

10 October 2019

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REF: OIA-5808

Dear Andrew,

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

Thank you for your email to the NZ Transport Agency on 17 September 2019 requesting information under the Official Act 1982 (the Act):

*Pass rates for the past 24 months of people taking their full licence test including;*

- Overall pass rate for all test takers in past 24 months
- Pass rate by licence issuers around the country (each individual outlet that offers full licence testing)

*I would also like to know how many people have passed their restricted driving test in the past 24 months in a manual car, giving them manual endorsement.*

*And the total number of people who've passed their restricted licence test in the past 24 months.*

The data you requested is being provided to you in the attached spreadsheet (OIA-5808.xlsx).

It is important to note the following in relation to the information provided:

- Data is reported from the Driver Licence Register (DLR) and is current at 20 September 2019.
- Data is limited to class 1 (Car) Restricted and full Licence tests between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2019.
- Tests include drivers who choose to re-sit the class 1 Restricted (1R) test to remove the automatic only condition.
- The number of tests conducted is limited to those with an outcome of 'Stopped', 'PASS', or 'FAIL'.
- Pass rates are calculated against the total number of tests conducted, and not the number of individuals who sat a test.
- Data includes class 1R licence tests with Automatic Conditions. The Transport Agency does not record manual endorsements.
- Automatic Condition - The Transport Agency must impose a condition on a person's Class 1R licence permitting the person to drive only a motor vehicle with an automatic transmission if, when obtaining a Class 1R licence, the person passes the restricted licence test in a motor vehicle with an automatic transmission
- Tests that have been resulted without a test site recorded have been grouped as 'Unknown', and include tests sat through the Defence Force.

- Sites have been combined with another site when the information could breach the privacy of individuals. Pass rates for test sites with less than 3 (1 or 2) testing officers conducting practical tests for the Class 1 (Car) full licence test have been combined for the following sites:
  - VTNZ Alexandra & VTNZ Queenstown into VTNZ Queenstown/Alexandra
  - AA Oamaru & VTNZ Dunedin South into VTNZ Dunedin South/AA Oamaru
  - AA Taumarunui & VTNZ TAUPO into VTNZ Taupo/AA Taumarunui

If you would like to discuss this reply with the NZ Transport Agency, please contact Andrew Knackstedt, Senior Manager, Media, by email to [andrew.knackstedt@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:andrew.knackstedt@nzta.govt.nz).

Yours sincerely,



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