

21 January 2025



Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), received on 9 December 2024. You requested the following:

I kindly request information regarding organisations, including registered charities, whose outstanding tax liabilities have been waived by the Inland Revenue Department (IRD). Specifically in the last 2 years, I am seeking:

- 1. A list of organisations, including their names, that have had their tax debts waived.
- 2. The time period during which these waivers occurred (e.g., which month in the last two years).
- 3. The total amounts waived for each organisation, if this information is available.
- 4. The reason for the decision to waive the amount.

The information you have requested is considered sensitive revenue information under section 18 of the Tax Administration Act 1994 (TAA) because it directly identifies an entity. Sensitive revenue information can only be released in certain circumstances, as set out in section 18D to 18J and schedule 7 of the TAA.

In this case, there are no grounds that permit me to release this information to you. Accordingly, I have decided to refuse your request under section 18(c)(i) of the OIA as releasing this information would be contrary to section 18 of the TAA.

While we cannot provide a list of organisations and details of amounts written off per organisation, in the spirit of the OIA we can provide a monthly breakdown over the past two years by entity type, the grounds under which amounts were written off, and the total value per month. Please find this information in the enclosed spreadsheet titled **Write-off Data 2022 – 2024**.

Where some data points in the attached spreadsheet are too small, we have replaced these values with "<10" to avoid the risk of being able to identify an entity, as that would be contrary to the confidentiality provisions set out in section 18 of the TAA.

Right of review

If you disagree with my decision on your OIA request, you can ask an Inland Revenue review officer to review my decision. To ask for an internal review, please email the Commissioner of Inland Revenue at: commissionerscorrespondence@ird.govt.nz.

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

If you choose to have an internal review, you can still ask the Ombudsman for a review.

Publishing of OIA response

We intend to publish our response to your request on Inland Revenue's website (<u>ird.govt.nz</u>) 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

