

# Police & Emergency Services

**Keeping homes, streets and  
neighbourhoods safe**

**Tim Holding, MP**

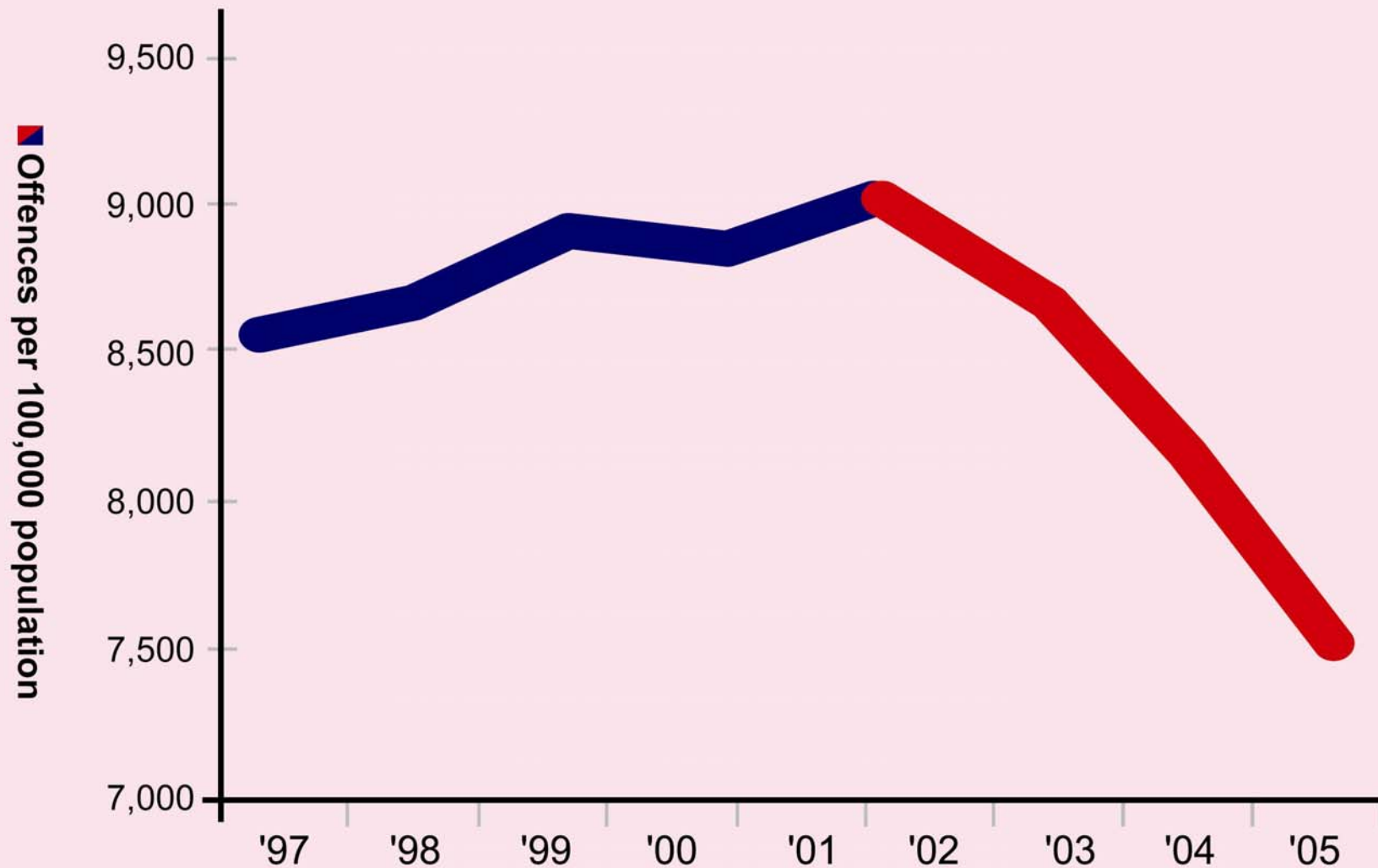
Minister for Police & Emergency Services

