



23 April 2025

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your email of 26 March 2025 requesting data on the number of people receiving Job Seeker - Health Condition or Disability from 2018 to 2024 broken down by age bands.

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

Please see the attached **Appendix** which provides the number of clients on Jobseeker Support Health Condition, Injury or Disability as at end of each month from 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2024, by age group.

Please note that clients aged 65 years or older may receive Jobseeker Support provided they meet all the qualifications, including work or work preparation obligations. For Jobseeker Support granted on the grounds of a health condition, injury or disability, clients must confirm they would be available for and seeking full-time work, if not for a health condition, injury or disability.

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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