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Tēnā koe Aurelie

Your request for official information, reference: HNZ00018287

Thank you for your request for information, which was transferred from Manatū Hauora (the Ministry of Health) to Te Whatu Ora on 8 May 2023, asking for the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Could you please give me the number of Measles deaths per year in New Zealand between 1950 and 1990.

Please find these data attached to this letter as Appendix 1.

How to get in touch

If you have any questions, you can contact us at 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 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



Gaynor Bradfield
Manager
Office of the Chief Data and Digital

Appendix 1: Number of deaths due to measles in New Zealand by year

Year	Deaths
1950	3
1951	2
1952	45
1953	13
1954	18
1955	15
1956	9
1957	1
1958	10
1959	16
1960	13
1961	3
1962	2
1963	7
1964	4
1965	11
1966	5
1967	14
1968	2
1969	7
1970	12
1971	5
1972	8
1973	1
1974	1
1975	3
1976	3
1977	2
1978	1
1979	1
1980	1
1981	0
1982	0
1983	0
1984	0
1985	2
1986	1
1987	1
1988	0
1989	0
1990	0

Source: Te Whatu Ora | Health New Zealand, Mortality Collection
ICD-9 code 055

Please note that prior to 1962 Māori deaths were kept on a separate register to non-Māori and registration of Māori deaths was not required by law.