*Public Accounts and Estimates Committee  
3 July 2006*



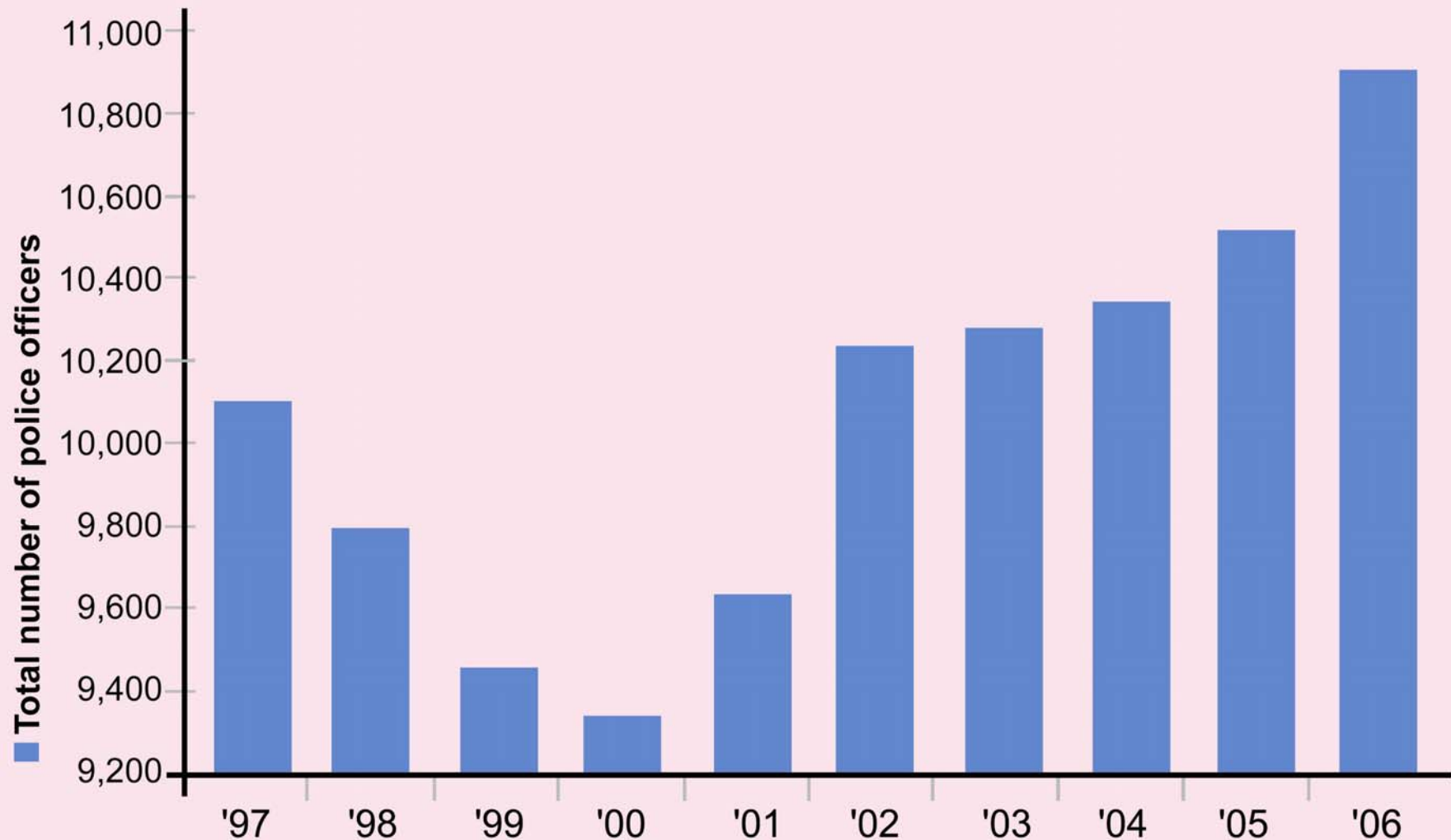
# VICTORIAN CRIME RATE

Official recorded crime rate for Victoria 96/97 to 04/05



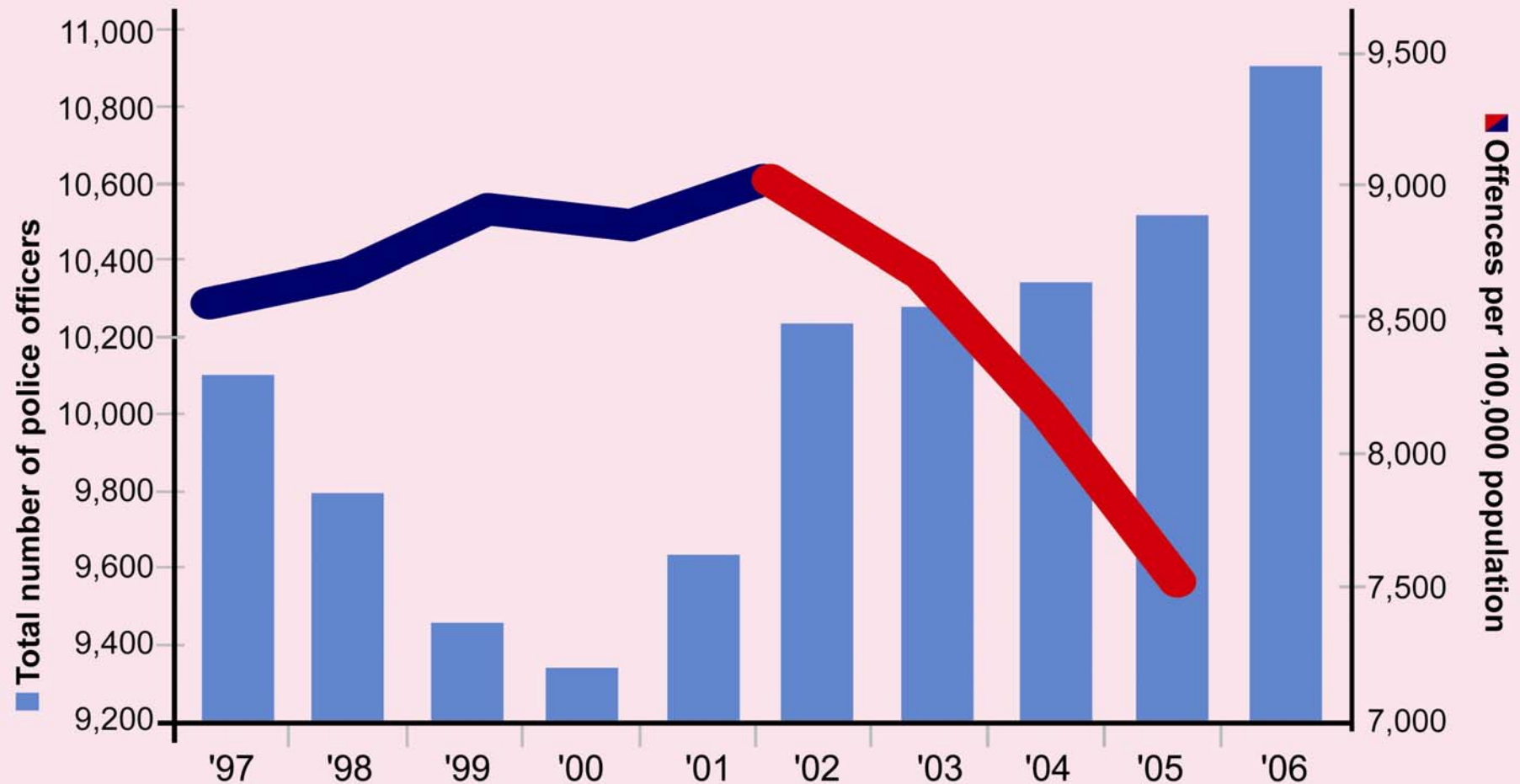
# POLICE NUMBERS

Number of Victoria Police officers (FTE) 96/97 to 05/06



# POLICE vs CRIME RATE

Number of police compared to crime rate 96/97 to 04/05



# More resources for police



- **Biggest police budget in history**
  - Total of \$1.6 billion for 06/07
  - Up by 50 per cent from 1999
- **\$109m to fight organised crime and terrorism**
  - \$15.4 forensic CSI
- **145 new police stations**
- **High-tech mobile data terminals**

