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Tēnā koe Naj

### **OIA request 22/23 0755 Request for citizenship processing timeframes**

Thank you for your Official Information Act (Act) request received by the Department of Internal Affairs (Department) on 22 April 2023.

You requested –

*Data for-Citizenship Application By Grant (Submitted online) for the month's June (1st June) 2022 to November (30th Nov) 2022?*

*Content requested.*

*Submitted Month*

*Number of Approved Applications (Submitted Online) Number of Processing Applications (Submitted Online) Number of applications (Submitted Online) waiting to be allocated to a case officer Number of applications (Submitted Online) each month in different queues i.e., requesting the number of applications in each queue separately (June 2022 to November 2022)*

*What is the submission month for the allocated/processing applications in each bucket at the moment (the day you answer)?*

In response to your request please refer to Appendix A, attached. Appendix A provides you with a breakdown of the following information:

- Table one – Online citizenship by grant applications, broken down by status, from June 2022 to November 2022
- Table two – Number of online citizenship by grant applications in each bucket from June 2022 to November 2022 (incorporates all applications including approved/withdrawn)
- Table three – Oldest submission month for citizenship by grant applications currently in each bucket

As this information may be of interest to other members of the public, the Department has decided to proactively release a copy of this response on the DIA website. All requestor data, including your name and contact details, will be removed prior to release. The released response will be made available here: <https://www.dia.govt.nz/Official-Information-Act-Requests-2>.

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