

Head 60 — HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT

Controlling officer: the Director of Highways will account for expenditure under this Head.

Estimate 2011–12	\$2,230.5m
Establishment ceiling 2011–12 (notional annual mid-point salary value) representing an estimated 2 053 non-directorate posts as at 31 March 2011 rising by 17 posts to 2 070 posts as at 31 March 2012	\$731.9m
In addition, there will be an estimated 36 directorate posts as at 31 March 2011 and as at 31 March 2012.	
Commitment balance	\$43.0m

Controlling Officer's Report

Programmes

Programme (1) Capital Projects	This programme contributes to Policy Area 21: Land and Waterborne Transport (Secretary for Transport and Housing) and Policy Area 23: Environmental Protection, Conservation, Power and Sustainable Development (Secretary for the Environment).
Programme (2) District and Maintenance	This programme contributes to Policy Area 21: Land and Waterborne Transport (Secretary for Transport and Housing) and Policy Area 24 : Water Supply, Drainage and Slope Safety (Secretary for Development).
Programme (3) Railway Development	This programme contributes to Policy Area 21: Land and Waterborne Transport (Secretary for Transport and Housing).
Programme (4) Technical Services	This programme contributes to Policy Area 21: Land and Waterborne Transport (Secretary for Transport and Housing) and Policy Area 24: Water Supply, Drainage and Slope Safety (Secretary for Development).

Detail

Programme (1): Capital Projects

	2009–10 (Actual)	2010–11 (Original)	2010–11 (Revised)	2011–12 (Estimate)
Financial provision (\$m)	290.9	287.0	284.2 (-1.0%)	300.4 (+5.7%)
				(or +4.7% on 2010–11 Original)

Aim

2 The aim is to expand and improve the road network in order to meet the growth in traffic demand, serve new development areas and facilitate the movement of people and goods both within the territory and across the boundary in accordance with approved programmes and at the same time contribute towards sustainable development.

Brief Description

3 The Department is responsible for the implementation of highway projects in the Public Works Programme. This involves the planning, investigation, design and supervision of the construction of roads, bridges, tunnels and traffic noise mitigation measures, using in-house resources as well as consultants.

4 In 2010, the Department's performance was generally satisfactory. The Department spent about \$3.3 billion on the following road infrastructure projects:

Works commenced —

- reconstruction of footbridge near Hsin Kuang Centre; and
- retrofitting of noise barriers on Fanling Highway (MTR Fanling Station to Wo Hing Road).

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Works in progress —

- reconstruction and improvement of Tuen Mun Road including works for retrofitting of noise barriers;
- construction of footbridge A along Tai Ho Road in Tsuen Wan;
- traffic improvements to Tuen Mun Road Town Centre Section;
- improvement to Sham Tseng Interchange;
- widening of Tolo Highway between Island House Interchange and Tai Hang;
- Central-Wanchai Bypass and Island Eastern Corridor Link;
- retrofitting of noise barriers on Fanling Highway (Po Shek Wu Road to MTR Fanling Station); and
- Centre Street escalator link (Stage 1).

Works substantially completed —

- retrofitting of noise barriers on Tsing Tsuen Bridge at Tsing Yi and Tsuen Wan approaches;
- retrofitting of noise barriers at Kwun Tong Bypass;
- retrofitting of noise barriers on Yuen Shin Road; and
- widening of Tuen Mun Road at Tsing Tin Interchange.

5 On the planning side, the Department has:

- continued to pursue the design and to take forward the statutory procedures for widening of Tolo Highway/Fanling Highway between Island House Interchange and Fanling - Stage 2;
- for the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (HZMB):
 - continued to assist in the pre-construction work for the phased commencement of construction of the Main Bridge, as well as to monitor the progress of the works of the Main Bridge which have commenced;
 - continued with the statutory procedures and commenced the preparatory work for tender and construction for the Hong Kong Link Road (HKLR); and
 - continued with the statutory procedures and detailed design for the Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities (HKBCF);
- continued with the investigation and preliminary design for the Tuen Mun Western Bypass;
- continued with the investigation and preliminary design for the Tuen Mun-Chek Lap Kok Link and the detailed design for its southern landfall;
- continued with the investigation and preliminary design for the Central Kowloon Route;
- continued with the statutory procedures for Hiram's Highway Improvement Stage 1;
- continued with the investigation for Hiram's Highway Improvement Stage 2;
- commenced the detailed design for retrofitting of noise barriers on Tai Po Tai Wo Road; and
- completed the statutory procedures and detailed design for improvement and extension of Kam Pok Road.

