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Dear Acclaim Otago

### Official Information Act Request

Thank you for your request of 29 January 2017 asking for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982:

*ACC's 2016 Annual Report stated that ACC had accepted 1,933,629 new claims.*

1. *Please identify how many claims were accepted for each of ACC's separate accounts, i.e. Motor Vehicle Account, Work Account, Earners' Account, Non-Earners' Account and Treatment Injury Account.*
2. *Please identify the account used for payments when temporary visitors to New Zealand have recreational accidents - i.e., claims that do not involve motor vehicle accidents, work accidents or treatment injury claims*

### Response

#### Number of claims in the 2015/16 financial year, by ACC Account

Please find in the table below the number of claims in the 2015/16 financial year, by levy funding account.

#### New Accepted claims in 2015/16, by Account

ACC Account					Total
Non-Earners	Earners	Work Account	Motor vehicle	Treatment	
984,981	704,608	198,365	36,192	9,483	1,933,629

#### Accounts that pay for injuries of visitors to New Zealand

Please note that ACC's legislation does not refer to 'temporary visitors', and accordingly there is no ACC Account that has been specifically allocated to cover the costs of their injuries. As with the injury claims of New Zealand residents, the Account that pays for an overseas visitor's claim will depend on the circumstances.

As you will be aware, either the Earners' Account or the Non-Earners' Account will pay the costs of an injury claim, depending on whether or not the client is an earner. The exceptions to this are work-related injuries, treatment injuries or injuries involving a motor vehicle on a public road; which all have their own Accounts.

Noting the above exceptions, the ACC Account that pays the costs of an injury claim lodged by an overseas visitor will depend on whether they are engaged in employment in New Zealand. If they are working in New Zealand at the time of their injury then the Earners' Account pays the claim costs, if they are not working then the Non-Earners' Account pays the costs.

**ACC is happy to answer your questions**

If you have any questions or concerns about the information provided, ACC will be happy to work with you to resolve these. Please address any concerns by emailing [GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz](mailto:GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz) or in writing to *Government Services, PO Box 242, Wellington 6140*.

Yours sincerely  
**Government Services**