

28 March 2014

Andrew Crow

Via email: fyi-request-1495-5fb11f3f@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr Crow

Thank you for your email to Statistics NZ dated 2 March 2014 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982, the cost of using contractors during the 2013 calendar year.

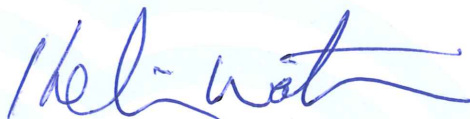
Statistics NZ's ability to respond to your query in the manner requested is determined by the way contractors are recorded in Statistics NZ's finance system. They are defined as individuals contracted to deliver specific pieces of work or to fill in for Statistics NZ employees, and who invoice Statistics NZ either directly or through an employment agency. Total spending in the 2013 calendar year under this category was as follows:

Vote	Expenditure (\$m)
Statistics NZ, excluding 2013 Census	4.7
2013 Census	0.2

Data source: Statistics NZ's finance system.

Under the Official Information Act you have the right, by way of complaint to an Ombudsman, to seek a review of the form of the department's response above.

Yours sincerely



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