



RACING PORTFOLIO

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Introduction

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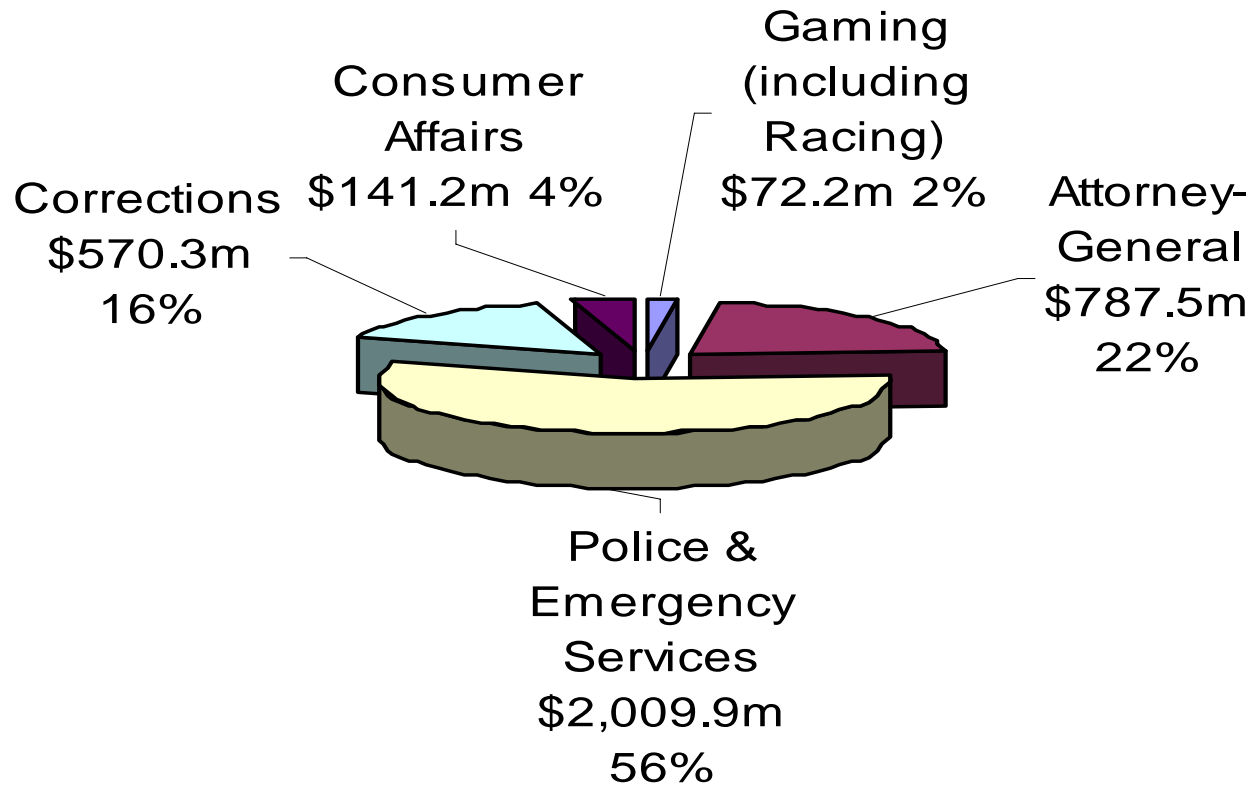
State Government
Victoria

- **Victorian racing is recognised as a national leader**
- **Responsible for employment of over 70,000 people, with two-thirds in country Victoria**
- **Economic impact in excess of \$2 billion per annum - half in rural and regional Victoria**



Share of \$3.58bn Justice Budget

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Achievements 2007/08



- **Legislation / Regulation**
 - Race fields legislation
 - A world first
 - National and International commendation
 - Closing in on the ‘free riders’



Achievements 2007/08



- **Funding support**
 - Racing Industry Development Program
 - Living Country Racing Program



Priorities for 2008-09

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- **Future funding for the Victorian racing industry**
 - No less favourable for the Victorian racing industry
 - Changes to wagering tax rate



Priorities for 2008-09

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- **Ensure a strong and growing racing industry**
- **Sound legislative framework and governance structures**
- **Maintaining public confidence**





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