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Dear Ryan

**Request made under the Official Information Act 1982**

As you know, your request of 12 June 2014 to the Ministry of Transport for information on government funding for roading has been transferred to the NZ Transport Agency to respond to. Our responses to your questions are set out below.

- 1. How much funding has central government provided for 'local roads' for each of the last five years, including a breakdown on how this money was spent (new roads, upgrades etc)?**

This information is shown in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Funding provided by central government to local roads, 2008/09 to 2012/13

	2008/09 (\$000)	2009/10 (\$000)	2010/11 (\$000)	2011/12 (\$000)	2012/13 (\$000)	Total (\$000)
New and improved local roads infrastructure	166,579	165,527	168,779	110,210	152,940	764,035
Maintenance of local roads	243,422	224,594	303,902	293,114	280,825	1,345,857
Renewals of local roads	202,612	204,773	205,500	188,149	205,018	1,006,052
Total (\$000)	612,613	594,894	678,181	591,473	638,783	3,115,944

The figures in Table 1 are the government's contribution to local roads. Total funding on local roads (central government plus local government share) in the last five years was \$5,659 million.

**What is the total amount of funding the government has spent on its roading network for each of the last five years?**

Table 2 shows the government's funding of state highways in the last five years (local government does not make a contribution to state highways).

Table 2: Funding provided by central government to state highways, 2008/09 to 2012/13

	2008/09 (\$000)	2009/10 (\$000)	2010/11 (\$000)	2011/12 (\$000)	2012/13 (\$000)	Total (\$000)
New and improved state highways	992,016	1,173,866	1,149,821	852,989	919,540	5,088,232
Maintenance of state highways	306,911	319,890	289,631	322,845	328,527	1,567,804
Renewals of state highways	186,831	247,327	194,014	246,485	189,856	1,064,513
Total (\$000)	1,485,758	1,741,083	1,633,466	1,422,319	1,437,923	7,720,549

The total funding for all roads (local roads and state highways) across central and local government in the last five years was \$13,380 million.

As you will be aware, the Minister of Transport recently released the draft Government Policy Statement (GPS) on land transport. The GPS sets out the government's priorities for the land transport sector for the period 2015/16 to 2024/25 and establishes the funding ranges for each activity class.

The draft GPS, and questions and answers, are available on the Ministry of Transport's website at: [www.transport.govt.nz/ourwork/keystrategiesandplans/gpsonlandtransportfunding/gps2015/](http://www.transport.govt.nz/ourwork/keystrategiesandplans/gpsonlandtransportfunding/gps2015/)

You will also be aware of the announcement of \$212 million to accelerate regional state highway projects. More details on this can be found on the Ministry of Transport's website at: <http://www.transport.govt.nz/ourwork/land/accelerated-regional-roading-package>

If you would like to discuss this reply with the Transport Agency, please contact Andy Knackstedt, National Media Manager, by email to [andrew.knackstedt@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:andrew.knackstedt@nzta.govt.nz) or by phone on (04) 894 6285.

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