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Dear s 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your email on 26 October 2021 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Can I please have some information about the number of new houses built by/with support from HUD in Tauranga between January 1, 2018 and October 26, 2021.

That includes all KiwiBuild houses, community/public/transitional/emergency houses, PHO houses, etc. - everything under the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development umbrella, including Kāinga Ora projects.

Can the number of houses please be broken down by style of housing (standalone, duplexes, apartments etc.), and also which programme they fell under (PHO, KiwiBuild, etc.).

Can you also please outline how many of those houses are currently occupied.

I am only interested in new houses and those built in Tauranga.

And when I say new houses, I mean houses where construction has been completed.

And to clarify, for the period January 1, 2018 until the formation of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development later that same year, I am after the number of new houses built in Tauranga by/with support from the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, the Ministry of Social Development, and the Treasury.

As you know, on 28 October 2021, Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga – Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (the Ministry) partially transferred your request to Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities. Kāinga Ora will respond as it relates to homes they have built, as they hold this information. The Ministry is providing information about transitional, public and PHO housing not built by Kāinga Ora.

Community Housing Providers (CHPs) play an important role in delivering public and transitional housing. The Ministry is committed to working in partnership with CHPs to identify and progress opportunities that complement delivery by Kāinga Ora. You can read more about the Ministry's role in increasing public and transitional housing here: www.hud.govt.nz/community-and-public-housing/increasing-public-housing/.

The Progressive Home Ownership (PHO) Fund is a \$400 million investment that will help between 1,500 and 4,000 individuals, families and whānau buy their own homes. The PHO Fund is creating more opportunities for independent homeownership for people who can't afford to purchase their own home at current house prices.

There are two ways eligible individuals, families and whānau can purchase a home:

- through approved PHO providers
- through First Home Partner, administered by Kāinga Ora.

PHO providers will work with communities on the ground to help individuals, families and whānau start their journey toward achieving their aspirations, matching them to a newly built home that meets their needs. You can read more about PHO on the Ministry's website here: www.hud.govt.nz/residential-housing/progressive-home-ownership/.

The following table shows the number of new builds between 1 January 2018 and September 2021 by type in Tauranga City not built by Kāinga Ora (data for October is still going through a quality assurance process and is not yet available).

Type	New builds	Occupied as at 30 September
Public housing	58	58
Transitional housing*	7	5
PHO	0	

*The number of new builds for transitional housing is from 1 October 2019 from when the Ministry started to capture this information. Occupancy for transitional housing is based on reporting from providers.

While there have been no new builds in Tauranga for PHO to date, the Ministry has signed a contract with Manawa PHO Limited (the housing arm of Ngā Pōtiki ā Tamapahore Trust) to help 30 families step into home ownership in Pāpāmoa.

Of the 58 public housing new builds, 45 were classified as houses and 13 were apartments. The seven transitional housing places are all separate dwellings.

It may interest you to know that the Ministry regularly publishes information on public and transitional housing, PHO and other housing built by the Government, the housing register and other housing support provided. You can access the dashboard at: www.hud.govt.nz/research-and-publications/statistics-and-research/the-government-housing-dashboard/.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my response by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on the Ombudsman's website www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

As part of our ongoing commitment to openness and transparency, the Ministry proactively releases information and documents that may be of interest to the public. As such, this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on our website.

Yours sincerely



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