



6 December 2021

[Redacted address block]

Dear [Redacted name]

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), received on 10 November 2021. You requested the following:

How many families are getting supported from the Family Tax Credit Boost in Tairāwhiti region?

Working for Families

Working for Families Tax Credits are payments for families with dependent children aged 18 and under. The payments are to help raise families and are based on yearly family income and family circumstances.

There are 4 types of Working for Families tax credit payments:

- Best Start tax credit
- Family tax credit
- In-work tax credit
- Minimum family tax credit

Working for Families - Tairāwhiti (Gisborne) region

The total number of families in the Tairāwhiti region currently receiving support via Working for Families is 5,450. This figure encompasses customers who receive payment from either the Ministry of Social Development or Inland Revenue.

Once the final assessment has taken place at the end of the tax year, this figure may change.

The number of families in the Tairāwhiti region that received Working for Families in previous years are as follows:

- 01 April 2018 – 31 March 2019 : 5,424
- 01 April 2019 – 31 March 2020 : 5,396
- 01 April 2020 – 31 March 2021 : 5,426

This data is based on the address postcode held by Inland Revenue for Working for Families customers as at 1 December, 2021. Please note that as many taxpayers do not have regular contact with Inland Revenue, the address information we hold may be out of date.

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Thank you for your request. I trust that the information provided is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely



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