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Dear Damian Peterson

### **Response to your request for official information**

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) on 29 October 2020 to the Ministry of Health (the Ministry) for:

*“(1)Regarding Covid-19: Can you please provide the number of positive 2nd tests (usually day 12) that follow a negative 1st test (usually day 3) in managed isolation for the three-month period of July to September 2020.*

*(2)And can you please provide, for context, the total number of positive test cases (in managed isolation)*

*(3) as well as the total number of people who entered managed isolation for that same period.”*

Information pertaining to each part of your request is outlined below.

*“Regarding Covid-19: Can you please provide the number of positive 2nd tests (usually day 12) that follow a negative 1st test (usually day 3) in managed isolation for the three-month period of July to September 2020.”*

There have been 39 cases who arrived in New Zealand between 1 July 2020 and 30 September 2020.

*“Can you please provide, for context, the total number of positive test cases (in managed isolation).”*

There have been 131 confirmed imported cases between 1 July 2020 and 30 September 2020.

*“As well as the total number of people who entered managed isolation for that same period.”*

There have been 20,134 people who have entered managed isolation in New Zealand between 1 July 2020 and 30 September 2020.

I trust this information fulfils your request. Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request.

Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Ministry website.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'RD', followed by a long horizontal flourish.

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