



21 November 2025

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your email of 3 November 2025, requesting information about the number of people in Otorohanga District receiving Accommodation Supplement.

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

Please find attached **Appendix One** containing **Table One** showing the number of Accommodation Supplement recipients in the Otorohanga District Territorial Local Authority as at month ending October 2025 by age group.

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 One

Table One: The number of Accommodation Supplement recipients in the Otorohanga District Territorial Local Authority as at month ending October 2025 by age group.

Age group	Number of recipients
16	3
17	3
18-19	18
20-24	87
25-29	78
30-34	114
35-39	87
40-44	69
45-49	45
50-54	48
55-59	66
60-64	51
65+	90
Total	753

Table Notes:

- The number of recipients of Accommodation Supplement is the number of individuals, couples or families receiving an accommodation supplement for their housing purposes.
- Territorial Local Authority is estimated based on the client's address recorded by the Ministry of Social Development at the time period.
- To protect confidentiality the Ministry of Social Development uses processes to make it difficult to identify an individual person or entity from published data.
- These data tables have had random rounding to base three applied to all cell counts in the table.
- Random rounding does not round down to zero, a value of one or two will be rounded to three.
- The impact of applying random rounding is that columns and rows may not add exactly to the given column or row totals.
- The published counts will never differ by more than two counts.