



3 May 2024

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your email of 9 April 2024 and the attached letter dated 4 April 2024, requesting Emergency Housing data by calendar year, benefit type, ethnicity, age, and the duration that clients have been living in Emergency Housing. I have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Please find my decision set out below.

Please refer to the attached **Appendix** which contains data tables on the information requested.


In order to protect client privacy, some values are suppressed and are represented by 'S'. The Ministry is unable to provide you with the exact number as releasing this information is likely to risk identifying the individuals concerned. As such, this information is withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act. The need to protect the privacy of these individuals outweighs and public interest in the information.

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.

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