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Tēnā koe Mr Collins

Official Information Act 1982 request

I am replying to your email of 28 September 2015 in which you have requested information under the Official Information Act 1982. You have asked for the number of men that have filed without notice applications to the Family Court and the number of men that have had their applications approved by the Family Court, based on figures you have provided.

In response to your request, please see Tables 1 and 2 below. Please note the following with the below data:

- an applicant may file more than one application in a year, in which case they have been counted by the application with the most recent outcome
- a final protection order may be granted with or without a temporary protection order (TPO) being granted first, and
- this information is representative of a point in time and is subject to change.

It is relevant to mention that protection orders made after a without notice application are temporary only. This means the respondent has the opportunity to be heard before the Family Court decides whether to make a permanent order. If the respondent does not challenge a temporary protection order, it automatically becomes a permanent protection order after three months.

Table 1: Number of applicants that applied for a protection order in the 2014 calendar year, by gender.

Outcomes	Gender			Total
	Female	Male	Unknown	
Final protection order – Granted	2,092	94	39	2,225
Dismissed or struck out	295	49	2	346
Application lapsed, withdrawn, discontinued – TPO not granted	306	61	8	375
Application lapsed, withdrawn, discontinued – TPO granted	604	69	9	682
Application still active, transferred	146	13	2	161
Total	3,443	286	60	3,789

Table 2: Number of applicants that applied for a temporary protection order in the 2014 calendar year, by gender.

Outcomes	Gender			Total
	Female	Male	Unknown	
Final protection order – Granted	2,001	81	39	2,121
Dismissed or struck out	175	22	0	197
Application lapsed, withdrawn, discontinued – TPO granted	604	69	9	682
Application still active, transferred	115	8	2	125
Total	2,895	180	50	3,125

If you require any clarification of the information contained in this response to your Official Information Act request, please contact Antony Paltridge, Team Leader, Media and External Relations, at antony.paltridge@justice.govt.nz or call (04) 918 8980 or 027 689 0667.

I trust this information is helpful.

Heoi anō, nā



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