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Dear Ti

Thank you for your email of 23 June 2017, requesting information about the average daily prison population. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

I have provided a response to each part of your request below.

- 1. The average daily prisoner muster broken down by financial year since records began. Please break this down further by sex.
- 2. The average daily Māori prisoner muster broken down by financial year since records began. Please break this down further by sex.
- 3. The average daily Pākehā/NZ European prisoner muster broken down by financial year since records began. Please break this down further by sex.
- 4. The average daily Pacific prisoner muster broken down by financial year since records began. Please break this down further by sex.
- 5. The average daily Asian prisoner muster broken down by financial year since records began. Please break this down further by sex.
- 6. The average daily "Other" prisoner muster broken down by financial year since records began. Please break this down further by sex.

The Department provides a breakdown of the prison population on its website in a report titled *Trends in the offender population*, formerly known as the *Offender population report* and *Offender volumes report*. The latest report is soon to be published on our website. You can find a link to this information below for your reference:

http://www.corrections.govt.nz/resources/research_and_statistics/offender-volumes-report.html

The average prison population is also published within our Annual Report, which is also available on our website via the link below: http://www.corrections.govt.nz/resources/strategic reports/annual-reports.html

You may also wish to refer to Statistics New Zealand's website which also contains information relevant to your request. I have provided a link below for your reference:

http://nzdotstat.stats.govt.nz/wbos/index.aspx

Your request for the above information is therefore declined in accordance with section 18(d) of the OIA, as the information requested is or will soon be publicly available.

I trust the information provided is of assistance. Should you have any concerns with this response, I would encourage you to raise these with the Department. Alternatively you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely

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