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Dear 

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email to Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency (Waka Kotahi) dated 26 April 2022 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I have just found the publication “Statistical summary of territorial authorities in New Zealand” (May 2014) on the NZTA website.

<https://www.nzta.govt.nz/assets/site-resources/content/about/docs/media/statistical-summary-of-territorial-authorities-in-new-zealand.pdf>

I note that this document has some useful measures by territorial authority, including:

- Total road length (km) – by State Highways, local roads*
- Vehicle kilometres travelled (millions of km) (June 2013 estimate) – by State Highways, local roads*
- Number of vehicles registered, 2013, by vehicle type*

I would like an update for these statistics by TA, for 2016, and/or anything more recent than 2013. Is this data available, ideally in summarised format?

If not, is the underlying data published in this 2014 document available as an Excel spreadsheet?

Part of your request for vehicles registered from 2016 to present by vehicle type has been released to you in full and is enclosed in the attached spreadsheet:

- OIA-9971.xlsx.
- The data in the spreadsheet should be read in conjunction with the caveats on the first page of the spreadsheet.

I am refusing the part of your request relating to vehicle kilometres travelled and the length of urban, rural, sealed and unsealed roads under Section 18(d) of the Act, as the information requested is, or will soon be, publicly available. You can find this information along with other funding and use data at: www.nzta.govt.nz/planning-and-investment/learning-and-resources/transport-data/data-and-tools.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to refuse this portion of your 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 Kerry Greig, Manager, Data Services, by email to kerry.greig@nzta.govt.nz

Yours sincerely

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

Galina Mitchelhill

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