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Dear s 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your email on Monday 18th January 2021, requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I'd like to request, under the Official Information Act 1982, a table showing the number of FTEs employed by MFE whose jobs specifically deal with climate change, over the years 2014-2020. This can be in calendar years or fiscal years - whatever makes the most sense for tabulation.

The table below provides the total number of full time equivalents (FTE) employed to work on climate change, within the Ministry for the Environment (the Ministry) from 2014 – 2020, by financial year. Note that the 2020/21 figure is based on data as at 31 December 2020.

Financial Year (1 July -30 June)	FTE
2014/15	49.45
2015/16	47.09
2016/17	45.62
2017/18	57.05
2018/19	65.16
2019/20	86.83
2020/21	76.29*

* There are an additional 8.6 vacancies in the 2020/21 financial year which are being recruited to.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman of my decision to withhold information relating to this request, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on their website at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Please note that due to the public interest in our work the Ministry for the Environment publishes responses to requests for official information on our [OIA responses page](#) shortly after the response has been sent.

If you have any queries about this, please feel free to contact our Ministerial Services team:
ministerials@mfe.govt.nz

Yours sincerely



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