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On 5 August 2019, the Ministry considered your email dated 24 May 2019 as a request, under the Official Information Act 1982. You have requested the following information:

*No names, addresses, date of birth or other identifying information*

*Data Points:*

- *How many people (total)*
- *Who*
  - *age bracket*
  - *ethnicity*
  - *country of birth (migrant y/n),*
- *Living where*
  - *suburb*
  - *state housing (y/n, if known)*
- *Children*
  - *number*
  - *age of youngest child*
  - *age of oldest child*
- *Relevant benefit conditions*
  - *subsequent child*
  - *Section 192*
  - *work obligations*
- *Benefits*
  - *current (benefit type, effective date, expiry date, duration)*
  - *prior (benefit types, effective dates, expiry dates, duration)*
- *Employment*
  - *other reported income, current and prior*
  - *prior work history if known*
- *Anything relevant to job seeking*
  - *LLTBR*
  - *employment assistance*
  - *service duration*

*For the following Cohorts:*

- *People receiving Sole Parent Support\**
- *Sole parents receiving Jobseeker Support\**

- *Sole parents receiving Supported Living Payment\**
- *People receiving Young Parent Payment\**

Please find enclosed an excel spreadsheet with 11 tables which provide the following information:

- Table One shows the number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019 broken down by benefit and age group.
- Table Two shows the number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019 broken down by benefit and ethnic group.
- Table Three shows the number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019 broken down by benefit and migrant indicator.
- Table Four shows the number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019 broken down by benefit and in social housing.
- Table Five shows the number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019 broken down by benefit and number of children.
- Table Six shows the number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019 broken down by benefit and age of youngest child.
- Table Seven shows the number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019 broken down by benefit and number of subsequent children.
- Table Eight shows the number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019 broken down by benefit and section70a indicator.
- Table Nine shows the number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019 broken down by benefit and work test indicator.
- Table 10 shows the number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019 broken down by benefit and continuous duration.
- Table 11 shows the number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019 broken down by benefit and weekly income.

In order to protect client privacy, some values are suppressed and are represented by 'S'. The Ministry is unable to provide you with the exact number as releasing this information is likely to risk identifying the individuals concerned. As such, this information is withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act. The need to protect the privacy of these individuals outweighs and public interest in the information.

Statistics regarding benefit receipt nationally and by region are available from the Ministry's quarterly Benefit Fact Sheets, which are available from the Ministry's website here: [www.msd.govt.nz/about-msd-and-our-work/publications-resources/statistics/benefit/index.html](http://www.msd.govt.nz/about-msd-and-our-work/publications-resources/statistics/benefit/index.html), under the sub-heading 'Excel tables'.

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 available to the wider public shortly. The Ministry will do this by publishing this letter 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.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact [OIA\\_Requests@msd.govt.nz](mailto:OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz).

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Bridget Saunders', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Bridget Saunders  
**Acting Manager, Issues Resolution**

**Number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at end of June 2019**

*Selected benefits are either Sole Parent Support, Young Parent Payment, or Jobseeker who are Sole Parents, or Supported living Payment who are Sole Parents.*

**Notes:**

This is only clients in the Tamaki site

Sole Parents receiving Jobseeker or Supported living Payment are defined as having a marital status of Single, and at least one child. The Migrant indicator shows where a client was born overseas and been in NZ for under 5 years.

**Benefits**

JS is Jobseeker Support

JSSH is Jobseeker Support Student Hardship

NZS VP TRB is NZ Superannuation, Veteran's Pension, and the Transitional Retirement Benefit

Non Ben is non-beneficiary assistance

OB UCB is Orphan's Benefit and Unsupported Child's Benefit

SB related is Sickness Benefit and Sickness Benefit Hardship

SLP is Supported Living Payment

SPS is Sole Parent Support

YP/YPP is Youth Payment and Young Parent Payment

**Ethnicity**

Ethnicity data is self-identified and multiple ethnicities may be chosen by an individual as fits their preference or self-concept.

Multiple selected ethnicities are then prioritised into a hierarchy.

The Māori ethnicity has the highest priority in this hierarchy, followed by Pacific peoples. NZ European has the lowest priority.

This is to ensure that smaller and politically significant ethnic groups do not get overwhelmed by the larger ethnic groups.

A single ethnicity is assigned to an individual based on this hierarchy.

Ethnic groups do not currently align with Statistics New Zealand ethnicity groupings.

A recent migrant is a client who has migrated to New Zealand in the last 5 years.

