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Tēnā koe Leyland Palmer

On 30 October 2022, you emailed the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

- *Please can I have a copy of:*

<https://aus01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.workandincome.govt.nz%2Fmap%2Fincome-support%2Fmain-benefits%2Fnew-zealandsuperannuation%2Fpayment.html&data=05%7C01%7CEllie.Davies013%40msd.govt.nz%7C3e11c2abd5774c9dfe5d08dabac17227%7Ce40c4f5299bd4d4fbf7ed001a2ca6556%7C0%7C0%7C638027637242602250%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjojMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjojV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=Du5iKmTW4THS77zB6oltUSdmmK2jAko2iXMzXicW8%2Bc%3D&reserved=0>

*on these dates:*

- *1 April 2006*
- *1 April 2011*
- *1 April 2016*
- *1 April 2021*

The link you provided in your request takes the user to the Manuals and Procedures (MAP) area of the Work and Income website, and contains information about the various New Zealand Superannuation (NZS) rates. There are different rates of NZS payable, depending on whether a superannuitant is single and living alone, single and sharing accommodation, married or living in a relationship in the nature of marriage, or married and only one partner qualifies.

Information about historic payment rates of NZS is also available on the MAP section of the Work and Income website. At this link, you can find the current NZS rates and the previous rates back to 1 April 1998: [www.workandincome.govt.nz/map/deskfile/nz-superannuation-and-veterans-pension-tables/new-zealand-superannuation-and-veterans-pension-ra.html](http://www.workandincome.govt.nz/map/deskfile/nz-superannuation-and-veterans-pension-tables/new-zealand-superannuation-and-veterans-pension-ra.html).

In the spirit of being helpful, I have located the four pages for the rates of NZS for the dates you have requested:

- 1 April 2006 - [www.workandincome.govt.nz/map/deskfile/nz-superannuation-and-veterans-pension-tables/at-1-april-2006-05.html](http://www.workandincome.govt.nz/map/deskfile/nz-superannuation-and-veterans-pension-tables/at-1-april-2006-05.html).
- 1 April 2011 - [www.workandincome.govt.nz/map/deskfile/nz-superannuation-and-veterans-pension-tables/at-1-april-2011-05.html](http://www.workandincome.govt.nz/map/deskfile/nz-superannuation-and-veterans-pension-tables/at-1-april-2011-05.html).
- 1 April 2016 - [www.workandincome.govt.nz/map/deskfile/nz-superannuation-and-veterans-pension-tables/at-1-april-2016-05.html](http://www.workandincome.govt.nz/map/deskfile/nz-superannuation-and-veterans-pension-tables/at-1-april-2016-05.html).
- 1 April 2021 - [www.workandincome.govt.nz/map/deskfile/nz-superannuation-and-veterans-pension-tables/at-1-april-2021-05.html](http://www.workandincome.govt.nz/map/deskfile/nz-superannuation-and-veterans-pension-tables/at-1-april-2021-05.html).

The principles and purposes of the Official Information Act 1982 under which you made your request are:

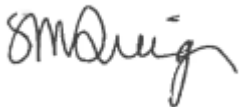
- to create greater openness and transparency about the plans, work and activities of the Government,
- to increase the ability of the public to participate in the making and administration of our laws and policies and
- to lead to greater accountability in the conduct of public affairs.

This Ministry fully supports those principles and purposes.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact [OIA\\_Requests@msd.govt.nz](mailto:OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz).

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi nui



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