

1 October 2020

Privacy

Thank you for your request to Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities of 7 September 2020 for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982:

Please can you advise How many Kainga Ora state houses currently meet Healthy Homes standards

In 2019, the Government introduced new Healthy Homes Standards to ensure all rental properties, including public housing, are warm, dry and healthy. These standards have set new minimum residential rental property requirements for:

- heating
- insulation
- ventilation
- moisture and drainage; and
- draught stopping.

As at 25 September 2020, Kāinga Ora has confirmed that 4,092 lettable units fully meet the standards.

It is important to note that the actual number with the required interventions, either in whole or part, is more than this total – the certification process is the final stage to confirm compliance. Certification of properties was delayed by COVID-19 Lockdown, where this compliance work was not deemed as essential.

To ensure our portfolio is compliant by 1 July 2023, the programme will be scaled up to complete the remainder of our rental property portfolio over the next three years. This will see between 30 to 35 percent of our property portfolio completed during each of the next three years.

Yours sincerely



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