6 The key performance measures are:

Targets

	Target	2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Plan)
maintaining cost of capital projects within approved project estimate (%)	100	100	100	100
capital projects with expenditure incurred in the scheduled year (%).....	100	100	100	100
works contracts commenced in accordance with agreed programmes (%)	90	100	100	90
works contracts completed in accordance with agreed programmes (%).....	95	100	100	95

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Indicators

	2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Estimate)
capital projects under design and construction by			
in-house staff			
(no.).....	51	43	44
(\$m).....	2,733.0	1,810.8	2,156.6
consultants			
(no.).....	110	85	89
(\$m).....	194,190.0	111,637.8	153,549.7
expenditure in the year on capital projects under design and construction by			
in-house staff (\$m).....	661.0	552.0	607.2
consultants (\$m).....	2,593.0	4,311.4	6,749.9
works contracts commenced.....	16	11	6
works contracts completed.....	3	7	5

Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2011–12

7 During 2011–12, the Department will:

- monitor closely the construction progress of the following key highway projects:
 - traffic improvements to Tuen Mun Road Town Centre Section;
 - reconstruction and improvement of Tuen Mun Road;
 - widening of Tolo Highway between Island House Interchange and Tai Hang;
 - Central-Wanchai Bypass and Island Eastern Corridor Link; and
 - improvement and extension of Kam Pok Road;
- for the HZMB:
 - continue to monitor the progress of the works of the Main Bridge;
 - complete the statutory procedures and commence the construction works for the HKLR; and
 - complete the statutory procedures for the HKBCF, commence its reclamation works and continue with the detailed design for the superstructures works;
- for the Tuen Mun-Chek Lap Kok Link:
 - complete the statutory procedures and commence the construction of the advance works for its southern landfall; and
 - pursue the detailed design for the remaining works;
- pursue the detailed design for the following highway projects:
 - widening of Tolo Highway/Fanling Highway between Island House Interchange and Fanling - Stage 2;
 - Hiram’s Highway Improvement Stage 1;
 - retrofitting of noise barriers on Tai Po Tai Wo Road; and
 - Central Kowloon Route;
- continue with the investigation and preliminary design for the following highway projects:
 - Hiram’s Highway Improvement Stage 2; and
 - Tuen Mun Western Bypass.

Programme (2): District and Maintenance

	2009–10 (Actual)	2010–11 (Original)	2010–11 (Revised)	2011–12 (Estimate)
Financial provision (\$m)	1,162.9	1,145.8	1,144.3 (–0.1%)	1,157.0 (+1.1%)

(or +1.0% on
2010–11 Original)

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Aim

8 The aim is to maintain the integrity of the road network with particular emphasis on safety and serviceability, ensure that the road infrastructure is not adversely affected by public or private sector developments, and implement local road infrastructure works to fit in with progress of development.

Brief Description

9 The Department is responsible for the maintenance of all public roads, including road furniture, road drainage and roadside slopes. Other major areas of responsibility include co-ordination and control of utility openings on public roads, attendance to emergencies such as typhoons, rainstorms, landslips and road subsidence, minor improvements to roads and reconstruction or rehabilitation of road pavements.

10 The Department is also involved in the planning and administration of road infrastructure through commenting on town plans, land allocations and leases, and public and private sector development proposals. The Department also provides technical advice to the Government and private sector developers on road matters and carries out local road works to match development.

