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Tēnā koe Wendy

### **Response to your request for official information**

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to the Ministry of Health – Manatū Hauora (the Ministry) on 25 June 2024 for information regarding the National Reserve Supply. You requested:

*“We formally request a copy of the Review of New Zealand’s National Reserve Supply. We understand this report was due to be completed in June 2024.*

*Please redact all locations from the report. Our interest is in the content of the reserves and the process that is being used to assess what should be included. In our view the content and process is in the public interest (particularly given the shortage of PPE over the pandemic).”*

As stated in an earlier response to you (H2024038704 refers), the Ministry has not written an official report that describes the process to assess and decide on the content of the National Reserve Supply. As such your request is refused under section 18(e) of the Act as the requested document does not exist.

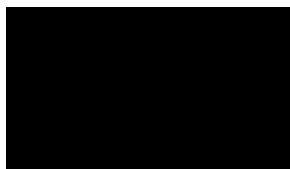
Due to commercial and national security protocols, the Ministry is unable to provide specific information on the number of items held. However, please find attached as Appendix 1 a table outlining the composition of the National Reserve Supply. Please note that the review of the National Reserve Supply used information from the COVID-19 pandemic to determine specific items and quantities needed.

I trust this information fulfils your request. If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact the OIA Services Team on: [oiagr@health.govt.nz](mailto:oiagr@health.govt.nz).

Under section 28(3) of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by calling 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Manatū Hauora website at: [www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests](http://www.health.govt.nz/about-ministry/information-releases/responses-official-information-act-requests).

Nāku noa, nā



**Director Emergency Management**  
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Appendix 1

<b>Personal Protective Equipment item</b>
Procedure masks
Face shields
N95 masks
Clear masks
Nitrile gloves (various sizes)
Aprons
Gowns
Goggles
Glasses
<b>Consumables</b>
Hand sanitiser
Disinfectant
Sharps bins
Biohazard bags
Body bags
<b>Vaccines</b>
Pre-pandemic influenza vaccine
Needles and syringes systems
<b>Antivirals</b>
Several types of antivirals

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