The section 70A indicator show if a reduction is applied for each dependent child that the client has not met their obligations for.

#### Current Duration

This measure gives a picture of how long the current recipients of a particular benefit (or benefit group) have been on that particular benefit (i.e. length of the current spell).

This is the time from the commencement date to the date of the data extraction.

Periods when the benefit is in suspension and then resumed without cancellation are included in the duration.

#### Suppression

In certain circumstances low numbers may potentially lead to individuals being identified.

Due to these privacy concerns, numbers for some categories of clients have been suppressed or aggregated.

'S' represents a suppressed cell to protect clients' privacy

This information is withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act.

**Table One: Number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019**  
*broken down by benefit and age group*

Age Group	JS related	SLP related	SPS	YP/YPP	Total
20-24	S	S	139	0	152
25-29	27	12	212	0	251
30-34	26	10	198	0	234
35-39	29	21	144	0	194
40-44	48	15	108	0	171
45-49	48	25	77	0	150
50-54	35	29	43	0	107
55-59	23	S	S	0	45
60-64	S	S	S	0	22
<b>Total</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,326</b>

**Table Two: Number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019**  
*broken down by benefit and ethnic group*

Ethnic Group	JS related	SLP related	SPS	YP/YPP	Total
Māori	96	43	378	0	517
Pacific Peoples	78	44	312	0	434
NZ European	32	21	99	0	152
Unspecified	S	S	32	0	40
Other	S	S	120	0	183
<b>Total</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,326</b>

**Table Three: Number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019**  
*broken down by benefit and migrant indicator*

Migrant Indicator	JS related	SLP related	SPS	YP/YPP	Total
No	255	124	931	0	1,310
Yes	6	0	10	0	16
<b>Total</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,326</b>

**Table Four: Number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019**  
*broken down by benefit and in social housing*

In Social Housing	JS related	SLP related	SPS	YP/YPP	Total
No	137	46	534	0	717
Yes	124	78	407	0	609
<b>Total</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,326</b>

**Table Five: Number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019**  
*broken down by benefit and number of children*

Number of Children	JS related	SLP related	SPS	YP/YPP	Total
1	165	70	391	0	626
2	62	35	272	0	369
3+	34	19	278	0	331
<b>Total</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,326</b>

**Table Six: Number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019**  
*broken down by benefit and age of youngest child*

Age of Youngest Child	SPS	SLP related	JS related	YP/YPP	Total
0-5	576	33	88	0	697
6-13	365	54	44	0	463
13+	0	37	129	0	166
<b>Total</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,326</b>

**Table Seven: Number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019**  
*broken down by benefit and number of subsequent children*

Number of subsequent Children	JS related	SLP related	SPS	YP/YPP	Total
0	189	100	652	0	941
1	52	17	205	0	274
2	S	S	S	0	95
3+	S	S	S	0	16
<b>Total</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,326</b>

**Table Eight: Number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019**  
*broken down by benefit and section70a indicator*

Section70a Indicator	JS related	SLP related	SPS	YP/YPP	Total
No	234	117	735	0	1,086
Yes	27	7	206	0	240
<b>Total</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,326</b>

**Table Nine: Number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019**  
*broken down by benefit and work test indicator*

Work Test Obligation	JS related	SLP related	SPS	YP/YPP	Total
Full-Time	S	0	S	0	149
Non Worktested	8	S	S	0	177
PDE/Work Prep	S	S	238	0	338
Part-Time	6	0	656	0	662
<b>Total</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,326</b>



**Table 10: Number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019**  
*broken down by benefit and continuous duration*

Continuous Duration	SPS	SLP related	JS related	YP/YPP	Total
< 3 months	52	S	S	0	66
>3-6 months	52	S	S	0	60
>6 mths-1 yr	83	S	S	0	110
>1-2 years	165	7	51	0	223
>2-3 years	112	9	20	0	141
>3-4 years	77	8	16	0	101
>4-5 years	57	9	18	0	84
>5-6 years	53	13	19	0	85
>6-8 years	74	11	14	0	99
>8-10 years	64	10	16	0	90
Over 10 yrs	152	50	65	0	267
<b>Total</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,326</b>

**Table 11: Number of current clients attached to the Tamaki Service Centre who receive selected benefits as at 30 June 2019**  
*broken down by benefit and weekly income*

Income	SPS	SLP related	JS related	YP/YPP	Total
No Income	792	118	227	0	1,137
0-180	54	S	S	0	69
180+	95	S	S	0	120
<b>Total</b>	<b>941</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,326</b>