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Dear Cole

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 17 February 2017, in which you requested information relating to people missing in New Zealand for more than a year; their names, ages, the year they were reported missing, gender, location, circumstances and case information behind their disappearance.

Police are unable to release the names of the missing persons. Identifying them will breach the privacy interests of these people and their families and Police believe there is no public interest favouring release of the information that outweighs the privacy interests of the individuals concerned. This information is therefore refused pursuant to Section 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act 1982.

Table 1 details the gender, age when reported missing, year reported missing and the area they were reported missing from.

Table 2 relates to the circumstances as they were believed to be at the time the person was reported missing. The circumstances have not been linked to the particular cases in order to preserve the privacy of the missing persons and their families. This information is therefore refused pursuant to Section 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act 1982.

All information provided is current as at 31 March 2017.

**TABLE 1**

Gender	Age when Reported Missing	Year Reported Missing	Area Reported Missing From
Male	17	1939	Auckland West Area
Male	10	1941	Wellington Area
Female	22	1945	Wellington Area
Male	79	1949	Western Bay of Plenty Area

Gender	Age when Reported Missing	Year Reported Missing	Area Reported Missing From
Male	37	1956	Rotorua Area
Male	24	1957	Waikato West Area
Male	38	1960	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	40	1960	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Female	16	1961	Wellington Area
Male	19	1965	Hamilton City Area
Male	24	1966	Otago Coastal Area
Male	Unknown	1968	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	2	1968	Taupo Area
Female	34	1970	Eastern Bay of Plenty Area
Male	0	1971	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	37	1971	Tairāwhiti Area
Male	30	1971	Waitakere Area
Male	25	1973	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	21	1973	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Female	56	1974	Wellington Area
Male	42	1974	Waitakere Area
Male	22	1974	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	36	1974	Far North Area
Male	20	1975	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Female	60	1976	Nelson Bays Area
Male	46	1976	Whanganui Area
Male	21	1976	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	24	1976	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	22	1976	Manawatu Area
Female	36	1977	Rotorua Area
Male	37	1977	Eastern Bay of Plenty Area
Female	15	1977	Hamilton City Area
Male	59	1977	Wairarapa Area
Male	29	1977	Otago Coastal Area
Male	58	1977	Otago Coastal Area
Male	24	1978	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	14	1978	Rodney Area
Female	65	1978	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	43	1978	Whanganui Area
Male	20	1980	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	38	1980	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	38	1980	Canterbury Metro Area

Gender	Age when Reported Missing	Year Reported Missing	Area Reported Missing From
Male	23	1980	Otago Coastal Area
Female	29	1980	Hutt Valley Area
Male	20	1980	Auckland West Area
Male	54	1981	Otago Coastal Area
Female	38	1981	Waitakere Area
Male	29	1981	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Female	23	1981	Otago Coastal Area
Female	49	1982	Waitakere Area
Male	29	1982	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	50	1982	Auckland East Area
Male	20	1982	Far North Area
Male	30	1982	Auckland Central Area
Male	33	1982	Auckland Central Area
Female	29	1983	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Female	57	1983	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Female	30	1983	Taranaki Area
Male	24	1983	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	19	1983	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Female	14	1983	Hawkes Bay Area
Male	30	1984	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	49	1984	Canterbury Metro Area
Female	51	1984	Otago Coastal Area
Male	52	1984	Marlborough Area
Male	38	1985	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	22	1985	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	65	1985	Southland Area
Male	26	1985	Southland Area
Male	16	1985	Southland Area
Male	25	1985	Southland Area
Male	50	1985	Otago Coastal Area
Male	32	1985	Hamilton City Area
Female	63	1986	Waikato West Area
Male	22	1986	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Female	58	1986	Whanganui Area
Female	25	1986	Western Bay of Plenty Area
Male	28	1986	Wellington Area
Female	42	1986	Wairarapa Area
Male	21	1986	North Shore Area

Gender	Age when Reported Missing	Year Reported Missing	Area Reported Missing From
Male	18	1986	Counties Manukau West Area
Male	28	1987	North Shore Area
Male	21	1987	Rodney Area
Male	38	1987	Southland Area
Male	25	1987	West Coast Area
Male	53	1987	Southland Area
Male	27	1988	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	30	1988	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	30	1988	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Female	68	1988	Kapiti-Mana Area
Female	32	1988	Nelson Bays Area
Male	31	1988	Eastern Bay of Plenty Area
Male	26	1988	Auckland West Area
Male	13	1988	Manawatu Area
Female	17	1988	Auckland Central Area
Female	34	1989	Otago Coastal Area
Male	28	1989	Otago Coastal Area
Male	32	1989	Southland Area
Male	31	1989	Rotorua Area
Male	21	1989	Waitakere Area
Male	34	1989	Rodney Area
Male	25	1990	Counties Manukau Central Area
Male	27	1990	Counties Manukau Central Area
Male	54	1990	Taranaki Area
Female	33	1990	Whangarei Area
Male	35	1991	Waitakere Area
Male	43	1991	Canterbury Metro Area
Male	16	1991	Taranaki Area
Male	21	1991	Canterbury Metro Area
Male	52	1991	Hawkes Bay Area
Male	64	1991	Southland Area
Male	31	1991	Canterbury Metro Area
Female	8	1991	West Coast Area
Male	46	1991	Eastern Bay of Plenty Area
Male	20	1991	Canterbury Metro Area
Male	17	1991	Taranaki Area
Male	23	1992	Far North Area
Male	30	1992	Waitakere Area

