



15 September 2025

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your email of 18 August 2025, requesting data on individuals receiving Disability Support Services (DSS) Residential Disability Support in Auckland and Northland.

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

1. *The number of individuals (split by gender), who are funded by DSS Residential disability support and residing in Aged Residential Care facilities (in Auckland and Northland)*
 - a. *This number split by age (65-55 years, 55-45 years and those under 45 years)*
2. *The number of individuals (split by gender), who are funded by DSS Residential Disability Support and residing in group residential homes (in Auckland and Northland).*
 - a. *This number split by age (Over 65, 65-55 years, 55-45 years and under 45 years)*
3. *The number of individuals (split by gender) with a Physical disability residing in aged residential care facilities (in Auckland and Northland).*
 - a. *This number split by age (over 65 years old, 65-55 years, 55-45 years and under 45 years).*

Please see the attached **Appendix**, containing the following nine tables, detailing the number of individuals receiving Disability Support Services (DSS) Residential Disability Support in Auckland and Northland, as at 31 July 2025:

- **Tables One, Two and Three:** Number of individuals funded by DSS Residential Disability Support in aged residential care in Northland and Auckland as at 31 July 2025, broken down by age, gender, and location.
- **Table Four, Five and Six:** Number of individuals funded by DSS Residential Disability Support in residential group homes in Northland and Auckland as at 31 July 2025, broken down by age, gender, and location.
- **Table Seven, Eight and Nine:** Number of individuals in aged residential care with a physical disability in Northland and Auckland as at 31 July 2025, broken down by age, gender, and location.

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 regarding Disability Support Services, 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

pp. *Anna Graham*

Anna Graham
General Manager
Ministerial and Executive Services