Richard Philp

Customer Segment Leader - Micro Business & Not for Profit Customer Segment

Write-off Data 20	022 - 2024														
Financial year	TAA section	Customer group	Ju	Jul		Aug		Sep		Oct		Nov		Dec	
			# of write offs	Value (\$m)	# of write offs	Value (\$m)	# of write offs	Value (\$m)	# of write offs	Value (\$m)	# of write offs	Value (\$m)	# of write offs	Value (\$m)	
2022-23	Section 176	Company	3,516	\$8.49	336	\$7.04	313	\$11.50	314	\$11.24	329	\$7.53	200	\$7.64	
		Partnership	16	\$0.01	59	\$0.12	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.09	<10	\$0.02	15	\$10.52	
		Trust	417	\$1.15	53	\$0.56	25	\$6.11	14	\$0.23	14	\$0.79	11	\$0.01	
		Society/Club	17	\$0.06	<10	\$0.03	<10	\$0.03	<10	\$0.03	<10	\$0.06	<10	\$0.00	
		Other Non Individuals	18	\$0.01	<10	\$0.09	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.03	<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.00	
		y of tax by Commissioner Total	3,984	\$9.73	457	\$7.84	348	\$17.64	339	\$11.64	357	\$8.40	231	\$18.16	
	Section 177	Company	440	\$15.22	787	\$18.55	612	\$27.65	331	\$14.61	345	\$16.30	267	\$17.22	
		Partnership	<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.03	<10	\$0.13	<10	\$0.03	<10	\$0.03	11	\$0.99	
		Trust	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$1.09	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.01	
		Society/Club			<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.06						4	
	0 11 4777	Other Non Individuals		445.00	=00	440.50	004	400.00	<10	\$40.09	0.40	440.00	<10	\$0.16	
		r may request financial relief Total	444	\$15.23	799	\$18.58	621	\$28.93	336	\$54.73	346	\$16.33	282	\$18.37	
	Section 183A	Company	798	\$0.86	619	\$0.45	613	\$0.38	437	\$0.71	549	\$0.33	421	\$0.45	
		Partnership	66	\$0.02	49	\$0.01	36	\$0.01	27	\$0.01	44	\$0.11	39	\$0.02	
		Trust	86	\$0.10	68	\$0.03	55	\$0.06	53	\$0.41	73	\$0.05	65	\$0.04	
		Society/Club	15	\$0.01	24	\$0.01	17	\$0.01	20	\$0.02	15	\$0.01	15	\$0.03	
	0 11 400A D 1	Other Non Individuals	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.05	<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.07	<10	\$0.04	
		ion for reasonable cause Total	971	\$1.00	767	\$0.51	723	\$0.51	545	\$1.15	690	\$0.57	545	\$0.58	
	Section 183D	Company	1,501	\$1.00	1,088	\$1.18	901	\$0.62	947	\$0.82	1,231	\$0.88	877	\$0.71	
		Partnership	130	\$0.07	97	\$0.04	65	\$0.03	54	\$0.01	95	\$0.04	74	\$0.03	
		Trust	166	\$0.44	116	\$0.08	97	\$0.10	99	\$0.04	114	\$0.89	92	\$0.12	
		Society/Club	54	\$0.05	63	\$0.04	35	\$0.02	34	\$0.01	44	\$0.05	55	\$0.03	
	Other Non Individuals		16	\$0.02	17	\$0.01	10	\$0.02	10	\$0.17	11	\$0.01	10	\$0.12	
	Section 183D Remiss	sion consistent with collection of highest net revenue over time Total	1,867	\$1.58	1,381	\$1.34	1,108	\$0.78	1,144	\$1.07	1,495	\$1.87	1,108	\$1.01	
