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Tēnā koe AJ

**Your Official Information Act request, reference: HNZ00004703**

Thank you for your email of 13 July 2022, which was transferred from the Ministry of Health, asking for the following which has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- 1. The number of full time nurses employed on full pay as of january 1st each year for the last 5 years (incl jan 1st 2022)*
- 2. The total number of nurses employed both full and part time in work and being paid as of january 1st each year for the last 5 years (incl jan 1st 2022)*
- 3. The number of nurses that resigned between march 2021 and march 2022. A monthly breakdown of resignations if possible please.*

I apologise for the delay in responding to your request, please find below the information you have requested.

**Questions 1 and 2**

We have interpreted this question as the number of full-time nurses as at 31 December each year 2017-2022 as we collect data as at the last day of the end of each quarter.

Please note there may be rare situations where a nurse works for more than one district, in which case there will be a small overcount.

<b>DATE</b>	<b>District Employed Nursing Headcount</b>		
As at:	<b>Total</b>	<b>"Full-time"</b>	<b>"Part-time"</b>
31/12/2017	26,771	20,522	6,249
31/12/2018	27,391	21,347	6,044
31/12/2019	28,511	22,416	6,095
31/12/2020	29,754	23,553	6,201
31/12/2021	30,642	24,258	6,384

**Question 3 The number of nurses that resigned between March 2021 and March 2022. A monthly breakdown of resignations, if possible, please.**

We have included the number of new starters each month. With regard to the number of leavers, please note these figures may include nurses who have left one district to start work at another or have moved to another role across the sector. Leavers have been interpreted as people who voluntarily left their place of employment.

YEAR	MONTH	STARTERS	LEAVERS
2021	March	364	225
	April	368	258
	May	444	322
	June	302	276
	July	368	346
	August	523	272
	September	535	245
	October	380	288
	November	396	329
	December	258	498
2022	January	817	467
	February	757	297
	March	335	317

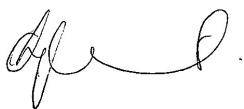
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