

Highlights of the year 2007–08

Key achievements

Prevent and combat crime

- We dismantled two complex organised criminal networks, resulting in 21 individuals being charged with 47 offences in Queensland and South Australia, including seven of trafficking in dangerous drugs.
- We significantly disrupted the criminal activities of two outlaw motorcycle gang (OMCG) chapters in south-east Queensland.
- Our paedophilia-related investigations resulted in seven persons being charged with a total of 24 internet-related offences while non-internet-based investigations resulted in six persons being charged with 139 offences.
- We expanded our proceeds of crime activity with assets to the estimated value of \$18.56 million restrained in 2007–08.

Promote high standards of integrity and reduce misconduct in the public sector

- A long-running investigation of misconduct in the public sector resulted in further charges against a former government minister for corruptly receiving payments.
- We concluded in-depth examinations of nine key public sector agencies, including the Queensland Police Service, and made recommendations to enhance their capacity to prevent and deal with misconduct.
- Our capacity-building projects and activities reached more than 500 public sector managers from across Queensland in over 40 public sector agencies.
- We co-hosted the first Australian Public Sector Anti-Corruption Conference in Sydney in October 2007 with the Independent Commission Against Corruption (NSW) and the Corruption and Crime Commission (WA).
- During the lead-up to this year's local government elections, we ran a strong public campaign, together with the Local Government Association of Queensland, to reinforce to all candidates the importance of running a 'clean' campaign.

Provide an effective witness protection service

- In 2007–08, we ensured that all of our protected witnesses were kept safe and were able to give evidence in court, maintaining this 100 per cent success rate for the twentieth successive year. Over 1500 people have been successfully protected since the inception of the program.
- Evidence given by our protected witnesses played a key role in prosecutors being able to secure convictions across a wide range of organised and serious crime cases.

Engage in public policy

- Our review of the public nuisance offence found that the principal focus of the offence was on managing the behaviours of 'party people' and that this focus had strengthened over time in response to community concerns around public order. We made five recommendations to parliament to assist in policing public order.

Be an effective and productive organisation serving all Queenslanders

- We began a review of the organisation's strategic direction.
- We undertook a large infrastructure project to ensure the successful relocation of the organisation to Fortitude Valley early in 2008–09.
- A workforce management committee was established to address the consequences of a difficult labour market.
- We revised our risk management arrangements.

Financial summary

Revenue

The major source of the CMC's revenue each year is the operating grant received from the state government. For the year ended 30 June 2008, this was \$36.688m (97.07% of revenue), which for a full year is less than 2 per cent of the Queensland law, order and public safety policy budget.

Expenses

Most of the CMC's expenses for the period related to employees (\$27.750m), supplies and services (\$8.998m) and depreciation (\$1.030m). Total expenses were \$37.796m for the year ended 30 June 2008.

Assets

Total assets as at 30 June 2008 totalled \$22.269m. This is a significant increase of \$14.564m on the prior year, due largely to the CMC's investment in fitting out its new leasehold premises at Green Square in Fortitude Valley.

Liabilities

Total liabilities as at 30 June 2008 were \$7.630m. This included \$3.872m for the lease incentive liability for the new Green Square premises, \$2.304m for accrued employee leave entitlements, and \$0.839m for accrued expenses and trade creditors.

Net equity

As at 30 June 2008, the CMC's net equity was \$14.639m. The increase in equity is due to a capital injection of \$9.707m from government for the fit-out of our new premises at Green Square.

Operating result

The CMC had a balanced position for the year ended 30 June 2008 with expenses equalling revenue.

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For the year	
Queensland Government grant	36 688
Operating revenue	1 108
Total revenues	37 796
Operating expenses	37 796
Operating surplus (deficit)	nil
At year end	
Total assets	22 269
Total liabilities	7 630
Net assets	14 639

Outlook for 2008–09

In 2008–09, the CMC will focus on activities that include:

- enhancing our hearings service to assist major crime investigations
- building the capacity of the Queensland Police Service and other public sector agencies to prevent and deal with misconduct and corruption
- initiating a range of research, intelligence and prevention projects and reviews
- ensuring our governance and infrastructure is current and effective
- improving our ability to attract and maintain an effective workforce.