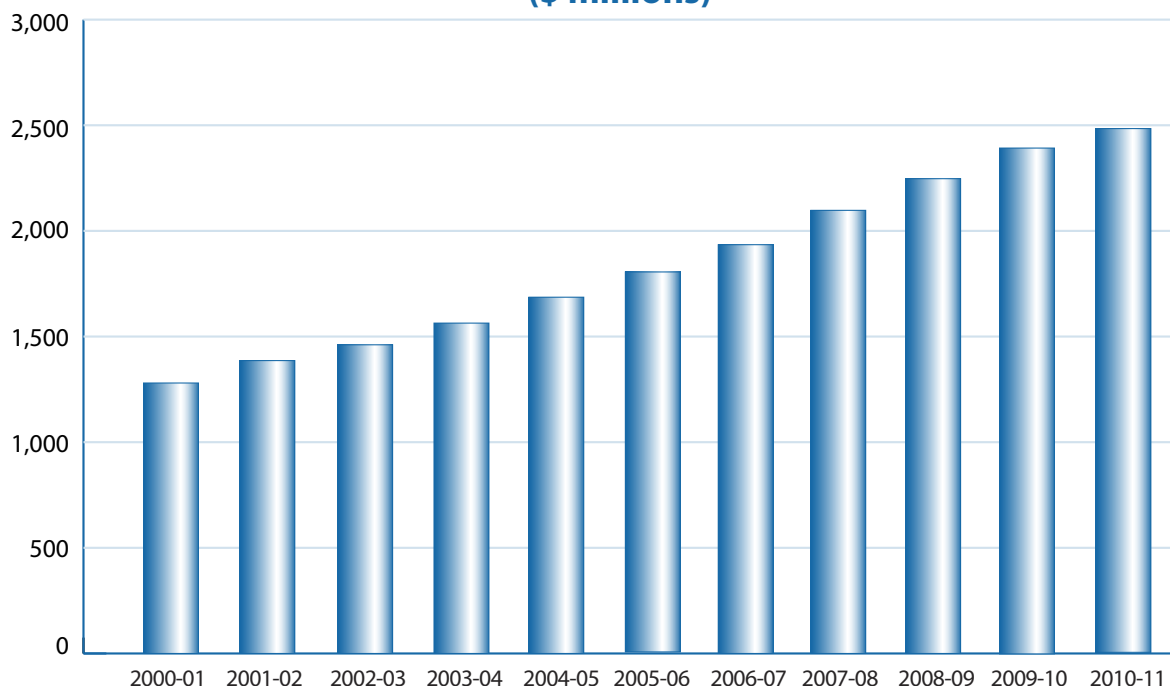


HEALTH

Health care makes up the largest share of the government's annual expenses. Department of Health spending accounts for \$2.5 billion.

**Department of Health Ordinary Account Expenditures
(\$ millions)**



Source: Department of Finance

Facts and Figures

- Department of Health spending has been averaging growth of about 6.8 per cent a year for the last 10 years.
- Almost \$5,000 a minute is spent on health care in New Brunswick. That's \$6.9 million a day.
- If nothing changes, health care spending will rise to \$9.2 million a day (or just over \$6,000 per minute) within three years.
- New Brunswick has about the same number of doctors per capita as other Canadian jurisdictions.
- New Brunswick has more hospital beds per 1,000 people and more health professionals than the national average.
- The province has more CT scans and MRI scans per capita than almost every Canadian province.