



Victorian Budget 2019-20

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Ambulance Services Overview

The Andrews Labor Government's 2019-20 Victorian Budget is investing **\$299.6 million in ambulance services**, to maintain and improve services and respond to demand.

This includes:

- **\$53.9 million in output funding and \$54.9 million in asset funding** to deliver on our election commitment to back our paramedics to keep saving lives
- **\$190.8 million** to maintain our ambulance service capacity and meet demand growth

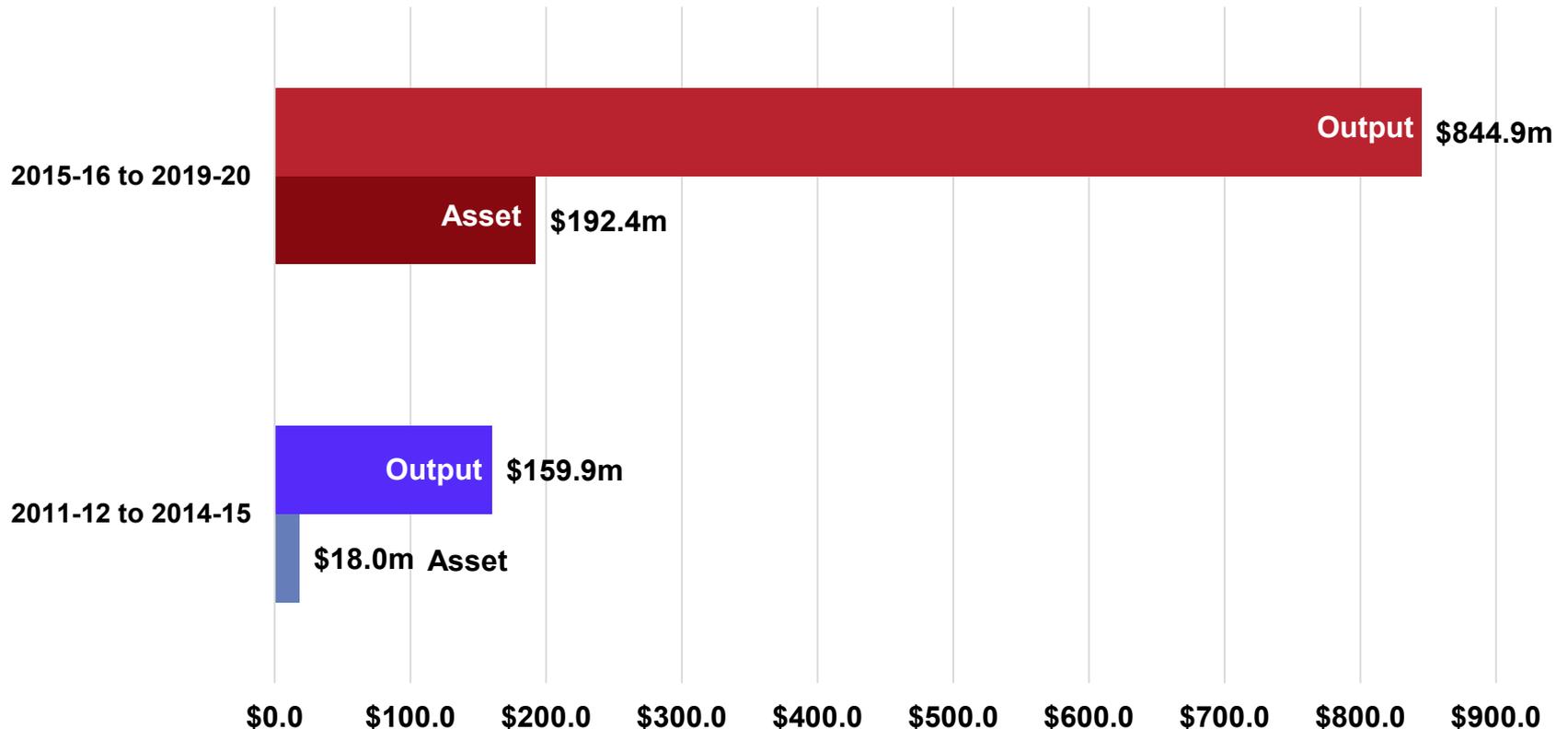
Over the past five years, the Andrews Labor Government has invested over **\$1 billion** in ambulance services and infrastructure which has led to paramedics arriving at critical emergencies faster than ever before.