11 In 2010, the Department's performance was satisfactory.

12 The key performance measures are:

Targets

	Target	2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Plan)
responding to public enquiries and complaints within seven days (%).....	100	99.9	99.9	100
displaying the purpose and the anticipated completion date of road works on site (%).....	100	99.9	99.9	100
repairing road surface				
(i) within 24 hours (%).....	90.0	99.9	100	90.0
(ii) within 48 hours (%).....	100	100	100	100
repairing traffic signs				
(i) within 36 hours (%).....	95.0#	96.8	98.6	95.0
(ii) within 48 hours (%).....	100	98.7	98.6	100
issuing road excavation permits to public utilities/road work permits within				
(i) eight days (%)^.....	75.0	—	99.9	85.0
(ii) ten days (%).....	98.0¶	99.9	99.9	98.0
(iii) 12 days (%)‡.....	—	99.9	—	—
issuing expressway works permits to public utilities within 12 days (%)Ψ.....	100	—	—	100
carrying out safety inspections on expressways (by vehicle)				
(i) once every day (%)§.....	100	100	100	100
(ii) once every two days (%).....	100	100	100	100
carrying out safety inspections on trunk roads (by vehicle) once every seven days (%).....	100	100	100	100
carrying out safety inspections on primary distributors (by vehicle) once per month (%).....	100	100	100	100
inspection of highway structures, including six-monthly superficial inspection, biennial general inspection and principal inspection to meet the capital project/maintenance programme (%).....	100	100	100	100
inspecting/cleaning traffic signs, directional signs and removing overgrown vegetation on expressways at least twice per year (%).....	100	100	100	100

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	Target	2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Plan)
inspecting/cleaning street name plates, traffic signs, directional signs, railings, barriers and planter walls at streets with high traffic flow at least once per quarter (%) ^λ	100	100	100	100
inspecting/clearing exclusive road drains at streets with high traffic flow at least once per month during the wet season and once per quarter during the dry season (%) ^ψ	100	100	100	100

Target revised upwards from 90 per cent to 95 per cent with effect from 2011.

^ New target adopted since 2010.

¶ Target revised upwards from 95 per cent to 98 per cent with effect from 2011.

‡ Target removed since 2010.

Ψ New target as from 2011.

§ Target revised upwards from 70 per cent to 100 per cent since 2010.

λ Revised description of the previous target “inspecting/cleaning street name plates, traffic signs, directional signs, railings, barriers and planter walls at black spots at least once per quarter (%)”.

ψ Revised description of the previous target “inspecting/clearing exclusive road drains at black spots at least once per month during the wet season and once per quarter during the dry season (%)”.

Indicators

	2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Estimate)
total area of roads maintained (million m ²).....	24.2	24.5	24.6
expenditure on highways maintenance (\$m).....	840.4	911.4	868.2
expenditure on roadside slope works (\$m).....	81.0	84.7	75.5
expenditure on road reconstruction, rehabilitation, resurfacing, and joint replacement works (\$m).....	362.0	289.3	261.2
expenditure on road cleanliness, streetscape enhancement and greening of shotcreted slopes (\$m).....	169.0	102.9	104.2
complaints relating to road maintenance.....	5 678	5 750	5 700
excavation/road work permits authorised.....	31 500	30 540	30 550
average duration of road excavation works per excavation permit (day).....	74	71	71
inspections carried out on sites covered by excavation permit.....	100 215	95 822	96 000
items of non-compliance with excavation permit conditions per total no. of items inspected (%).....	1.7	2.0	2.0
incidents of unattended sites per total no. of excavation permits (%).....	0.7	0.7	0.7
submissions and development proposals checked.....	20 400	20 614	21 300
incidents of damage to underground utilities by utility excavations and road works per total no. of excavation permits (%).....	0.4	0.3	0.3
excavation permits extended.....	824	727	730

Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2011–12

13 During 2011–12, the Department will:

- continue to contribute to improving road cleanliness;
- continue to improve the safety and appearance of roadside slopes;
- continue to monitor and enhance the performance of the Excavation Permit Management System to facilitate control and co-ordination of road opening works;
- continue to comment on roadwork proposals and land allocations, and monitor and implement roadwork associated with developments;
- continue to assist in implementing pedestrian schemes; and
- continue to use low-noise thermal heating method for minor repair of pavement.

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Programme (3): Railway Development

	2009–10 (Actual)	2010–11 (Original)	2010–11 (Revised)	2011–12 (Estimate)
Financial provision (\$m)	88.2	82.5	81.9 (-0.7%)	101.0 (+23.3%)
				(or +22.4% on 2010–11 Original)

Aim

14 The aim is to implement the Railway Development Strategy and formulate plans for the further development of the railway network.

