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Subject: Response to Official Information Request for dog registration data
Date: Tuesday, 7 July 2026 11:58:00 a.m.
Attachments: [17.06.2026 Dog breed and address data.xlsx](#)

Kia ora Nardus

I am writing in response to your information request of 12 June 2026 seeking dog registration information, broken down by suburb including primary breed details and the total number of registered dogs (per breed, per suburb)

You asked for the information to be released to you per primary breed, suburb and total number of dogs per breed/suburb. However, we cannot release the information in that form as the data is held as live data within our system and is not available in a historical report format to be able to provide an accurate breakdown of dogs by suburb and breed for the last registration year (as this would impair efficient administration). Therefore, this part of your request is declined under section 17 (f) of LGOIMA - that the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

We have therefore decided to release the information to you as a link (below) to the most recent report to the Department of Internal Affairs, which contains the information showing the total number of registered dogs for the last full registration year, ending June 2025.

[Annual-DIA-Report-30-June-2025.pdf](#)

We also attached a excel file which is a "snapshot" of the suburb and breed data that we hold, which is current as at 17 June 2026. Please note that the data held do not have a specific suburb recorded and are instead listed as "Dunedin" and this may affect the accuracy of suburb-level analysis.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz

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