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By email: ██████████  
Ref: H202008532

Dear ██████████

### Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) on 27 November 2020 for:

*“Please provide us with the quarter by quarter enrolment numbers for GP practices (anonymised data) which have been recently established, within the last 2 years both in the Auckland region and across the rest of New Zealand.”*

Information in response to your request is attached as Appendix 1 below. Please note that this data is from 1 April 2019, as this is when the National Enrolment System (NES) fully commenced after an initial go live date of 1 February 2019. Information for the period of 1 January 2019 to 1 April 2019 has not been collated as this data is in a different format to NES data and cannot be made available without substantial collation. This part of your request is refused under 18(f) of the Act.

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](mailto: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](http://www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests).

Yours sincerely



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## Appendix 1

New practices since 1 April 2019 (i.e. since the beginning of NES)							
Quarterly enrolment count							
		1 July 2019	1 October 2019	1 January 2020	1 April 2020	1 July 2020	1 October 2020
Auckland Region	Number of Practices	s	4	5	9	11	13
	Enrolment count	s	489	953	1,483	2,040	2,868
	Average enrolment	s	122	191	165	185	221
Rest of New Zealand	Number of Practices	s	3	4	5	6	7
	Enrolment count	s	4,253	6,299	10,322	11,594	13,298
	Average enrolment	s	1,418	1,575	2,064	1,932	1,900
All of New Zealand	Number of Practices	3	7	9	14	17	20
	Enrolment count	953	4,742	7,252	11,805	13,634	16,166
	Average enrolment	318	677	806	843	802	808
Notes:							
s = suppressed							
1 April 2020 figures for Rest of New Zealand are impacted by one existing "new" Practice acquiring another Practice.							
A "new" practice is one that has been identified as a start-up with no obvious links to an existing practice, i.e. is not the result of a merger or split of existing practice(s).							