



18 June 2024

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), received on 28 May 2024. You requested the following:

Could you please provide data on the employment and taxation status of the Filipino population in New Zealand for the most recent period available? Specifically, we are interested in understanding their employment sectors, wage/salary distribution, median wage/salary + further details if possible, and any relevant information. Description and count per age, sex, region of these aspects would be appreciated.

Inland Revenue does not record ethnicity information. As such, your request is refused under section 18(g) of the OIA, the requested information is not held by Inland Revenue, nor do I have reason to believe this information is held by another department.

I have checked with Stats New Zealand to see if it holds the relevant data. Stats New Zealand mentioned that while they do not hold the information you seek at the level of detail requested, it does publish income data by ethnicity, which can be found at [NZ Stat \(stats.govt.nz\)](https://stats.govt.nz).

Further to this, Stats New Zealand provides information about making customised data requests (including the cost), which can be found at [Customised data services | Stats NZ](#).

Finally, you may also be able to apply to use microdata held by Stats New Zealand if the information you seek is needed as part of a research project, more information can be found at [Apply to use microdata for research | Stats NZ](#).

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 (www.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 for your request.

Yours sincerely



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