2022-23 Total	0 11 170		7,266	\$27.54	3,404	\$28.27	2,800	\$47.85	2,364	\$68.60	2,888	\$27.16	2,166	\$38.12	
2023-24	Section 176	Company	7,903	\$7.60	488	\$13.03	668	\$15.53	255	\$5.69	1,298	\$8.00	195	\$6.76	
		Partnership	503	\$0.05	18	\$0.13	19	\$0.01	13	\$0.11	<10	\$0.05	<10	\$0.02	
		Trust	992	\$0.14	25	\$0.48	22	\$0.03	24	\$1.33	15	\$0.12	11	\$0.19	
		Society/Club	87	\$0.01	<10	\$0.10	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.07	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.02	
	0 t' 470 D	Other Non Individuals	30	\$0.00	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.00	
		y of tax by Commissioner Total	9,515	\$7.80	537	\$13.73	714	\$15.58	300	\$7.21	1,326	\$8.17	219	\$6.99	
	Section 177	Company	157	\$12.80	435	\$16.51	661	\$17.68	188	\$14.10	291	\$14.63	239	\$21.01	
		Partnership	<10	\$0.05	<10	\$0.13	<10	\$0.22	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.04	<10	\$20.19	
		Trust	<10	\$0.15	-40	40.40	<10	\$0.05	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.01	
		Society/Club			<10	\$0.12	0	440.04	<10	\$0.04	<10	\$1.58		\$0.02	
	O	Other Non Individuals	400	# 40.00	400	\$40.70	0	\$40.24	400	64440	000	\$40.04	040	\$44.00	
		r may request financial relief Total	163	\$13.00	439	\$16.76	664	\$58.20	193	\$14.13	296	\$16.24	246	\$41.22	
	Section 183A	Company	452	\$1.02	613	\$1.00	570	\$0.96	533	\$1.25	718	\$1.20	466	\$1.09	
		Partnership	38	\$0.03	43	\$0.03	33	\$0.01	30	\$0.01	42	\$0.02	30	\$0.04	
		Trust Society/Club	69	\$0.07	61	\$0.07	69	\$0.05	41	\$0.07	62	\$0.06 \$0.01	47	\$0.02	
		Society/Club	13	\$0.01	17	\$0.01	13	\$0.01	16	\$0.00	20	\$0.01 \$0.00	11	\$0.00	
	Other Non Individuals Section 1834 Pemission for reasonable cause Total		<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.00	
	Section 183A Remission for reasonable cause Total		573	\$1.14	739	\$1.11	689	\$1.03	625	\$1.34	845	\$1.30 \$1.00	556	\$1.15	
	Section 183D	Company	1,109	\$1.86	1,672	\$1.94	1,473	\$1.69	1,134	\$1.49	1,525	\$1.92 \$0.05	1,188	\$1.75	
		Partnership	83	\$0.04	123	\$0.12	93	\$0.04	70 100	\$0.03	96 105	\$0.05 \$0.13	90	\$0.04	
		Trust	131	\$0.11	171	\$0.21	121	\$0.21	100	\$0.09	125	\$0.12	115	\$0.20	
		Society/Club	46	\$0.03	62	\$0.03	46	\$0.02	39	\$0.03	45	\$0.05 \$0.00	37	\$0.02	
	Con 100D Daminain	Other Non Individuals	<10	\$0.15	14	\$0.03	13	\$0.07	10	\$0.07	<10	\$0.08	14	\$0.03	
0000 04 T-+-I	Sec 1830 Kemission	consistent with collection of highest net revenue over time Total	1,378	\$2.19	2,042	\$2.33	1,746	\$2.04	1,353	\$1.71	1,800	\$2.22	1,444	\$2.03	
2023-24 Total			11,629	\$24.12	3,757	\$33.93	3,813	\$76.85	2,471	\$24.40	4,267	\$27.93	2,465	\$51.40	
Grand Total			18,895	\$51.66	7,161	\$62.20	6,613	\$124.70	4,835	\$92.99	7,155	\$55.09	4,631	\$89.52	

