

4 April 2022

Dear		

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), received on 20 March 2022. You requested the following:

- 1. The total amount received from GST (all goods and services) for the last available full year.
- 2. The total amount received from GST on all food products (except alcoholic drinks on which excise duties are payable) for the last available full year.

## Question one

The information you requested regarding total amount received from GST is publicly available on the Inland Revenue and Treasury websites. Inland Revenue's data does not provide all the information, so must be considered in addition with Treasury's Customs GST data. The links to the information is provided in the table below.

Description	Website address
Schedule of non-	https://www.ird.govt.nz/about-us/publications/annual-
departmental revenue for	corporate-reports/annual-report/annual-report-
the year ended 30 June	2021/financial-schedules-non-departmental/schedule-of-
2021	non-departmental-revenue
Tax Outturn Data	https://www.treasury.govt.nz/publications/tax-outturn-
(Monthly History)	data/tax-outturn-data-january-2022

Your request for the total amount received from GST is refused under section 18(d) of the OIA, as the information requested is publicly available.

## Question two

Your request for the total amount received from GST on all food products (except alcoholic drinks on which excise duties are payable) is refused under section 18(e) of the OIA, the information requested does not exist as Inland Revenue does not record this information.

However, you can do your own estimates based on the food proportion of consumption or household expenditure from <a href="https://www.stats.govt.nz/information-releases/household-expenditure-statistics-year-ended-june-2019">https://www.stats.govt.nz/information-releases/household-expenditure-statistics-year-ended-june-2019</a>. Please note Statistics NZ calculates average household expenditures every three years, therefore the most recent figures are from 2019.

## **Right of Review**

If you disagree with my decision on your OIA request, you can ask an Inland Revenue review officer to review my decision. To ask for an internal review, please email the Commissioner of Inland Revenue at: <u>CommissionersCorrespondence@ird.govt.nz</u>.

Alternatively, under section 28(3) of the OIA, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision. You can contact the office of the Ombudsman by email at: <u>info@ombudsman.parliament.nz</u>.

## Publishing of OIA response

Finally, please note that, Inland Revenue regularly publishes on its website, responses to requests that may be of interest to the wider public. Your personal details or any information that would identify you will be removed prior to it being published.

Thank you again for your request.

Yours sincerely

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