



10 March 2025

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), transferred to me from the Treasury on 3 March 2025. You requested the following:

"Any data held from the High Wealth Individuals project that is not already in the public domain, including in tables included in emails and correspondence between officials."

Your request for data held on the High Wealth Individuals project that is not already in the public domain, is refused under section 18(e) of the OIA, as the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or cannot be found.

As per Information Privacy Principle 9 of the Privacy Act 2020, agencies must not keep personal information longer than necessary. In accordance with Inland Revenue's Retention & Disposal Authority under the Public Records Act 2005, personal information collected specifically for the Project has been destroyed. All remaining data held by Inland Revenue has been published on our website: <https://www.ird.govt.nz/about-us/who-we-are/organisation-structure/significant-enterprises/high-wealth-individuals-research-project>.

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 ([ird.govt.nz](https://www.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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