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Kia ora Mike,

Dog Statistics

Thank you for your request made under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act), received on 17 February 2023. After refinement, you requested the following information:

1. *The total number of dogs currently registered, and per year for the previous 3 years?*
2. *The number of new registrations of dogs per year for the last 3 years?*
3. *List the dog types registered (e.g. domestic, guide, working) and the number of dogs for each of those types?*
4. *List the number of dogs registered in each suburb within WCC jurisdiction?*
5. *The total number of dogs currently registered as dangerous?*
6. *The total number of dogs currently registered as menacing?*
7. *The number of dog deaths registered per year for the last 3 years?*
8. *List the top 10 primary breeds registered as of November 2022?*

Please provide the data requested in a CSV file, excel file or similar

Wellington City Council has granted your request for information.

Question 1 - The total number of dogs currently registered, and per year for the previous 3 years

Below is a table breaking down the number of dogs currently registered. Please note:

- This information has been gathered directly from the dogs register in reply to your request. This register is updated regularly in response to updates from registered dog owners and/or the receiving of new registrations. Therefore, these figures might not align with information provided in the Councils Annual Dog Control Reports. Information on the Councils Annual Dog Control Reports can be found [here](#).

	2022/23 YTD	2021/22	2020/21
Number of dogs registered	15,535	15,631	14,678

Question 2 - The number of new registrations of dogs per year for the last 3 years

Please find this information below:

	2022/23 YTD	2021/22	2020/21
Number of new dogs registered	3,940	1,818	2,303

Information relating to the number of dog deaths registered per year can be found in response to question 7 below.

Question 3 - List the dog types registered (e.g., domestic, guide, working) and the number of dogs for each of those types?

	2022/23 YTD	2021/22	2020/21
Guide Dog	43	39	36
Working Dog	136	159	160
Domestic Dog	13,870	12,359	14,444

Please note:

- The Council's Dog Team have been gathering the data you have requested for all questions over time since your request was first raised with us, on 17 February 2023. Data gathered has not been pulled from the same day, during which time the Dog's team receives changes to applications which can include changes to currently registered dogs, new applications etc. Therefore, the figures above may not match the totals provided in question 1.

Question 4 - List the number of dogs registered in each suburb within WCC jurisdiction?

Below is a table breaking down the number of dogs registered to each suburb. Please note:

- This information was originally compiled in October 2022 and as such the final total may not match the totals provided in question 1.

Suburb	Number of Dogs
Berhampore	187
Breaker Bay	40
Churton Park	618
Crofton Downs	150
Glenside	25
Horokiwi	60
Johnsonville	747
Kingston	62
Lyll Bay	296
Moa Point	9
Mornington	76
Newlands	612
Ngaio	494

Ngauranga	4
Northland	251
Ohariu	122
Paparangi	212
Pipitea	6
Rongotai	62
Southgate	84
Strathmore Park	313
Te Aro	67
Thorndon	137
Woodridge	131
Karaka Bays	76
Maupuia	94
Hataitai	499
Roseneath	128
Oriental Bay	52
Wellington Central	202
Makara Beach	1
Takapu Valley	39
Tawa	1248
Grenada North	29
Grenada Village	183
Highbury	23
Kelburn	218
Houghton Bay	112
Melrose	120
Miramar	688
Seatoun	312
Broadmeadows	132
Khandallah	822
Aro Valley	110
Island Bay	738
Kaiwharawhara	40
Kilbirnie	207
Newtown	302
Wadestown	342
Wilton	148
Mount Victoria	208
Mount Cook	114
Karori	1220
Owhiro Bay	110
Makara	116
Vogeltown	67
Brooklyn	460

Questions 5 & 6 - The total number of dogs currently registered as dangerous and menacing
Please find this information below:

	2022/23 YTD	2021/22	2020/21
Dangerous	23	20	8
Menacing*	134	57	27

*Please note, this information includes dogs registered as menacing by breed and deed. A dog can also be classified as menacing by deed no matter what breed it is. This usually happens when a dog has been proven to be a risk to the public, other animals, or protected wildlife

Question 7 - The number of dog deaths registered per year for the last 3 years?

Below is a table providing the number of dog deaths registered for each year. Please note:

- The date the Council is informed of the passing of a dog is not always aligned with the date on the dog's death certificate. Information below captures the financial year of when the Council was notified of a dog/s passing.

	2022/23 YTD	2021/22	2020/21
The number of dog deaths registered per year	819	719	753

Question 8 - List the top 10 primary breeds registered as of November 2022

Below is a list of the top 10 registered breeds. Please note, this information was originally gathered in November 2022:

Top 10 Registered Dog Breeds
Labrador Retriever
Cavalier King Charles Spaniel
Border Collie
Mini Schnauzer
Staffordshire Bull Terrier
Shih Tzue
Jack Russell Terrier
Bichon Frise
Fox Terrier
Huntaway

Please provide the data requested in a CSV file, excel file or similar

Attached to this response is a spreadsheet containing the data requested and answered above.

Right of review

If you are not satisfied with the Council's response, you may request the Office of the Ombudsman to investigate the Council's decision. Further information is available on the Ombudsman website, www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Please note, we may proactively release our response to your request with your personal information removed.

Thank you again for your request,

Kind regards

Ollie Marchant
Official Information