

THE HON JAALA PULFORD MP

MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE



Economic Development,
Jobs, Transport
and Resources

PORTFOLIO CONTRIBUTION

ECONOMIC





Contribution to Gross State Product (14/15)

- \$10b  \$832k
- 2.7%  0.1%

Exports (14/15)

- \$11.6b  \$282k

Value of production

- \$13.1b Agriculture (14/15)  \$461k
- \$534m Forestry (13/14)  \$74m
- \$54.5m WC fisheries (13/14)  \$71k
- \$25.4m Aquaculture (13/14)  \$4.7m

Employment

- 92,500 people (Feb 16)  2,700

SOCIAL & ENVIRONMENTAL

Recreational fishing

- 830,000 fishers
- \$7.1 billion in economic activity (EY Figures)

Game hunting

- 48,000 licenced hunters
- \$439 million in economic contribution

Domestic animals

- 673,000 registered dogs
- 213,000 registered cats

Animal welfare

- 942 livestock reports
- 10,708 other animal reports (RSPCA)

Biosecurity

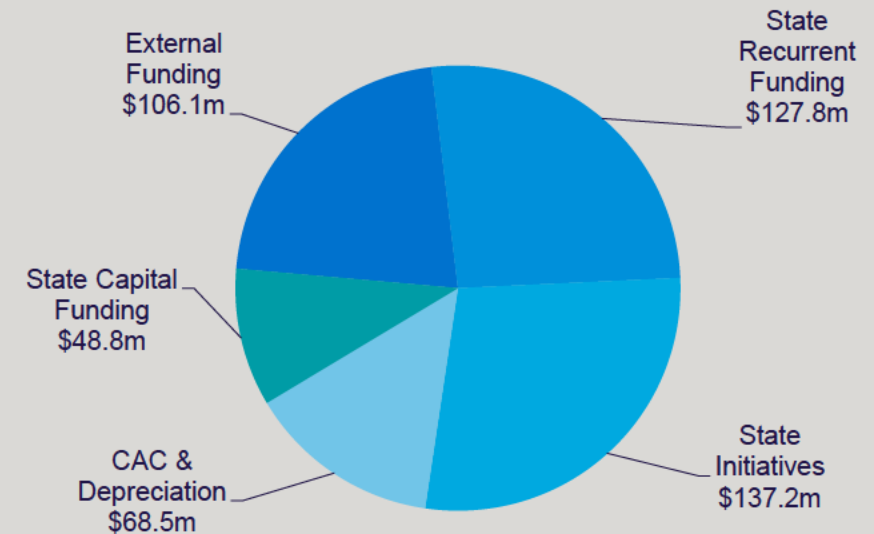
- 20+ biosecurity incursions

PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW

2016-17 AGRICULTURE PORTFOLIO BUDGET

	Output	Asset	Total
Agriculture	\$351.9m	\$48.8m	\$400.7m
Fish, Game & Forestry	\$ 87.7m	-	\$ 87.7m
Total	\$439.6m	\$48.8m	\$488.4m

FUNDING COMPOSITION



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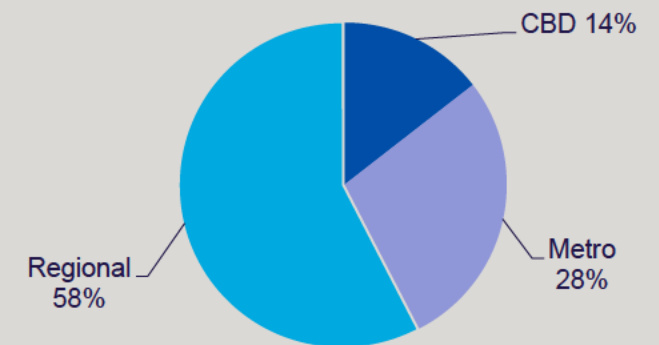
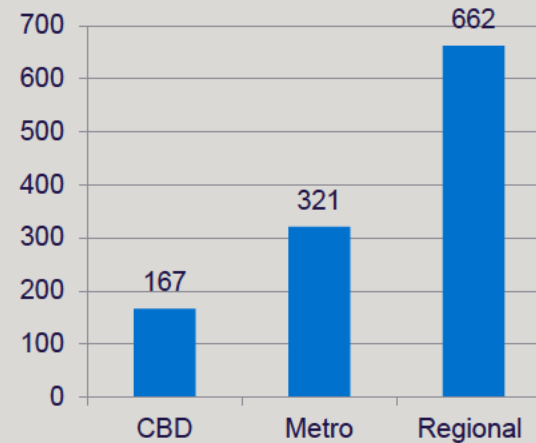
WORKFORCE

Employment by Output

- Total - 1,150.0 FTEs (March 2016)
- Agriculture – 1003.6 FTE
- Fish, Game & Forestry – 146.4 FTE

A Strong Regional Presence:

- CBD 166.6
- Metro 321.1
- Regional 662.3



PORTFOLIO OBJECTIVES

Agriculture

- Grow agriculture and food jobs, support farming families and regional communities in transition
 - Grow exports, establish new markets and overcome trade barriers
 - Support industry-driven research and innovation to meet market requirements
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Biosecurity

- Maintain market access and industry productivity
 - Minimise the impact of animal and plant pests and diseases
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Animal welfare & domestic animals

- Protect the welfare of all animals
 - Encourage responsible pet ownership
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Fishing, forestry & game hunting

- Sustainably manage and allocate Victoria's fishery, forest and game resources
- Grow recreational fishing and get more families outdoors

