



16 November 2023



Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), transferred in part to Inland Revenue from the Department of Internal Affairs on 19 October 2023. You requested:

I am requesting information on each contract awarded to Robert Walters by agencies for which Stuart Nash had Ministerial responsibility while a Minister of the Crown. This should include:

- 1) *The date of each contract*
- 2) *The value of each contract*
- 3) *The Agency awarding the contract*
- 4) *Whether each contract had an open tender process.*

Inland Revenue engages consultants and contractors to complement our internal resources. This may be for work of a specialist nature which requires expertise and experience that we do not require on a permanent basis, or for defined periods where we are unable to recruit employees with the required experience and expertise.

Hon Stuart Nash was the Minister of Revenue for the period of 26 October 2017 to 6 November 2020. We are therefore providing the information requested for this period.

Questions 3 and 4: The agency awarding the contract and whether each contract had an open tender process

From 26 October 2017 to 6 November 2020, Inland Revenue was a participating agency in the All-of-Government External Recruitment Services agreement. Robert Walters New Zealand Ltd (Robert Walters) was a recruitment provider listed on the External Recruitment Services All-of-Government Panel.

We engaged and sourced services directly from Robert Walters under this agreement via Recruitment Service Orders, using a purchase order system.

Rule 14, "Exemption from open advertising", of the New Zealand Government Procurement Rules explains the circumstances under which an agency may be exempt from the requirement to advertise openly. Under Rule 14.9.b.i of these rules, we were not required to run an open tender process for Robert Walters' services.

You can read the Government procurement principles and rules on the Government procurement website (procurement.govt.nz) or at [Procurement | New Zealand Government Procurement](#)

Questions 1 and 2: The date and value of each contract

The table on the following page shows the date and value of each of Inland Revenue's contracts with Robert Walters from 26 October 2017 to 6 November 2020.

Table: Purchase orders issued by Inland Revenue for Robert Walters NZ Ltd

Date of contract	Value of contract (\$)
03-Jan-2018	72,728
18-Jan-2018	128,529
18-Jan-2018	64,269
01-Mar-2018	112,627
01-Mar-2018	145,751
14-Mar-2018	112,514
15-Mar-2018	112,514
19-Mar-2018	10,344
10-Apr-2018	163,820
03-May-2018	220,800
03-May-2018	254,487
11-May-2018	351,911
24-May-2018	88,652
08-Jun-2018	9,461
15-Jun-2018	170,898
02-Jul-2018	308,174
02-Jul-2018	378,216
05-Jul-2018	29,973
16-Jul-2018	406,231
20-Jul-2018	200,093
24-Jul-2018	50,000
27-Aug-2018	239,653
01-Nov-2018	399,992
07-Dec-2018	114,763
20-May-2019	9,566
21-May-2019	64,559
23-May-2019	285,154
12-Jun-2019	118,436
20-Jun-2019	124,238
25-Jun-2019	80,447
31-Jul-2019	10,880
31-Jul-2019	14,507
19-Aug-2019	241,895
22-Aug-2019	17,005
28-Sep-2019	41,830
30-Sep-2019	100,527
02-Oct-2019	16,071
02-Oct-2019	95,754
02-Oct-2019	168,738
04-Oct-2019	24,304
08-Oct-2019	39,513
08-Oct-2019	10,970
08-Oct-2019	4,131
08-Oct-2019	138,617
10-Oct-2019	73,021
11-Oct-2019	93,324
31-Oct-2019	2,000

Date of contract	Value of contract (\$)
28-Nov-2019	100,615
10-Dec-2019	46,428
13-Dec-2019	16,767
20-Dec-2019	91,546
20-Dec-2019	53,602
30-Jan-2020	24,078
05-Mar-2020	13,876
11-Mar-2020	406,270
13-Mar-2020	19,414
17-Mar-2020	150,490
20-Apr-2020	271,263
28-Apr-2020	226,577
06-May-2020	310,204
09-Jul-2020	677,871
21-Jul-2020	313,202
30-Jul-2020	215,435
17-Aug-2020	172,890
15-Sep-2020	66,625
20-Oct-2020	92,514
20-Oct-2020	90,478
20-Oct-2020	106,016
20-Oct-2020	73,609
03-Nov-2020	52,379
03-Nov-2020	68,352

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Thank you for your request.

Yours sincerely



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