

Status of Women Canada

2017 to 2018

Fees Report

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Minister's message

On behalf of the Department for Women and Gender Equality¹, I am pleased to present the Status of Women Canada 2017 to 2018 Report on Fees.

On June 22, 2017, the [Service Fees Act](#)ⁱ received royal assent, thereby repealing the [User Fees Act](#)ⁱⁱ.

The Service Fees Act introduces a modern legislative framework that enables cost-effective delivery of services and, through enhanced reporting to Parliament, improved transparency and oversight. The act provides for:

- a streamlined approach to consultation and the approval of new or modified fees
- a requirement for services to have service standards and reporting against these standards, along with a policy to remit fees to fee payers when standards are not met
- an automatic annual fee adjustment by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) to ensure that fees keep pace with inflation
- annual detailed reporting to Parliament in order to increase transparency

This 2017 to 2018 Fees Report is the first report to be prepared under the Service Fees Act. The report includes new information such as a detailed listing of all fees along with future year fee amounts. Additional fee information will be included starting next fiscal year, once our department has fully transitioned to the Service Fees Act regime.

I welcome the increased transparency and oversight that the Service Fees Act's reporting regime embodies, and I am fully committed to transitioning my department to this modern framework.

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¹ Pursuant to the Royal Assent of the Budget Implementation Act, 2018, No. 2 and effective December 13, 2018, Status of Women Canada became the Department for Women and Gender Equality.

General fees information

The tables that follow provide information on each category of fees, including:

- the name of the fee category
- the date that the fee (or fee category) was introduced and last amended (if applicable)
- service standards
- performance results against these standards
- financial information regarding total costs, total revenues and remissions

In addition to the information presented by fee category, there is a summary of the financial information for all fees as well as a listing of fees under the department's authority. This listing includes the existing fee dollar amounts and the adjusted dollar fee amount for a future year.

General and financial information by fee category

General information

Fee category	Fees for processing requests filed under the Access to Information Act
Fee-setting authority	Access to Information Act ⁱⁱⁱ
Year introduced	1983
Year last amended	2018
Service standard	A response is provided within 30 days following receipt of a request; the response time may be extended under section 9 of the Access to Information Act.
Performance results	The department responded within 30 days to 37* of the 41 cases. The remaining requests were completed within 31 to 60 days.
Other information	Under the Access to Information Act, fees under \$25 may be waived when deemed to be in the public interest. Fees waived during 2017 to 2018 totalled \$1,028.

* Includes cases where a Notice of Extension is sent to the requester within 30 days of receipt of the request.

Financial information (dollars)

2016 to 2017 Revenue	2017 to 2018 Revenue	2017 to 2018 Cost	2017 to 2018 Remissions
230	195	125,684	Not applicable

Financial totals for all fee categories

Total revenues, cost and remissions (dollars)

2016 to 2017 Total revenue	2017 to 2018 Total revenue	2017 to 2018 Total cost	2017 to 2018 Total remissions
230	195	125,684	Not applicable

Fees under the department's authority

Fee amounts for 2017 to 2018, 2019 to 2020, and a future fiscal year, as applicable (dollars)

Name of fee	2017 to 2018 Fee amount	2019 to 2020 Adjusted fee amount	Future fee amount and fiscal year
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Endnotes

ⁱ Service Fees Act, <https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/S-8.4/index.html>

ⁱⁱ User Fees Act, <https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/U-3.7/20040331/P1TT3xt3.html>

ⁱⁱⁱ Access to Information Act, <http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/A-1/index.html>