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Dear Mr Ti Lamusse,

Thank you for your email of 16 May 2019 to Oranga Tamariki—Ministry for Children (Oranga Tamariki), requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- *Please provide me with the snapshot population of all NZ youth justice facilities on the final day of each quarter, as far back as records permit. In other words, please provide me with the number of people in all NZ YJ facilities on March 31, June 30, September 30, and December 31 of each year, as far back as records permit.*
- *Please break this down further by ethnicity and gender of the population.*

The welfare of children is at the heart of everything we do, including the welfare of those who become involved in the justice system.

Oranga Tamariki's Youth Justice Services manages four youth justice residences. The young people in our youth justice residences have been placed there either by the Family Court, on remand until a case is settled (awaiting trial or sentencing) or as sentenced by the Court.

In our youth justice residences we work with the young person, their whānau and social worker to create a plan for when they leave the residence. This could include further schooling, a training course or seeking employment. Our youth justice residences provide a safe, secure and supportive environment where young people can get their lives back on track and improve their prospects for the future.

Our youth justice residences are located as follows:

- Korowai Manaaki – Auckland
- Te Maioha o Parekarangi – Rotorua
- Te Au rere a te Tonga – Palmerston North
- Te Puna Wai o Tuhinapo - Christchurch

Please refer to Appendix One for a snapshot of the population of New Zealand's youth justice residences.

We have provided you with data going back to 2014, as this is how far back our records go. This data shows the number of children and young people in youth justice residences as at the end of that quarter, so is different to the total number of admissions/entries over a month. Placements can often be for short periods of a few days or weeks, and there can be a number of admission/entries and exits over the period of a month.

Please refer to Appendix Two for a breakdown of the population of New Zealand youth justice residences by ethnicity and gender.

Oranga Tamariki intends to make the information contained in this letter and any attached documents available to the wider public shortly. We will do this by publishing this letter and attachments on our website. Your personal details will be deleted and we will not publish any information that would identify you as the person who requested the information.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact [OIA\\_Requests@ot.govt.nz](mailto:OIA_Requests@ot.govt.nz).

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this decision. Information about this is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by contacting them on 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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**Appendix One - A snapshot of the number of young people, on the final day of each quarter, in New Zealand's youth justice residences**

Youth Justice Residences	31Mar 2014	30Jun 2014	30Sep 2014	31Dec 2014	31Mar 2015	30Jun 2015	30Sep 2015	31Dec 2015	31Mar 2016	30Jun 2016	30Sep 2016	31Dec 2016	31Mar 2017	30Jun 2017	30Sep 2017	31Dec 2017	31Mar 2018	30Jun 2018	30Sep 2018	31Dec 2018	31Mar 2019
KOROWAI MANAAKI	35	36	44	40	38	42	39	35	37	36	39	38	38	34	36	40	43	32	40	40	30
TE AU RERE A TE TONGA	18	26	21	27	22	27	29	30	28	29	30	30	27	25	25	24	33	32	36	36	30
TE MAIOHA O PAREKARANGI	22	20	30	25	23	24	30	28	26	26	30	30	30	30	30	29	19	29	26	25	23
TE PUNA WAI O TUHINAPO	31	27	33	28	29	16	22	28	27	30	26	26	31	29	36	34	36	39	29	17	23
<b>Total</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>106</b>

**Appendix Two – A breakdown of the population of New Zealand's youth justice residences, by ethnicity and gender, on the final day of each quarter**

**Korowai Manaaki**

	Gender	Māori	Other	Pacif	(blank)	Total
31Mar2014	Female	5		2		7
	Male	18	3	7		28
30Jun2014	Female	4		1		5
	Male	24	1	6		31
30Sep2014	Female	7	1			8
	Male	21	3	12		36
31Dec2014	Female	9	1	1		11
	Male	23	2	4		29
31Mar2015	Female	7	1			8
	Male	24	1	5		30
30Jun2015	Female	1	1			2
	Male	32	3	5		40
30Sep2015	Female					0
	Male	28	3	8		39
31Dec2015	Female	1				1
	Male	29	1	4		34
31Mar2016	Female	4	1	1		6
	Male	24		7		31
30Jun2016	Female	5		1		6
	Male	22	1	7		30
30Sep2016	Female	6				6
	Male	26	1	6		33
31Dec2016	Female	5				5
	Male	26	1	6		33
31Mar2017	Female	4		2		6
	Male	26	1	5		32
30Jun2017	Female	2	1	3		6
	Male	26	1	1		28
30Sep2017	Female	5		1		6
	Male	26		4		30
31Dec2017	Female	4				4
	Male	29	1	6		36
31Mar2018	Female	5		1		6
	Male	27		10		37
30Jun2018	Female	4				4
	Male	22		6		28
30Sep2018	Female					0
	Male	35		5		40
31Dec2018	Female	6		1	1	8
	Male	26		6		32
31Mar2019	Female	6	1			7
	Male	17	3	3		23

