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Tēnā koe James,

### Your request for official information, reference: HNZ00049923

Thank you for your email on 31 May 2024 asking Health New Zealand | Te Whatu Ora (Health NZ) for the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*Month by month costs if any, over the last 7 months for storage of RAT kits and PPE.*

*Date of tender for the disposal of the above, if it has gone to tender.*

### Response

The National Reserve Stock (NRS) stores multiple product categories, including Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). The table below outlines the month-by-month storage costs of all products for the last seven months.

Month	Total Invoice Sum
Nov-23	\$1,749,758
Dec-23	\$1,573,067
Jan-24	\$1,378,062
Feb-24	\$1,351,630
Mar-24	\$1,489,234
Apr-24	\$1,242,284
May-24	\$1,619,783

Health NZ is billed per pallet cost for storage. The cost is determined by grade and storage requirements such as pharmaceutical, ambient, racked, blocked, or stacked storage. All storage costs include a fixed monthly insurance charge.

The tender for disposal of PPE and RATs, *Recycling Reforming and Disposal of unused Personal Protection Equipment and Rapid Antigen Tests*, was advertised on the Government Electronic Tender Service (GETS) as per Government Procurement Rules. The tender opened on Wednesday 18 October 2023 and closed on Wednesday 15 November 2023.

## How to get in touch

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

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As this information may be of interest to other members of the public, Health NZ 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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