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Tēnā koe 

## OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

I refer to your official information request of **13 March 2019** for:

- The total amount paid out in compensation, broken down by month, for the last five financial years.
- The reasons for the payments.

*By compensation I mean any money paid out to someone who has raised a grievance and/or has suffered hardship, could be internal ie. an employee who was wrongly dismissed or it could be a breach of someone's privacy (like a member of the public) and compensation has been paid out for the harm done.*

*I don't mean a person's general wages or salary.*

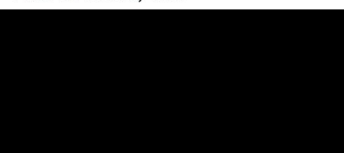
The Ministry did not pay out any compensation specifically in relation to grievances and/or for harm or hardship in the last five financial years to 30 June 2018.

The Ministry routinely publishes, to the Ministry's website, responses given to requests made under the Official Information Act 1982. Therefore, please note that this response will be included in a future publication of Ministry Official Information Act responses. Your personal details will be redacted. If you have any concerns or comments related to this, please let us know by emailing [ministerialservicing@women.govt.nz](mailto:ministerialservicing@women.govt.nz), within two weeks of the date of this letter.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Peter Noble, Director, Corporate Services.

Nāku noa, nā



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