Brief Description

15 The Department is required to plan, monitor and co-ordinate the various activities associated with the implementation of new railway projects including the associated Essential Public Infrastructure Works. The Department has to liaise with the railway corporation to develop detailed schemes for the railways, undertake necessary route protection, preparatory work and statutory procedures, and resolve interface issues arising from the implementation of these projects.

16 The Department will co-ordinate with other departments concerned for approval of the infrastructure layout design for the various new railways and their interface arrangements with other projects, and take part in site liaison for traffic diversion and other construction matters, as well as issues on the commissioning and operation of the railways.

17 The Department is responsible for carrying out studies to formulate plans for the further development of the railway network to cater for the sustainable social, economic, land and housing development of Hong Kong.

18 In 2010, the Department's performance was satisfactory. The construction of the West Island Line and the Hong Kong section of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link continued.

19 Regarding railway projects under planning, the amendments to railway schemes of the South Island Line (East) and the Kwun Tong Line Extension were gazetted for public consultation in June 2010. Both railway schemes were authorised for construction in November 2010. The MTR Corporation Limited (MTRCL) is carrying out further planning and design of the Shatin to Central Link and the project scheme was gazetted for public consultation in November 2010. The Northern Link continued to be kept under review.

20 The key performance measures are:

Targets

	Target ^δ	2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Plan)
ensuring timely completion of the West Island Line for opening by 2014 (cumulative % completed) ^φ	45(20)	—	20	45
ensuring timely completion of the Hong Kong section of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link for opening by 2015 (cumulative % completed) ^φ	25(10)	—	10	25
formulating, negotiating and agreeing on detailed implementation plans for the Shatin to Central Link (cumulative % completed)	99(98)	95	98	99
formulating, negotiating and agreeing on detailed implementation plans for the Kwun Tong Line Extension (cumulative % completed)	100(90)	75	90	100
ensuring timely completion of the Kwun Tong Line Extension for opening by 2015 (cumulative % completed) ^Δ	10(—)	—	—	10
formulating, negotiating and agreeing on detailed implementation plans for the South Island Line (East) (cumulative % completed)	100(95)	75	95	100

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	Target ^δ	2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Plan)
ensuring timely completion of the South Island Line (East) for opening by 2015 (cumulative % completed) ^Δ	10(—)	—	—	10
receiving and assessing proposals on the Northern Link (cumulative % completed)	60(55)	50	55	60

^δ This shows the target on the cumulative progress of the projects/tasks concerned for 2011, which will be adjusted over the years until the projects/tasks are completed. The targets for 2010 are shown in brackets.

^φ New targets adopted since 2010 as the Government has authorised the construction of the projects.

^Δ New targets as from 2011 as the Government has authorised the construction of the projects.

Indicators

	2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Estimate)
submissions and development proposals (that may have impact on railway developments) processed	607	524	555
railway infrastructure layouts and ancillary building submissions processed.....	431	572	535
capital projects under design and construction entrusted to the railway corporation or other agencies			
(no.).....	14	17	19
(\$m)	77,897.0	74,191.4	84,205.7
expenditure in the year on capital projects under design and construction entrusted to the railway corporation or other agencies			
(no.).....	14	17	19
(\$m)	1,555.9	7,881.1	13,172.2
planning studies carried out by consultants			
(no.).....	7	7	8
(\$m)	47.7	150.2	191.2
transport and planning studies with railway planning input provided by the Department	17	18	15

Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2011–12

21 During 2011–12, the Department will:

- co-ordinate actions with concerned bodies and departments to speed up land resumption and to resolve interface problems to facilitate implementation of the railway projects;
- oversee the progress of the West Island Line and the Hong Kong section of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link to ensure their timely completion;
- facilitate the detailed design work and the construction of the South Island Line (East) and the Kwun Tong Line Extension;
- facilitate the detailed design work of the Shatin to Central Link, and the review of the Northern Link;
- carry out consultancy study to review and update the Railway Development Strategy 2000;
- scrutinise submissions including project estimates by MTRCL on the implementation of railway projects;
- co-ordinate with the Mainland authorities on cross-boundary infrastructure developments; and
- continue to undertake route protection of the recommended railway projects and other longer term proposals.

