



7 December 2023

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your email of 9 November 2023 requesting the following information relating to the innovation funding initiative Kilmarnock is currently working on:

What % of people with intellectual disabilities, supported into mainstream employment through the services of agencies operating the Supported Employment service contract, were still employed after 12 months for the year ending 30 June 2022.

Also, if there is historic data on this statistic so that I can see any trend.

I'm also interested in the sectors that people with intellectual disability have been successfully employed into (in Mainstream) through this service, if this data is available.

I have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). Please find my decision on your request set out below.

The percentage of people placed into employment through the Supported Employment Service in the financial year ending 30 June 2022 who were recorded as staying in employment for 12 months is 36.6%.

Regrettably, the Ministry is unable to identify the proportion of people with an intellectual disability who use the Supported Employment Service for your request, or the sectors in which these people were successfully employed into, as this information is not recorded in a format that can be centrally reported on. To provide this information would require manual search and review through individual files. As such, these aspects of your request are refused pursuant to section 18(f) of the Act, as the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

I have considered whether the Ministry would be able to respond to your request given extra time, or the ability to charge for the information requested. I have concluded that, in either case, the Ministry's ability to undertake its work would still be prejudiced.

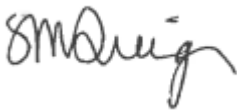
At this stage, as the information we are able to provide is different to that that you requested, the Ministry has not provided historic data on the percentage of people placed into employment through the Supported Employment Service. If you would still like this information, please let the Ministry know, with detail as to what specific timeframe or timeframes you would like.

I will be publishing this decision letter, with your personal details deleted, on the Ministry's website in due course.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with my decision on your request regarding support for people with intellectual disabilities through the Supported Employment Service, 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 or 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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