Gender	Age when Reported Missing	Year Reported Missing	Area Reported Missing From
Male	46	1992	Auckland Central Area
Male	41	1992	Otago Coastal Area
Male	18	1992	Waitakere Area
Male	34	1992	Canterbury Metro Area
Female	2	1992	Otago Lakes Central Area
Male	17	1992	Tairāwhiti Area
Female	25	1992	Western Bay of Plenty Area
Male	60	1992	Taupo Area
Male	31	1993	Manawatu Area
Female	56	1993	Counties Manukau West Area
Male	64	1993	Waitakere Area
Male	48	1993	Hawkes Bay Area
Male	51	1993	Southland Area
Female	27	1993	Auckland West Area
Male	38	1993	Hawkes Bay Area
Female	20	1993	Far North Area
Male	28	1993	Southland Area
Male	33	1993	Far North Area
Male	22	1994	Canterbury Metro Area
Male	24	1994	Eastern Bay of Plenty Area
Male	18	1994	Eastern Bay of Plenty Area
Female	34	1994	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	33	1994	West Coast Area
Male	32	1994	Nelson Bays Area
Male	22	1994	Waikato East Area
Male	33	1994	Otago Coastal Area
Male	22	1995	Taranaki Area
Male	30	1995	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	23	1995	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	62	1995	Rotorua Area
Female	24	1995	Waikato East Area
Male	28	1995	Whanganui Area
Male	49	1995	Whanganui Area
Male	57	1995	Whangarei Area
Male	52	1995	West Coast Area
Male	50	1996	Hawkes Bay Area
Female	31	1996	Rotorua Area
Male	40	1996	Tairāwhiti Area

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Male	28	1996	West Coast Area
Female	26	1996	Far North Area
Male	36	1996	Marlborough Area
Male	28	1996	Marlborough Area
Male	26	1996	Counties Manukau South Area
Male	60	1996	Counties Manukau West Area
Male	23	1997	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Female	28	1997	Otago Coastal Area
Male	26	1997	Waikato East Area
Female	17	1998	Marlborough Area
Male	21	1998	Marlborough Area
Male	52	1998	Whanganui Area
Male	39	1998	Canterbury Metro Area
Male	22	1998	Wellington Area
Male	26	1998	Wellington Area
Female	31	1998	Waitakere Area
Male	32	1998	Waitakere Area
Female	42	1998	Far North Area
Male	49	1999	Waitakere Area
Male	34	1999	Wellington Area
Male	60	1999	Wellington Area
Male	49	1999	Kapiti-Mana Area
Male	35	1999	Kapiti-Mana Area
Male	17	1999	Otago Coastal Area
Male	54	1999	Canterbury Metro Area
Male	49	1999	Canterbury Metro Area
Male	45	1999	Far North Area
Female	52	1999	Far North Area
Male	25	1999	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Female	52	2000	Far North Area
Male	26	2000	Waikato West Area
Male	31	2000	Waikato West Area
Female	29	2000	Counties Manukau West Area
Male	27	2000	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	27	2001	Canterbury Metro Area
Male	26	2001	Wellington Area
Male	56	2001	Canterbury Metro Area
Male	38	2001	Hawkes Bay Area

Gender	Age when Reported Missing	Year Reported Missing	Area Reported Missing From
Male	20	2001	Counties Manukau East Area
Female	63	2001	Western Bay of Plenty Area
Male	63	2001	Wellington Area
Male	18	2001	Southland Area
Female	37	2002	Wellington Area
Male	24	2002	Waitakere Area
Male	47	2002	Southland Area
Male	26	2002	Southland Area
Male	52	2002	Waikato East Area
Male	61	2002	Taupo Area
Male	36	2002	Taupo Area
Female	28	2002	Otago Coastal Area
Male	42	2003	West Coast Area
Male	80	2003	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	50	2003	Southland Area
Female	31	2003	Waikato East Area
Male	54	2003	Western Bay of Plenty Area
Male	50	2003	Counties Manukau South Area
Male	55	2003	Rodney Area
Male	56	2003	Southland Area
Female	58	2003	Taupo Area
Male	35	2003	Canterbury Metro Area
Male	31	2004	Eastern Bay of Plenty Area
Male	44	2004	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Female	17	2004	Whanganui Area
Male	43	2004	Counties Manukau South Area
Male	25	2004	Rodney Area
Male	74	2004	Counties Manukau Central Area
Female	25	2004	Waitakere Area
Female	36	2004	Otago Coastal Area
Male	74	2004	Whangarei Area
Male	54	2004	Western Bay of Plenty Area
Female	20	2004	Otago Coastal Area
Male	51	2005	Canterbury Metro Area
Female	42	2005	Hamilton City Area
Male	65	2005	Kapiti-Mana Area
Female	62	2005	Hutt Valley Area
Male	43	2005	Marlborough Area

