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Tēnā koe Jai

### 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 6 December 2021 for:

*“...hospitalisations and death data from July 2021 - December 2021 I'd like it broken down by the top 10 codes in use.*

*If this is currently unavailable, then I'd like an ETA on it as it is an important figure to monitor with a blanket health treatment. I would also like the previously provided 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 data broken down by the top 10 codes”*

Information within scope of this request is itemised in Appendix 1 of this letter and a copy of the document is enclosed. The data in Appendix 1 provides the 10 most common hospital discharges between July 2017 to October 2021, broken down by codes.

Note that counts for the 2021/21 financial year contain only four months of hospitalisations, between July and October 2021. For all other financial years, the data includes hospitalisations for 12 months, between 1 July and 30 June.

The most recent cause of death data is available for 2018. Table One provides the ten most common subgroups, broken down by code, cause of death and the total.

Table One: Ten most common cause of death subgroups

Code	Cause of death	Total
I20-I25	Ischaemic heart diseases	4675
C15-C26	Malignant neoplasms of digestive organs	2955
I60-69	Cerebrovascular diseases	2391
F00-F09	Organic, including symptomatic, mental disorders	2052
I30-I52	Other forms of heart disease	1901
C30-C39	Malignant neoplasms of respiratory and intrathoracic organs	1845
J40-J47	Chronic lower respiratory diseases	1811
C81-C96	Malignant neoplasms of lymphoid, haematopoietic and related tissue	938

E09-E14	Impaired glucose regulation and diabetes mellitus	902
G30-G32	Other degenerative diseases of the nervous system	853

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).

Nāku noa, nā



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