Consumer Affairs

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Vision - Informed and responsible consumers and traders DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



- CAV's main goals in achieving this vision are:
 - Empowered consumers
 - A competitive, fair and safe trading environment
 - Protected vulnerable and disadvantaged consumers

Modernisation of Legislation





- 49 Acts and 50 Regulations in the Consumer Affairs Portfolio
- \$1.2m funding over 3 years to review consumer protection legislation
- Government commitment to reduce the amount of regulation and associated burden

National Reform Agenda



Consumer Policy Framework

Commonwealth Credit Regulation

National Product Safety Regime

Liquor



- CAV currently administers and investigates liquor licence applications
- \$37.2 million Alcohol Action Plan
 - Victoria Police State Licensing Taskforce
 - Liquor Licensing Compliance Directorate
- Public warning Alcoholic Energy Drinks

Other Priorities



- Product Safety
- Fall of Hammer Regulations
- Residential Accommodation Review
- Motor Vehicle Lemon Laws
- Prostitution Control Act

Financial Counselling

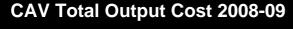


- Secured ongoing funding of \$5.26m per annum until 2011-12
- 42 community based agencies funded to deliver advice and assistance to vulnerable Victorians
- Monitor demand to ensure optimised service delivery

Funding for CAV

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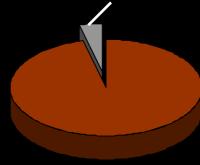




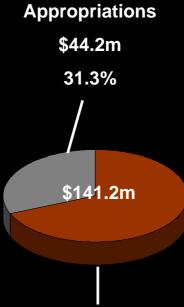
\$141.2m

3.9% of Total

DoJ Output Cost



DoJ Total Output Cost \$3,581.1m



Includes \$50m for Public Housing grant from VPF

Trust Funds

\$97m

68.7%

Source of Funds



Trust Fund	\$ million	% of Output Cost
Victorian Property Fund	73.584	52.1%
Residential Tenancies Fund	13.411	9.5%
Motor Car Traders' Guarantee Fund	2.952	2.1%
Domestic Builders Fund	5.630	4.0%
Prostitution Control Fund	0.848	0.6%
Consumer Credit Fund	0.520	0.4%
Total	96.945	68.7%