Gender	Age when Reported Missing	Year Reported Missing	Area Reported Missing From
Male	51	2005	Nelson Bays Area
Male	47	2005	Rotorua Area
Male	44	2005	Canterbury Metro Area
Male	55	2006	Waikato East Area
Male	57	2006	Far North Area
Male	32	2006	Western Bay of Plenty Area
Male	53	2006	Counties Manukau South Area
Male	23	2006	Wellington Area
Male	37	2006	Auckland West Area
Female	34	2006	Otago Coastal Area
Male	33	2006	Waitakere Area
Male	42	2007	Tairāwhiti Area
Male	34	2007	Rotorua Area
Male	25	2007	Hawkes Bay Area
Female	35	2007	Hawkes Bay Area
Male	17	2007	Waikato West Area
Male	46	2007	Canterbury Metro Area
Male	34	2007	Western Bay of Plenty Area
Male	69	2007	Taupo Area
Male	40	2008	Western Bay of Plenty Area
Male	43	2008	Manawatu Area
Male	99	2008	Nelson Bays Area
Male	41	2008	Kapiti-Mana Area
Male	48	2008	Western Bay of Plenty Area
Male	75	2008	Waikato East Area
Male	68	2008	Wellington Area
Male	59	2008	Otago Lakes Central Area
Male	16	2008	Otago Lakes Central Area
Male	41	2008	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	20	2009	Waitakere Area
Female	31	2009	Rotorua Area
Female	47	2009	Canterbury Metro Area
Male	37	2009	Counties Manukau Central Area
Male	21	2009	West Coast Area
Male	23	2009	Auckland West Area
Male	58	2009	Wellington Area
Male	54	2009	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	46	2009	Mid / South Canterbury Area



Gender	Age when Reported Missing	Year Reported Missing	Area Reported Missing From
Male	19	2010	Nelson Bays Area
Male	70	2010	West Coast Area
Male	58	2010	Counties Manukau West Area
Male	40	2010	Western Bay of Plenty Area
Male	15	2010	Waitakere Area
Male	29	2010	Hamilton City Area
Male	71	2010	Eastern Bay of Plenty Area
Male	51	2010	Wellington Area
Female	30	2010	Otago Coastal Area
Male	36	2010	Whangarei Area
Male	76	2010	West Coast Area
Male	27	2011	Nelson Bays Area
Male	63	2011	Far North Area
Male	47	2011	Whanganui Area
Male	62	2011	Otago Coastal Area
Male	19	2011	Hutt Valley Area
Male	25	2011	Otago Lakes Central Area
Male	38	2011	Manawatu Area
Male	48	2011	Rodney Area
Male	33	2012	Western Bay of Plenty Area
Male	50	2012	Southland Area
Male	47	2012	Southland Area
Male	40	2012	Southland Area
Male	7	2012	Southland Area
Male	61	2012	Western Bay of Plenty Area
Male	35	2012	Otago Coastal Area
Male	21	2012	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Female	42	2012	North Shore Area
Male	72	2013	Wairarapa Area
Male	11	2013	Waikato East Area
Male	35	2013	Auckland East Area
Male	67	2013	Nelson Bays Area
Male	41	2013	Marlborough Area
Male	55	2013	Canterbury Metro Area
Female	79	2013	Waikato East Area
Male	67	2013	Waikato West Area
Male	48	2013	Whanganui Area
Male	49	2014	Hutt Valley Area

Gender	Age when Reported Missing	Year Reported Missing	Area Reported Missing From
Male	55	2014	Marlborough Area
Male	54	2014	Eastern Bay of Plenty Area
Male	33	2014	Southland Area
Female	19	2014	Southland Area
Female	19	2014	Southland Area
Male	27	2014	Taranaki Area
Male	70	2014	Hutt Valley Area
Male	5	2014	Western Bay of Plenty Area
Male	50	2014	Otago Coastal Area
Female	77	2014	Hawkes Bay Area
Female	48	2014	Far North Area
Male	58	2014	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	54	2014	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	26	2014	Mid / South Canterbury Area
Male	33	2015	Otago Lakes Central Area
Male	11	2015	Southland Area
Female	53	2015	Otago Coastal Area
Male	67	2015	Counties Manukau South Area
Male	57	2015	Counties Manukau South Area
Male	77	2015	Otago Coastal Area
Female	60	2015	Otago Coastal Area
Male	74	2015	Canterbury Metro Area
Male	49	2016	Canterbury Metro Area
Male	54	2016	Whangarei Area
Female	46	2016	Wellington Area

**TABLE 2**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Number of Missing Persons</b>
Missing from Health Institution	17
Suspected suicide	46
Suspected homicide	35
Search and Rescue	160
Missing outside NZ	3
Other	72
<b>Total</b>	<b>333</b>

If you are not satisfied with the response to your request, you have the right to refer the matter to the Office of the Ombudsman.

Yours sincerely



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