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Dear

Thank you for your emails of 11 December 2017 to Housing New Zealand Corporation (HNZC) and the Ministry of Social Development (MSD) requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

All documents regarding the estimated or forecast impact of the government's 'KiwiBuild' policy on the quantum of New Zealand's residential housing stock – since 1 October 2017.

On 12 December 2017 and 9 January 2018, your request was transferred to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE), from HNZC and MSD respectively, as the information requested is more closely connected with the functions of MBIE.

In response to your request, the following two excerpts of information, from the briefing: *Capacity of the Construction Sector to Undertake KiwiBuild*, have been found within the scope of your request.

- 1. The phased implementation of Kiwibuild will increase the supply of dwellings, from the current forecast peak of 34,500 in 2020 to 40,400 in 2020, rising to 44,600 dwellings in 2022.
- 2. The National Construction Pipeline Report 2017 projects a rise in new residential dwellings to 34,500 in 2019 and 2020, up 15 per cent from the 2016 level of 30,063 consents. This level of supply will still be insufficient to meet the demand estimated by Auckland Council (i.e. 14,000 dwellings each year), or to meet the additional supply targeted by Kiwibuild. The phasing of Kiwibuild, and the additional supply required in Auckland, would require a total of 44,600 new dwellings in 2022 (Figure 4).

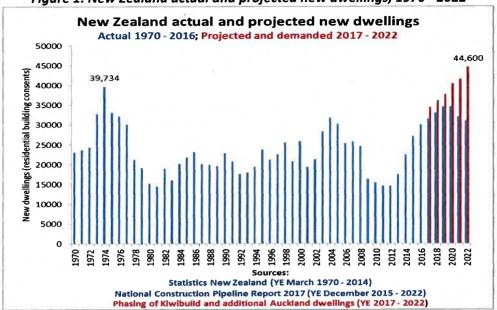


Figure 1: New Zealand actual and projected new dwellings, 1970 - 2022

Figure 4: Data/Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Pipeline projected NZ dwelling consents	30,063 (actual)	31,500	33,000	34,500	34,500	32,000	31,000
Additional dwellings demanded in Auckland	3,900	2,900	2,100	1,200	900	1,500	1,600
Indicative phasing of Kiwibuild dwellings	-		1,000	2,000	5,000	8,000	12,000
TOTAL DEMAND	34,000	34,400	36,100	37,700	40,400	41,500	44,600

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my decision by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details are:

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Yours sincerely

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