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Official Information Act Request

Thank you for your request of 11 July 2025, under the Official Information Act 1982, for the following information:

ATAR Range Statistics: For each year from 2020 to 2024:

- *Number of candidates who obtained a converted ATAR between 95.0 and 97.0*
- *Number of candidates who obtained a converted ATAR between 97.0 and 99.5*
- *Number of candidates who obtained a converted ATAR between 99.5 and 99.95*
- *The minimum, median, and maximum number of Excellence credits gained by candidates in the 95.0 to 99.95 ATAR range*

Response

In response to your request, please see the attached spreadsheet *PRS-6141 OIA – ATAR range stats v1.0.xlsx* which contains information on the:

- Number of candidates who obtained an ATAR between each of the ranges you have asked for - tab "Candidate Count" refers.
- The minimum, median, and maximum number of Excellence credits gained by candidates in the 95.0 to 99.95 ATAR range – tab "Excellence" refers.

Note:

- For the ATAR Ranges, we have changed the end value to avoid double counting students who have ATARs of 97.00 and 99.50:
 - ATAR between 95.0 and **97.0** changed to ATAR between 95.00 and **96.95** (inclusive)
 - ATAR between 97.0 and **99.5** changed to ATAR between 97.00 and **99.45** (inclusive)
- ATAR scores range from 99.95 (the top score) to 0.00 in 0.05 increments. 0.05% of the relevant year group is allocated to each ATAR score.
- Excellence credits are those gained at Level 3 or above for candidates falling into required range.

More information about ATAR can be found on our website:


<https://www2.nzqa.govt.nz/international/nz-quals-overseas/study-with-ncea/australia/>.

Our response to your request may be published on our website 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.

You have the right to seek an investigation or review by the Ombudsman of this decision under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act 1982. Details of how to make a complaint can be found 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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Academic	Candidate
Year ATAR Range	Count
2020 Range 1: 95.00 to 96.95	1,272
2020 Range 2: 97.00 to 99.45	1,595
2020 Range 3: 99.50 to 99.95	327
2021 Range 1: 95.00 to 96.95	1,318
2021 Range 2: 97.00 to 99.45	1,617
2021 Range 3: 99.50 to 99.95	332
2022 Range 1: 95.00 to 96.95	1,270
2022 Range 2: 97.00 to 99.45	1,568
2022 Range 3: 99.50 to 99.95	326
2023 Range 1: 95.00 to 96.95	1,311
2023 Range 2: 97.00 to 99.45	1,617
2023 Range 3: 99.50 to 99.95	340
2024 Range 1: 95.00 to 96.95	1,401
2024 Range 2: 97.00 to 99.45	1,750
2024 Range 3: 99.50 to 99.95	362

Level 3+ Excellence Credits for ATAR 95.00 to 99.95			
Academic Year	Minimum	Median	Maximum
2020	26	70	180
2021	40	78	186
2022	19	68.5	204
2023	14	67	194
2024	15	68	179