

Minister for Economic Growth

Economic Growth Portfolio

Vote Business, Science and Innovation

Report in relation to selected non-departmental appropriations for the year ended 30 June 2025

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Foreword

Ministers are responsible for reporting the financial and non-financial performance of non-departmental appropriations to Parliament. This report provides information about the year-end performance results of non-departmental appropriations that have not been included in any other reports to Parliament.

This report provides the 1 July 2024 - 30 June 2025 results of relevant non-departmental appropriations for the Economic Growth portfolio within Vote Business, Science and Innovation. The relevant appropriations are:

Non-Departmental Other Expenses

• Economic Development: New Zealand Screen Production Grant - International 2021-2026 (Multi-Year Appropriation)

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Statements of Performance

Non-Departmental Other Expenses

Economic Development: New Zealand Screen Production Grant -

International 2021-2026 (Multi-Year Appropriation)

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to providing grant assistance to screen productions that are internationally focused and produced in New Zealand.

Commences: 01 July 2021

Expires: 30 June 2026

Intention Statement

The appropriation is intended to achieve economic and industry benefits to New Zealand, including employment and skill development opportunities by incentivising screen productions that would not otherwise have been made in New Zealand.

Assessment of Performance

Non-Financial

Performance Measures	2023/24	2024/25	2024/25
	Actual Result	Budget Standard	Actual Result
Number of international screen productions submitting new registrations for the New Zealand Screen Production Grant	43	10	22

Comment

The 2024/25 result can be broken down as: 7 live-action productions and 15 Post, Digital and Visual Effects (PDV) productions.

The increase in the number of international screen productions registering is due in part to a higher than expected up-take since the criteria changes in 2023.

The standard numbers for this measure are only used as a guide, actual numbers will fluctuate annually in accordance with the demand.

Financial

Expenses	2023/24 Actual \$000	2024/25 Estimates \$000	2024/25 Supplementary Estimates \$000	2024/25 Actual \$000
Total Appropriation	212,674	178,395	250,000	228,839

Comment

This appropriation is underspent by \$21.2m (8%) year ended 30 June 2025. This is a Multi-Year Appropriation (MYA) and is from 1 August 2021 to 30 June 2026 with a total budget of \$991.167m with an increase in Budget 2025 of \$98.476m. Total MYA spend to 30 June 2025 is \$760.006m leaving \$231.161m for 2025/26. Underspend relates to the grant being uncapped and difficult to forecast how many productions will register each year.