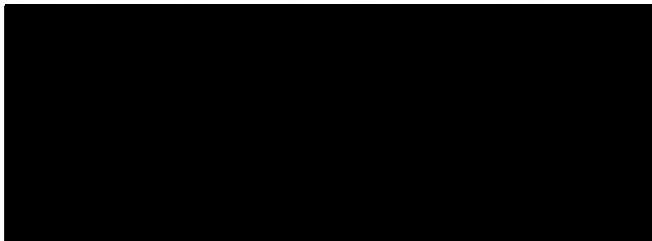


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Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) on 8 April 2021 for information relating to COVID-19 and Managed Isolation and Quarantine Facilities (MIQ). You specifically requested:

“Can I please request a number of confirmed COVID19 cases in managed isolation (MIQ) based on their departure destination or country of origin (Country)? I am requesting this data since the beginning of managed isolation process.”

The attached document provides the total confirmed and probable imported cases from 11 April 2020 (the date quarantine became mandatory) to 15 April 2021 by country of departure.

Travel histories are a snapshot from EpiSurv, the Institute of Environmental Science and Research’s national notifiable disease surveillance database. EpiSurv collates notifiable disease information on a real-time basis from New Zealand’s Public Health Services, including case demographics, clinical features and risk factors. People are asked to provide the last three countries they have been in and this is recorded in EpiSurv. It is a ‘living database’ and information about individual cases will often change as more information is gathered.

I trust this information fulfils your request. Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Ministry website at: www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Gill Hall'.

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**Total confirmed and probable imported cases from 11 April 2020* to 15 April 2021 by
country of departure**

*date quarantine became mandatory

Departure country	# confirmed and probable cases
Afghanistan	9
Antarctica	1
Argentina	4
Australia	6
Austria	2
Bahrain	1
Bangladesh	3
Bolivia	1
Brazil	5
Canada	5
Chile	2
China, People's Republic of	1
Colombia	1
Congo, the Democratic Republic of the	1
Croatia	3
Czech Republic	4
Denmark	2
Egypt	5
Ethiopia	11
Finland	1
France	6
Germany	9
Greece	1
Hong Kong (Special Administrative Region)	2
India	264
Indonesia	4
Iran	5
Iraq	5
Ireland	11
Italy	14
Japan	7
Jordan	2
Kazakhstan	2
Kenya	7
Korea, Republic of	1
Kuwait	1
Laos	1
Malaysia	7
Mexico	7
Morocco	1
Nepal	1
Netherlands	14
Netherlands Antilles	1
Nigeria	1
Northern America nfd	1
Oman	1

**Total confirmed and probable imported cases from 11 April 2020* to 15 April 2021 by
country of departure**

*date quarantine became mandatory

Departure country	# confirmed and probable cases
Pakistan	36
Panama	1
Papua New Guinea	5
Peru	1
Philippines	22
Poland	2
Portugal	1
Qatar	2
Romania	4
Russia	49
Serbia and Montenegro	1
Seychelles	1
Singapore	5
Somalia	1
South Africa	17
Spain	2
Sweden	4
Switzerland	6
Tanzania	3
Turkey	5
Ukraine	14
United Arab Emirates	18
United Kingdom	140
United States of America	93
Unknown	3
Uruguay	1
Uzbekistan	2
Viet Nam	1
Zambia	2
Zimbabwe	3
Total	889

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