

19 March 2025

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your email of 18 February 2025, requesting information about vehicles owned or leased by the Ministry, including the cost of fuel and maintenance.

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 below.

Question 1: The total number of vehicles owned or leased to date and the cost breakdown of each.

Question 2: A breakdown of these vehicles by make and model type (electric, hybrid, petrol, diesel) and department.

As of 31 December 2024, the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) owned 398 vehicles. The breakdown of vehicles is detailed as a table in the **Appendix** below. The Ministry does not lease any vehicles.

The Ministry has reduced the size of the fleet by 91 vehicles (489 in 2021 to 398 vehicles) as of December 2024.

Planned changes to the fleet in the next 2 to 3 years include:

- Further reduction in the size of the fleet through ongoing analysis of usage and removal of older underutilised vehicles.
- Reduction in the number of models and types of vehicles in the fleet.
- Ongoing transition to more sustainable vehicles (petrol hybrids) and removal of petrol vehicles (259 vehicles in 2021 to 64 in Dec 2024). The transition supports MSD's commitment to meeting our carbon emission reduction targets for 2025 and 2030.

Question 3: The total cost of fuel and maintenance for these vehicles in the 2023/24 financial year

The fleet operates as a shared pool available for all Ministry staff and hosted agencies to use. To answer your question about cost of fuel and maintenance I advise as follows.

- Petrol costs for FY2023/24 = \$526,259.
- Maintenance costs for FY2023/24 = \$404,759.

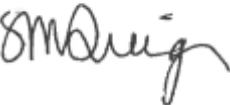
Please note, the Ministry does record the petrol and maintenance costs for individual vehicles.

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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Appendix: Fleet makeup as at 31 December 2024

Vehicle make	Model	Type (electric, hybrid, petrol, diesel)	Number
Byd	Atto 3	Electric	36
Ford	Escape	Petrol	1
Hyundai	Accent	Petrol	2
Hyundai	i30	Petrol	25
Hyundai	Ioniq	Electric	49
Hyundai	Ioniq	Hybrid	124
Hyundai	Kona	Electric	10
Hyundai	Kona	Petrol	1
Mazda	CX-5	Petrol	1
Mitsubishi	Outlander	Petrol	3
Nissan	Leaf	Electric	16
Toyota	Corolla	Petrol	26
Toyota	Corolla	Hybrid	83
Toyota	Hiace	Diesel	1
Toyota	Rav4	Petrol	5
Toyota	Rav4	Hybrid	15
Total Ministry vehicles			398