



4 December 2024

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Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), received on 6 November 2024. You requested the following:

1. *Is your agencies continuing to pursue the carbon neutral public service targets?*
 - o *If so please provide any documents showing how this is being implemented*
2. *The total spend on this target broken down by year since the targets were implemented (including but not limited to internal staff numbers, external spend, capital spend, offset spend)?*
3. *Total EV's brought since the targets were implemented broken down by year?*
 - o *Please provide notes on type of car.*
4. *Total spent on agency emissions inventories by year since implementation.*
 - o *Please provide the most recent inventory.*
5. *How much is spent on voluntary carbon offsets? (Not the ETS)*
 - o *Please provide information on consultants for this and the total offsets.*
6. *Any consideration or actions involving Agricultural emissions.*

Question 1

Inland Revenue continues to pursue carbon neutral public service targets. Recent information regarding implementation of environmental priorities is available in Inland Revenue's Annual Reports for 2022 to 2024. Therefore, your request for documents showing implementation is refused under section 18(d) of the OIA, as the information is publicly available.

Previous Annual Reports can be found on Inland Revenue's website at ird.govt.nz/about-us/publications/annual-corporate-reports/annual-report on the pages listed in the table below.

| Item | Document | Page number |
|------|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1. | Inland Revenue Annual Report 2021-22 | 115-116 |
| 2. | Inland Revenue Annual Report 2022-23 | 54-56 |
| 3. | Inland Revenue Annual Report 2023-24 | 114-115 |

Question 2

Inland Revenue's total spend on emissions reduction initiatives are outlined in its responses to the Finance and Expenditure Committee's Annual Review of Inland Revenue. Written responses

for 2021/22 and 2022/23 are published on New Zealand Parliament's website. Therefore, this part of your request is refused under section 18(d) of the OIA, as the information is publicly available. These responses can be found using the following links:

- Inland Revenue Annual Review Written Responses 2021/22 (Question 110) parliament.nz/resource/en-NZ/53SCFE_EVI_127443_FE11414/3b68be77378f7277_b799aaef_67a7b6465c51c387
- Inland Revenue Annual Review Written Responses 2022/23 (Question 110) parliament.nz/resource/en-NZ/54SCFIN_EVI_8b3a05e9-8212-4f15-7e00-08dbf9ba8c02_FIN325/1da30e5dee7792e113fba4789cf09b81f5ac837c

The total spend on emissions reduction initiatives for the 2023/24 financial year will be publicly available in Inland Revenue's Annual Review Written Responses 2023/24 (Question 110). This part of your request is refused under section 18(d) of the OIA, as the information will be publicly available soon. You will be able to find the responses, once published, by filtering to 'Finance and Expenditure Committee' and searching for 'Revenue' at parliament.nz/en/pb/sc/submissions-and-advice/.

Question 3

The total number of electric vehicles purchased by Inland Revenue for the past three financial years is provided in the table below. All vehicles are battery electric, light vehicles. Inland Revenue have not purchased any plug-in hybrid electric vehicles.

| Year | Electric Vehicle Model | Number |
|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| 2021/22 | Hyundai Ioniq Hatchback | 28 |
| 2022/23 | Hyundai Ioniq 5 SUV 2WD | 7 |
| | Hyundai Ioniq Hatchback | 19 |
| | Hyundai Ioniq 5 SUV AWD | 9 |
| | Hyundai Ioniq 6 | 1 |
| | Total | 36 |
| 2023/24 | Hyundai Ioniq 5 SUV 2WD | 5 |
| | Hyundai Ioniq 5 SUV AWD | 5 |
| | Hyundai Ioniq 6 | 5 |
| | Hyundai Ioniq Hatchback | 7 |
| | Total | 22 |

Question 4

Since the inception of the Carbon Neutral Government Programme, Inland Revenue has only paid for external verification audit services, the cost of which is broken down by financial year in the table on the following page.

| Year | Cost |
|---------|-------------|
| 2021/22 | \$15,768.00 |
| 2022/23 | \$35,900.00 |
| 2023/24 | \$23,400.00 |

The table does not include internal staff costs as it is not possible to quantify the exact FTE cost dedicated to preparing emissions inventories.

Question 5

Inland Revenue has not spent money on any voluntary carbon offsets to date and does not intend to for the current financial year.

Question 6

Inland Revenue has no agricultural emissions.

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: commissionerscorrespondence@ird.govt.nz.

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: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

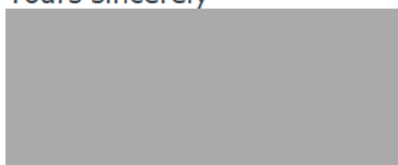
If you choose to have an internal review, you can still ask the Ombudsman for a review.

Publishing of OIA response

We intend to publish our response to your request on Inland Revenue's website (ird.govt.nz) as this information may be of interest to other members of the public. This letter, with your personal details removed, may be published in its entirety. Publishing responses increases the availability of information to the public and is consistent with the OIA's purpose of enabling more effective participation in the making and administration of laws and policies and promoting the accountability of officials.

Thank you again for your request.

Yours sincerely



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