

Government formation information

Summary of Requests for information

Date received	Party requesting information	Reference number	Question	Agency providing information
REQUEST 1				
2/10/17	Green	2017/001	1 Mending the safety net; and 2 Budget for all mothers.	Ministry of Social Development
2/10/17	Green	2017/002	Capital Gains Tax	The Treasury
2/10/17	Green	2017/003	Green Infrastructure fund	The Treasury
REQUEST 2				
3/10/17	Green	2017/004-1	Cost of doubling DoC Rangers over five years.	Department of Conservation
3/10/17	Green	2017/004-2	Information or estimates regarding how much funding Predator Free 2050 needs to achieve its goal.	
3/10/17	Green	2017/004-3	Information about how much more aerial predator control (hectares) that the proposals in the Green Party's Thriving Nature policy could achieve.	
3/10/17	Green	2017/004-4	A detailed breakdown of the conservation Management of Natural Heritage budget over the last ten years.	
3/10/17	Green	2017/004-5	DOC's "wish list" of priorities for indigenous biodiversity management, and information about funding required to address each item on that list. REQUEST DECLINED	
3/10/17	Green	2017/005	Information regarding the cost of policy work and extensive consultation with stakeholders, including consultation and negotiation between the Crown and iwi, for developing (a) a nitrogen pollution charge on agriculture and horticulture and (b) a comprehensive system for charging for the commercial use of water (such as a royalty).	Ministry for the Environment
3/10/17	Green	2017/006	Information regarding the costing of the Greens' Clean Water Great Farming policy package, including information/analysis regarding the accuracy of the revenue predictions.	Ministry for Primary Industries

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3/10/17	Green	2017/007-1	The economic costs, including to employment, of no new coal mines, no new offshore oil drilling, and no new fracking consents (a) for the next three years and (b) indefinitely.	Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment
3/10/17	Green	2017/007-2	The cost of increasing New Zealand's refugee quota progressively to 4,000 over six years.	
3/10/17	Green	2017/007-3	The estimated cost of building or procuring a new refugee resettlement centre, like the one in Mangere, in a city that is not Auckland.	
3/10/17	Green	2017/007-4	The most up to date cost-benefit ratio for home insulation subsidies.	
3/10/17	Green	2017/007-5	Costs and implications of significant reform to competition law in New Zealand giving the Commerce Commission greater powers to undertake market studies and strengthen its competition law toolbox.	
3/10/17	Green	2017/008-1	Information about forecasting 2008 health and education expenditure levels forward for up to 10 years at a constant real per capita rate.	The Treasury
3/10/17	Green	2017/008-2	Information about how soon sector could implement system of natural capital accounting and reporting.	
3/10/17	Green	2017/008-3	Information about how investment to protect threatened species and biodiversity would be classified (e.g. opex or capex) if the national accounts measured natural capital and stocks such as fisheries, soil, and indigenous species.	
3/10/17	Green	2017/008-4	Cost to establish and run a default public KiwiSaver fund, and the potential savings/nest egg benefits for average KiwiSavers upon retirement.	
3/10/17	Green	2017/008-5	Treasury's estimates of the potential future superannuation shortfall due to the stopping of payments into the NZ Super Fund.	
3/10/17	Green	2017/008-6	Likely fiscal and other implications of ending the capital charge government departments must pay on significant assets.	
3/10/17	Green	2017/008-7	The cost to an average saver of deposit insurance up to \$100,000.	

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3/10/17	Green	2017/009-1	Information and analysis about the costs and benefits of Professor Andrew Coleman's (and the Savings Working Group's) idea of changing the way we tax retirement savings from a TTE to a EET system.	Inland Revenue
3/10/17	Green	2017/009-2	Cost and benefits of introducing an Accelerated Depreciation scheme for productive plant and equipment for manufacturers.	
REQUEST 3				
10/10/17	Green	2017/010	<p>We'd like to request further information please, relating to the cost of our Green Card policy.</p> <p>We'd like the estimated cost of providing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free public transport, all the time, to everyone under the age 18 and under • Free off-peak public transport for all tertiary students and apprentices • Free off-peak public transport for all people who qualify for the Supported Living Benefit. 	Ministry of Transport
REQUEST 4				
10/10/17	Labour	2017/011	<p>The Government's estimated range of liability during this Parliamentary term from:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Collective agreements which are due to be renegotiated or have already begun renegotiation 2 Equal pay settlements where a party has already lodged a claim or has indicated they intend to. <p>The overall totals affecting Vote Health and Vote Education would be useful to have separated from the overall total.</p>	State Services Commission
REQUEST 5				
13/10/17	Labour	2017/012	<p>Auckland to Northport rail:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o The latest estimate of the cost of connecting Northport to Auckland by rail in total and broken down to the amount for upgrading the existing line and the amount for the new connection to Northport. o If multiple options are available for standard of upgrade or route which are considered viable please provide separate costings for each and a short description of them. 	Ministry of Transport

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Please indicate capital cost separately to operating costs. o If any recent business cases or cost-benefit analysis (including drafts) have been completed please provide copies of them. 	
13/10/17	Labour	2017/013	<p>Minimum wage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o The fiscal cost to the Crown each year of increasing the minimum wage for all employees to \$16.50 in 2018, \$18.25 in 2019, and then to \$20 in 2020 – broken down by cost component. o Please provide these figures both with the starting out wage continuing as it is currently set and with it being set at the rate of the adult minimum wage. 	Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment
REQUEST 6				
13/10/17	Labour	2017/014	The cost for each of the next five financial years to set the payment rate of the Veteran's Pension at 10% above the rates of New Zealand Superannuation.	Ministry of Social Development
13/10/17	Labour	2017/015	The estimated number of children lifted out poverty using both the 50% of median household income before housing costs and the 60% of median household income after housing costs measured of both the current Government's families package and the alternative families package which Labour has proposed.	Ministry of Social Development
13/10/17	Labour	2017/016	The Government's latest estimate of the outstanding liability associated with the Holidays Act both to the Crown and the economy overall.	Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment
REQUEST 7				
16/10/17	Green	2017/017	<p>We are interested in information from MfE regarding proposals for a Zero Carbon Act.</p> <p>The Greens and Labour have both proposed such an Act, which would essentially set a target for greenhouse gas emission reductions, establish a Climate Commission, and a range of other mechanisms for achieving the target.</p> <p>Essentially, we believe MfE may have already done some work on a Zero Carbon Act and would like to request any work that's already been done. Is that appropriate and possible?</p> <p>REQUEST DECLINED</p>	Ministry for the Environment

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REQUEST 8				
17/10/17	National	2017/018	<p>The Leader of the National party is in discussions with NZ First on immigration matters, and in particular the interface between overall residents number and the skilled migrant category.</p> <p>We want to ensure that we fully understand the numbers and the consequences of any change in them prior to going back to NZ First later today. Given this tight timeframe we request an urgent meeting with the relevant immigration officials.</p>	Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment