



20 May 2026

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), received on 21 April 2026. You requested the following:

*May I please obtain the most recent figures available for recipients of the \$50 boost (i.e. from 7 April some working families with children received an extra \$50 a week through a boost to the in-work tax credit) by region? Likewise, may I please have the most recent numbers available for in-work tax credit households by region and demographic group if possible. May I please have the information in an excel file.*

The figures you have requested on the most recent number of recipients of the \$50 increase to the In-work tax credit (IWTC) by region is provided in the document titled **Appendix A**, as an excel file per your request. Inland Revenue holds demographic group data as requested by primary caregiver age, and by child count. This is also provided in Appendix A. This information was extracted, and represents figures as of, 30 April 2026.

Please note the important caveats of the data, provided in Appendix A.

### **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



Sue Gillies

**Customer Segment Leader – Families Customer Segment**

### Families receiving IWTC by Region

Region	Families who received \$50 or less of IWTC per week	Families who received more than \$50 of IWTC per week	Total families who received IWTC
Auckland	2,078	26,968	29,046
Bay of Plenty	447	6,604	7,051
Canterbury	891	11,606	12,497
Gisborne	77	1,098	1,175
Hawkes Bay	214	3,736	3,950
Manawatu-Wanganui	346	6,057	6,403
Marlborough	52	927	979
Nelson	88	1,057	1,145
Northland	236	3,980	4,216
Otago	249	3,418	3,667
Southland	148	1,954	2,102
Taranaki	177	2,618	2,795
Tasman	77	1,110	1,187
Waikato	660	9,840	10,500
Wellington	596	7,146	7,742
West Coast	26	642	668
Unknown	13	135	148
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,375</b>	<b>88,896</b>	<b>95,271</b>

### Families receiving IWTC by primary carer age

Age	Families who received \$50 or less of IWTC per week	Families who received more than \$50 of IWTC per week	Total families who received IWTC
Under 25	126	2,371	2,497
26-30	584	9,366	9,950
31-35	1,321	18,535	19,856
36-40	1,409	21,143	22,552
41-45	1,201	17,061	18,262
46-50	885	11,087	11,972
51-55	522	5,755	6,277
55+	327	3,578	3,905
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,375</b>	<b>88,896</b>	<b>95,271</b>

#### Technical notes:

Data as of 30/04/2026

Families who received **more than \$50 of IWTC** per week are receiving the full \$50 temporary increase and were already entitled to IWTC before the increase.

Families who received **\$50 or less of IWTC** per week are newly eligible due to this temporary increase.

Data is the number of unique families who received at least one IWTC payment since 1st of April 2026.

As some families receive their Working for Families entitlement as a lump sum at the end of the tax year, the total number of IWTC recipients cannot be confirmed until June or July 2028, once end of year tax filing has been completed. This is to account for customers that file their returns up until the 31/03/28 due to tax agents, extension of time or filing late.

This is to align with IWTC tax stats data and the Working for Families statistics dataset which are both published on our website.

## Families receiving IWTC by child count

Children	Families who received \$50 or less of IWTC per week	Families who received more than \$50 of IWTC per week	Total families who received IWTC
1	3,355	30,501	33,856
2	2,100	32,243	34,343
3	733	16,101	16,834
4	150	6,508	6,658
5+	37	3,543	3,580
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,375</b>	<b>88,896</b>	<b>95,271</b>