Dear

On 5 September 2021, you emailed the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

• Number of young people not in education, employment or training in the Waitakere Ranges Local Board Area and the Whau Local Board Area.

The Youth Service for young people Not Employment, Education or Training (NEET) aims to help them into education, training or work-based learning, so they gain the skills to find a job and have an independent future.

It's a voluntary service that steps in early to help young people build their potential, through the support of dedicated community services who work alongside them to strengthen their confidence and resilience.

The Ministry does not hold information on the number of youth NEET in local board areas. However, to meet the intent of your request please see below, **Table One**, which shows the number of clients enrolled as NEET with Youth Services Support Units as at the end of June 2021, broken down by Auckland service centre.

Table One: The number of clients enrolled as NEET with Youth Services Support Units as at the end of June 2021, broken down by Auckland Service Centres.

Service centre	Number of NEET clients enrolled with Youth Support Units
Albany	12
Avondale	15
Clendon	27
Glenfield	6
Glenmall	27
Helensville	24
Highland Park	18
Mangere	84
Manukau	6
Manurewa	57
Mount Eden	3

Service centre	Number of NEET clients enrolled with Youth Support Units
New Lynn	30
Onehunga	6
Orewa	21
Otahuhu	12
Otara	24
Papakura	54
Papatoetoe	9
Pukekohe	18
Queen Street	3
Takapuna	6
Three Kings	6
Waiheke Island	0
Waitakere	102
Waiuku	3
Warkworth	36
Westgate	24
Total	633

Notes:

- NEET is 'not in education, employment or training'
- The locations listed are Auckland Work and Income service centres, which are listed as the client's
- To protect confidentiality the Ministry uses processes to make it difficult to identify an individual person or entity from published data.
- These data tables have had random rounding to base three applied to all cell counts in the table.
- The impact of applying random rounding is that columns and rows may not add exactly to the given column or row totals.
- The published counts will never differ by more than two counts.

The principles and purposes of the Official Information Act 1982 under which you made your request are:

- to create greater openness and transparency about the plans, work and activities of the Government
- to increase the ability of the public to participate in the making and administration of our laws and policies
- to lead to greater accountability in the conduct of public affairs.

This Ministry fully supports those principles and purposes. The Ministry therefore intends to make the information contained in this letter available to the wider public. The Ministry will do this by publishing this letter on the Ministry of Social Development's website. Your personal details will be deleted and the Ministry will not publish any information that would identify you as the person who requested the information.

If you wish to discuss this response with us regarding the number of young people as NEET with Youth Services Support Units, please feel free to contact OIA Requests@msd.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

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