

19 November 2014

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Reporter  
Herald on Sunday  
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Dear Matthew

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

Thank you for your email of 21 October 2014 requesting under the Official Information Act 1982:

- *'...information broken down into money paid on tolls and on fines. I'd also like it broken down month by month since the Toll Road was opened'.*

Since your initial request, you have clarified with Andrew Knackstedt, National Media Manager, that you consider 'fines' to mean both the administration fee and the infringement fee and that you would like the information on each of these separately.

We do not hold the information in the form requested and cannot make it available without substantial collation and research involving manual compilation of the data. Section 18(f) of the Official Information Act 1982 applies. We are, however, able to provide similar information as follows.

### **Tolls and administration fees**

You can find data on tolls collected and administration fees paid in a six-monthly breakdown at:

[www.tollroad.govt.nz/Documents/Reports](http://www.tollroad.govt.nz/Documents/Reports).

Attachment 1 provides a monthly breakdown of toll payment notices issued (as opposed to 'paid', which you requested). These toll payment notices incur an additional administration fee of \$4.90. Administration fees reflect the cost of issuing the toll payment notice and are not fines.

### **Infringement fees**

Attachment 2 provides a monthly breakdown of infringement notices issued (as opposed to 'paid', which you requested). These incur an infringement fee of \$40.

The context of your request is that you are looking for information about revenue generated by the Northern Gateway Toll Road. The Transport Agency receives no revenue in respect of infringement fees. Infringement fees are collected on behalf of the Ministry of Justice and all monies collected by the Transport Agency are paid over to the ministry on a quarterly basis. The Transport Agency only receives revenue for the tolls and administration fees that are incurred prior to an infringement notice being issued.

Under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act 1982, you have the right to apply to an Ombudsman for an investigation and review of the decision to decline some information. The address is:

Office of the Ombudsmen  
PO Box 10152  
Wellington

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Sue Hardiman', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

**Sue Hardiman**  
Manager, Customer Access  
For Chief Executive

## Attachment 1 Toll payment notices issued

Feb-09	28452
Mar-09	23565
Apr-09	29595
May-09	23583
Jun-09	23062
Jul-09	29927
Aug-09	25714
Sep-09	26414
Oct-09	40764
Nov-09	39609
Dec-09	44982
Jan-10	70283
Feb-10	48203
Mar-10	43593
Apr-10	46450
May-10	34862
Jun-10	33333
Jul-10	40512
Aug-10	32215
Sep-10	33740
Oct-10	50957
Nov-10	38980
Dec-10	50333
Jan-11	75066
Feb-11	46776
Mar-11	46441
Apr-11	42281
May-11	39101
Jun-11	32456
Jul-11	35147
Aug-11	31784
Sep-11	36765
Oct-11	42142
Nov-11	37595
Dec-11	36516
Jan-12	77099
Feb-12	49199
Mar-12	38272
Apr-12	39965
May-12	30266
Jun-12	28797
Jul-12	32058
Aug-12	28252
Sep-12	29103
Oct-12	38322
Nov-12	34669
Dec-12	42813
Jan-13	65980
Feb-13	44218
Mar-13	40514
Apr-13	37997
May-13	35138
Jun-13	29321
Jul-13	32296
Aug-13	29925
Sep-13	30507
Oct-13	37214
Nov-13	38513
Dec-13	36121
Jan-14	72744
Feb-14	43115
Mar-14	33912
Apr-14	34853
May-14	37393
Jun-14	28733

**Note:**

Administration fees were not applied until 04/04/09. From this time they were \$2.20 until 01/08/2011, when they increased to \$4.90.

## Attachment 2 Infringements issued

Jul-10	9214
Aug-10	5712
Sep-10	7575
Oct-10	7801
Nov-10	7061
Dec-10	9108
Jan-11	8776
Feb-11	8215
Mar-11	11557
Apr-11	10805
May-11	11544
Jun-11	11072
Jul-11	9381
Aug-11	13563
Sep-11	14348
Oct-11	10627
Nov-11	10340
Dec-11	10120
Jan-12	11181
Feb-12	12993
Mar-12	14697
Apr-12	18463
May-12	19431
Jun-12	10094
Jul-12	8101
Aug-12	9883
Sep-12	7588
Oct-12	9195
Nov-12	10617
Dec-12	9011
Jan-13	8501
Feb-13	10693
Mar-13	18005
Apr-13	5921
May-13	6954
Jun-13	6286
Jul-13	10028
Aug-13	10211
Sep-13	7454
Oct-13	7273
Nov-13	6293
Dec-13	7437
Jan-14	4774
Feb-14	3561
Mar-14	17107
Apr-14	6713
May-14	12264
Jun-14	7470