

Ref: OIA 81497



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Dear Mr Collins

## Official Information Act 1982 request

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA), dated 25 April 2020, in which you seek further information in relation to an earlier request of 11 December 2018. Specifically, you have asked for the following information:

I have requested a similar request in the past but I want to add under what act each of those appeals were under?

For clarity, the previous request you refer to was for:

...The number of family court cases applications and applicants appealed in the high court by year appeal/judicial reviews (2000 to 2018), per year, gender and the outcome of the appeals if dismissed or accepted.

In response to your earlier request, we provided you with data on the number of disposed Family Court appeals filed in the High Court, and the outcome of these appeals for the financial years 2005/2006 – 2017/2018. A breakdown of gender was unable to be provided as this data is not recorded.

In response to your most recent request, the Ministry does not hold data on which act each of the appeals were filed under in the way you have requested. I am therefore refusing this part of your request under section 18(g) as the information is not held by the Ministry, and there is no reason to believe that it is held by another agency subject to the OIA.

Please find attached Table 1, which provides you with updated data on the number of disposed Family Court appeals filed in the High Court, and the outcome of these appeals for the calendar years 2007-2019.

I trust this information is of assistance. If you require any further information, please contact Jerram Watts, Team Leader Media and External Relations (acting), on 027 291 3518, or email media@justice.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right to complain to the Ombudsman in accordance with section 28(3) of the OIA. You can contact the Ombudsman by writing to PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143, calling 0800 802 602 or emailing info@ombudsman.parliament.nz. Yours sincerely

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Table 1: Number of Family Court appeal applications disposed in High Court by outcome, 2007-2019

Application Outcome	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Allowed	24	37	27	34	24	20	30	28	35	17	25	17	22
Dismiss	49	46	54	68	42	49	44	56	46	42	46	51	31
Other	29	26	31	31	25	29 /	17	29	26	42	23	22	33
Total	102	109	112	133	91	98	91	113	107	101	94	90	86

## Notes for Table 1:

- Outcome 'Other' includes Abandoned and Withdrawn
- Number of applications are counted based on the application outcome date