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Programme (4): Technical Services

	2009–10 (Actual)	2010–11 (Original)	2010–11 (Revised)	2011–12 (Estimate)
Financial provision (\$m)	648.7	679.1	657.0 (–3.3%)	672.1 (+2.3%)

(or –1.0% on
2010–11 Original)

Aim

22 The aim is to provide technical support and set standards for the construction and maintenance of the road network.

Brief Description

23 The Department provides design input for road lighting, highway structures, roadside slope improvement and landscape features associated with capital projects and maintenance works; and inspects the safety provisions on highway construction sites. The Department researches into new materials (such as asphalt incorporating crumb rubber from scrap tyres), techniques and standards. The Department also provides engineering, quantity surveying and landscaping technical services.

24 In 2010, the Department's performance was satisfactory. The Department maintained highway structures and road lights in the territory to the required standards through prompt co-ordination, inspection and repair; and implemented quality assurance system in the design and maintenance of the road network. The Department also ensured that necessary technical support was given for the smooth implementation and operation of works in the other programmes.

25 The key performance measures are:

Targets

	Target	2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Plan)
design of structures completed to meet the capital project/maintenance programme (%)	100	100	100	100
road lighting points completed to meet the capital project/maintenance programme (%)	100	100	100	100

Indicators

	2009 (Actual)	2010 (Actual)	2011 (Estimate)
structural designs completed/in progress (highway structures)	25	23	23
road lighting points completed	6 592	6 605	6 600
expenditure on maintenance of road lights (\$m)	57.0	58.2	71.0
roadside slope improvement designs vetted	116	100	80
research and development studies and investigations completed	9	9	9
standard drawings, road notes, information technology notes and guidance notes issued and reviewed	33	34	34
engineering surveying jobs handled and plans issued by headquarters and project offices	4 705	4 664	5 000
site safety inspections	244	244	240
landscape submissions checked	2 900	3 100	3 240
landscape cases designed/implemented	2 180	2 150	2 170
vegetation maintenance cases completed@	4 000	4 500	—
hectares of land provided with vegetation maintenance serviceφ	—	—	1 030
expenditure on vegetation maintenance for roadside slopes and expressways (\$m)	34.2	39.2	41.0
Engineer Inspection Reports for slopes audited	41	44	40

@ Indicator to be removed as from 2011 as it will be replaced by a new indicator "hectares of land provided with vegetation maintenance service" to better reflect the quantum of work undertaken by the Department.

φ New indicator as from 2011.

Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2011–12

26 During 2011–12, the Department will continue to:

- enhance its quality management system with special emphasis on environment and safety management;
- enhance the environment with improved streetscape, more greening, better lighting fixtures and appropriate landscaping works;
- provide design input for pedestrian schemes;
- enhance the maintenance of vegetation for roadside slopes and expressways;
- maintain the technical standard of Engineer Inspection of slopes through audit; and
- establish and maintain survey control networks for cross-boundary highway projects.

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ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL PROVISION

Programme	2009–10 (Actual) (\$m)	2010–11 (Original) (\$m)	2010–11 (Revised) (\$m)	2011–12 (Estimate) (\$m)
(1) Capital Projects	290.9	287.0	284.2	300.4
(2) District and Maintenance.....	1,162.9	1,145.8	1,144.3	1,157.0
(3) Railway Development	88.2	82.5	81.9	101.0
(4) Technical Services.....	648.7	679.1	657.0	672.1
	2,190.7	2,194.4	2,167.4 (-1.2%)	2,230.5 (+2.9%)
				(or +1.6% on 2010–11 Original)

Analysis of Financial and Staffing Provision

Programme (1)

Provision for 2011–12 is \$16.2 million (5.7%) higher than the revised estimate for 2010–11. This is mainly due to increased provision for filling of vacancies and operating expenses, as well as a net increase of ten posts in 2011–12.

Programme (2)

Provision for 2011–12 is \$12.7 million (1.1%) higher than the revised estimate for 2010–11. This is mainly due to increased provision for filling of vacancies and a net increase of four posts in 2011–12.

