

23 July 2025

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Dear s 9(2)(a)

I write in response to your request to Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities dated 23 June 2025, for information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I appreciate that Kāinga Ora was only established in 2019 but I'm confident that your research team will have access to historical data from Housing NZ, Housing Corporation and any previous Government agency providing state houses.

Could you please provide the following information in table form from 1985 through to 2024.

- *Title: State houses provided in New Zealand 1985 to 2024*
- *Please use these table headings:*
 - o *1. Year*
 - o *2. State houses sold or decommissioned*
 - o *3. New builds provided*
 - o *4. Others provided*
 - o *5. Costs for year.*

On 25 June 2025 you responded to a clarification request from Kāinga Ora and removed the fourth column to the proposed table.

Your request was forwarded to relevant staff and based on data from available Annual Reports from Housing New Zealand and Kāinga Ora back to the 1999/00 financial year, they provided data which has been included in the three attached tables to this response.

We appreciate that these tables do not conform to the four columns confirmed in your clarification email. Unfortunately, due to changes in methods of recording and reporting data overtime, it has not been possible to condense this data into these four requested columns.

Furthermore, confirming data prior to 1 July 1999 would be a significant undertaking of resources, with no guarantee of an accurate result. I am therefore refusing part of your request for data prior to 1 July 1999 under section 18(g)(i) of the Act, as

'... the information requested is not held by the department or Minister of the Crown or organisation and the person dealing with the request has no grounds for believing that the information is...held by another department or Minister of the Crown or organisation, or by a local authority...'

Motu Research, an independent institute focusing on economic and public policy, published a report in 2010 regarding state housing from 1993 to 2009 that may also be of interest to you: https://motu-www.motu.org.nz/wpapers/10_13.pdf.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. There is information about how to make a complaint at: <https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz> or by phone on 0800 802 602.

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/en/NZ/publications/oia-and-proactive-releases/responses-to-oia-requests/>, with your personal information removed.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rachel Kelly". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rachel Kelly
Manager Ministerial Services

Housing New Zealand Additions, Disposals, and Costs from 1 July 1999 – 30 June 2009*			
Financial Year	Additions	Disposals	Statement of Cash Flow: Purchase of Rental Properties and Capital Improvements (\$m)
1999/2000	564	1,335	*
2000/2001	708	305	98
2001/2002	1,167	339	166
2002/2003	2,941	420	259
2003/2004	1,466	563	261
2004/2005	1,560	510	313
2005/2006	1,616	1,043	350
2006/2007	1,164	*	315
2007/2008	1,287	747	-283
2008/2009	954	425	-292

*Disposal total count for 2006/2007 in the annual report or the statement of financial performance in the 1999/2000 annual report not recorded.

* All data in this table has been sourced from annual reports.

Housing New Zealand / Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities Additions and Costs from 1 July 2009 – 30 June 2025 broken down by method of acquisition*							
Financial Year	Method of Acquisition					Grand Total	Statement of Cash Flow: Purchase of Rental Properties and Capital Improvements (\$m)
	Redevelopment	Acquire New (New Build)	Lease New Build	Acquire Existing (Buy-in)	Leases		
2009/10	249	112	-	164	284	809	- 302
2010/11	109	56	-	328	192	685	- 263
2011/12	55	68	-	43	85	251	- 117
2012/13	9	91	-	165	53	318	- 180
2013/14	91	82	-	145	9	327	- 261
2014/15	300	108	-	33	-	441	- 311
2015/16	580	152	-	63	-	795	- 483
2016/17	363	103	-	477	478	1,421	- 579
2017/18	796	240	-	321	829	2,186	- 946
2018/19	1,047	425	-	435	109	2,016	- 1,523
2019/20	1,016	368	-	456	8	1,848	- 1,410
2020/21	1,833	599	-	350	11	2,793	- 1,887
2021/22	1,202	613	-	253	8	2,076	- 2,216
2022/23	1,624	1,169	100	510	10	3,413	- 3,502
2023/24 ***	2,871	1,993	-	121	2	4,987	- 4,493
2024/25*	1,592	1,486	16	15	-	3,109	Not released yet.
Grand Total	13,737	7,665	116	3,879	2,078	27,475	

* FY25 Data is subject to audit.

** The Costs are taken from the Annual reports, which also include lots more financial information.

*** FY2023/24 includes 76 Non-Public Housing properties.

* All data in this table has been sourced from annual reports. Included in the above is the acquisition of 142 properties from Nelson City Council in February 2021 and 197 properties from the Tauranga City Council in November 2022.

- Inter Corporation Property Transfers (ICPTs) are the moving properties internally from one part to another. ICPTs and are not included in this table.

Housing New Zealand / Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities Disposals from 1 July 2009 – 30 June 2025*						
Financial Year	Method of Disposal					Grand Total
	Demolished	Lease	Sold	Sold FHOS***	Sold to Tenant	
2009/10	97	119	150	-	21	387
2010/11	88	150	163	-	34	435
2011/12	164	153	192	-	25	534
2012/13	132	146	519	-	33	830
2013/14	299	136	261	67	37	800
2014/15	638	170	420	148	30	1,406
2015/16	302	131	291	134	67	925
2016/17	490	614	145	79	84	1,412
2017/18	411	977	21	-	49	1,458
2018/19	553	133	28	-	28	742
2019/20	702	89	50	-	18	859
2020/21	750	90	9	-	29	878
2021/22	569	117	11	-	17	714
2022/23	619	224	32	-	5	880
2023/24	1,088	208	19	-	8	1,323
2024/25*	763	101	116	-	8	988
Grand Total**	7,665	3,558	2,427	428	493	14,571
* FY25 Data is subject to audit. ** Inter Corporation Property Transfers (ICPTs) are the moving properties internally from one part to another. ICPTs and are not included in this table. *** FHOS – First Home Ownership Scheme ♦ All data in this table has been sourced from annual reports. Table does not include the divestment of around 2,800 homes to the Tamaki Regeneration Company in April 2016 and around 1,140 homes in Tauranga to Accessible Properties in April 2017.						