

Budget Update

2008-2009 Budget Signed

October 7, 2008

On Tuesday, September 23, 2008, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger signed the state budget for fiscal year 2008-2009, ending the longest budget delay in California's history. The 2008-2009 fiscal year actually started nearly three months earlier on July 1, 2008. Disagreements over how to resolve a large budget deficit and budget reform measures were the main reasons it took the Legislature such a long time to pass the budget.

There were no changes in the final budget to Prop. 99 programs from the May Revise. A breakdown of the Prop. 99 revenues for the Health Education Account and the Research Account for fiscal year 2008-2009 is provided below.

Proposition 99 - Health Education Account

The Health Education Account receives 20% of Prop 99 tax revenue.
 All numbers are rounded.

	2007-2008 Budget	2008-2009 January Budget Proposal	2008-2009 May Revise	2008-2009 Budget
Department of Public Health				
<i>TCP Administration</i>	\$3.9 million*	\$4.31 million	\$4.31 million	\$4.31 million
<i>Media Campaign</i>	\$15.7 million	\$15.7 million	\$15.7 million	\$15.7 million
<i>Competitive Grants</i>	\$15.44 million	\$15.44 million	\$15.44 million	\$15.44 million
<i>TEROC/Evaluation</i>	\$3.91 million	\$3.91 million	\$3.91 million	\$3.91 million
<i>Local Lead Agencies</i>	\$16.22 million	\$16.22 million	\$16.22 million	\$16.22 million
Dept. of Education	\$23.05 million	\$23.08 million	\$23.08 million	\$23.08 million

*Prior to fiscal year 2008-2009, the TCP State Administration line item included funding from the Unallocated Account.

Proposition 99 - Research Account

The Research Account receives 5% of Prop 99 tax revenue.

All numbers are rounded.

	2007-2008 Budget	2008-2009 January Budget Proposal	2008-2009 May Revise	2008-2009 Budget
Department of Public Health (Cancer Registry)*	\$5.7 million	\$5.82 million	\$5.82 million	\$5.82 million
University of California (TRDRP)	\$16.55 million**	\$14.55 million	\$14.55 million	\$14.55 million

*As it has for the past several years, the Research Account includes a transfer from the University of California TRDRP to the Department of Public Health for the Cancer Registry, a statewide program that conducts surveillance and research on cancer in California.

**In fiscal year 2007-2008, the University of California (TRDRP) received a one-time addition of \$2 million from the unrestricted reserve. The budget decrease for the University of California (TRDRP) in 2008-2009 is due to this one-time addition and should not be viewed as a funding cut.

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Sources: The 2008-2009 budget proposal can be found on the Department of Finance budget website at www.ebudget.ca.gov and information about the budget process can be found at the Department of Finance (www.dof.ca.gov) website.