

12 December 2022

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Thank you for your email of 22 November 2022 to Kāinga Ora - Homes and Communities requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

1. *Number of people on the waiting list for housing in the Nelson Tasman Region.*
2. *Number of properties managed by Kāinga Ora in the Nelson Tasman Region.*
3. *Addresses of the properties Owned by Kāinga Ora in the Nelson Tasman Region.*
4. *Properties earmarked for Selling in the Nelson Tasman region.*
5. *Properties earmarked for renovation or improvements in the Nelson Tasman Region.*
6. *Kāinga Ora's goal for 2023 for the increase in housing stock in the Nelson Tasman Region.*
7. *Preferred location and type of dwelling in the Nelson Tasman Region 2023.*

Please refer to our responses to your questions below:

Question 1:

The Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) publishes a quarterly report on public housing that includes data regarding Housing Register (waitlist) for the West Coast and Tasman region: <https://www.hud.govt.nz/stats-and-insights/public-housing-quarterly-reports/>.

The Ministry of Social Development, which is responsible for managing the Housing Register, also publishes data on a quarterly basis on their website: <https://www.msd.govt.nz/about-msd-and-our-work/publications-resources/statistics/housing/housing-register.html>.

I am therefore refusing this part of your request under section 18(d) of the Act, as the information requested is publicly available.

Questions 2 and 3:

As of 30 November 2022, Kāinga Ora owned and managed 874 public (state) houses and 63 supported houses within the Nelson Tasman region. Please find the breakdown of this data at the end of this letter (Appendix 1). Similarly, Kāinga Ora publishes statistics on our managed stock quarterly here: <https://kaingaora.govt.nz/publications/housing-statistics/>.

For privacy reasons, Kāinga Ora does not disclose the addresses of our properties as it may identify our customers. Hence information for this part of your request is withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of natural persons.

Question 4 and 5:

Kāinga Ora has no plans to divest homes in the Nelson Tasman area. There are currently 186 properties that have been allocated to the Retrofit Programme in the Nelson and Tasman districts. Thirteen of these retrofit properties have been completed to date and a further 44 retrofit properties are currently either in the design and planning phase or under construction.

You can find more information about our retrofit programme on our website: <https://kainga.ora.govt.nz/developments-and-programmes/our-approach-to-building/kainga-ora-retrofit-programme/>.

Question 6:

An increase of approximately five homes is planned for delivery in the Nelson and Tasman districts by the end of financial year 2023 subject to design, consenting timeframes and the availability of construction materials and labour. There are approximately 70 new homes in the pipeline for delivery over the financial year 2024/25 financial year and we are looking at increasing this number.

Question 7:

Kāinga Ora redevelops existing properties and builds or acquires new homes, where there is demand, a good level of amenities and services, and where it is financially viable to do. The types of dwellings preferred by Kāinga Ora are generally not specific to a particular region, and are used across New Zealand. More information about the types of dwellings built for Kāinga Ora is available on our website: <https://kainga.ora.govt.nz/developments-and-programmes/what-were-building/housing-for-diverse-needs/>.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Contact details for the Ombudsman can be found at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Please note that Kāinga Ora proactively releases our responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request may be published at <https://kainga.ora.govt.nz/publications/official-information-requests> with your personal information removed.

Yours sincerely



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Appendix 1: Properties owned and managed by Kāinga Ora in the Nelson Tasman Region by census area:

Type	Region	Census Area	Count
Public Housing	Nelson City	ATAWHAI	33
		BROADS	43
		BRONTE	11
		ENNER GLYNN	17
		GRAMPIANS	93
		ISEL PARK	150
		KIRKS	1
		LANGBEIN	65
		MAITAI	19
		MAITLANDS	24
		NAYLAND	2
		NELSON AIRPORT	25
		SAXTON	10
		TAHUNA HILLS	5
		TAHUNANUI	24
		THE BROOK	9
		THE WOOD	81
		TOI TOI	47
		WASHINGTON	50
		Public Housing	Tasman District
MOTUEKA WEST	26		
RICHMOND EAST	38		
RICHMOND WEST	14		
TAKAKA	6		
Support Housing	Nelson City	ATMORE	2
		BROADS	4
		GRAMPIANS	1
		ISEL PARK	4
		LANGBEIN	6
		MAITLANDS	2
		NAYLAND	6
		NGAWHATU	3
		SAXTON	9
		THE WOOD	8
		TOI TOI	1
		WASHINGTON	2
		WHANGAMOA	1
		Support Housing	Tasman District
RANZAU	1		
RICHMOND EAST	2		
RICHMOND WEST	3		
TAKAKA	6		
WAI-ITI	1		