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Mr William Martin

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Dear Mr William Martin

It has come to my attention that you made a request, under the Official Information Act 1982, on 10 September 2019 for the following information:

- *The number of families requesting food grants from Work and Income in the Auckland region since 26 October 2017*
- *The number of families receiving food grants based upon the Otago Food Survey in the Auckland region since 26 October 2017*
- *The average food grant amount broken down by the number of dependents since 26 October 2017 in the Auckland regions*
- *The number of times a beneficiary was only permitted to buy food from a single location using their payment card in the Auckland region since 26 October 2017.*

*Please provide the above information by quarters and provide a breakdown by ethnicity, age and sex.*

I understand that a partial response to your request was sent to you on 24 December 2019, but you have yet to receive a final response for the following information:

- *The number of families receiving food grants based upon the Otago Food Survey in the Auckland region since 26 October 2017*

We are addressing the remainder of your request, and I would like to offer my sincere apologies for the delay in providing a response.

A response will be sent to you as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

**Kate Satterthwaite**  
**General Manager, Ministerial and Executive Services**