

8 August 2025

By email to: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

### **OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST 2025/37**

On Friday 25 July 2025 you made a request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA) for the following information:

*1) Votes cast by incarcerated people.*

*Are the votes previously cast by incarcerated persons recorded by groupings? ( ie, are these votes tallied to reflect total votes cast for candidates or parties? )*

*2) On the day registrations of voters.*

*Are votes cast by late or On-The-Day (last minute electoral roll additions) tallied to reflect the parties and candidates voted for by these late enrollers)*

Please find answers to your questions below.

*1) Votes cast by incarcerated people.*

*Are the votes previously cast by incarcerated persons recorded by groupings? ( ie, are these votes tallied to reflect total votes cast for candidates or parties? )*

No. When someone enrolls or votes, their status as a prisoner is not recorded by the Commission and there is no separate count of votes cast by incarcerated persons.

*2) On the day registrations of voters.*

*Are votes cast by late or On-The-Day (last minute electoral roll additions) tallied to reflect the parties and candidates voted for by these late enrollers)*

No, there is no separate count of the votes of people that enrol and vote on election day.

In the interests of transparency, we release responses to Official Information Act requests every 3 months. We will publish this response with your personal details redacted.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to make a complaint to the Ombudsman if you are not satisfied with the response to your request. Information about how to do this is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by phoning 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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