

Public Accounts and Estimates Committee 2015-16 Budget Estimates Hearing

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2015-16 Budget – Overview

The *2015-16 Victorian Budget* is focussed on:

- Putting Victorian families first by investing in the services they depend on
- Addressing demand for core services
- Continuing successful programs
- Delivering election commitments

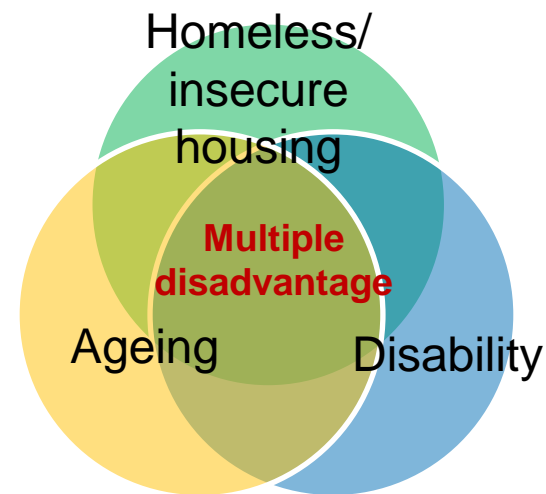


Housing, Disability and Ageing Portfolio

Services that support some of the most vulnerable Victorians

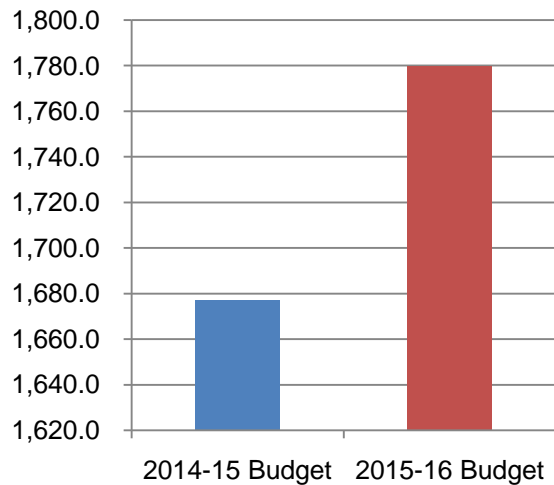
Major challenges:

- multiple disadvantage
- existing demand exceeding supply
- delivering on major reform (HACC and NDIS)
- impact of Commonwealth welfare reforms



Significant growth in funding across all aspects of the portfolio: additional output funding of \$664m over 5 years for vulnerable Victorians

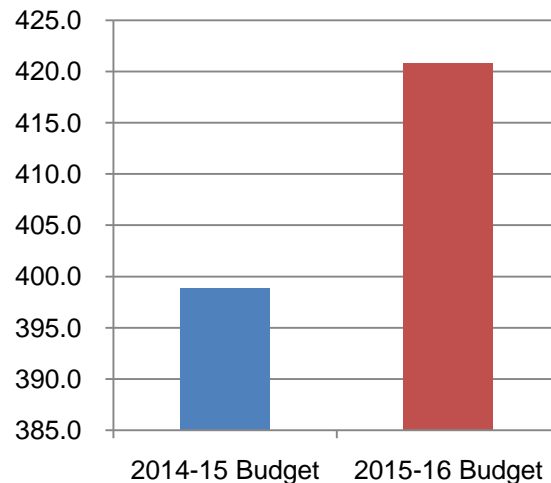
Disability Services (\$ million)



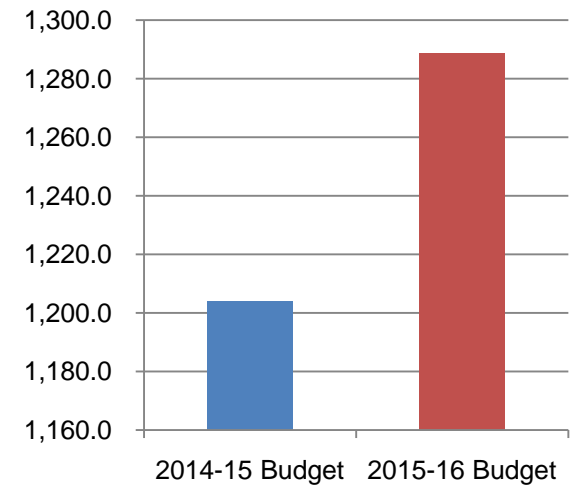
6.1 per cent increase

5.5 per cent increase

Housing Assistance (\$ million)



Ageing, Aged and Home Care (\$ million)



7.1 per cent increase

2015-16 Budget highlights

\$151.1 million for additional services for Victorians with a disability

- Up to 830 additional individual support packages
- The highest increase in the number of individual support packages since 2008-09
- Includes packages for children with high needs, young people exiting school and the Futures for Young Adults program, and other priority individuals

2015-16 Budget highlights



\$47.5 million in new commitments for housing and homelessness

- **\$40.3 million** and ongoing funding to continue the Innovation Action Projects
- **\$6.6 million** and ongoing funding to continue Work and Learning Centres
- **\$0.6 million** for the Gatwick Private Hotel rooming house

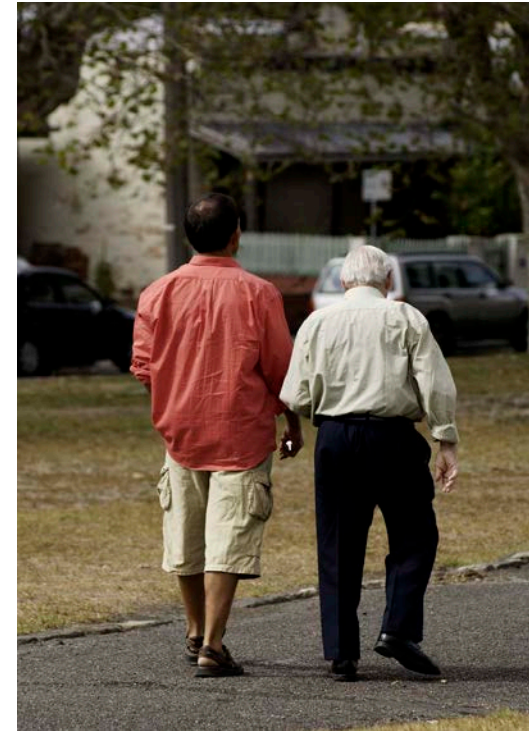
2015-16 Budget highlights

\$7.5 million for family violence supports

- \$3.5 million for crisis services
- \$1.4 million for Domestic Violence Victoria
- \$0.6 million for responses to Aboriginal people
- \$2.0 million for access workers

2015-16 Budget highlights

\$451.2 million over four years for the Social and Community Services Equal Remuneration Order



\$6.8 million for HACC services