

6 July 2023



Official information request for media request data Our Ref: OIA353/1

- 1. I refer to your official information request dated 30 June 2023 for;
 - 1.1 The number of media requests that the Chief Executive (or equivalent position) of your organisation has received, each year for the past six years, and the number of media request accepted, each year for the past six years.
 - 1.2 The number of media requests that members of the Executive team (or Board, only in instances where an Executive team does not exist) of your organisation have received, each year for the past six years, and the number of media request accepted, each year for the past six years.
- 2. Crown Law maintains a Media Register which records the details of all media requests made to our office. The Media Register records several metrics; however we do not specifically note whether the request was made directly to either the Solicitor General or one of our Executive Team. As such, we are unable to specify the number of media requests in which the Solicitor General or our Executive Team have received directly during the past six years.
- 3. Part of the information you have requested is enclosed. However, we have decided to refuse your request for information which relates to requests directly to the Solicitor General or Executive Team under section 18(g) of the Official Information Act, as this information is not held.
- 4. Since 2017 Crown Law has received 444 number of media requests and published a total of 16 press releases, both pro-active and reactive in nature. A breakdown detailing the number of media requests received and published each year between 2017 through to 2023 YTD is included in the table below:

Year	Media queries	Press releases
2017	77	0
2018	84	3
2019	52	1
2020	64	1
2021	51	3
2022	76	4
To 30 June 2023	40	4

Proactive release

- Please note that we may publish this response (with your personal details redacted), and any related documents, on Crown Law's website if we decide proactive release of this information is or may be in the public interest. If you have any concerns about this, please let us know within 10 working days of the date of this letter.
- 6. 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 or freephone 0800 802 602.
- 7. If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact us at OIA@crownlaw.govt.nz.