Write-off Data 20	022 - 2024														
Financial year	TAA section	Customer group	Ja	Jan		Feb		Mar		Apr		May		Jun	
			# of write offs	Value (\$m)	# of write offs	Value (\$m)	# of write offs	Value (\$m)	# of write offs	Value (\$m)	# of write offs	Value (\$m)	# of write offs	Value (\$m)	
2022-23	Section 176	Company	187	\$6.63	267	\$8.92	363	\$14.19	137	\$4.73	188	\$6.74	224	\$14.23	
		Partnership	<10	\$0.11	<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.36	<10	\$0.03	13	\$0.02	14	\$1.65	
		Trust	16	\$1.28	12	\$0.03	9	\$0.03	10	\$0.21	24	\$0.04	19	\$0.45	
		Society/Club	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.16	<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.00	
		Other Non Individuals	<10	\$0.02	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.04	<10	\$0.00	
	_	of tax by Commissioner Total	218	\$8.04	289	\$9.13	387	\$14.60	157	\$4.98	235	\$6.85	261	\$16.32	
	Section 177	Company	227	\$13.10	341	\$6.73	339	\$6.25	131	\$5.44	156	\$10.29	78	\$10.15	
		Partnership	<10	\$0.06	<10	\$0.05	<10	\$0.16	<10	\$0.29	<10	\$0.03	<10	\$0.11	
		Trust	<10	\$0.15	<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.63	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.14	<10	\$0.00	
		Society/Club			<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.74	<10	\$0.00			
	o	Other Non Individuals		***	245	40.00		4	400	40.45	400	***		440.00	
		may request financial relief Total	231	\$13.31	345	\$6.79	346	\$7.04	139	\$6.47	163	\$10.46	83	\$10.25	
	Section 183A	Company	300	\$0.34	310	\$0.20	561	\$0.65	442	\$0.47	571	\$0.76	596	\$0.84	
		Partnership	23	\$0.01	16	\$0.01	40	\$0.04	39	\$0.07	42	\$0.05	51	\$0.02	
		Trust	38	\$0.04	35	\$0.07	73	\$0.05	74	\$0.05	98	\$0.16	86	\$0.07	
		Society/Club	/	\$0.00	13	\$0.01	24	\$0.02	15	\$0.01	12	\$0.01	21	\$0.01	
	0 1 1001 D 1	Other Non Individuals	<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.06	<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.12	10	\$0.07	11	\$0.01	
		ion for reasonable cause Total	373	\$0.39	378	\$0.34	705	\$0.77	577	\$0.72	733	\$1.05	765	\$0.95	
	Section 183D	Company	701	\$0.62	860	\$0.77	881	\$1.00	677	\$1.04	1,053	\$1.75	1,257	\$1.72	
		Partnership	40	\$0.08	59	\$0.02	60	\$0.08	86	\$0.05	75 454	\$0.08	115	\$0.07	
		Trust	57	\$0.08	82	\$0.08	74	\$0.09	97	\$0.10	151	\$0.37	186	\$0.10	
		Society/Club	32	\$0.02	33	\$0.05	35	\$0.03	19	\$0.02	37	\$0.03	53	\$0.03	
	Other Non Individuals		<10	\$0.00	10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.03	14	\$0.06	11	\$0.08	
0000 00 Tatal	Section 183D Remiss	ion consistent with collection of highest net revenue over time Total	836	\$0.80	1,044	\$0.93	1,059	\$1.21	887	\$1.24	1,330	\$2.30	1,622	\$2.01	
2022-23 Total	Castian 470	0.5	1,658	\$22.55	2,056	\$17.19	2,497	\$23.63	1,760	\$13.40	2,461	\$20.65	2,731	\$29.54	
2023-24	Section 176	Company	163	\$5.01	184	\$9.93	584	\$8.74	404	\$17.61	2,377	\$40.13	8,766	\$52.88	
		Partnership	<10	\$0.08	10	\$0.13 \$0.54	<10	\$0.02	11	\$0.06 \$0.03	282	\$4.46 \$7.60	169	\$2.75	
		Trust	15	\$0.17	11	\$0.54	15	\$0.32	19	\$0.03	607	\$7.68	254	\$2.25	
		Society/Club Other Non Individuals	<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.02 \$0.03	<10	\$0.06 \$0.00	<10	\$0.01	54 47	\$0.46 \$0.27	37	\$0.11	
	Coation 176 Deceyon	of tax by Commissioner Total	407	\$5.27	<10 208		<10 608		<10	\$0.00			<10	\$0.08 \$58.07	
	_	•	187			\$10.65		\$9.14	442	\$17.71 \$14.05	3,367	\$53.00 \$40.70	9,233		
	Section 177	Company	219	\$15.94	166	\$17.39 \$0.05	324	\$23.81	350	\$14.25	757	\$12.79	984	\$23.41	
		Partnership	<10	\$0.11	<10	\$0.05 \$0.00	<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.00	<10	\$0.03	<10	\$0.11	
		Trust Society/Club	<10	\$0.02	<10	\$0.00			<10	\$0.01	<10	\$0.07	<10	\$0.07	
		Society/Club Other Non Individuals	<10	\$0.00		\$0.00			<10	\$0.05	<10	\$0.01		\$0.00	
