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Thank you for your email of 12 September 2019, in which you request the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

“The number of Housing NZ state houses sold in a) November and December of 2017, b) full year of 2018 and c) so far in 2019. If this is not possible by calendar year then financial year is second preference, with the same date parameters.

The number of houses currently pending sale have been unsold for d) more than six months and e) more than one year

The number of houses have been ‘pending decision’ for f) more than six months and g) more than one year.”

Answers to your questions are provided below.

Number of state houses sold in November and December 2017

Month	Sold
November	11
December	5
Total	16

Of the 16 properties sold, 12 were sold to existing tenants under the Tenant Home Ownership Scheme. The remainder were market sales.

Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities (formerly Housing New Zealand) only sells properties where demand is low, they are uneconomical to repair, high value, or there is a need to change the property configuration.

Number of sales for full calendar year of 2018

There were 62 properties sold in between 1 January 2018 and 31 December 2018. Of these, 37 were sold to tenants under the Tenant Home Ownership Programme.

Number of sales in 2019 calendar year to 31 August 2019

There were 52 properties sold between 1 January 2019 and 31 August 2019. Of these 14 properties were sold to tenants under the Tenant Home Ownership Programme.

The number of state houses pending sale for more than six months/more than a year

As at 31 August 2019, 19 properties have been pending sale for more than a year. No properties have been pending sale for more than 6 months but less than a year. These 19 properties have been vacant pending sale for some time due to various reasons, including:

- uneconomic to repair
- affected by flooding issues
- under heritage status
- subject to negotiations with iwi.

The number of state houses pending a decision for more than six months/more than a year

As at 31 August 2019, 10 state houses have been pending a decision for more than 6 months. These properties are unavailable for letting while a decision is made regarding their future use. No properties have been pending a decision for more than a year.

Kāinga Ora publishes information about its managed and vacant stock every quarter, showing the number of homes it manages, including by number of bedrooms and the number of vacant properties. This information is provided nationally, by Territorial Local Authority, and Auckland Community Board and can be found on our website at: www.hnzc.co.nz/publications/housing-statistics-vacant-properties/

Yours sincerely



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