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Dear Chris

Thank you for your email dated 22 May 2024 to Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

Are you able to provide the following in excel / table format on Kainga Ora letterhead a breakdown of the persons across Kainga Ora / Emergency Housing

Total Persons in State Houses broken down as follows

- *New Zealand citizens*
- *Non New Zealand citizens*

Can you then breakdown the Non New Zealand citizens into various groups eg visa holders and type, refugees & visa status, visa status unknown / pending / undocumented etc etc just whatever the categories are / might be

Can you also provide the ages of these persons and work status

Kāinga Ora has considered your request under the Act, and has interpreted your request as asking about public housing, excluding emergency housing, which Kāinga Ora is not responsible for.

Kāinga Ora only holds information on the residency status of the main tenant in a household, and not any other household members. Therefore I am declining your request for the residency status of 'total persons in state houses' under section 18(g)(i) of the Act, as the information is not held, and we do not have grounds for believing it is held by another agency.

The figures Kāinga Ora holds, provided in the table below, are sourced from information provided by people when they apply for public housing with the Ministry of Social Development and are successfully housed by Kāinga Ora. This information is not subsequently updated, therefore, it may no longer be accurate by the time a person is placed in a Kāinga Ora home.

The information provided is at 30 April 2024 for those in public homes.

Residency	Under 25	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Grand Total
New Zealand Citizen	1,202	7,168	9,004	9,720	10,722	11,156	48,972
Permanent Resident	92	760	997	788	647	675	3,959
Refugee Status	36	238	447	331	215	126	1,393
Unknown	103	953	1,709	2,284	2,840	3,102	10,991
Grand Total	1,433	9,119	12,157	13,123	14,424	15,059	65,315

Your request for a breakdown of the information by visa and 'work status' is refused under section 18(g)(i) of the Act, as this information is not held.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of my decision on your request. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or Freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that Kāinga Ora proactively releases its responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request may be published at <https://kaingaora.govt.nz/publications/official-information-requests/>, with your personal information removed.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rachel Kelly". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rachel Kelly
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