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Ref: DOIA 1819-0203

Dear Mr Hanley,

Thank you for your email of 8 August 2018 requesting under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

*I write to request statistics on Immigration New Zealand's Temporary Retirement Category, since it's inception. Specifically:*

- How many applications have been lodged under this category;*
- How many approvals have been granted under this category;*
- What jurisdictions do the successful Applicants come from;*
- How many Applicants currently hold the Temporary Retirement Visa;*

### Our Response

The information contained in the first three parts of your request is being refused under section 18(d) of the Act as the information requested is publicly available.

The information you have requested can be found on the Statistics page of the Immigration New Zealand website: <https://www.immigration.govt.nz/about-us/research-and-statistics/statistics>. The relevant report is named 'V1 – Visitor applications decided'.

In relation to the last part of your request, as at 28 August 2018 the number of applicants currently holding a Temporary Retirement Visa is nine.

You have the right to contest the decision to refuse the information you have requested by seeking an investigation and review of this decision by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is below:

The Ombudsman  
Office of the Ombudsman  
PO Box 10-152  
WELLINGTON 6143



If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, please contact Catherine Beach, Senior Business Advisor, Operations Support, Immigration New Zealand at [cat.beach@mbie.govt.nz](mailto:cat.beach@mbie.govt.nz).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'KB' followed by 'PP'.

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