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Request under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 24 March 2025, requesting the following information from Te Pūkenga – New Zealand Institute of Skills and Technology (Te Pūkenga):

Could I please get the total number of students studying any type of teaching qualification, broken down by the stage of study (e.g. first year, second year, third year, post-grad)?

And could I get data for this for semester one every year from 2019-2025?

You kindly clarified your request with our national office media team to those ākonga (students) studying Early Childhood Education, Primary and Secondary teaching qualifications.

This letter provides a formal decision on your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

Background

Te Pūkenga was established on 1 April 2020. At this time all 16 Institutes of Technology and Polytechnics (ITPs) were made subsidiaries of Te Pūkenga. Since then, the ITP subsidiaries and more than eight Industry Training Organisations (ITOs) dissolved as separate legal entities to officially become part of Te Pūkenga. As at 1 January 2023, Te Pūkenga became one entity, with the former ITPs and ITOs operating as 'business divisions' of Te Pūkenga. As you will know Te Pūkenga is now in the process of disestablishment.

For completeness, we provide a table, attached as **Appendix One**, listing Te Pūkenga teaching qualifications within the scope of your clarified request (by product code, product title, qualification code, and qualification title). Whilst you will see some duplication in titles, we have included the full list with unique codes to indicate the number of programmes to which the data provided applies.

The decision

The table below provides the total number of first-semester ākonga in these programmes by calendar year and year of study (Year 1, 2, 3). Please note that some programmes are designed to be a one-year enrolment only. As outlined above, Te Pūkenga was established in April 2020, therefore 2019 figures are not provided.

Te Pūkenga ākonga studying teaching qualifications (Early Childhood Education, Primary and Secondary)								
	Calendar year							
Year of study	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025*		
Year 1	1,043	1,381	1,335	1,125	1,309	986		
Year 2	345	404	374	383	353	422		
Year 3	322	318	298	242	215	208		

^{*}As at the end of March 2025

You have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the OIA if you are not happy with this response. Information about how to do this is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

We may publish our OIA responses and the information contained in our reply to you on our website. Before publishing we will remove any personal or identifiable information.

Ngā mihi

Gus Gilmore

Tumuaki | Chief Executive

Appendix One

Product		Qualification	
code	Product title	code	Qualification title
CA2335	BACHELOR OF TEACHING (EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION)	CA2335	Bachelor of Teaching (Early Childhood Education)
CA4434	BACHELOR OF TEACHING (EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION)	4434	Bachelor of Teaching (Early Childhood Education)
HB3979	BACHELOR OF TEACHING (EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION)	HB3979	Bachelor of Teaching (Early Childhood Education)
HB4024	BACHELOR OF TEACHING (PRIMARY)	2037	Bachelor of Teaching (Primary)
HB4091	BACHELOR OF TEACHING (PRIMARY)	2037	Bachelor of Teaching (Primary)
HB4097	BACHELOR OF TEACHING (EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION)	4474	
MA4423	TE TOHU PAETAHI AKORANGA BACHELOR OF TEACHING (EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION) - LEVEL 7 - MASTERTON	4473	Bachelor of Teaching (Early Childhood Education)
MA4423	TE TOHU PAETAHI AKORANGA BACHELOR OF TEACHING (EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION) - LEVEL 7 - PALMERSTON NORTH	4473	Bachelor of Teaching (Early Childhood Education)
MA4423	TE TOHU PAETAHI AKORANGA BACHELOR OF TEACHING (EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION) - LEVEL 7 - WHANGANUI	4473	Bachelor of Teaching (Early Childhood Education)
MN4481	BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (EARLY CHILDHOOD TEACHING)	MN4481	Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Teaching)
MN4574	BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (PRIMARY, PASIFIKA)	4331	Bachelor of Education (Primary, Pasifika)
MN4575	BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (EARLY CHILDHOOD TEACHING) (LEVEL 7)	4432	Bachelor of Education - (Early Childhood Teaching)
NZ2849	NEW ZEALAND CERTIFICATE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE - LEVEL 3	2849	New Zealand Certificate in Early Childhood Education and Care
NZ2849	NEW ZEALAND CERTIFICATE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE (LEVEL 3)	2849	New Zealand Certificate in Early Childhood Education and Care
NZ2850	NEW ZEALAND CERTIFICATE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE - LEVEL 4	2850	New Zealand Certificate in Early Childhood Education and Care
NZ2850	NEW ZEALAND CERTIFICATE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE (LEVEL 4)	2850	New Zealand Certificate in Early Childhood Education and Care
NZ2851	NEW ZEALAND DIPLOMA IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE - LEVEL 5	2851	New Zealand Diploma in Early Childhood Education and Care
NZ2851	NEW ZEALAND DIPLOMA IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE (FIELD-BASED) (LEVEL 5)	2851	New Zealand Diploma in Early Childhood Education and Care
NZ2851	NEW ZEALAND DIPLOMA IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE (LEVEL 5)	2851	New Zealand Diploma in Early Childhood Education and Care
NZ2851	NEW ZEALAND DIPLOMA IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE LEVEL 5	2851	New Zealand Diploma in Early Childhood Education and Care
OP7030	BACHELOR OF TEACHING (EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION)	OP7030	Bachelor of Teaching (Early Childhood Education)
OP7031	BACHELOR OF TEACHING (EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION)	4448	
OP7032	BACHELOR OF TEACHING (PRIMARY EDUCATION)	4526	Bachelor of Teaching (Primary Education)
OP7034	GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN TEACHING (EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION)	4447	Graduate Diploma in Teaching (Early Childhood Education)
OP7035	GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN TEACHING (PRIMARY EDUCATION)	4527	Graduate Diploma in Teaching (Primary Education)
OP7036	GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN TEACHING (SECONDARY EDUCATION)	4528	Graduate Diploma in Teaching (Secondary Education)
OP7037	GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN TEACHING (SECONDARY TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION)	4529	Graduate Diploma in Teaching (Secondary Technology Education)
TO0021	BACHELOR OF TEACHING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION: TE TOHU PAETAHI WHAKAAKO KŌHUNGAHUNGA	3479	Bachelor of Teaching Early Childhood Education: Te Tohu Paetahi Whakaako Kōhungahunga
TO0072	TE TOHU PAETAHI WHAKAAKO KŌHUNGAHUNGA: BACHELOR OF TEACHING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION	3479	Bachelor of Teaching Early Childhood Education: Te Tohu Paetahi Whakaako Kōhungahunga
TO0073	TOHU PAERUA O TE WHAKAAKO I TE MĀTAURANGA KŌHUNGAHUNGA: MASTER OF TEACHING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION	3367	Master of Teaching Early Childhood Education (Bilingual)
WK2609	BACHELOR OF TEACHING (EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION)	WK2609	Bachelor of Teaching (Early Childhood Education)
WK4166	TE PAETAHI AKORANGA BACHELOR OF TEACHING (EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION)	4166	Te Paetahi Akoranga Bachelor of Teaching (Early Childhood Education)
WR3127	MASTER OF TEACHING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION	3365	Master of Teaching Early Childhood Education