## Te Au rere a te Tonga

	Gender	Māori	Other	Pacif	(blank)	Total
31Mar2014	Female					0
	Male	17		1		18
30Jun2014	Female					0
	Male	20	4	2		26
30Sep2014	Female					0
	Male	15	5	1		21
31Dec2014	Female					0
	Male	19	3	5		27
31Mar2015	Female					
	Male	19	2	1		22
30Jun2015	Female	8		1		9
	Male	13	4	1		18
30Sep2015	Female	8	1	1		10
	Male	16	2	1		19
31Dec2015	Female	7	1	2		10
	Male	18	1	1		20
31Mar2016	Female	7	2			9
	Male	16	1	2		19
30Jun2016	Female	6	1	1		8
	Male	16	3	2		21
30Sep2016	Female	9		1		10
	Male	19	1			20
31Dec2016	Female	7		1		8
	Male	21	1			22
31Mar2017	Female	4		2		6
	Male	20	1			21
30Jun2017	Female	9				9
	Male	16				16
30Sep2017	Female	3	1			4
	Male	18	1	2		21
31Dec2017	Female	6	1	1		8
	Male	15		1		16
31Mar2018	Female	7	2			9
	Male	20	3	1		24
30Jun2018	Female	4	1	1		6
	Male	22	1	3		26
30Sep2018	Female	8		1		9
	Male	22	3	2		27
31Dec2018	Female	10		1		11
	Male	21	2	2		25
31Mar2019	Female	6		1	1	8
	Male	19	1	2		22

## Te Maioha o Parekarangi

	Gender	Māori	Other	Pacif	Total
31Mar2014	Male	20	1	1	22
30Jun2014	Male	15	1	4	20
30Sep2014	Male	25	1	4	30
31Dec2014	Male	23	1	1	25
31Mar2015	Male	19	3	1	23
30Jun2015	Male	20	4		24
30Sep2015	Male	24	2	4	30
31Dec2015	Male	23	4	1	28
31Mar2016	Male	25	1		26
30Jun2016	Male	23	1	2	26
30Sep2016	Male	24	3	3	30
31Dec2016	Male	24	2	4	30
31Mar2017	Male	27	1	2	30
30Jun2017	Male	27		3	30
30Sep2017	Male	27		3	30
31Dec2017	Male	27	1	1	29
31Mar2018	Male	18		1	19
30Jun2018	Male	28	1		29
30Sep2018	Male	25	1		26
31Dec2018	Male	23		2	25
31Mar2019	Male	22	1		23

## Te Puna Wai ō Tuhinapo

	Gender	Māori	Other	Pacif	(blank)	Total
31Mar2014	Female	7		2		9
	Male	10	9	3		22
30Jun2014	Female	1	1	1		3
	Male	13	8	3		24
30Sep2014	Female	8	2			10
	Male	13	10			23
31Dec2014	Female	7	1			8
	Male	11	8	1		20
31Mar2015	Female	11	3	1		15
	Male	5	7	2		14
30Jun2015	Female	7	2			9
	Male	4	3			7
30Sep2015	Female	8	2			10
	Male	7	4	1		12
31Dec2015	Female	8	2			10
	Male	9	8	1		18
31Mar2016	Female	5	1	1		7
	Male	10	10			20
30Jun2016	Female	8	1	1		10
	Male	10	9	1		20
30Sep2016	Female	9	1			10
	Male	8	6	2		16
31Dec2016	Female	2	3			5
	Male	14	7			21
31Mar2017	Female	4	2			6
	Male	18	6	1		25
30Jun2017	Female	2	2	1		5
	Male	19	5			24
30Sep2017	Female	2	2	2		6
	Male	26	4			30
31Dec2017	Female	3	2	1		6
	Male	21	7			28
31Mar2018	Female	4		1	1	6
	Male	23	7			30
30Jun2018	Female	8	2			10
	Male	20	7	2		29
30Sep2018	Female	8	1			9
	Male	12	7	1		20
31Dec2018	Female					0
	Male	11	5	1		17
31Mar2019	Female					0
	Male	11	11	1		23