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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 – Manatū Hauora (the Ministry) on 8 April 2024 for information regarding the sale of vaping products. You requested:

“...in dollars the total amount of vaping products sold in 2023 as per the data that has been submitted by retailers?”

The Ministry is still receiving submissions from retailers, importers and manufacturers of regulated products (vaping, smokeless tobacco and herbal smoking products) to submit their annual sales return for the 2023 calendar year. These are due by midnight on 28 April 2024.

As this data is currently in the process of being collected, the Ministry is unable to provide this information to you at this point in time. However, the 2023 data will be published at a later date in 2024 at: www.health.govt.nz/our-work/regulation-health-and-disability-system/vaping-herbal-smoking-and-smokeless-tobacco-products-regulation/information-retailers-notifiable-products/vaping-product-annual-returns.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact the OIA Services Team on: oiagr@health.govt.nz.

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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