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Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request, which was transferred to Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities on 29 April 2021, in which you ask:

*How many first home grants were provided by the government and actually used by buyers between March 31 2020 and March 31 2021, broken down by region.*

Kāinga Ora does not specifically record of the number of First Home Grants it has provided that have been *actually used* by buyers. However, we have calculated the number of First Home Grants that were paid for the period 31 March 2020 to 31 March 2021, and of these, how many grants have since been returned. The information extracted in this manner is provided in the appended table.

Yours sincerely



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**First Home Grants paid and returned by Region  
31 March 2020 to 31 March 2021**

<b>Region</b>	<b>Paid</b>	<b>Returned</b>
Northland	278	2
Auckland	2,375	29
Waikato	957	10
Bay of Plenty	617	1
Gisborne	102	0
Hawkes Bay	276	1
Taranaki	465	0
Whanganui Manawatu	881	0
Wellington	637	3
Nelson Marlborough	398	4
West Coast	204	1
Canterbury	4,890	13
Otago	476	0
Southland	666	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,222</b>	<b>66</b>