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Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to the Ministry of Health (the Ministry) which was partially transferred from the Ministry of Social Development on 31 January 2022. You asked for:

“A breakdown in number (not percentages) of people in Emergency Housing, in Transitional housing, Kainga Ora residents (I have the waiting list but not residents of KO) and those with mental health residential facilities.

If I could have the information broken down to

Under 5 years

Between 5 – 15

15 and 25

If unable to breakdown like this – then a rough showing is OK.

Also a breakdown in ethnicity is needed as well

Māori, Pacific, Asian and European breakdown please is very appreciated”

The Ministry is able to respond to the part of your request related to people in mental health residential facilities. We have interpreted this to mean people accessing mental health or alcohol and other drug (AOD) residential services. Please find the information requested in Table One.

This data is from the Programme for Integration of Mental Health Data (PRIMHD) national collection and is correct as at 2 February 2022. PRIMHD is the Ministry of Health's national mental health and addiction database which collects service activity and outcomes for people who receive health treatment. PRIMHD is a live database updated by health providers like district health boards (DHBs) and non-government organisations in real time. For this reason, previously published data is sometimes amended as providers update PRIMHD.

Table One: Number of people accessing mental health residential services or AOD residential services (excluding respite) in the month of June 2021 by age group and ethnicity.

Ethnicity	Age Group (years)	# Mental health and AOD clients	# Mental health clients	# AOD clients
Asian	0-4	1		1
	5-14	1	1	
	15-24	9	8	1
	20-64	48	31	17
	65+	5	4	1
Maori	0-4	4		4
	5-14	1	1	
	15-24	83	66	18
	20-64	544	346	200
	65+	27	27	
Other	0-4	2		2
	5-14	23	23	
	15-24	164	145	19
	20-64	823	547	276
	65+	139	134	5
Pacific	0-4			
	5-14			
	15-24	15	8	7
	20-64	95	75	20
	65+	10	9	1
Total		1,994	1,425	572

Please note:

1. This data is for specialist secondary mental health and AOD residential services only, therefore should not include aged residential care services where there is no mental health or AOD element. Respite bed nights are also excluded (Activity Type = T05, T30).
2. Both DHB and non-governmental organisation residential services are included. Mental health residential services are defined as having Team Type 08 = residential, or Team Setting R = residential (but not Team Type 03 or 11 = AOD). AOD residential services are defined as having team type 03 or 11 = AOD, and Team Setting R = residential.
3. Age is as at 1 June 2021 (the start of the reporting period). Ethnicity is currently recorded prioritised ethnicity on the National Health Index (NHI).
4. Some people will have accessed both mental health and AOD residential services in the period and therefore will be counted more than once. This accounts for why the mental health and AOD columns do not add to the '# Mental health and AOD clients' column.
5. Mental health and addiction data for older people in PRIMHD is counted differently between some regions which affects how data is reported. mental health and addiction services for older people are funded as mental health and addiction services in the Northern and Midland regions while in the Southern and Central regions, they are funded as disability support services. PRIMHD mainly captures mental health and addiction services, and occasionally captures data on disability support services. This means data on health care users aged over 65 (including psychogeriatric services) is incomplete.
6. The above data may include people receiving services in a residential setting who are not actually living in residential accommodation.
7. Some organisations have missing or incomplete data in PRIMHD for the time period reported.

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

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kiri Richards'.

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