

7 March 2025

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act Request

Thank you for your email of 17 February 2025, requesting information about Jobseeker Support recipients in the Buller, Grey and Westland districts.

I have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

Please refer to the attached **Appendix** for the number of working age Jobseeker Support - Work Ready and Jobseeker Support - Health Condition or Disability in selected West Coast Territorial Authorities as at quarter end.

Jobseeker benefit rates are public and can be found here: <u>www.workandincome.govt.nz/products/benefit-rates/index.html</u>

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 <u>OIA Requests@msd.govt.nz.</u>

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 <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi nui

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