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Tēnā koe

Your request for Official information, reference: HN200026022

Thank you for your email on 20 July 2023, asking for the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

"I wish to get the statistics on the number of people from when the Covid vaccination programme began to the end of 2022, that had physical side effects from the Vaccine as to the people who did not have any side effects. Also the number of people who died from natural causes in 2018 as to those in 2020."

The data for total numbers of adverse events doesn't exist and is refused under section 18(e) of the Act. However Post-Vaccine-Symptom Check (PVSC) data for a representation of those who did/didn't experience any adverse events is publicly available here:

<https://www.medsafe.govt.nz/COVID-19/active-monitoring-intro.asp>.

Additionally, reports of adverse reactions following COVID-19 vaccination that have been reported to Medsafe are available here: <https://www.medsafe.govt.nz/COVID-19/vaccine-report-overview.asp>

The data for deaths registered in New Zealand from 1948-2020 is available on [Mortality web tool – Te Whatu Ora - Health New Zealand](#). Please note that data for 2019 and 2020 is preliminary.

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.

Nāku iti noa, nā



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