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Dear Luis

**Official Information Act Request – OIA 12948 Number of People Doing Contact Tracing**

On 8 June, under section 12 of the Official Information Act, you requested the following information from Whanganui District Health Board (WDHB):

Based on the Official Information Act, please provide me with a table with the number of people working in COVID-19 contact tracing for each day from 1 December 2019 to 31 May 2020.

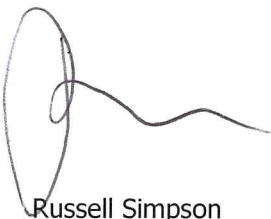
**Whanganui District Health Boards response:**

**Based on the Official Information Act, please provide me with a table with the number of people working in COVID-19 contact tracing for each day from 1 December 2019 to 31 May 2020.**

Please refer to Appendix 1 for the workforce available during the dates in question.

Should you have any further queries about the above information, please contact our OIA co-ordinator Anne Phoenix at [anne.phoenix@wdhb.org.nz](mailto:anne.phoenix@wdhb.org.nz)

Yours sincerely



Russell Simpson  
**Chief Executive**

## Appendix 1

Month/Date:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
December	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
January	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
February	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
March	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4
April	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
May	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

**Note:** The numbers quoted at FTE **available** to undertake contact tracing over the stipulated time period. For most of this time, only a small percentage of FTE was engaged in contact tracing. The FTE relate to public health professionals only and do not include administration staff FTE support. This office is also supported by the PHS Covid team in Palmerston North should the Whanganui office become overwhelmed.