

12 February 2025

By email to: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST 2025/04

On Monday, 11 February 2025 you made a request to Wellington City Council under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA), the following questions were partially transferred to the Electoral Commission on Tuesday, 12 February:

Can you please answer the following questions concerning the WCC local elections:

1. *How many people are registered to vote?*
2. *How many people registered to vote are over the age of 90?*
4. *How many people registered to vote are not living in Wellington?*
5. *How many people registered to vote are not living in New Zealand?*

As of 12 February 2025, there are:

1. *How many people are registered to vote?*
166,726 electors enrolled in Wellington City Council's territorial authority.
2. *How many people registered to vote are over the age of 90?*
1,027 of these electors are aged 90+.
4. *How many people registered to vote are not living in Wellington?*
11,943 electors have a postal address not in Wellington on their record (including overseas).
5. *How many people registered to vote are not living in New Zealand?*
9,789 of these electors have an overseas postal address on their record.

Please note that a postal address outside of Wellington, but within New Zealand, may not indicate an elector lives outside of Wellington. The Electoral Act 1993 [section 89B](#) stipulates that electors must update their enrolment details within 2 months of changing their place of residence. We also note that not all overseas electors use an overseas postal address; they may choose to have their mail sent to a New Zealand address instead.

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 or by phoning 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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