

25 July 2023

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Thank you for your email, dated 23 June 2023 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- 1) *How much has the kiwibuild programme cost, from it's establishment?*
- 2) *How many completed builds can be directly attributed to the kiwibuild programme?*
- 3) *What is the average house and land size, in square metres, of those houses?*
- 4) *What is the median number of bedrooms of those houses?*

On 27 June 2023 Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities accepted the transfer of questions two, three, and four of your request from the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development.

I have consulted with the relevant staff in Kāinga Ora about your request and I can advise you that as at 31 May 2023, 1,805 KiwiBuild homes have been completed with an average floor area of 87 square metres.

For a breakdown of the 1,805 KiwiBuild homes by bedroom, I refer you to the table accompanying this response. Please note that for apartments, Kāinga Ora does record land area. I am therefore refusing this part of your request under section 18(g)(i) of the Act, as:

'...the information requested is not held by the department or Minister of the Crown or organisation and the person dealing with the request has no grounds for believing that the information is either held by another department or Minister of the Crown or organisation, or by a local authority...'

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 online at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by phone on 0800 802 602.

Please note that Kāinga Ora proactively releases our responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request may be published at <https://kaingaora.govt.nz/publications/official-information-requests/> with your personal information removed.

Yours sincerely



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KiwiBuild Homes by Property Type and Number of Bedrooms as at 31 May 2023				
Property type	Number of properties	Average floor area (m ²)	Average of balcony area (m ²)	Average land area (m ²)
One-bedroom				
Apartment	195	48	6	-
Stand-alone house	6	46	-	102
Two-bedroom				
Apartment	379	67	6	-
Duplex	43	127	-	154
Stand-alone house	25	100	-	277
Terraced house	311	77	-	93
Three-bedroom				
Apartment	38	89	8	-
Duplex	249	121	-	206
Stand-alone house	249	113	-	287
Terraced house	249	93	-	105
Four-bedroom				
Duplex	12	135	-	561
Stand-alone house	16	128	-	283
Terraced house	4	152	-	125
Studio				
Apartment	29	41	-	-
Total	1,805	87	-	-

Notes:

- KiwiBuild homes have an apartment typology and they generally do not have any land area associated with that home. The system used by Kāinga Ora does not hold data on the land area of common areas.
- Not all apartments have balconies included.
- The four bedroom terraced houses, which have larger Gross Floor Area (GFA) than the stand-alone homes, are all located in the same development. They have three storeys and stairs on each level, so the GFA for these homes is relatively larger.
The four-bedroom duplexes with large land area are all in the same development in New Plymouth. They are built at the top of a hill and the site lots incorporated significant bush area below the properties.