



Thank you for your email of 5 October 2019 to Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

“...which suburbs in Hamilton have HNZ that are vacant, how many are vacant, and ready to be let out...”

You requested which suburbs in Hamilton have vacant Kāinga Ora properties. Kāinga Ora does not record the number of vacant properties by suburb. I am therefore declining your request under section 18(g) of the Act because the information requested is not held.

However, I am able to provide the number of vacant properties in Hamilton by Census Area Unit as at 30 September 2019. I understand that there is a close correlation between Census Area Units and suburbs.

Kāinga Ora currently has a total of 47 vacant properties in Hamilton, 10 of which are ready to let. Please see the following page for a breakdown of vacant properties.

All Kāinga Ora properties are vacant for a period, in between tenancies, to ensure that appropriate checks and regular maintenance can be completed before a new tenant takes up residence. In some instances, the period of vacancy can be longer if major upgrades are identified as necessary (for example damage from a natural disaster or fire) to ensure the property is warm, safe, and dry for the next tenant.

Kāinga Ora publishes quarterly statistics on its website, which includes the number of vacant properties. This information is provided nationally, by Territorial Local Authority, and Auckland Community Board. This can be found at:

<https://www.hnzc.co.nz/publications/housing-statistics-vacant-properties/>

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my response by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on the Ombudsman's website www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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Vacant Kāinga Ora properties in Hamilton by Census Area Unit – as at 30/09/19

Census Area Unit	Vacant - Ready to Let	Vacant - Other	Total Vacant
Bader	0	3	3
Beerescourt	0	0	0
Bryant	0	4	4
Brymer	0	1	1
Chartwell	0	0	0
Chedworth	0	2	2
Clarkin	0	0	0
Claudelands	0	0	0
Crawshaw	0	1	1
Dinsdale North	0	1	1
Dinsdale South	0	1	1
Enderley	0	4	4
Fairview Downs	0	2	2
Flagstaff	1	0	1
Frankton Junction	0	0	0
Glenview	4	0	4
Grandview	0	1	1
Hamilton Central	0	1	1
Hamilton East	5	4	9
Hamilton Lake	0	2	2
Hillcrest West	0	1	1
Horsham Downs	0	0	0
Huntington	0	1	1
Insoll	0	1	1
Maeroa	0	2	2
Melville	0	0	0
Nawton	0	0	0
Naylor	0	1	1
Peachgrove	0	0	0
Peacocke	0	0	0
Porritt	0	2	2
Pukete	0	0	0
Pukete West	0	0	0
Queenwood	0	0	0
Riverlea	0	0	0
Rotokauri	0	0	0
Rototuna	0	0	0
Silverdale	0	0	0
Swarbrick	0	1	1
Temple View	0	0	0
University	0	1	1
TOTAL	10	37	47