

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

MISSION

The New York State Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) promotes traffic safety, provides consumer protection and information services, and assists other government agencies achieve their missions. DMV collects fees and generates non-tax revenues to support these objectives.

ORGANIZATION AND STAFFING

Under the direction of the Commissioner, the Department operates from its main office in Albany (Empire State Plaza) and from three regional headquarters in Albany, Long Island and New York City. The Department also operates 31 district and branch offices which issue licenses and registrations. In addition, County Clerk offices act as DMV agents at 105 locations throughout the State.

The Department of Motor Vehicles will have a workforce of 3,384 for 2001-02 most of whom license drivers and register motor vehicles. Approximately 75 percent of these positions are supported by State tax dollars and 24 percent are financed by fees, including a portion of traffic violation fines in certain localities. The remaining one percent are funded with Federal grants.

FISCAL BACKGROUND AND BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

The Executive Budget recommends approximately \$128 million in State tax dollars in 2001-02 to support 58 percent of the Department's operating budget. The balance is financed by Federal funds and various fees and fines. These recommendations continue efforts to enhance customer service and driver safety, and support a variety of technology initiatives.

In 2000, the license renewal term for most motorists was expanded from five years to eight years. This Executive Budget would similarly extend the renewal term for the remaining 1.3 million drivers who hold commercial licenses.

In early 2001, the Department will begin to reissue the newly designed Empire State License Plate to the more than nine million registered vehicles. In conjunction with the license plate reissuance, the Executive Budget includes a recommendation to authorize a new series of custom license plates including more contemporary designs for the State's regional custom plate series. New plates were last issued in 1986 and many are no longer legible. In addition to the benefit of replacing illegible plates, this initiative will help law enforcement identify fraudulent plates and uninsured drivers.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

CUSTOMER SERVICE

DMV issues driver's licenses and vehicle registrations, collects approximately \$955 million in revenue for the State and localities, monitors driver training and enforces the directives of local magistrates and departmental referees. State offices are also responsible for conducting road tests and maintaining enforcement sections that issue conditional and restricted use licenses and handle other suspension and revocation activities. The Department of Motor Vehicles served more than 20 million customers last year.

The Department also adjudicates traffic violations at 11 locations in New York City, and several other jurisdictions across the State. This allows local judges and criminal

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courts to dedicate their activities to criminal matters. This program is funded entirely by fines collected from violators. After State operating expenses are deducted, remaining funds are returned to the jurisdictions where the violations occurred.

Last year, DMV began accepting credit cards at all of its issuing offices. This change greatly enhances the Department's ability to provide services over the telephone and through its Internet website — which now receives more than one million visitors each year. As such, in 2001-02, DMV will expand opportunities for customers to utilize the telephone and Internet for services that previously required in-person office visits, such as registration renewals and scheduling road tests.

VEHICLE AND DRIVER SAFETY

Governor Pataki's highway safety policies have resulted in reductions in fatalities and serious injuries on our roads. Contributing to this success have been enforcement and educational efforts by State, local and non-profit agencies, including a statewide crackdown to stop those who drink and drive or engage in aggressive driving on our highways, statewide initiatives to promote proper child safety seat usage, as well as the statewide Buckle Up NY enforcement campaign which has increased seatbelt usage to over 76 percent. These efforts have resulted in New York State's roadways being some of the safest in the nation.

DMV vehicle safety activities include: licensing and monitoring safety and emissions inspection stations; registering auto repair shops, dealers, transporters and dismantlers; and certifying vehicle inspectors, junk and salvage businesses and automotive body damage estimators.

Driver safety initiatives include implementation and oversight of educational or rehabilitative programs for motorists convicted of alcohol or drug related driving offenses, the point insurance reduction program and pre-licensing courses. DMV also licenses and monitors driving schools and instructors.

FIELD INVESTIGATION AND AUDIT

One of the Department's major functions is to issue credentials which establish the identity and license status of drivers, the ownership of vehicles and boats, and the authenticity of auto-related businesses. External investigation activities concern stolen automobiles, fraudulent identity and motor vehicle documents and complaints regarding unlicensed and suspended drivers. In addition, the 2001-02 Executive Budget will enable DMV to enhance its efforts to prevent odometer fraud.

ALL FUNDS APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)				
Category	Available 2000-01	Appropriations Recommended 2001-02	Change	Reappropriations Recommended 2001-02
State Operations	213,913,600	220,219,100	6,305,500	15,105,500
Aid To Localities	12,800,000	10,920,000	(1,880,000)	10,400,000
Capital Projects	0	0	0	0
Total	<u>226,713,600</u>	<u>231,139,100</u>	<u>4,425,500</u>	<u>25,505,500</u>

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ALL FUND TYPES PROJECTED LEVELS OF EMPLOYMENT BY PROGRAM FILLED ANNUAL SALARIED POSITIONS

Full-Time Equivalent Positions (FTE)			
Program	2000-01 Estimated FTEs 03/31/01	2001-02 Estimated FTEs 03/31/02	FTE Change
Administration			
General Fund	272	272	0
Administrative Adjudication			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	460	462	2
Clean Air			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	159	159	0
Compulsory Insurance			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	190	204	14
Governor's Traffic Safety Committee			
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	27	27	0
Operations			
General Fund	1,620	1,615	(5)
Transportation Safety			
General Fund	666	645	(21)
Total	3,394	3,384	(10)

STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

Fund Type	Available 2000-01	Recommended 2001-02	Change
General Fund	124,752,500	127,942,400	3,189,900
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	9,941,400	7,967,300	(1,974,100)
Special Revenue Funds - Other	77,719,700	82,809,400	5,089,700
Internal Service Funds	1,500,000	1,500,000	0
Total	213,913,600	220,219,100	6,305,500
Adjustments:			
Transfer(s) From			
Special Pay Bill			
General Fund	(7,996,000)		
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	(78,000)		
Special Revenue Funds - Other	(3,304,000)		
Appropriated 2000-01	202,535,600		

