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Ref: H202104148

Dear M Bell

### Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to the Ministry of Health (the Ministry) on 9 April 2021 for:

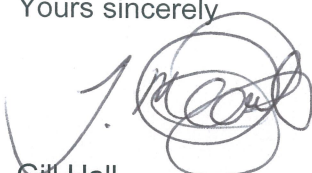
- "1. Please provide the percentage survival rate for COVID-19 cases in New Zealand to date. That is, for people who contracted the disease, what is the official statistic for their chance of surviving COVID-19 based on how many survived the disease versus how many contracted the disease?"*
- 2. Please provide the average age of the people who have died from COVID-19 in New Zealand to date.*
- 3. Please provide the percentage survival rate for COVID-19 cases in New Zealand to date. That is, for people who contracted the disease, what is the official statistic for their chance of surviving COVID-19?"*

The survival rate for COVID-19 cases in New Zealand as at 15 April 2021, is 98.9%. The average age of people who died from COVID-19 is 79 years of age as at 15 April 2021. Statistics on the number of cases and deaths is also publicly available at: <https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-data-and-statistics/covid-19-current-cases>.

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. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by calling 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Ministry website at: [www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests](http://www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests).

Yours sincerely



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