

30 September 2022

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Tēnā koe Caitlin,

Your Official Information Act request, reference H2022011920:

Thank you for your email of 5 September 2022 requesting information relating to measles data.

As part of the health and disability system reforms, as of 1 July 2022 the functions previously under the Manatū Hauora (Ministry of Health) Data and Digital directorate have transferred to Te Whatu Ora Health New Zealand (Te Whatu Ora). As the matters you have raised now fall under the functions of Te Whatu Ora, our agency will respond to your request which has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). You requested the following:

“The link for downloading data on measles cases, deaths, hospitalisations, etc. Please also provide where to find the measles vaccination status of the measles cases too.”

Information on the number of measles cases, vaccination status and hospitalizations are available on the Institute of Environmental Science and Research’s (ESR’s) website below:

- [Public Health Surveillance \(esr.cri.nz\)](https://surv.esr.cri.nz)
- https://surv.esr.cri.nz/surveillance/annual_diseasetables.php.
- https://surv.esr.cri.nz/surveillance/monthly_surveillance.php.

Please note as there have been no confirmed cases of measles reported since February 2020, the weekly measles reports have been discontinued.

There were no deaths due to measles in New Zealand from 1996 to 2018. There were 8 deaths from 1991 to 1995, 6 of which occurred in 1991. The mortality database does not record the vaccination status of deceased people.

I trust the information provided is of assistance. You are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Information about how to do this is available at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by phoning 0800 802 602.

As this information may be of interest to other members of the public, Te Whatu Ora may decide to proactively release a copy of this response on our website. All requester data, including your name and contact details, will be removed prior to release.

Nāku iti noa, nā



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