

11 November 2022

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Thank you for your request dated 4 November 2022 under the Official Information Act 1992 (the Act) for the following information:

1. *The total number of 1-bedroom units currently available in Hamilton.*

Housing type	Number of Bedrooms	Unit Count
Community Group Housing	1	91
State Housing	0 / Bedsit	13
State Housing	1	188
Transitional Housing	1	41

Note: This is the total number of properties Kāinga Ora owns and manages.

2. *The total number of current tenants on Kainga Ora's BIT register who currently live in Hamilton and who are also seeking a 1-bedroom unit in Hamilton.*

	BIT	MSD Transfers
Number of Applications	139	107
Application for one bedroom	38	17

Note: BIT do not specify the preferred location in the application

3. *The total number of those tenants (on Kainga Ora's BIT register who currently live in Hamilton and are also seeking a 1-bedroom unit in Hamilton) that Kainga Ora considers as having a higher priority than Mr Handy.*

Current tenants may be required by Kāinga Ora to transfer to another Kāinga Ora property because their existing property is required for business reasons, including their current home being redeveloped, undergoing major repair or a lease expiring on homes not owned by Kāinga Ora. It can also be for a household underutilising or seriously overcrowding a property. Transfers for other reasons are made through the Ministry of Social Development (MSD).

Vacant properties are checked against the Business Initiated Transfer (BIT) register before they are considered for applicants on the MSD waitlist.

There is no priority rating applied to BIT transfers, so this part of your request is being refused under section 18(g) of the Act as the information is not held and not believed to be held by another agency.

Under section 28 of the Act you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Contact details for the Ombudsman can be found at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Boag', with a horizontal line underneath.

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