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Dear J R Swarbrick

I am writing to you in response to your request dated 4 September 2018 made pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982, which asked:

- *I request the number of new firearms licence applications received by the New Zealand Police, by month, for each of the 12 months prior to and including August 2018.*
- *I request the number of new firearms licences granted by the New Zealand Police, by month, for each of the 12 months prior to and including August 2018.*
- *For the avoidance of doubt, I do not require information regarding firearms licence renewals.*

Provided below is the number of firearms licence applications where the person is a first time applicant (ie, had not had a licence issued prior to Sep 2017).

Year	Month	Applications Received	Licences Granted as at 29 Oct 2018
2017	September	784	768
2017	October	739	724
2017	November	752	733
2017	December	519	506
2018	January	572	558
2018	February	791	770
2018	March	1,220	1,201
2018	April	1,061	1,011
2018	May	1,115	1,075
2018	June	1,529	1,395
2018	July	1,274	920
2018	August	801	413

Yours sincerely

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