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Thumbnail History

1950s 16 District Ambulance Services



1987 Five Regional Ambulance Services



1999 Rural Ambulance Victoria



2008 One Victorian Ambulance Service





Ambulance Services Act 1986

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The objectives of an ambulance service are

- to respond rapidly to requests for help in a medical **emergency**
- to provide specialized medical skills to maintain life and to reduce injuries in **emergency** situations and while moving people requiring those skills
- to provide specialized transport facilities to move people requiring **emergency** medical treatment
- to provide services for which **specialized medical or transport skills** are necessary
- to foster public education in first aid





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Accessing Ambulance

- In an **emergency** any one can call an ambulance

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- Non Emergency Transport Criteria

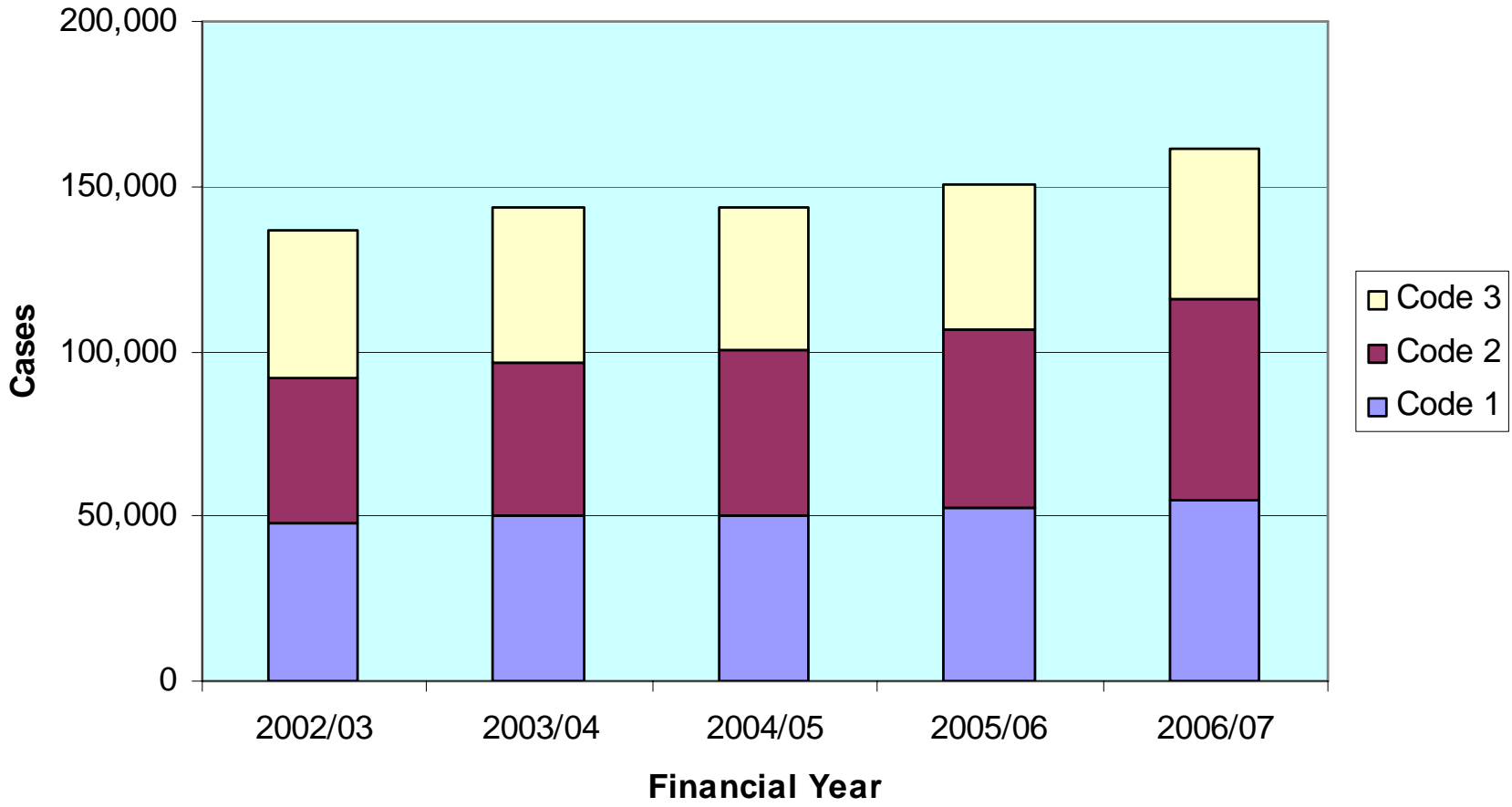
- The person to be transported requires the use of the **specialised medical transport equipment** in the ambulance; or
- The person to be transported requires the use of the **specialised medical transport skills of the paramedic**; or
- The person requiring transport has a disease or disability which would make it impractical or prevent the person utilising any other form of transport.

