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Dear T Hayden

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your emails of 28 February and 4 March 2026 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I would like to request the number of staff in public relations or communications roles at the New Zealand Transport Agency for 2026, 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022, and 2021.

I would also like to request the number of contractors in public relations or communications roles at the New Zealand Transport Agency for 2026, 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022, and 2021.

For the years covered by your request, the latest data which NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) holds is up to 30 June 2025, which is provided to you in the table below:

Year	2024/25	2023/24	2022/23	2021/2022	2020/2021	2019/2020
Total Full Time Equivalent (FTE) staff	34	42	36.1	35.1	79.7	64.075
Contractors / consultant	0	1	7	7	8.4	8

There has been a fluctuation in FTEs over this time, depending upon the work programme NZTA is required to deliver by the government of the day.

NZTA also reports this information on an annual basis to the Transport and Infrastructure Select Committee as part of our Annual Review process. The latest publicly available reporting to the Committee covers the 2019/2020 to 2023/24 period. This is publicly available at:

https://www3.parliament.nz/resource/en-NZ/54SCTIN_EVI_822dc7f1-32a1-4193-6503-08dcfd0f043f_TIN1990/00d2590bc5c5db9bcb43923257d658f1e6a0f5ed

In line with NZTA policy, this response will soon be published on our website, with personal information removed.

If you would like to discuss this reply with NZTA, please contact Ministerial Services by email to official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Lauren Cooke', is centered on the page. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial 'L'.

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