

OC240433

21 May 2024



Tēnā koe 

I refer to your email dated 24th April 2024, requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

“1. Your organisation’s total spend on contractors and consultants from 1 January 2004 – present, broken down by month (including April 2024 if possible). Please further break down that spend by business group (or equivalent organisational unit), with all figures provided in a spreadsheet in the following format:

2. I am primarily interested in data from 1 January 2020 onwards. If figures from earlier years are difficult to compile and require more time to do so, please prioritise figures from more recent years. If necessary, I am OK with receiving earlier data in a separate tranche response.”

The request was refined as per your email dated 26th April 2024, as follows:

“1. Your organisation’s total spend on contractors and consultants from 1 January 2018 – present, broken down by quarter (including Q1 2024). I hope this information will already be compiled due to the Public Service Commission’s regular reporting of these figures since 2018, as mentioned here. Please further break down that spend by business group (or equivalent organisational unit), with all figures provided in a spreadsheet in the following format:

	Q1 2018	Q2 2018	Q3 2018	Q4 2018	Q1 2019	Q2 2019	Q3 2019	Q4 2019	Q1 2020
Business Group X	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX
Business Group Y	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX
Business Group Z	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX

I trust this makes my request more manageable.”

Requested information is as follows:

Financial Year	2023	2023	2023	2023	2024	2024	2024
Period	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
Total (\$m)	7.98	6.49	2.97	6.14	2.44	2.62	2.28

Certain information is withheld under the following sections of the Act:

- 18(d) the information requested is or will soon be publicly available
- 18(e) that the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found
- 18(f) that the information cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

The quarterly reporting to the Public Service Commission (PSC) is not prepared by business group and can only be provided on a quarterly basis since quarter one of the 2022/23 financial year. Prior year annual information is available on the PSC website you have noted in your request.

For additional information on contractors and consultants, please refer to the Ministry of Transport's Annual Review responses linked below. Questions 52, 68 –75.

- **2022/23**

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- **2021/22**

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- **2020/21**

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- **2019/20**

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You have the right to seek an investigation and review of this response by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on the Ombudsman's website www.ombudsman.parliament.nz

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Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Penelope Leith". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Penelope Leith
Chief Financial Officer