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Tēnā koe David

**Your request for official information, reference: HNZ00015066**

Thank you for your email on 28 March 2023, asking for health-related data which has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Please find a response to each part of your request below.

*I am seeking data on a number of health indicators. For each indicator I would ideally like the data for each calendar year from 2008 to 2022 but if going all the way back to 2008 is impossible or too difficult, it is fine to start from a later date. It is also fine if different indicators start from different years.*

*The data I seek is for all of New Zealand:*

*1 The proportion of emergency department patients who were admitted, discharged, or transferred from an Emergency Department (ED) within six hours, on either a quarterly or annual basis*

*2 The number of elective surgical procedures done each calendar year*

*4 The proportion of Under 25s able to access specialist mental health services within three weeks of referral, on either a quarterly or annual basis*

*5 The number of patients who have waited over 12 months for an elective treatment, on an annual basis*

*8 The number of patients who had to wait more than 42 days for an MRI scan, on an annual basis*

*9 The number of patients who had to wait more than 42 days for a CT scan, on an annual basis*

*11 The proportion of people referred for non-urgent mental health seen within three weeks and eight weeks, on an annual basis*

Please refer to the excel spreadsheet attached as **Document 1** for information in response to the above parts of your request. Please note that data in response to these parts of your request can only be provided from 2013 onwards.

*3 The proportion of eight- month-olds who had their primary course of immunisation at six weeks, three months and five months on time, on either a quarterly or annual basis*

As you were advised on 28 April 2023, this information is publicly available at:  
[www.health.govt.nz/our-work/preventative-health-wellness/immunisation/immunisation-coverage/national-and-regional-immunisation-data](http://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/preventative-health-wellness/immunisation/immunisation-coverage/national-and-regional-immunisation-data).

6 The number of mental health beds in the public health system, on an annual basis

This information is publicly available at:

- [www.parliament.nz/en/pb/order-paper-questions/written-questions/document/WQ\\_06107\\_2023/6107-2023-brooke-van-velden-to-the-minister-of-health](http://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/order-paper-questions/written-questions/document/WQ_06107_2023/6107-2023-brooke-van-velden-to-the-minister-of-health); and
- [www.parliament.nz/en/pb/order-paper-questions/written-questions/document/WQ\\_06105\\_2023/6105-2023-brooke-van-velden-to-the-minister-of-health](http://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/order-paper-questions/written-questions/document/WQ_06105_2023/6105-2023-brooke-van-velden-to-the-minister-of-health).

7 The number of doctors and nurses in the public health system, on an annual basis

Please refer to **Document 2** attached to this letter.

10 The proportion of patients triaged as having a High Suspicion of Cancer (HSCAN) by a secondary or tertiary care facility to the patients' first treatment, on a quarterly or annual basis

On 12 May 2023, this part of your request was transferred to Manatū Hauora (the Ministry of Health). Please refer to their response for this information.

### How to get in touch

If you have any questions, you can contact us at [hnzOIA@health.govt.nz](mailto:hnzOIA@health.govt.nz).

If you are not happy with this response, you have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman. Information about how to do this is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by phoning 0800 802 602.

As this information may be of interest to other members of the public, Te Whatu Ora may proactively release a copy of this response on our website. All requester data, including your name and contact details, will be removed prior to release.

Nāku iti noa, nā



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## SMO, RMO and Nursing (2022 - 208)

Te Whatu Ora  
Health New Zealand

Health Workforce Information Programme (HWIP) – a programme within Te Whatu Ora, sponsored by the 20 District National People and Culture Group.

The programme holds data on the District employed workforce providing a national, regional and local picture of the health and disability sector workforce in terms of its 'stocks and flows'.

<https://www.tewhatoora.govt.nz/our-health-system/health-workforce-information-programme/>

If you have any queries please email [dhbwi@tas.health.nz](mailto:dhbwi@tas.health.nz).

- \* All data was extracted from the HWIP database on 04 April 2023 and reflects people employed by the 20 districts as at the stated times.
- \* Data excludes casuals, contractors, and people on parental leave or leave without pay.
- \* All FTE values are contracted FTE (where 1 FTE = 2086 hours per year).
- \* Employee Count is a distinct count based on Employee Number. There is the potential for individuals to be counted more than once if they hold roles with more than one district, or if they hold roles in more than one occupation group.
- \* The Workforce includes the employees coded under the Occupation group - Senior Medical Officer (SMO), Resident Medical Officer (RMO) and Nursing.

### SMO, RMO and Nursing as of December 31st each year (2008 to 2022)

Period	Nursing		Resident Medical Officer (RMO)		Senior Medical Officer (SMO)	
	Employee Count	Contracted FTE	Employee Count	Contracted FTE	Employee Count	Contracted FTE
2008	21651	17431.5	2881	2833.8	3766	3103.9
2009	23227	18602.6	3093	2925.6	3935	3185.0
2010	23552	18943.5	3332	3231.2	4111	3385.1
2011	23593	18996.6	3560	3457.8	4206	3471.5
2012	24044	19411.2	3710	3602.6	4417	3670.4
2013	24860	20110.4	3756	3653.2	4616	3844.6
2014	25073	20317.2	3697	3609.2	4798	4011.4
2015	25797	20926.9	3801	3663.9	4955	4135.3
2016	26067	21265.2	3934	3797.6	4999	4198.6
2017	26738	21871.4	4097	4014.2	5219	4388.9
2018	27312	22548.6	4315	4244.9	5320	4510.0
2019	28436	23485.1	4464	4378.1	5486	4627.7
2020	29684	24511.5	4374	4294.3	5730	4878.0
2021	30521	25263.9	4534	4440.9	5920	5044.9
2022	30895	25713.2	4688	4603.4	6044	5151.9

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