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Tēnā koe Mark

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to Manatū Hauora (the Ministry of Health) on 10 September 2023 for information regarding the New Zealand Health Surveys. Each part of your request is responded to below:

Please provide all questions asked in the New Zealand Health Surveys for each of the last 10 years.

All survey questions asked in the New Zealand Health Survey from 2012/13 to 2021/22 can be found online as publicly available information at: <https://www.health.govt.nz/nz-health-statistics/surveys/new-zealand-health-survey>. Therefore, this part of your request is refused under section 18(d) of the Act.

Please include the 2023 survey questions.

Four documents were identified relating to the 2022/23 and 2023/24 New Zealand Health Survey questionnaires. All documents are itemised in Appendix 1 and have been released to you in full.

The 2022/23 and 2023/24 New Zealand Health Survey questionnaires will become publicly available in November 2023 and November 2024 respectively, as the questionnaires are published online when the Annual Results are published each November. These will be found online at: <https://www.health.govt.nz/nz-health-statistics/surveys/new-zealand-health-survey>.

Please provide participant numbers and demographics (age, race, gender, locality) for each survey year.

Each survey year, information about sample size numbers for each age group, ethnic group, gender, neighbourhood deprivation (NZDep) and disability status are found in the Methodology Report. This information requested is refused under section 18(d) of the Act as this is publicly available information, which is found online at: <https://www.health.govt.nz/nz-health-statistics/surveys/new-zealand-health-survey>.

Information about locality or race is not collected as part of the New Zealand Health Survey, therefore details for locality and race are refused under section 18(g)(i) of the Act as this information is not held.

I trust this information fulfils your request. If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact the OIA Services Team on: oiagr@health.govt.nz.

Under section 28(3) of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Manatū Hauora website at: www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests.

Nāku noa, nā



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Appendix 1: List of documents for release

#	Date	Document details	Decision on release
1	2022	Questionnaire: New Zealand Health Survey Adult Questionnaire (Year 12) 1 July 2022 – 30 June 2023	Released in full.
2	2022	Questionnaire: New Zealand Health Survey Child Questionnaire (Year 12) 1 July 2022 – 30 June 2023	
3	2023	Questionnaire: New Zealand Health Survey Adult Questionnaire (Year 13) 1 July 2023 – 30 June 2024	
4	2023	Questionnaire: New Zealand Health Survey Child Questionnaire (Year 13) 1 July 2023 – 30 June 2024	