

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

The Department has a legal duty to respond to requests for information in accordance with the *Freedom of Information Act 1991*.

The Freedom of Information Act provides members of the public with the right to gain access to information held by the State Government, provided that it is not information which is exempt under the Act. The Act also gives people the right to seek amendment to personal information held by agencies that is considered to be incorrect.

Freedom of Information Requests	2005-2006	2006-2007
Requests		
Number received in this period	15	35
Requests decided in this period	16	28
Outcome of requests		
Information provided in full	3	6
Information provided in part or part-exempt	12	14
Information fully exempt, request refused	1	1
Number of requests transferred to another agency	1	3
Number of requests withdrawn	1	4
Internal reviews of decisions		
Number of internal reviews determined	2	5
Decision upheld in full	2	5
Decision upheld in part	0	0
External reviews of decisions		
Number of external reviews determined	2	2
Decision upheld in full	1	1
Decision upheld in part	1	1

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