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Incident Growth 2002/03 to 2006/07

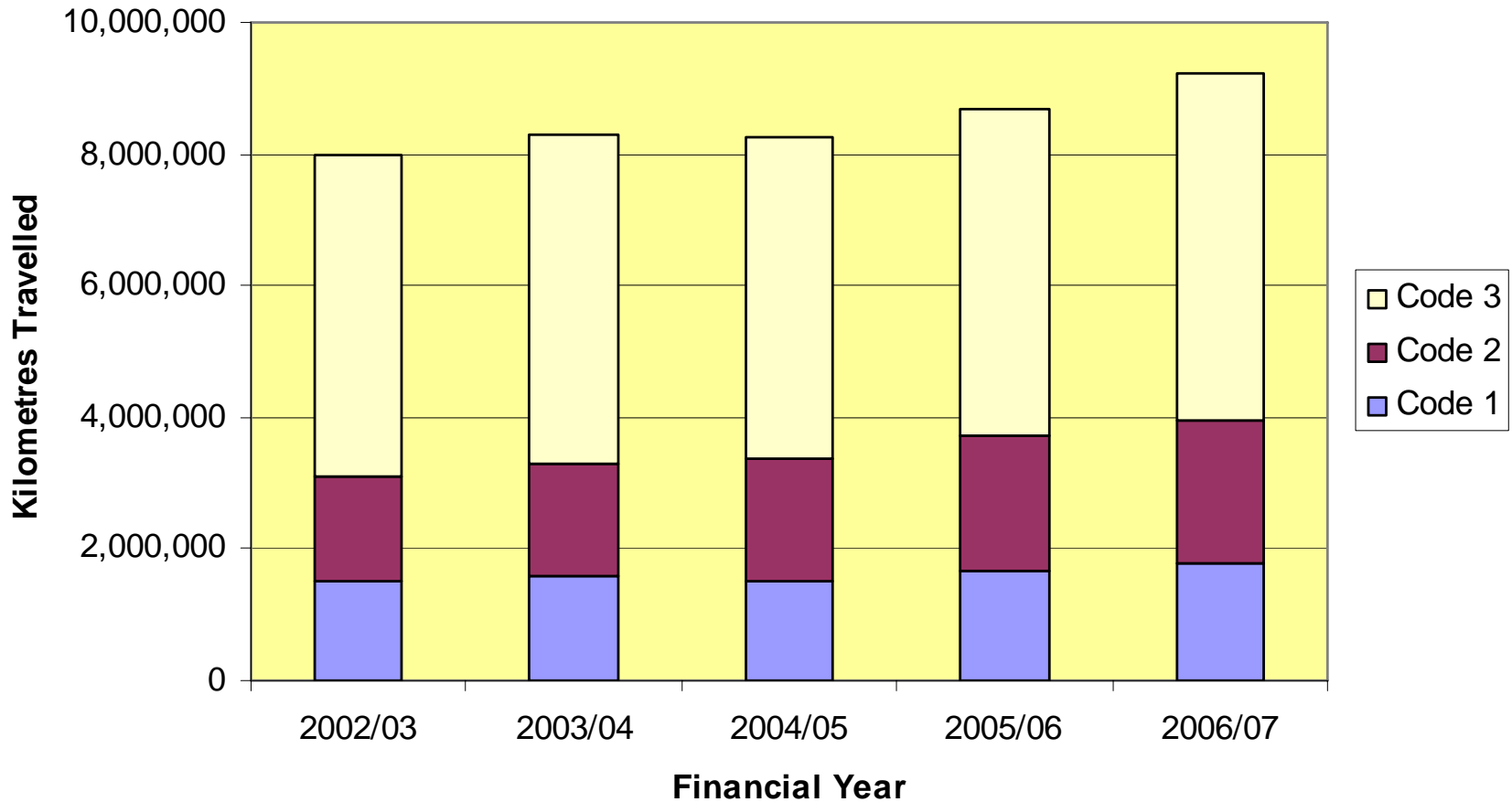
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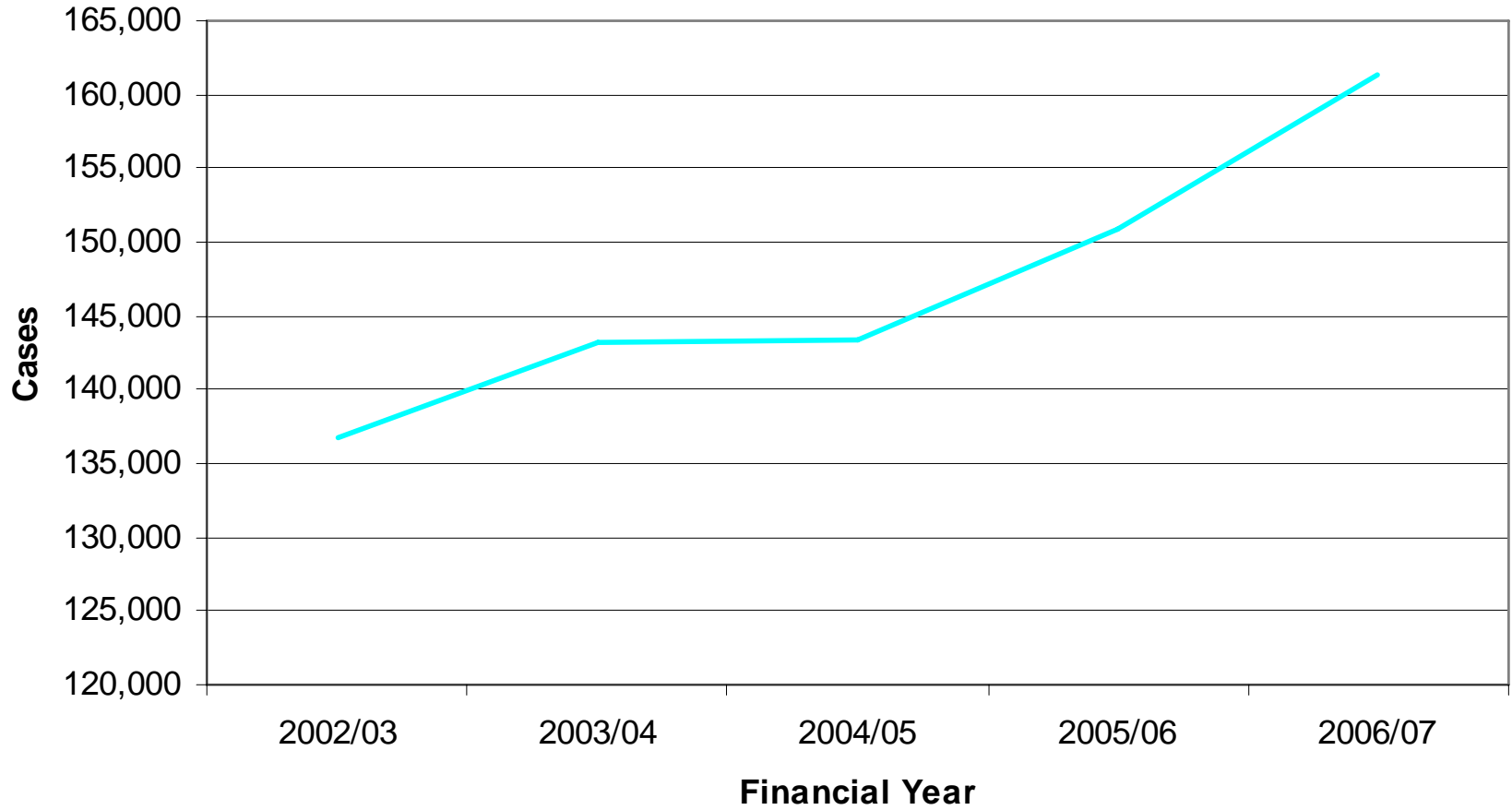
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Total Cases 2002/03 to 2006/07

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Ambulance Is Not A Free Service

- Insure against the risk.
 - Membership Subscription
 - Medical Insurers
- Health Care Card/Medical Entitlement Card
- Third parties eg Transport Accident Commission

