



5 December 2024

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your emails of 8 November 2024, requesting information about Sole Parent Support payments.

I appreciate your acknowledgment that the Benefit Fact Sheets link emailed to you on 11 November 2024 contained some of the information you initially sought, I have attached the link again, here: www.msd.govt.nz/about-msd-and-our-work/publications-resources/statistics/benefit/index.html.

You have requested the following, as this is the missing information from your request that you are seeking:

- *Sole Parent Support recipients with 3+ children, not working broken down by ethnic group for the last 5 years*

Please find the attached **Appendix**, which provides **Table One** showing the number of Sole Parent Support clients with three or more children by declaration of wages or salary between 1 October 2019 and 30 September 2024.

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.

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