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STATE OPERATIONS ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

<u>Program</u>	<u>Available 2000-01</u>	<u>Recommended 2001-02</u>	<u>Change</u>
Administration			
General Fund	32,593,100	32,873,000	279,900
Special Revenue Funds - Other	775,000	775,000	0
Administrative Adjudication			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	30,706,900	33,095,600	2,388,700
Clean Air			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	10,363,700	10,476,200	112,500
Compulsory Insurance			
Special Revenue Funds - Other	13,689,100	16,277,600	2,588,500
Governor's Traffic Safety Committee			
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	9,941,400	7,967,300	(1,974,100)
Operations			
General Fund	80,274,500	83,719,400	3,444,900
Internal Service Funds	1,500,000	1,500,000	0
Transportation Safety			
General Fund	11,884,900	11,350,000	(534,900)
Special Revenue Funds - Other	<u>22,185,000</u>	<u>22,185,000</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	<u>213,913,600</u>	<u>220,219,100</u>	<u>6,305,500</u>

STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF PERSONAL SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES 2001-02 RECOMMENDED (dollars)

<u>Program</u>	<u>Total Personal Service</u>		<u>Personal Service Regular (Annual Salaried)</u>	
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>
Administration	13,480,300	279,900	12,919,200	279,900
Operations	55,324,400	1,136,900	54,582,400	1,136,900
Transportation Safety	<u>25,181,000</u>	<u>(534,900)</u>	<u>24,812,100</u>	<u>(534,900)</u>
Total	<u>93,985,700</u>	<u>881,900</u>	<u>92,313,700</u>	<u>881,900</u>
<u>Program</u>	<u>Temporary Service (Nonannual Salaried)</u>		<u>Holiday/Overtime Pay (Annual Salaried)</u>	
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>
Administration	124,100	0	437,000	0
Operations	193,000	0	549,000	0
Transportation Safety	<u>39,500</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>329,400</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	<u>356,600</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,315,400</u>	<u>0</u>

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STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF NONPERSONAL SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE UNDISTRIBUTED APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES 2001-02 RECOMMENDED (dollars)

<u>Program</u>	<u>Total Nonpersonal Service</u>		<u>Supplies and Materials</u>	
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>
Administration	19,392,700	0	306,000	0
Operations	28,395,000	2,308,000	488,000	0
Transportation Safety	(13,831,000)	0	910,000	0
Total	<u>33,956,700</u>	<u>2,308,000</u>	<u>1,704,000</u>	<u>0</u>

<u>Program</u>	<u>Travel</u>		<u>Contractual Services</u>	
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>
Administration	119,000	0	18,740,700	0
Operations	25,000	0	27,477,000	2,308,000
Transportation Safety	1,041,000	0	5,379,000	0
Total	<u>1,185,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>51,596,700</u>	<u>2,308,000</u>

<u>Program</u>	<u>Equipment</u>		<u>Maintenance Undistributed</u>	
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>
Administration	227,000	0	0	0
Operations	405,000	0	0	0
Transportation Safety	39,000	0	(21,200,000)	0
Total	<u>671,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(21,200,000)</u>	<u>0</u>

STATE OPERATIONS - OTHER THAN GENERAL FUND SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND CHANGES 2001-02 RECOMMENDED (dollars)

<u>Program</u>	<u>Total</u>		<u>Personal Service</u>	
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>
Administration	775,000	0	0	0
Administrative Adjudication	33,095,600	2,388,700	17,744,000	500,600
Clean Air	10,476,200	112,500	6,278,500	75,000
Compulsory Insurance	16,277,600	2,588,500	7,177,000	928,100
Governor's Traffic Safety Committee	7,967,300	(1,974,100)	450,000	(19,000)
Operations	1,500,000	0	0	0
Transportation Safety	22,185,000	0	0	0
Total	<u>92,276,700</u>	<u>3,115,600</u>	<u>31,649,500</u>	<u>1,484,700</u>

<u>Program</u>	<u>Nonpersonal Service</u>		<u>Maintenance Undistributed</u>	
	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Change</u>
Administration	775,000	0	0	0
Administrative Adjudication	15,351,600	1,888,100	0	0
Clean Air	4,197,700	37,500	0	0
Compulsory Insurance	9,100,600	1,660,400	0	0
Governor's Traffic Safety Committee	217,300	(5,100)	7,300,000	(1,950,000)
Operations	0	0	1,500,000	0
Transportation Safety	985,000	0	21,200,000	0
Total	<u>30,627,200</u>	<u>3,580,900</u>	<u>30,000,000</u>	<u>(1,950,000)</u>

AID TO LOCALITIES ALL FUNDS FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS BY FUND TYPE APPROPRIATIONS (dollars)

<u>Fund Type</u>	<u>Available 2000-01</u>	<u>Recommended 2001-02</u>	<u>Change</u>
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	12,800,000	10,920,000	(1,880,000)
Total	<u>12,800,000</u>	<u>10,920,000</u>	<u>(1,880,000)</u>

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(dollars)**

<u>Program</u>	<u>Available 2000-01</u>	<u>Recommended 2001-02</u>	<u>Change</u>
Governor's Traffic Safety Committee			
Special Revenue Funds - Federal	<u>12,800,000</u>	<u>10,920,000</u>	<u>(1,880,000)</u>
Total	<u>12,800,000</u>	<u>10,920,000</u>	<u>(1,880,000)</u>