

18 August 2026

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), received on 22 July 2026. You requested the following information further to our reply to your previous request in 26OIA2454, sent to you on 13 July 2026:

Could you please state clearly how many people are paying child support to Oranga Tamariki each year for the last 3 years

Information being released

The table below has the total number of paying parents and the number of paying parents that made any payment by a due date for each financial year from 2024 to 2026.

Please note, the numbers in this response are different from the total number in our response to your request in 26OIA2454. This is because, our first response was based on a current state view, that identified liable parents who were liable for a child or children in Oranga Tamariki care at the date the data was extracted.

The numbers set out below are based on parents who were liable to pay child support for a child or children in Oranga Tamariki at any time during the stated financial year.

As child support circumstances can change over time, some liable parents may have been liable for a child or children in Oranga Tamariki care during the financial year and therefore be included in this response, but may no longer have that association in our first response.

For this reason, the two figures measure different populations and should not be expected to produce the same result.

Financial year	Paying Parents	Paying Parents who made any payment by a due date
2026	2,958	2,857
2025	3,083	3,001
2024	3,267	3,170

Right of review

If you disagree with my decision on your OIA request, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the OIA. You can contact the office of the Ombudsman by email at: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Publishing of OIA response

We intend to publish our response to your request on Inland Revenue's website (ird.govt.nz) as this information may be of interest to other members of the public. This letter, with your personal details removed, may be published in its entirety. Publishing responses increases the availability of information to the public and is consistent with the OIA's purpose of enabling more effective participation in the making and administration of laws and policies and promoting the accountability of officials.

Thank you again for your request.

Yours sincerely



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