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS

Agriculture

- Medicinal cannabis cultivation framework
- Wine Industry Development
- Agribusiness Development Facilitation Model
- Victorian Chicken Meat Council Industry Strategy response
- National Poppies Agreement and implementation plan
- Agriculture Infrastructure and Jobs Fund
- Attracting and retaining young people in agriculture
- First round of young farmers scholarships
- Drought assistance package



MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS

Fishing

- Removed 87% of targeted commercial netting effort from Port Phillip Bay
- Stocked a record 3 million fish
- Target One Million election commitments
- Better Fishing Facilities - supported 30 projects

Biosecurity

- Managing Fruit Fly in Victoria Action Plan 2015-2020
- Chestnut Blight , Giant Pine Scale & Blueberry Rust eradication
- Hazelnut mite, Plum Pox and Thief Ant responses

Animal welfare & domestic animals

- Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (POCTA) Amendment Bill 2015
- Round 4 of the Animal Welfare Fund Grant program
- Chief Veterinary Officer investigation into live baiting and government response



BUDGET INITIATIVES

Agriculture

- Access to medicinal cannabis - \$7.3m over three years
- Rural Financial Counselling Service - \$5m over three years
- Agriculture Infrastructure and Jobs Fund - \$200m over four years

Biosecurity

- Fox and wild dog management - \$6.3m over four years
- Biosecurity capability & preparedness - \$25.5m over two years



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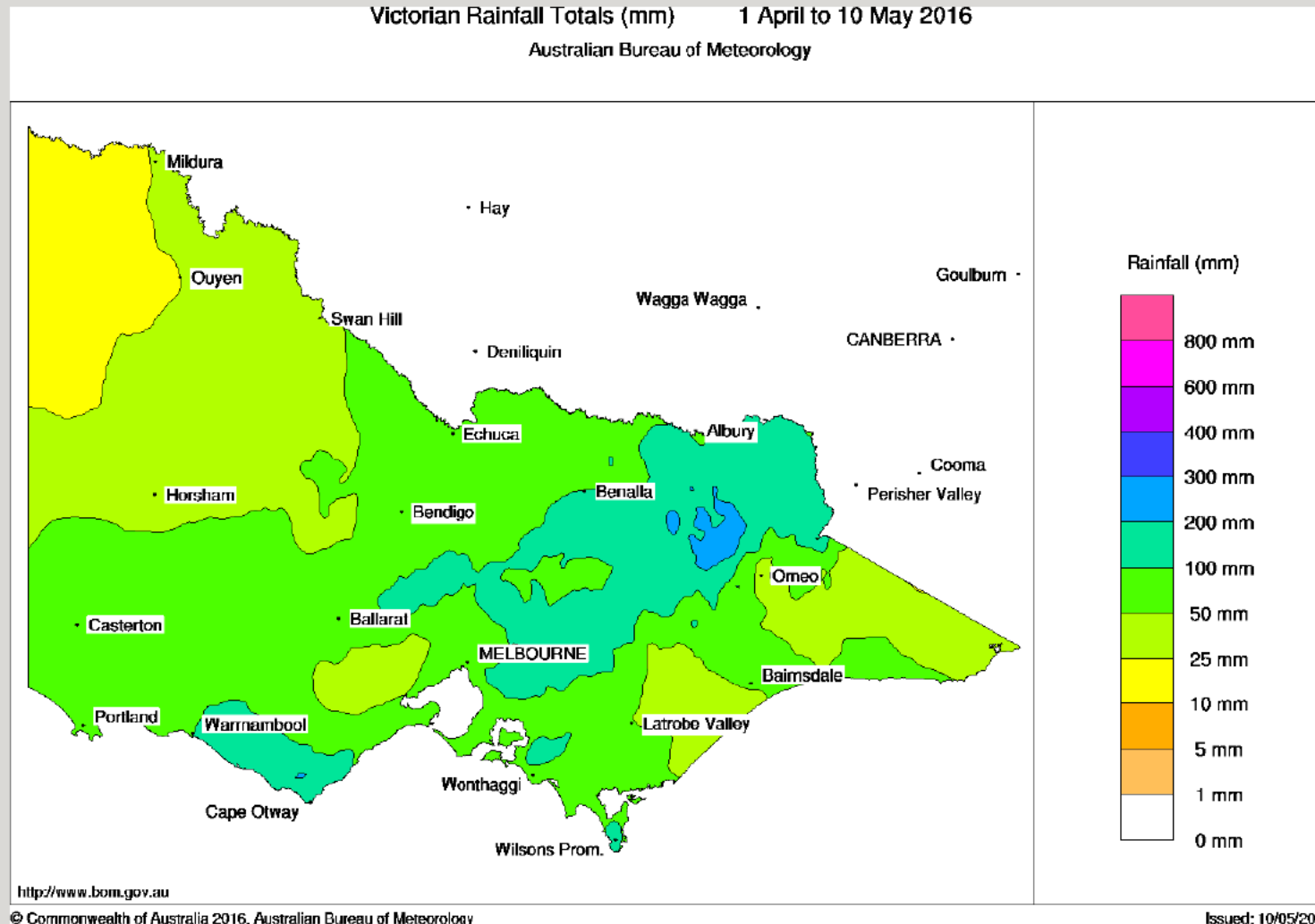
- Animal welfare reform - \$2.6m over two years

Fishing, forestry & game hunting

- Target One Million - \$12m over four years (also \$25.8m in 15/16)
- Sustainable Hunting Action Plan – \$5.3m over four years



LOOKING AHEAD



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- **Agriculture Infrastructure and Jobs Fund a \$200 million investment**
- **Animal Welfare – phasing out puppy farms**
- **Medicinal Cannabis**
- **Recreational Fishing**
- **Biosecurity and Giant Pine Scale**
- **Dairy price step down**