Programme (3)

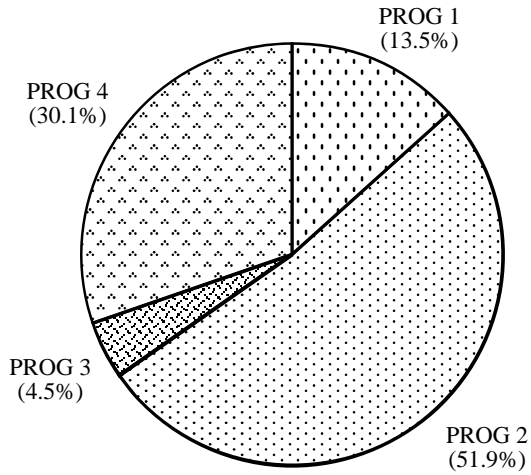
Provision for 2011–12 is \$19.1 million (23.3%) higher than the revised estimate for 2010–11. This is mainly due to provision for review and update of the Railway Development Strategy 2000 and creation of two posts in 2011–12.

Programme (4)

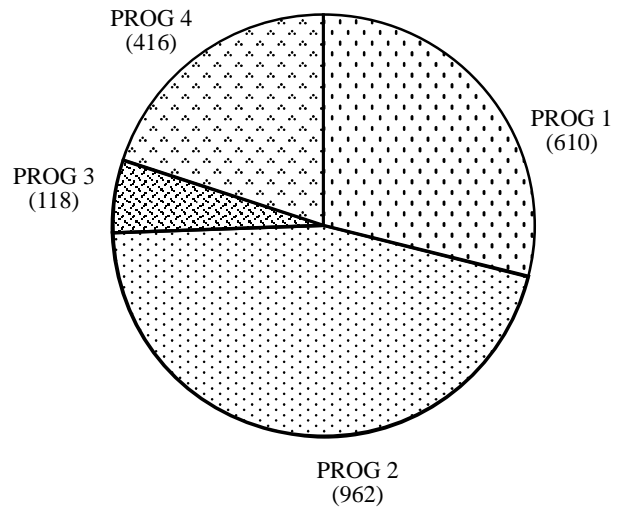
Provision for 2011–12 is \$15.1 million (2.3%) higher than the revised estimate for 2010–11. This is mainly due to increased provision for filling of vacancies and workshop services, as well as a net increase of one post in 2011–12.

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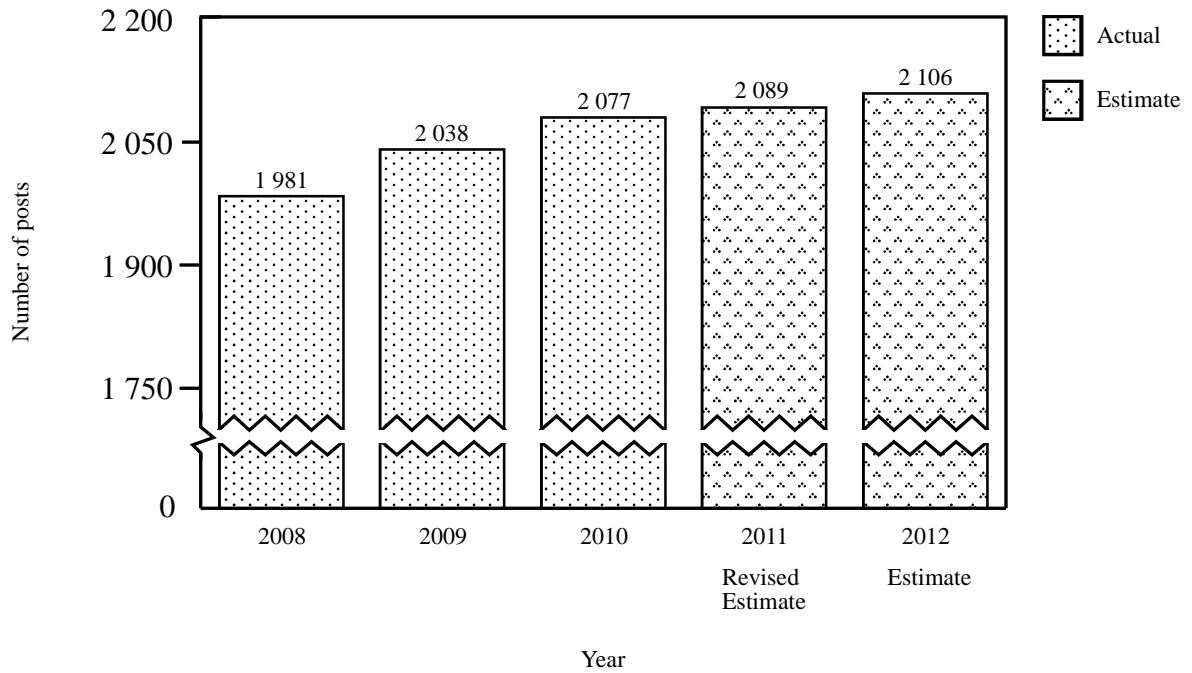
*Allocation of provision
to programmes
(2011-12)*



