25	26,817	-	-	-	-
Pacific Islands policing partnership programmes	2024/25	10,670	-	-	-	-
Transfer of the Emergency Caller Location Information (ECLI) function from Vote Business, Science and Innovation	2024/25	6,303	14,113	14,113	14,113	14,113
Police Legal Fees - cost recovery	2024/25	6,100	-	-	-	-
Expanding and sustaining the impact of Police's Prosecution Uplift Programme	2024/25	5,236	-	-	-	-
Contributions from third parties towards NGCC	2024/25	752	9,586	7,316	10,812	10,812
Improving Victims' experience of Victim impact Statements	2024/25	1,436	1,695	1,440	1,440	1,440
Enhancing the voice of victims to support NZ Parole Board hearing outcome	2024/25	152	102	102	102	102
Expense Transfer - NGCC: Replacing Emergency Services Critical Communications	2024/25	(37,000)	-	7,000	30,000	-
Transfer the Provision of Policy Advice on Arms Safety and Control to Vote Justice	2024/25	(1,285)	(1,285)	(1,285)	(1,285)	(1,285)
Cost pressure Funding (Budget 2024)	2024/25	120,000	-	-	-	-
Investing in Frontline Policing	2024/25	13,455	59,914	58,941	58,727	58,727
Addressing Serious Youth Offending	2024/25	382	11	11	11	11
Shared Approach to Back-office Transformation	2024/25	(400)	(400)	(400)	(400)	(400)
Reduction of Corporate Support Functions	2024/25	(1,994)	(12,219)	(20,449)	(20,449)	(20,449)
Police Collective Employment Agreements draw down from tagged contingency	2023/24	12,267	-	-	-	-
Police Fleet Renewal Programme	2023/24	4,710	7,470	7,360	7,360	7,360
Interpol Blue Pacific Project	2023/24	1,150	1,150	-	-	-
Expense Transfer - Retail Crime Prevention Programme/Fog Cannon	2023/24	3,125	-	-	-	-
Other Revenue Forecasts	2023/24	(5,000)	(5,000)	(5,000)	(5,000)	(5,000)

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Previous Government						
Enabling National Implementation of the NZ Police Tactical Response Model	2023/24	40,620	40,990	40,990	40,990	40,990
Improving Court Performance and Timeliness	2023/24	13,452	-	-	-	-
NZ Police Pacific Officer Safety	2023/24	4,835	4,812	5,151	1,372	1,372
Te Pae Oranga Iwi Community Panels: Capacity Improvements	2023/24	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Justice Sector Resourcing - Addressing the Impacts of the Delta COVID-19 Restrictions	2023/24	1,551	-	-	-	-
FNA within Vote Police - Policy Resource for Arms Safety and Control	2023/24	1,362	1,362	1,362	1,362	1,362
FNA from MSD - Multi-Disciplinary Cross Agency Team (MDCAT) approach to family harm in Counties Manukau	2023/24	960	-	-	-	-
NZ Police: Offshore Emergency Deployment	2023/24	188	188	188	188	188
Funding to Extend Pay Equity Settlement for Social Workers in Community and Iwi Organisations	2023/24	416	447	457	457	457
FNA from Defence - Deployment of NZ Police personnel	2023/24	168	-	-	-	-
FNA to Vote Justice - Continued delivery of the Apanui Justice Programme	2023/24	(156)	(164)	-	-	-
Resilience to Organised Crime in Communities	2023/24	(16,000)	-	-	-	-
Police Collective Employment Agreements draw down from tagged contingency	2022/23	86,113	86,113	86,113	86,113	86,113
NGCC: Approval of Public Safety Network Implementation Business Case	2022/23	69,120	126,845	109,374	108,305	108,305
Preventing Community Harm from Organised Crime: Cross-Agency Approach	2022/23	28,122	17,202	17,202	17,202	17,202
Cyber Security and Resilience Programme: information management	2022/23	6,073	6,213	6,213	6,213	6,213
Funding to support Reframe	2022/23	9,560	-	-	-	-
Police G20-24 Manager's Collective Agreement settlement - draw down from tagged contingency	2022/23	7,969	7,969	7,969	7,969	7,969
Preventing Family Violence and Sexual Violence: Support and expand integrated community-led responses	2022/23	3,300	3,300	3,300	3,300	3,300
Continuing the Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment Courts: Waikato, Auckland, and Waitakere	2022/23	487	491	491	491	491
Proceeds of Crime Fund: Whangarei District Community CCTV	2022/23	120	-	-	-	-
Proceeds of Crime Fund: Live for More Surf Therapy programmes	2022/23	325	-	-	-	-
Fiscally Neutral Transfer to the Arms Safety & Control appropriation	2022/23	(12,206)	(13,516)	(13,516)	(13,516)	(13,516)
Police Collective Employment Agreements (Fiscally neutral transfer to Arms Safety and Control appropriation	2022/23	(1,793)	(1,793)	(1,793)	(1,793)	(1,793)
Software as a Service (SaaS) baseline adjustment	2022/23	(1,370)	(1,367)	-	-	-
Police Collective Employment Agreements draw down from tagged contingency	2021/22	28,523	28,523	28,523	28,523	28,523

