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Tēnā koe

### Official Information Act 1982 request

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 10 June 2021 to the New Zealand Police. On 15 June 2021, your request was transferred to the Ministry of Justice (the Ministry) for response. I am responding as Group Manager, Courts and Tribunals, Regional Service Delivery.

You requested information on the outcome of charges for making “*Inconsistent and fabricated sexual complaints*”, per year (2010 to 2020). Specifically you requested:

1. *How many charges were dismissed?*
2. *How many were convicted?*

In response to your request, I must advise that the Ministry’s Case Management System uses offence codes to record offences. There is no specific code that captures the offences you have requested. The information you have requested is therefore not held by the Ministry and I am refusing your request under section 18(g)(i) of the OIA as there are no grounds for believing that the information is held by another department, Minister of the Crown, organisation, or local authority.

You can find helpful information on ‘sexual offences’ within the Ministry’s commonly requested data table. This information can be found at: [justice.govt.nz/justice-sector-policy/research-data/justice-statistics/data-tables/](http://justice.govt.nz/justice-sector-policy/research-data/justice-statistics/data-tables/)

If you require any clarification of the information contained in this response please contact Alison Horwood, Media Manager, Media and External Relations, by calling (04) 918 8836; or emailing [media@justice.govt.nz](mailto:media@justice.govt.nz)

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

I trust that this information assists.

Nāku noa, nā

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