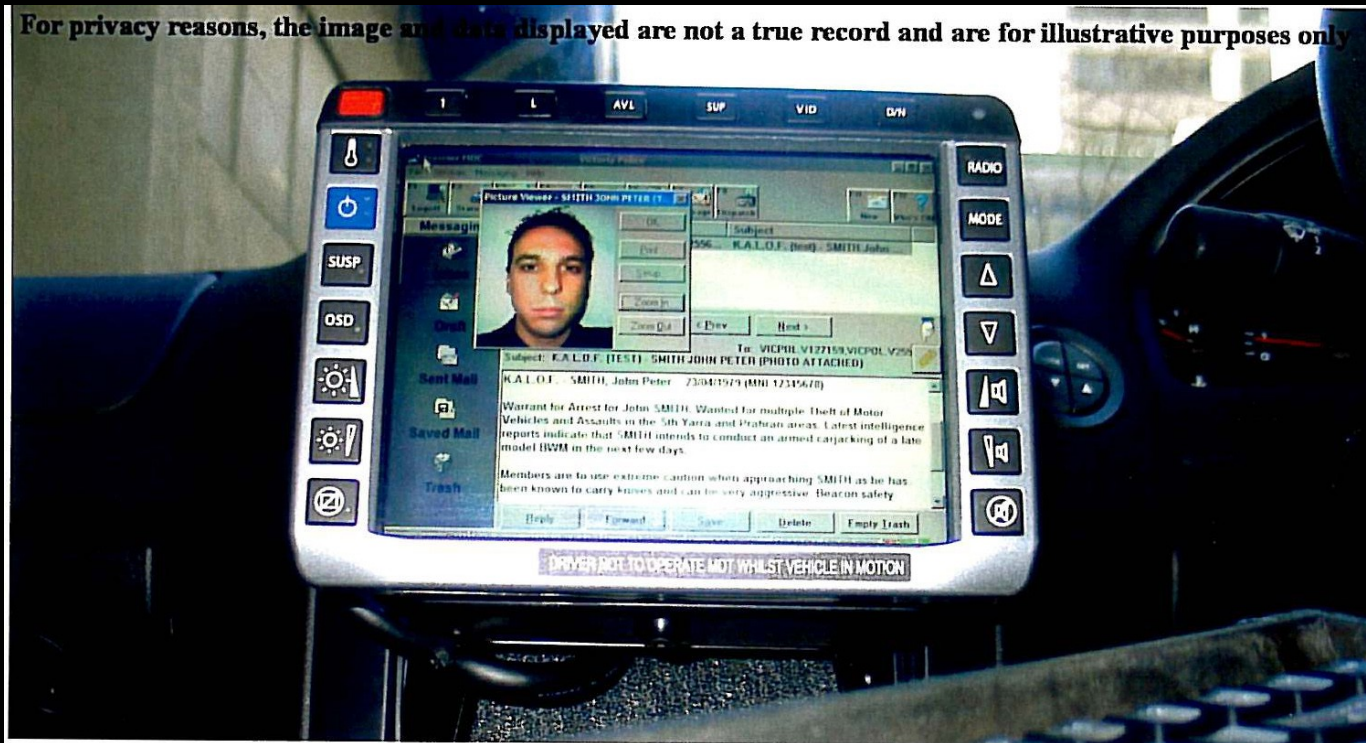


# Mobile data network

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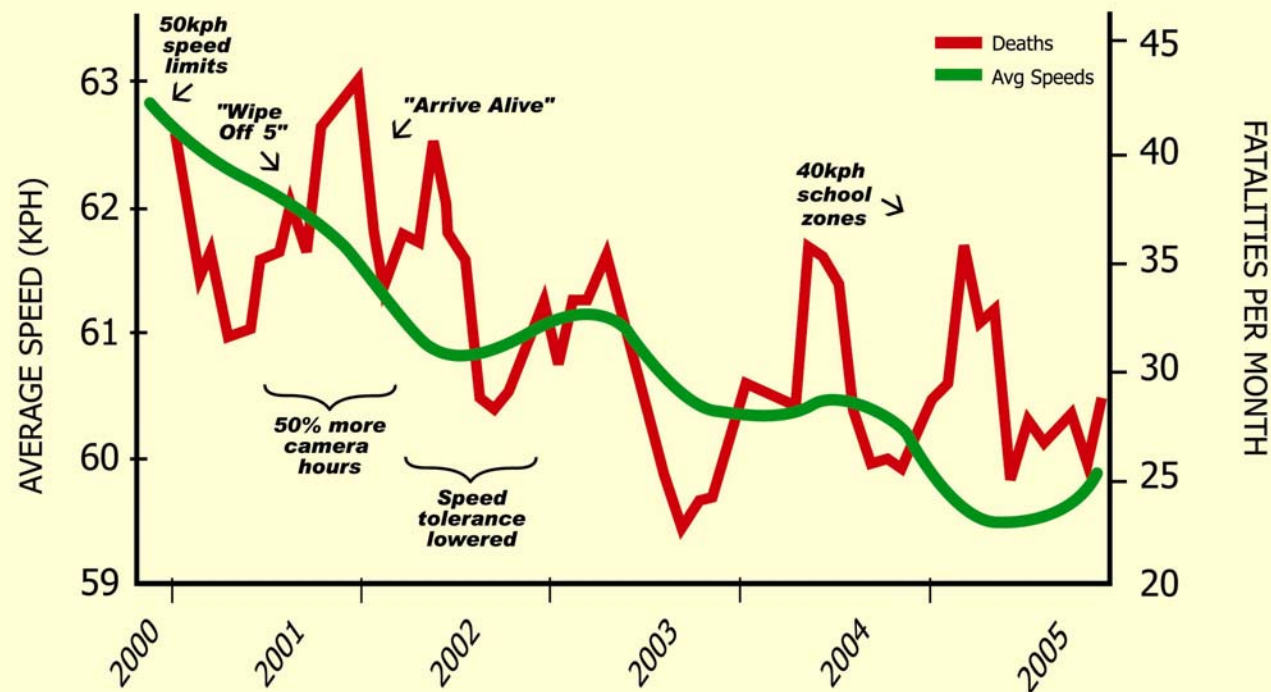


