



4 December 2024

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your email of 6 November 2024, requesting information about the demographic breakdown of jobseeker recipients, Ministry staff and applicants for Ministry positions.

I have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Please find my decision set out below.

- 1. Demographic breakdown (including ethnicity, age, gender) of individuals participating in MSD's Job Seeker Welfare Program for the year 2024.*

This information is publicly available and is updated regularly on the Ministry of Social Development website which you can find here:

<https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.msd.govt.nz%2Fdocuments%2Fabout-msd-and-our-work%2Fpublications-resources%2Fstatistics%2Fbenefit%2F2024%2Fquarterly-benefit-fact-sheets-national-benefit-tables-september-2024.xlsx&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK>

- 2. Demographic breakdown (including ethnicity, age, gender) of MSD staff as of June 2024.*

This information is provided to the Public Service Commission and is published on their website which can be found here:

<https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/research-and-data/guidance-data-drilldown-and-technical-guidance>

- 3. Demographic breakdown (including ethnicity, age, gender) of applicants for MSD job positions based on recent job adverts in 2024.*

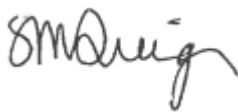
The Ministry does not collect individual applicant information during the job application process. Such data is only collected after an individual is hired, and this information is provided to the Public Service Commission who publish it on their website. Therefore your request for this information is refused under section 18(e) of the Act, as this information does not exist.

I will be publishing this decision letter, with your personal details deleted, on the Ministry's website in due course.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with my decision on your request, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi nui

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