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Dear Janvi

Thank you for your email of 15 August 2019, requesting information about prisoner rehabilitation and reintegration programmes. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

Public safety is our top priority and we are committed to helping prisoners prepare for their safe return to the community. Corrections has a wide range of programmes available to address specific rehabilitative and reintegration needs. Each year we deliver programmes and interventions to thousands of prisoners and people on community-based sentences and orders.

Our research shows that prisoners have much higher rates of personality disorder, mental health and substance use disorders than the general population. 62 percent of prisoners had some form of mental health or substance abuse disorder in the last 12 months, and 91 percent meet the criteria for a lifetime diagnosis, meaning they are experiencing, or have experienced, an episode at some point in their lifetime. These disorders often went undetected or were not treated prior to prison. For women in prison, two-thirds have suffered family violence, rape and/or sexual assault, more than 50 percent have post-traumatic stress disorder, and three-quarters have diagnosed mental health problems.

The programmes and interventions each individual prisoner undertakes, and when, will depend on their assessed risk, needs, readiness, the nature of their offending, and programme availability. The availability of some programmes and services is dependent on location. If a programme is identified as being beneficial to a prisoner, but is not offered at the prison where they are housed, they may be transferred, if they consent, to a prison where this programme is available.

While someone is in prison, we do as much as we can to reduce the likelihood of them coming back. In 2017/18 we spent around \$200 million on rehabilitation and reintegration services, supporting people to address their offending and alcohol or drug issues, as well as encouraging them to engage in education and training and prepare for employment and life in the community.

A total of \$128.3 million over four years has also been invested through Budget 2019 for mental health and Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) services for prisoners and people on community-based sentences and orders. This funding will allow us to support up to 2,310 additional people with mild to moderate mental health needs per year.

It also includes expanded social worker and trauma counselling services for up to 800 prisoners each year to help them reconnect with their whānau or children, address personal trauma, and transition back into the community; a service for up to 275 whānau of those who need mental health services; and supported living accommodation for people with intensive mental health needs who are transitioning to the community.

Furthermore, this includes \$66.7 million which has been allocated over four years for AOD testing and treatment. This will be invested in strengthening and expanding Corrections' core AOD treatment programmes, including the Drug Treatment Programmes and eight week Intensive AOD Treatment Programmes delivered in prisons. These programmes have been found to have a significant impact on reducing reimprisonment and re-offending.

You requested:

I am after information on any and all active reintegration/re-entry programs available to offenders pre- and post-release. This may contain alcohol and drug programs, educational and vocational programs, employability programs, mental health and relationship/family programs, or any other program or initiative that aids in an offender's reintegration back to society after release.

I would also like to request any material (briefs, summaries, documents, reports, etc.) that has evaluated or reviewed any active or inactive reintegrative program(s) or initiative(s), including recidivism rates for each. I would like this information broken down by

- a) program/initiative type*
- b) length of program/initiative*
- c) intensity level*
- d) participant size*

This part of your request is very broad in scope, as Corrections offers a large number of rehabilitative and reintegrative programmes and activities, both alone and in partnership with community-based organisations and volunteers. As it stands, this part of your request is declined under section 18(f) of the OIA, as to provide the requested information would require substantial collation and research.

However, you may find the section of Corrections' Annual Report entitled 'Re-offending is Reduced' useful, which can be found from page 54 of the 2017/18 Annual Report. All of Corrections' Annual Reports are available on our website, at https://www.corrections.govt.nz/resources/strategic_reports/annual-reports.html.

Furthermore, please find attached a print-out of Corrections' Interventions Catalogue, a webpage from our staff intranet which identifies all programmes offered by Corrections. If, after reviewing this document, you would like to make a more refined request, you are welcome to do so by email, at info@corrections.govt.nz.

I am also after information for all calendar years since 2004 on how many prisoners have been released in total due to:

- a) The completion of their sentence (categorised by sentence type)*
- b) Early release due to parole*
- c) Release on conditions*

Please find the requested information below. Note that this is not categorised by sentence type as requested, as imprisonment is the only sentence type after which a prisoner can be released.

	Released on Completion	Released on Parole	Released on Conditions	Total Releases
2004	2,772	800	3,098	6,670
2005	2,759	739	3,797	7,295
2006	2,874	891	4,033	7,798
2007	2,990	739	4,131	7,860
2008	2,620	1,280	3,675	7,575
2009	2,798	1,353	4,367	8,518
2010	2,740	1,450	4,306	8,496
2011	2,551	1,636	4,189	8,376
2012	2,181	1,704	3,993	7,878
2013	2,051	1,629	3,920	7,600
2014	1,954	1,665	3,801	7,420
2015	1,865	1,576	4,128	7,569
2016	2,081	1,537	4,832	8,450
2017	1,962	1,534	5,227	8,723
2018	1,784	1,927	4,739	8,450

I trust the information provided is of assistance. Should you have any concerns with this response, I would encourage you to raise these with Corrections. Alternatively you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely



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INTERVENTIONS CATALOGUE

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Working collaboratively helps us to achieve best possible outcomes from our Programme and Interventions for offenders and their whanau. [This guide to working together](#) assists us to look for opportunities to talk to offenders participating in programmes and interventions about their experiences and allows them opportunities to practice skills learnt. This [Programme Catalogue](#) is a guide to our medium intensity and contracted programmes.

