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Tēnā koe Tiana E

Official Information Act (OIA) request: Discussion of and the decision to make the 2018 census digital first

On 18 March 2024, you contacted Stats NZ requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

- *My request is for papers given to the minister of statistics about making the 2018 census primarily a digital process.*

I would like to see these from 2010 to 2018

The documents you have requested are publicly available at the following link, as part of our answer to a previous OIA request released on 1 May 2018:

<https://statsnz.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/collection/p20045coll24/id/66/rec/1>

For ease of reference, the documents are also attached to this letter. These are:

Date	Document	Page no.
June 2014	Report to the Minister of Statistics: Submitting Cabinet paper – The 2018 Census – Submission of Detailed Business Case and Release of Tagged Contingency Funding to Cabinet Economic Growth and Infrastructure Committee	1
June 2014	Cabinet Paper: The 2018 Census – Submission of detailed business case and release of tagged contingency funding (business case attached)	4
October 2014	2018 Census Strategy	27

Should you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact Stats NZ at: OfficeoftheGSCE@stats.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or 0800 802 602.

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Nāku noa, nā



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