Ambulance Services Budget Initiatives

Between 2015-16 to 2019-20, the government has invested over **\$1 billion** in ambulance services.

**Ambulance Services
Output & Asset Initiatives (\$m)**



Investing across Victoria

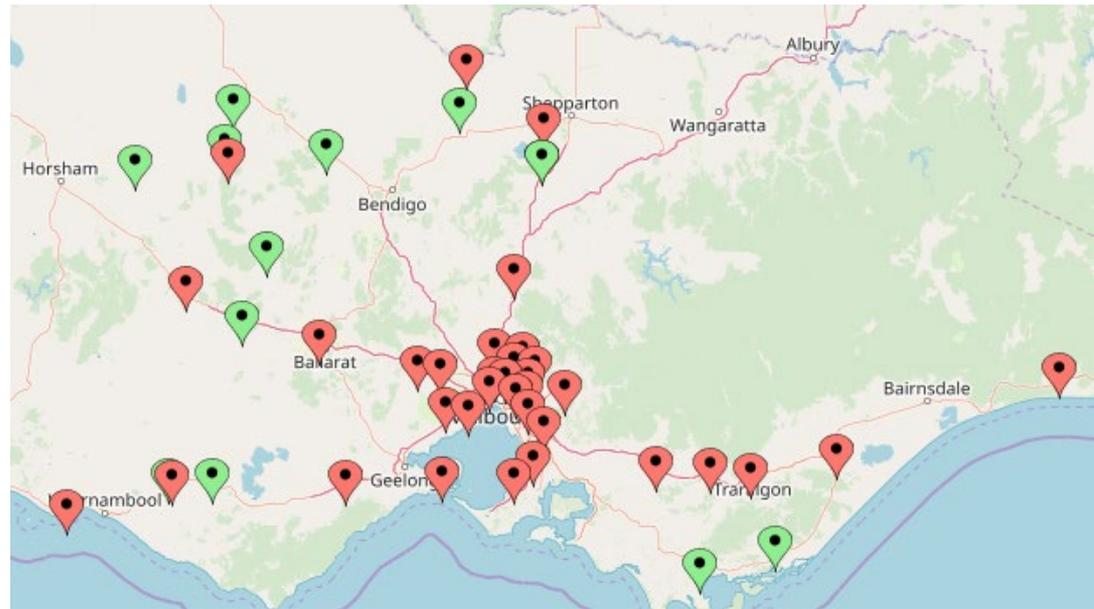
Modern, advanced and well-located ambulance stations mean Victorians can receive the right care at the right time during an emergency.

In the previous term of our government, we committed to upgrading and rebuilding high priority ambulance stations at **35 locations** across the state.

An additional **four** have been committed to in the 2019-20 Victorian Budget in areas of high demand.

Additionally, **15 single** paramedic crews in rural Victoria will be converted into dual paramedic crew stations.

An increase of **51** general purpose ambulance vehicles from 2015-16 to 2017-18.



 35 locations being upgraded or rebuilt

 Identified crew locations to be converted into dual paramedic crew stations

Backing our Paramedics to keep saving lives

\$53.9 million in output funding and **\$54.9 million** in asset funding will back our paramedics to keep saving lives by providing:

- 90 additional staff to respond to the most urgent needs of Victorians
- 23 vehicles for surge capacity to improve emergency ambulance availability and reduce paramedic fatigue
- More new and upgraded ambulance stations



Supporting Ambulance Services

Victorians with medical emergencies expect ambulance services to provide lifesaving treatment and transport promptly. The 2019-20 Victorian Budget includes **\$190.8 million** funding to support:

- Ever-increasing demand for ambulance services, while maintaining significant improvements in response performance
- 24/7 coverage in Ambulance Victoria's secondary triage service
- Mental health wellbeing programs and occupational violence training for paramedics to recognise and manage a variety of occupational violence hazards