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Preventing family violence and sexual violence: Sustaining and developing existing safety responses with communities	2021/22	18,848	18,848	18,848	18,848	18,848
Te Pae Oranga iwi community panels: Tikanga Māori and Whanau Ora-based alternative to court for low-level offending	2021/22	18,309	18,309	18,309	18,309	18,309
Asset Revaluation Depreciation Impacts	2021/22	6,607	4,291	4,291	4,291	4,291
Shovel Ready New Whanganui Police Hub	2021/22	3,250	3,250	3,250	3,250	3,250
Continuing Action to Improve Social Inclusion	2021/22	2,030	2,030	2,030	2,030	2,030
Government Response to the Royal Commission of Inquiry into the Terrorist Attack on Christchurch Masjidain	2021/22	1,630	1,630	1,630	1,630	1,630
Improving the Justice Response to Sexual Violence Victims	2021/22	1,138	1,205	1,205	1,205	1,205
Proceeds of Crime Fund: Te Huringa o te tai o nga wahine	2021/22	619	-	-	-	-

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

The increase in this appropriation for 2025/26 is mainly due to:

- higher funding in 2025/26, compared to 2024/25 for
 - Next Generation Critical Communications programme (NGCC), as a result of phasing of drawdowns from the tagged contingency (\$100.430 million) (impacts Primary Response Management category of the Policing Services MCA only)
 - drawdowns from the tagged contingency to cover the costs associated with the employee and constabulary collective agreements (\$72.536 million), and
 - investing in Frontline Policing (\$46.459 million)
 - new funding in 2025/26 for Court Timeliness - Police Prosecution Uplift Programme (\$15 million) (impacts Investigations and Case Resolution category of the Policing Services MCA only).

These are partially offset by:

- one-off funding in 2024/25 only relating to recovery of associated costs of operating the Safety Cameras function on behalf of NZTA (\$26.817 million) (impacts *Crime Prevention* category of the Policing Services MCA only)
- further reductions to Police leadership and employee positions and increased operating efficiencies (\$15.090 million)
- lower funding in 2025/26, compared to 2024/25, for Preventing Community Harm from Organised Crime: Cross Agency Approach (\$10.950 million) (impacts *Investigations and Case Resolution* category of the Policing Services MCA only)

- one-off funding in 2024/25 only for additional cost recovery from Vote Foreign Affairs for the delivery of various policing partnership programmes in the Pacific Islands (\$10.670 million) (impacts *Crime Prevention* category of the Policing Services MCA only), and
- return of higher savings from 2025/26, compared to 2024/25, due to rationalisation of corporate support functions at New Zealand Police (\$10.225 million).

Other changes to the *Policing Services MCA* are shown in the Current and Past Policy Initiatives table above.

Memorandum Account

	2024/25		2025/26
	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Vetting Services - Cost Recovery			
Opening Balance at 1 July	-	(2,948)	(2,948)
Revenue	4,220	4,220	4,220
Expenses	(4,220)	(4,220)	(4,220)
Transfers and Adjustments	-	-	-
Closing Balance at 30 June	-	(2,948)	(2,948)