

15 November 2023

Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Official Information Act Request

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 on 7 November 2023:

I'm looking to write an article about subject preferences and would like to request the below information under the Official Information Act:

- 1. The number of students enrolled in each NCEA Level 1 subject for each year between 2018 and 2023 (e.g. 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023)*
- 2. The number of students enrolled in each NCEA Level 2 subject for each year between 2018 and 2023*
- 3. The number of students enrolled in each NCEA Level 3 subject for each year between 2018 and 2023*
- 4. The number of students enrolled in each New Zealand Scholarship subject for each year between 2018 and 2023*

I would like to request this information in a searchable spreadsheet format if possible, including the name of the subject, year and number of students enrolled in each subject. Additionally I would request general comments that might explain any of the trends in the data (e.g. English having the highest number of entries as a compulsory subject), and comment about trends relating to the most/least popular subject.

Response

Catherine Edser, Team Leader Psychometrics, Reporting and Statistics contacted you on 8 November via email to advise that data similar to that requested is published on our website.

You confirmed, via email on the same day, that the statistics files we recently published (https://www2.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/understanding-secondary-quals/secondary-school-stats/data-2022/#e12754_heading1) meet the needs of your request.

Please note:

- This data is based on assessed results (Not Achieved, Achieved, Merit, Excellence) rather than entries (as some entries may never result in assessment taking place due to school and/or student choices).

- 2023 information will not be published until next year, as the academic year is not yet finished. In your email on 8 November 2023, you confirmed that you were fine with this.

Help about the information in the statistics files can be found in this supporting document:

<https://www2.nzqa.govt.nz/assets/Qualifications-standards/Secondary-school-and-NCEA/Secondary-Statistics-Consolidated-Files-Summary.pdf>

Your response may be published after five working days. Your name and contact details will be removed before publication.

If you require further assistance or believe we have misinterpreted your request, please contact Elizabeth Templeton in the Office of the Chief Executive, email elizabeth.templeton@nzqa.govt.nz or telephone (04) 463 3339.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right, under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act 1982, to lodge a complaint with the Office of the Ombudsman at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz. You can also telephone 0800 802 502 or write to the Ombudsman at PO Box 10152, Wellington, 6143.

Nāku nā



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