Motivational

Offence focused

Drug and alcohol

Education and training

Culture

Reintegration

Other

MOTIVATIONAL		
Intervention	Prison	Community
Kia Rite - Service Description	✓	
Short Motivational Programme - Information for Participants	✓	✓
Tikanga Maori Motivational Programme	✓	✓
OFFENCE-FOCUSED		
Intervention	Prison	Community
Child Sex Offender Treatment (community-based)		✓
Kimihiha	✓	
Kowhiritanga - Information for Participants	✓	✓
Maintenance Programme	✓	✓
Mauri Toa Rangatahi - Information for Participants	✓	
Mauri Tu, Mauri Ora Youth Programme (MTMO)	✓	
Mauri Tu Pae (MTP) at NRCE - Information for Participants	✓	
Mauri Tu Pae (MTP) at Te Tirohanga - Information for Participants	✓	
Medium Intensity Rehabilitation Programme - Information for Participants	✓	✓
Non-Violence Programmes (NVP)		✓

<u>Psychological Treatment</u>	✓	✓
<u>Relapse Prevention Support Group for Child Sex Offender's</u>		✓
<u>Saili Matagi - Information for Participants</u>	✓	
<u>Short Intervention Programme for Child Sex Offenders</u>	✓	
<u>Short Rehabilitation Programme for Men - Information for Participants</u>	✓	✓
<u>Short Rehabilitation Programme for Women - Information for Participants</u>	✓	✓
<u>Special Treatment Unit for Adult Sex Offenders</u>	✓	
<u>Special Treatment Unit for Child Sex Offenders</u>	✓	
<u>Special Treatment Unit for Violent Offenders</u>	✓	
<u>Tai Aroha Residential Programme</u>		✓
<u>Te Tirohanga National Programme</u>	✓	
<u>The Whare Programme</u>	✓	✓

ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS (AOD) ISSUES

Intervention	Prison	Community
<u>Alcohol and Other Drug Aftercare Worker Pilot</u>	✓	✓
<u>AOD 'Meth and Me' Group Intervention Pilot</u>	✓	
<u>Drug Treatment Programme Information for Participants</u>	✓	
<u>Intensive Outpatient Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment Programmes</u>		✓
<u>Methamphetamine & Mental Health & Well-being Elective Pilot</u>	✓	§
<u>Community Residential Alcohol and Other Drug Treatment Programme</u>		✓
<u>RecoverRing - Alcohol and other Drugs Support Line</u>	✓	✓
<u>Salvation Army Intensive Treatment Programme</u>	✓	
<u>Tamaua te Koronga</u>	✓	
<u>Te Ira Wahine</u>	✓	
<u>Te Whare Tapa Wha Intensive Treatment Programme</u>	✓	

EDUCATION, TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT

Intervention	Prison	Community
<u>Driver Licensing Identity Verification Process</u>	✓	
<u>Driver Licence Training (Lower North Community Corrections)</u>		✓

<u>Education Assessments/LNAAT/Learning Pathways</u>	✓	
<u>ILN- Intensive Literacy and Numeracy</u>	✓	
<u>Industry Qualification Training</u>	✓	
<u>Secure Online Learning</u>	✓	
<u>Self Directed Learning</u>	✓	
<u>TEC (Tertiary Education Commission) Delivery</u>	✓	
<u>Vocational Short Courses</u>	✓	
CULTURE		
Intervention	Prison	Community
<u>Maori Therapeutic Programme</u>	✓	
<u>Pacific Focus Unit, Vaka Fa'aola</u>	✓	
<u>Pasifika Identity Programme</u>	✓	✓
<u>Specialist Māori Cultural Assessment (SMCA)</u>	✓	✓
<u>Te Tirohanga National Programme</u>	✓	
<u>Tikanga Maori</u>	✓	✓
<u>Whare Oranga Ake</u>	✓	
REINTEGRATION		
Intervention	Prison	Community
<u>Creating Positive Pathways</u>	✓	✓
<u>Emergency Accommodation</u>		✓
<u>Employment and Accommodation Service</u>		✓
<u>Employment Support Service</u>	✓	✓
<u>Enhanced Supported Accommodation and Employment</u>	✓	✓
<u>Out of Gate</u>	✓	
<u>Reintegration Support Service (PARS)</u>	✓	
<u>Salisbury Street Foundation</u>	✓	
<u>Supported Accommodation</u>	✓	
<u>Supported Accommodation for Women - Building Foundations</u>	✓	
<u>Tiaki Tangata</u>	✓	
<u>Volunteers</u>	✓	✓

<u>Whanau Link - PFNZ</u>	✓	✓
<u>Whare Oranga Ake</u>	✓	
OTHER		
Intervention	Prison	Community
<u>Brainwave - Growing Better Brains Programme</u>	✓	
<u>Mothers with Babies Facilities</u>	✓	
<u>Parenting Support Services for Prisoners</u>	✓	
<u>Self Care Unit</u>	✓	

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