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Tēnā koe s 9(2)(a),

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to Manatū Hauora (Ministry of Health) on 30 July 2022. Each part of your request is responded to below.

*Please could you provide information about Covid reinfections including:
How many of the reported Covid reinfections of the reinfections were fully or partially vaccinated and how many were unvaccinated.*

Please see the table below which states the vaccination status of re-infection cases, as of 28 August 2022.

Vaccination status when reported as a case	Count
No doses received prior to being reported as a case	1377
Not eligible for vaccine	2592
Partially vaccinated	345
Fully vaccinated at least 7 days before reported as a case	12147
Received booster at least 7 days before being reported as a case	14202
Total	30663

How many of the reported Covid reinfections were hospitalised? Please break this down so far as possible into vaxxed and unvaxxed and also whether the hospitalisation was due to the reinfection or other causes

Please see the table below which states the vaccination status of re-infection cases who have been hospitalised for COVID-19, as of 28 August 2022.

Vaccination status when reported as a case	Count
No doses received prior to being reported as a case	33
Not eligible for vaccine	48
Partially vaccinated	9
Fully vaccinated at least 7 days before reported as a case	162
Received booster at least 7 days before being reported as a case	372
Total	624

Data showing how many people vaxxed for Covid sought medical help and/ or were admitted to hospital within 30 days of the Vaccination. If possible please provide more detail on the timing between the Vax and the medical advice

As of 9 August 2022, there were 61,022 people hospitalised, and 72,713 hospitalisations within 30 days of vaccination. The top 10 primary diagnoses were:

- Pain in throat and chest: 3,300 approx.
- Abdominal and pelvic pain: 2,060 approx.
- Single spontaneous delivery: 1,320 approx.
- Single delivery by caesarean section: 902
- Heart failure: 879
- Acute myocardial infarction: 865
- Atrial fibrillation and flutter: 840
- Cerebral infarction: 839
- Other malignant neoplasms of skin: 788
- Pneumonia, organism unspecified: 752

It is important to emphasise that this data does not necessarily represent a causative relationship between the vaccine and an individual's hospitalisation. A person may be hospitalised for many coincidental reasons and no conclusions can be drawn from the fact that they were hospitalised within 30 days of receiving a vaccination. This data should not be conflated with people hospitalised **due to** receiving a vaccination.

Of hospitalisations and deaths attributed to Covid, please advise what if any other factors contributed to the death for each age category and how many of these patients had diabetes.

The information you are seeking is not held by Manatū Hauora in the form you have requested. The Act does not require agencies to create new information or compile information they do not hold. Therefore, this part of your request is refused under section 18(g) of the Act, as the information requested is not held.

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 Manatū Hauora website at: www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests.

Nāku noa, nā



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