	Section 177 Toynover	may request financial relief Total	226	\$16.07	169	\$17.44	326	\$23.82	358	\$14.31	763	\$12.90	988	\$23.60	
	Section 183A		371	\$0.90	422	\$1.44	509	\$1.38	382	\$1.71	618	\$0.92	461	\$1.09	
	Section TOSA	Company Partnership	29	\$0.90 \$0.04	422 26	\$1.44 \$0.01	26	\$0.01	21	\$1.71 \$0.02	46	\$0.92 \$0.37	24	\$1.09 \$0.09	
		Trust	33	\$0.04	45	\$0.01	43	\$0.01 \$0.08	36	\$0.02 \$0.05	58	\$0.37 \$0.07	58	\$0.09 \$0.08	
		Society/Club	33 16	\$0.07	45 11	\$0.03 \$0.01	43 20	\$0.08 \$0.07	Ω	\$0.05 \$0.01	12	\$0.07 \$0.01	19	\$0.08 \$0.01	
		Other Non Individuals	<10	\$0.02	11	\$0.01 \$0.01	<10	\$0.07 \$0.05	<10	\$0.01 \$0.01	<10	\$0.01 \$0.01	<10	\$0.01 \$0.10	
	Section 183A Remission for reasonable cause Total		451	\$0.00 \$1.03	504	\$0.01 \$1.49	604	\$0.05 \$1.60	450	\$0.01 \$1.79	736	\$0.01 \$1.39	566	\$0.10 \$1.36	
	Section 183D	Company	1,058	\$1.12	1,405	\$2.40	1,522	\$2.30	1,187	\$2.02	1,800	\$2.33	1,433	\$1.65	
	COURT TOOL	Partnership	1,038 56	\$0.03	1,403 75	\$0.02	86	\$0.06	62	\$0.03	74	\$0.10	1,433	\$0.03	
		Trust	85	\$0.03	111	\$0.02 \$0.19	122	\$0.00	99	\$0.03 \$0.15	169	\$0.10	164	\$0.03 \$0.26	
		Society/Club	30	\$0.02	58	\$0.19	53	\$0.14	25	\$0.13	52	\$0.22	38	\$0.20	
		Other Non Individuals	<10	\$0.02	10	\$0.70	10	\$0.03	10	\$0.03	16	\$0.07	13	\$0.03 \$0.14	
	Sec 183D Remission	consistent with collection of highest net revenue over time Total	1,238	\$1.29	1,659	\$0.70 \$3.37	1,793	\$0.01 \$2.54	1,383	\$2.32	2,111	\$0.01 \$2.72	1, 750	\$0.14 \$2.11	
2023-24 Total	OCO TOOD HEIMISSION	consistent man contour of inglicat net revenue over time rotat	2,102	\$23.66	2,540	\$32.95	3,331	\$37.10	2,633	\$36.12	6,977	\$70.01	12,537	\$85.14	
Grand Total			3,760	\$46.21	4,596	\$50.14	5,828	\$60.72	4,393	\$49.53	9,438	\$90.67	15,268	\$114.68	
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Financial year	ear TAA section Customer group		Gra	and Total	
			# of write offs	Value (\$m)	
2022-23	Section 176	Company	6,374	\$108.87	
		Partnership	158	\$12.96	
		Trust	624	\$10.89	
		Society/Club	63	\$0.39	
		Other Non Individuals	44	\$0.21	
	Section 176 Recover	ry of tax by Commissioner Total	7,263	\$133.33	
	Section 177	Company	4,054	\$161.51	
		Partnership	47	\$1.89	
		Trust	25	\$2.04	
		Society/Club	8	\$0.82	
		Other Non Individuals	1	\$40.25	
	Section 177 Taxpaye	er may request financial relief Total	4,135	\$206.50	
	Section 183A	Company	6,217	\$6.44	
		Partnership	472	\$0.37	
		Trust	804	\$1.14	
		Society/Club	198	\$0.14	
		Other Non Individuals	81	\$0.44	
	Section 183A Remis	sion for reasonable cause Total	7,772	\$8.54	
	Section 183D	Company	11,974	\$12.12	
		Partnership	950	\$0.61	
		Trust	1,331	\$2.49	
		Society/Club	494	\$0.38	
		Other Non Individuals	132	\$0.53	
	Section 183D Remis	sion consistent with collection of highest net revenue over time Total	14,881	\$16.13	
022-23 Total			34,051	\$364.50	
023-24	Section 176	Company	23,285	\$190.90	
		Partnership	1,050	\$7.87	
		Trust	2,010	\$13.28	
		Society/Club	218	\$0.87	
		Other Non Individuals	93	\$0.40	
	Section 176 Recover	ry of tax by Commissioner Total	26,656	\$213.32	
	Section 177	Company	4,771	\$204.31	
		Partnership	32	\$20.94	
		Trust	21	\$0.38	
		Society/Club	7	\$1.81	
		Other Non Individuals	0	\$40.24	
	Section 177 Taxpaye	er may request financial relief Total	4,831	\$267.68	
	Section 183A	Company	6,115	\$13.97	
		Partnership	388	\$0.68	
		Trust	622	\$0.71	
		Society/Club	176	\$0.17	
		Other Non Individuals	37	\$0.19	
	Section 183A Remis	sion for reasonable cause Total	7,338	\$15.73	
		Company	16,506	\$22.48	
	Section 183D		,		
	Section 183D		1.010	\$0.59	
	Section 183D	Partnership	1,010 1.513	\$0.59 \$2.01	
	Section 183D	Partnership Trust	1,513	\$2.01	
	Section 183D	Partnership Trust Society/Club	1,513 531	\$2.01 \$0.41	
		Partnership Trust Society/Club Other Non Individuals	1,513 531 137	\$2.01 \$0.41 \$1.39	
2023-24 Total		Partnership Trust Society/Club	1,513 531	\$2.01 \$0.41	