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Our ref: OIA 96015

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request: Official Information Act requests

Thank you for your email of 16 May 2022 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), figures on requests made under the Act. Specifically, you requested:

“... the accumulative figures for all/every OIA request made to all ministers/office/departments for the years 2014 up to and including 2022. To clarify, I just want the total figures of OIA requests not the breakdown for each minister/office/department.”

On 18 May 2022, you added the following to your request:

“Could you please provide a breakdown of these requests into 3 categories - Successful; Unsuccessful [and] Unresolved?”

There is no central agency that holds all of the cumulative data you have requested. Therefore, I am refusing your request under section 18(f) of the Act on the grounds that the information would require substantial collation and research.

You can individually request this information from each agency subject to the Act. Contact information can be found in the Directory of Official Information at: justice.govt.nz/about/official-information-act-requests/directory-of-official-information/.

The cumulative figures for Ministers is not recorded and would not be able to be collated due to spanning multiple administrations.

The cumulative figures for agencies was not recorded prior to 2015/2016. However, data from that time period onwards for all public service departments, Crown agents, independent Crown entities and autonomous Crown entities that are subject to the Act, is publicly available.

Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission publishes statistics covering government agencies that are subject to the Act every six months on their website at:
publicservice.govt.nz/resources/official-information-statistics/.

This data can also be found on the All-of-Government data service website, Data.govt.nz, at:
catalogue.data.govt.nz/dataset/official-information/resource/106a9ff4-d017-470f-9220-adcf5db4095a.

If you are not satisfied with my response, you have the right to complain to the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Act. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at:
info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jenna Bottcher Hansen', with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the left.

Jenna Bottcher Hansen
Manager, Ministerial Relations and Services