

16 May 2023

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REF: OIA-12523

Dear [REDACTED]

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 24 April 2023 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Can you or your team at Waka Kotahi provide me with the most recent traffic data on the Waikato Expressway

- *Overall Daily vehicle count on the Waikato Expressway*
- *Average passengers per vehicle on the Waikato Expressway*
- *Daily vehicle count travelling south through Piarere intersection*
- *Daily vehicle count travelling east through Piarere intersection*
- *Daily vehicle count travelling north through Piarere intersection*
- *Daily vehicle count travelling south through Pokeno State Highway 2 intersection*
- *Daily vehicle count travelling east through Pokeno State Highway 2 intersection*
- *Daily vehicle count travelling north through Pokeno State Highway 2 intersection*

Please refer to Attachment 1: *OIA-12523 Waikato ExpresswayTraffic.xlsx*, which provides the data requested.

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency does not hold data for average passengers per vehicle on the Waikato Expressway so this has been refused under section 18(g) of the Act. This section allows for the refusal of information as the information requested is not held by the department and there are no grounds for believing that the information is held by another department.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to refuse this request. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

In line with Waka Kotahi policy, this response will soon be published on our website, with personal information removed.

If you would like to discuss this reply with Waka Kotahi, please contact Matt Hendry, Manager, Performance Analytics, by email to matt.hendry@nzta.govt.nz

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Galina Mitchelhill', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Galina Mitchelhill

Senior Manager, Research and Analytics