

7 September 2020

Adam Parsons
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Dear Mr Parsons

Thank you for your email of 26 August 2020 requesting the following information:

- a) *How many unique people and/or families have been removed from a State House Waiting List for any reason other than being housed in a State House, each year, since the list(s) began and tabulated by reason*
- b) *How many unique people and/or families have been placed in a State House from the State House Waiting List each year, since the list(s) began, and tabulated by priority category*
- c) *How many unique people and/or families joined the State House Waiting List at any point each year, since the list(s) began, and tabulated by priority category*
- d) *How many unique people and/or families have applied to join the State House Waiting List at any point each year, since the list(s) began, and tabulated by priority category if available*
- e) *How many State Houses have been owned and available for accommodation, incl. occupied houses each year, since the State Housing program began*
- f) *How many State Houses have been owned but not available for accommodation for any reason each year for any period of time, factored by annualised unavailability of stock - for example, a house that has been unavailable due to renovations for 6 months would be denominated as 0.5 houses*

On 1 September 2020 you were advised that parts a), b), c) and d) of your request were transferred to the Ministry of Social Development (MSD) in accordance with section 14(b)(ii) of the Official Information Act 1982, as the information to which these parts of your request relate is more closely connected with the functions of MSD.

Information relevant to parts e) and f) is provided in the attached tables.

Data is provided by financial year (1 July to 30 June) as at 30 June.

Data is provided for owned, leased and total managed state housing stock from 2008 to 2020. Only total managed stock numbers are provided for the period prior to this.

Total managed stock numbers are provided from 2001, being the earliest date this data is held by Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities (formerly Housing New Zealand).

For part f) of your request, the number of vacant properties is provided as at 30 June. We do not hold data to the level of detail required to provide you with annualised unavailability of stock numbers.

Therefore, your request for this information is declined under section 18(g) of the Official Information Act: *“the information requested is not held.”*

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of this decision by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

You may also find it useful to know that Kāinga Ora publishes quarterly statistics relating to our housing stock, including managed stock and vacant properties. Please refer to the following link: <https://kaingaora.govt.nz/about-us/housing-statistics/>

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rachel Kelly". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rachel Kelly
Manager Government Relations

State housing stock 2001 – 2020

Year	Owned state houses	Leased state houses	Total
6/30/2001			59,597
6/30/2002			60,388
6/30/2003			62,750
6/30/2004			63,668
6/30/2005			64,670
6/30/2006			65,613
6/30/2007			66,539
6/30/2008	63,365	3,740	67,105
6/30/2009	64,333	3,260	67,593
6/30/2010	64,588	3,309	67,897
6/30/2011	64,800	3,348	68,148
6/30/2012	64,603	3,259	67,862
6/30/2013	64,208	3,167	67,375
6/30/2014	63,677	3,045	66,722
6/30/2015	62,870	2,879	65,749
6/30/2016	60,173	2,754	62,927
6/30/2017	58,813	2,613	61,426
6/30/2018	59,395	2,466	61,861
6/30/2019	60,632	2,452	63,084
6/30/2020	61,442	2,369	63,811

State housing vacant stock 2001 – 2020

Year	Owned state houses	Leased state houses	Total
6/30/2001			1,345
6/30/2002			770
6/30/2003			1,119
6/30/2004			1,173
6/30/2005			1,128
6/30/2006			1,056
6/30/2007			1,164
6/30/2008	1,151	97	1,248
6/30/2009	1,447	62	1,509
6/30/2010	1,241	90	1,331
6/30/2011	1,906	85	1,991
6/30/2012	2,711	84	2,795
6/30/2013	3,464	90	3,554
6/30/2014	2,482	72	2,554
6/30/2015	1,948	59	2,007
6/30/2016	2,372	79	2,451
6/30/2017	1,494	68	1,562
6/30/2018	1,381	63	1,444
6/30/2019	1,750	34	1,784
6/30/2020	1,342	27	1,369