



19 November 2025

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your email of 21 October 2025, requesting information about the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry)'s investment holdings and returns.

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

Departments are not permitted to invest cash balances. Please refer to section 6.6.9, Investment of public money of the [Treasury Instructions 2024](#).

As such, I am refusing your request under section 18(e) of the Act, on the basis that the information you have requested does not exist.

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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