# Driving down the road toll

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## Road Deaths vs Vehicle Speed



- **346 killed last year**
  - Third lowest in history
- **Road toll halved since 1989**
- **On track for record low**

# Road safety budget boost



- **\$14.1 million for drug driving**
  - Testing capability to all booze buses + extra bus
  - Expand capacity to 17,000 random tests per year
- **\$4.3 million for police in-car video**
  - Record activities outside the patrol car
  - Capture evidence of people breaking the law
- **Over \$12 million for hoon driving**

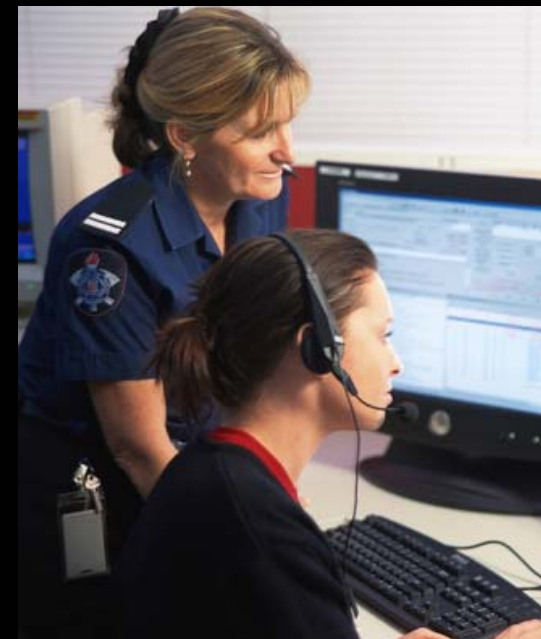




# Emergency Services



- **Emergency Services Telecommunications Authority**
  - Handled around 1.5 million 000 calls for help
- **Metropolitan Fire Brigade**
  - More than 30,000 fires and rescues
- **Country Fire Authority**
  - Tackled 39,825 incidents
- **State Emergency Service**
  - 13,520 emergencies and calls for help
- **Life Saving Victoria**
  - 1,188 water rescues



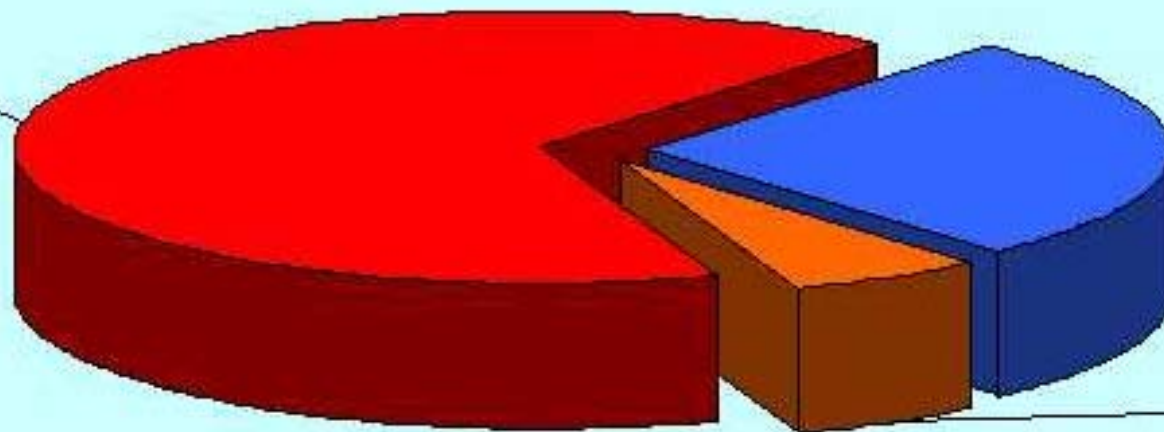
*Source: Emergency Service Organisations June 2006*

# Emergency Services

Volunteers 2005

**Country Fire  
Authority**  
59,109

**Life Saving  
Victoria**  
24,000



**State  
Emergency  
Service**  
5,500

# Responding to emergencies

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Map 1A



- **2005/06**
  - \$4.1m in grants
  - 123 groups