



Reference: 16/7758/9

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Mr Mark Hanna

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Dear Mr Hanna

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

I am writing in response to the email dated 20 April 2017 sent to the New Zealand Police requesting a list of current New Zealand firearms licences broken into specific data groups. Your request was pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982 and specifically asked:

1. *A list of current New Zealand firearms licences, identified by the following information:*
 - a) *Type of Licence (e.g. dealer licence, visitor's licence)*
 - b) *Gender of licence holder*
 - c) *Age of licence holder,*
 - d) *Endorsements on the licence.*

2. *The total number of firearms licence holders and the total number of firearms licences with each endorsement type per region in New Zealand.*

My response is outlined below.

1. *A list of current New Zealand firearms licences, identified by the following information*
 - a) *Type of Licence (e.g. dealer licence, visitor's licence)*

Please refer to Table "**by Endorsement**" on the attached page. Please note that the data provided are provisional and drawn from a dynamic operational database. They are subject to change as new information is continually recorded. The attached data were drawn on 10 May.

- b) *Gender of licence holder*

Please refer to Table "**by Gender**" on the attached page. Please note that the data provided are provisional and drawn from a dynamic operational database. They are subject to change as new information is continually recorded. The attached data were drawn on 10 May.

- c) *Age of licence holder*

Please refer to Table "**by Age**" on the attached page. Please note that the data provided are provisional and drawn from a dynamic operational database. They are subject to change as new information is continually recorded. The attached data were drawn on 10 May.

d) *Endorsements on the licence*

Please refer to Table "**by Endorsement**" on the attached page. Please note that the data provided are provisional and drawn from a dynamic operational database. They are subject to change as new information is continually recorded. The attached data were drawn on 10 May.

2. *The total number of firearms licence holders and the total number of firearms licence with each endorsement type per region in New Zealand.*

The Police firearms licence database are currently set up in a way that could not provide information on the breakdown of firearms licence holders by endorsement type per region. However, I have provided the data which shows the numbers of firearms licences by Police District, current as at 12 May 2017.

Please refer to the Table "**by Police District**". Note that "Other" Police District is inclusive of Police National Headquarters and Licensing. Also as with the other tables the data provided are provisional and drawn from a dynamic operational database. They are subject to change as new information is continually recorded. The attached data were drawn on 10 May.

As you are aware you have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek a review of my handling of your request by the Office of the Ombudsman.

Yours faithfully



Chris Scahill
Superintendent
National Manager: Response and Operations

Current New Zealand Firearms Licence Holders

by Age

Age	Licence Type		
	A-Standard	D-Dealer	V-Visitor
Under 20	4,324	1	15
20 - 29	28,336	14	239
30 - 39	34,789	56	407
40 - 49	43,948	105	450
50 - 59	52,632	127	552
60 - 69	45,365	118	430
70 - 79	22,008	38	215
80 and above	5,485	3	54
Unknown	2		
Total	236,889	462	2,362

by Gender

Gender	Licence Type		
	A-Standard	D-Dealer	V-Visitor
Female	16,561	20	114
Male	220,024	441	2,228
Unknown	304	1	20
Total	236,889	462	2,362

by Endorsement

Endorsement	Licence Type		
	A-Standard	D-Dealer	V-Visitor
A' Default Standard	236,889		
'B' Pistol Club	3,840		159
C' Collector - General	3,636		
C' Collector - Memento/Heirloom	170		
C' Collector - Museum	61		
C' Collector - Theatrical	136		
D' Default Dealer		462	
E' Military Style/Semi Automatic	6,941		27
F' Dealer Restricted	526		
V' Default Visitors			2,362

by Police District

Police District	Licence Type		
	A-Standard	D-Dealer	V-Visitor
NORTHLAND	13146	25	12
WAITEMATA	15182	43	6
AUCKLAND CITY	6815	22	2
COUNTIES/MANUKAU	12174	38	879
WAIKATO	22129	28	44
BAY OF PLENTY	24707	52	128
EASTERN	15392	24	44
CENTRAL	26153	42	11
WELLINGTON	16098	35	134
TASMAN	18549	50	55
CANTERBURY	34860	56	28
SOUTHERN	31573	42	825
OTHER	112	5	194
Total	236890	462	2362

Current New Zealand Firearms Licence Holders - Endorsement Type by Police District

	A' Default Standard	'B' Pistol Club	C' Collector - General	C' Collector - Memento/Heirloom	C' Collector - Museum	C' Collector - Theatrical	D' Default Dealer	E' Military Style/Semi Automatic	F' Dealer restricted	V' Default Visitors
NORTHLAND	13146	232	350	10	5		25	458	17	12
WAITEMATA	15182	383	361	12	5	22	43	760	77	6
AUCKLAND CITY	6815	251	186	5	3	7	22	391	45	2
COUNTIES/MANUKAU	12174	315	225	6		14	38	475	54	879
WAIKATO	22129	379	289	16	2	10	28	545	18	44
BAY OF PLENTY	24707	351	265	14	5	2	52	682	41	128
EASTERN	15392	194	220	8	4	3	24	325	26	44
CENTRAL	26153	370	397	16	4	5	42	685	42	11
WELLINGTON	16098	335	332	16	11	27	35	599	72	134
TASMAN	18549	215	268	10	2	15	50	499	34	55
CANTERBURY	34860	502	368	39	12	15	56	788	59	28
SOUTHERN	31573	312	370	18	8	15	42	734	36	825
OTHER	112	160	5	0	0	1	5	27	5	194
Total	236890	3999	3636	170	61	136	462	6968	526	2362