



15 January 2026

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

On 12 January 2026, the Office of Hon Louise Upston transferred the following part of your request to the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry), to respond to:

- *Any updated breakdowns or data held by MSD on Jobseeker – Health Condition and Disability and Supported Living Payments by category of condition, specifically for 18–19-year-olds, since June 2022.*

I have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Please see the attached **Appendix** which provides the following tables, in response to your request:

- **Table 1:** Number of clients on Jobseeker Support Health Condition, or Disability related and Supported Living Payment as at end of each month from 1 April 2022 to 30 September 2025 by year, quarter ending, and age group.
- **Table 2:** Number of clients on Jobseeker Support Health Condition, or Disability related and Supported Living Payment as at end of each month from 1 April 2022 to 30 September 2025 by year, quarter ending, and incapacity.

I will be publishing this decision letter, with your personal details deleted, on the Ministry's website in due course.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with my decision on your request, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or 0800 802 602.

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