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Dear s 9(2)

Thank you for your email received 29 November 2021 requesting the number of adults and children in transitional housing in Tairāwhiti broken down by length under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

Transitional housing is temporary accommodation and support for individuals or families who are in urgent need of housing. It provides warm, dry, short term housing for people and families who have an urgent need for a place to stay. One place can house one household – it is not the same as the number of bedrooms.

Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga – Ministry of Housing and Urban Development receives reporting of tenants in transitional housing from providers. At the end of September 2021, there were 35 transitional housing places in Tairāwhiti (Gisborne District Territorial Authority). Of the reported individuals, 28 percent were under the age of 18.

The following table shows the number of households in transitional housing as at the end of September in Tairāwhiti by length and household composition. Percentages have been provided instead of actual counts as these give a more representative view of clients in transitional housing, given the potential for incomplete reporting.

Household contains children	Length of stay at end September 2021 (months)			Total
	<3	3-12	>12	
Yes	0%	3%	13%	17%
No	17%	23%	43%	83%
Total	17%	27%	57%	100%

You can find further information on transitional housing, including the number of places in each region, on the transitional housing tab of our Housing Dashboard here: 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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