*Staff by programme
(as at 31 March 2012)*



*Changes in the size of the establishment
(as at 31 March)*



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Sub-head (Code)	Actual expenditure 2009–10	Approved estimate 2010–11	Revised estimate 2010–11	Estimate 2011–12	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
Operating Account					
Recurrent					
000	Operational expenses.....	2,002,065	2,003,167	1,966,850	2,017,223
272	Electricity for public lighting	186,865	191,188	200,530	197,396
	Total, Recurrent	<u>2,188,930</u>	<u>2,194,355</u>	<u>2,167,380</u>	<u>2,214,619</u>
Non-Recurrent					
700	General non-recurrent	80	—	—	15,700
	Total, Non-Recurrent	<u>80</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>15,700</u>
	Total, Operating Account.....	<u>2,189,010</u>	<u>2,194,355</u>	<u>2,167,380</u>	<u>2,230,319</u>
Capital Account					
Plant, Equipment and Works					
661	Minor plant, vehicles and equipment (block vote).....	1,667	—	—	230
	Total, Plant, Equipment and Works	<u>1,667</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>230</u>
	Total, Capital Account	<u>1,667</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>230</u>
	Total Expenditure	<u><u>2,190,677</u></u>	<u><u>2,194,355</u></u>	<u><u>2,167,380</u></u>	<u><u>2,230,549</u></u>

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Details of Expenditure by Subhead

The estimate of the amount required in 2011–12 for the salaries and expenses of the Highways Department is \$2,230,549,000. This represents an increase of \$63,169,000 over the revised estimate for 2010–11 and of \$39,872,000 over actual expenditure in 2009–10.

Operating Account

Recurrent

2 Provision of \$2,017,223,000 under *Subhead 000 Operational expenses* is for the salaries, allowances and other operating expenses of the Highways Department.

3 The establishment as at 31 March 2011 will be 2 089 posts including five supernumerary posts. It is expected that there will be a net increase of 17 posts in 2011–12. Subject to certain conditions, the controlling officer may under delegated power create or delete non-directorate posts during 2011–12, but the notional annual mid-point salary value of all such posts must not exceed \$731,879,000.

4 An analysis of the financial provision under *Subhead 000 Operational expenses* is as follows:

	2009–10 (Actual) (\$'000)	2010–11 (Original) (\$'000)	2010–11 (Revised) (\$'000)	2011–12 (Estimate) (\$'000)
Personal Emoluments				
- Salaries	897,455	905,252	906,095	942,073
- Allowances	12,871	15,542	12,230	12,230
- Job-related allowances.....	1,346	1,727	1,205	1,356
Personnel Related Expenses				
- Mandatory Provident Fund contribution	2,391	2,960	1,884	1,432
- Civil Service Provident Fund contribution	2,179	2,259	4,892	10,920
Departmental Expenses				
- Maintenance materials	—	178	59	59
- Workshop services.....	92,324	91,951	94,421	97,990
- General departmental expenses.....	95,736	97,156	80,298	82,292
Other Charges				
- Highways maintenance	897,763	886,142	865,766	868,871
	2,002,065	2,003,167	1,966,850	2,017,223

5 Provision of \$197,396,000 under *Subhead 272 Electricity for public lighting* is for paying electricity bills for street lighting, traffic signals, escalators for footbridges and ventilation equipment at bus termini.

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Commitments

Sub-head (Code)	Item (Code)	Ambit	Approved commitment	Accumulated expenditure to 31.3.2010	Revised estimated expenditure for 2010–11	Balance
			\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<i>Operating Account</i>						
700		<i>General non-recurrent</i>				
	838	Review and update of the Railway Development Strategy 2000	43,000	—	—	43,000
		Total	43,000	—	—	43,000