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Dear				

On 10 March 2016 you emailed the Ministry requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982, the following information:

- The number of people who got student loan funding for studies at the following schools in 2013, 2014 and 2015:
 - NZ Career College
 - Yoobee Design School
 - New Zealand School of Tourism (aka Sir George Seymour College & Travel Careers & Training)
 - New Zealand Management Academies
- How much was paid in aggregate to students studying at those schools in each of those years?
- How much of that money was paid in fees to those schools in each of those years?

As you will be aware the Student Loan Scheme is designed to assist tertiary students to overcome financial barriers to undertaking tertiary study. The Student Loan has three components, which provide finance for compulsory fees, course-related costs and living costs. Further information about the Student Loan scheme is available at: www.studylink.govt.nz.

I have enclosed eight tables which provide you with the number of students who received one or more loan payments in 2013, 2014 and 2015 for the tertiary providers you have requested and the amounts borrowed in each year broken down by component.

The figures provided do not relate to the number of enrolments or Student Loan applications approved for study starting in that year. The figures include cross year enrolments. For example, a student who was studying from July 2013 to June 2014, who received loan payments in both 2013 and 2014 has been counted in both years.

The principles and purposes of the Official Information Act 1982 under which you made your request are:

- to create greater openness and transparency about the plans, work and activities of the Government,
- to increase the ability of the public to participate in the making and administration of our laws and policies and
- to lead to greater accountability in the conduct of public affairs.

This Ministry fully supports those principles and purposes. The Ministry therefore intends to make the information contained in this letter and any attached documents available to the wider public after ten working days. The Ministry will do this by publishing this letter and attachments on the Ministry of Social Development's website. Your personal details will be deleted and the Ministry will not publish any information that would identify you as the person who requested the information.

I hope you find this information regarding the number of students who received loan payments helpful. You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my response by the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is:

The Ombudsman
Office of the Ombudsman
PO Box 10-152
WELLINGTON 6143

Yours sincerely

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Deputy Chief Executive, Service Delivery

Table one: The number of students at New Zealand Career College who received loan payment/s in each calendar year.

Year	Students paid
2013	479
2014	497
2015	608

Table two: The total amount borrowed by students at New Zealand Career College in each calendar year.

Item	2013	2014	2015
Fees	\$1,582,985	\$1,633,081	\$1,733,302
Living costs	\$635,366	\$640,448	\$858,214
Course costs	\$308,052	\$315,199	\$408,187
Total	\$2,526,403	\$2,588,728	\$2,999,703

Table three: The number of students at ACG Yoobee School of Design who received loan payment/s for study in each calendar year.

Year	Students paid
2013	697
2014	678
2015	724

Table four: The total amount borrowed by students at ACG Yoobee School of Design in each calendar year.

Item	2013	2014	2015
Fees	\$3,392,547	\$3,544,181	\$3,889,892
Living costs	\$1,450,848	\$1,542,791	\$1,595,777
Course costs	\$411,956	\$435,986	\$434,931
Total	\$5,255,351	\$5,522,958	\$5,920,600

Table five: The number of students at New Zealand School of Tourism Limited who received loan payment/s in each calendar year.

Year	Students paid
2013	1,106
2014	1,133
2015	1,157

Table six: The total amount borrowed by students at New Zealand School of Tourism Limited in each calendar year.

Item	2013	2014	2015
Fees	\$5,273,804	\$8,043,686	\$8,846,597
Living costs	\$2,453,677	\$2,612,561	\$2,613,093
Course costs	\$877,023	\$891,556	\$945,738
Total	\$8,604,504	\$11,547,803	\$12,405,428

Table seven: The number of students at New Zealand Management Academies Limited who received loan payment/s in each calendar year.

Year	Students paid
2013	1,798
2014	2,087
2015	1,778

Table eight: The total amount borrowed by students at New Zealand Management Academies Limited in each calendar year.

Item	2013	2014	2015
Fees	\$10,431,969	\$12,779,574	\$11,219,052
Living costs	\$1,958,795	\$2,137,512	\$2,009,699
Course costs	\$1,455,280	\$1,660,475	\$1,399,107
Total	\$13,846,044	\$16,577,561	\$14,627,858

Note:

The number of students includes those who received one or more payments in the year. Students may choose to borrow fees, course-related costs or living costs, a combination, or all three loan components, depending on their circumstances.

Course fees shows the amount paid to the education provider. No allowance is made for any refunds received.

Living costs and course related costs payments may relate to another education provider or more than one provider on the same loan application or loan account.