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Gabe Young

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Dear Gabe Young

## OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

I refer to your official information request on 20 November 2019 for "*access to some QMS stats. Specifically, TAC, ACE, and Catch broken down by each fishing stock and area for all years available*".

On 26 November 2019 and 2 December 2019, a member of the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) team from the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) contacted you regarding your request. They provided you with an explanation that after assessing your request, it would likely require substantial time for collation, as you have requested information for all years available. To develop a more manageable request, we asked if you could provide more specific information about your request, such as confirming the time period for the information requested. We also required clarification on whether you were wanting a total for all fishstocks for all years, or a total for all fishstocks for each year. It was also noted to you that ACE was first created from 1 October 2001.

We also drew your attention to the Fisheries Infosite in the link below. At this site you are able to access information relating to stock status overview, catch, value and sustainability. We asked if you could confirm if this information on catch and TACC information satisfies part of your request.

<http://fs.fish.govt.nz/Page.aspx?pk=16&tk=114>

Despite reasonable efforts to make contact with you and clarify your request, MPI has not received any further details about the information you are seeking and without the necessary context, it is difficult to interpret specifically what is being requested. Therefore, as outlined above, your request for information has been refused under section 18(f) of the OIA. If you wish to make a new, refined request, please contact us at, [Official.InformationAct@mpi.govt.nz](mailto:Official.InformationAct@mpi.govt.nz).

You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of our decision to refuse your request.

Yours sincerely

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