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Thank you for your email of 18 January 2022 to Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities requesting information about state housing in South Taranaki. I have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), and I respond to your questions below.

Number of state houses built in South Taranaki in the past 20 years:

Kāinga Ora does not hold data on acquisitions prior to 1 July 2009. Therefore, I am refusing your request for the number of state houses built in South Taranaki in the past 20 years under section 18(g) of the Act, as ‘the information requested is not held by the department.’ I can advise that as at 31 December 2022 no new homes had been built in South Taranaki since 1 July 2009.

Number of homes Kāinga Ora currently owns in South Taranaki:

As at 31 December 2022, Kāinga Ora owned 121 homes in South Taranaki. Six of these properties were vacant, meaning the other 115 were occupied by customers. The length of these tenancies is set out in the table below.

Tenancy Tenure Band	Number of tenancies
0 to <2 Years	13
2 to 5 Years	32
6 to 10 Years	18
11 to 15 Years	11
16 to 25 Years	20
26+ Years	21
Total	115

Proportion of tenants in South Taranaki who are Māori:

54.8 percent of these tenants identified themselves as having Māori ethnicity, either as their only ethnicity or as one of several ethnicities. Please note that tenants identify their own ethnicity and those who identify with more than one are counted in each group they identify with. Therefore, the sum of the responses for all ethnic groups will be greater than the number of people responding.

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

Kāinga Ora proactively releases its responses to official information request where possible, and our response to your request may be published at www.kaingaora.govt.nz/publications/official-information-requests/ with your personal information removed.

Nāku noa, nā



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