



6 May 2025

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), received on 7 April 2025. You requested the following:

- 1) How many households are eligible for FamilyBoost in 2025?*
- 2) How many households have claimed FamilyBoost payments, since the scheme was launched?*
- 3) How many households have received the maximum payment of \$75 a week since the scheme was launched?*
- 4) How much has been paid out in total since FamilyBoost was launched?*
- 5) How many claims have been declined since FamilyBoost was launched?*

**Item 1**

Inland Revenue is only able to determine a household's eligibility when a FamilyBoost claim is submitted and processed. As such, your request for the number of households that are eligible for FamilyBoost in 2025 is refused under section 18(g) of the OIA, as the information is not held by Inland Revenue, nor do I have grounds for believing that the information is held by or more closely connect with the functions of another department.

**Item 2**

Since FamilyBoost claims opened on 1 October 2024 until 9 April 2025 inclusive, Inland Revenue has received 152,698 claims relating to 66,090 households.

**Item 3**

FamilyBoost claims are assessed on a quarterly basis. Since FamilyBoost claims opened on 1 October 2024 until 9 April 2025 inclusive, Inland Revenue has paid 2,496 households which qualified for the full \$975 quarterly entitlement.

**Item 4**

Since FamilyBoost claims opened on 1 October 2024 until 9 April 2025 inclusive, Inland Revenue has paid \$42,300,065 towards 114,108 claims for 54,957 households.

**Item 5**

Since FamilyBoost claims opened on 1 October 2024 until 9 April 2025 inclusive, Inland Revenue has declined 24,211 claims.

Data on FamilyBoost performance is published quarterly on Inland Revenue's website, and can be found via the following link: [Budget 2024: FamilyBoost](#).

### **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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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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