

Public register

Register of stakeholders who received embargoed information on the Greenhouse Gas Inventory 1990–2020

The Greenhouse Gas Inventory is the official annual estimate of all human-generated greenhouse gas emissions and removals in New Zealand. The Inventory measures New Zealand’s progress against obligations under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and the Kyoto Protocol. The Inventory adheres to the UNFCCC reporting guidelines and the international methodology guidelines set out by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

The Inventory is developed by the Ministry for the Environment (MfE) as inventory agency under the Climate Change Response Act 2002. The data and evidence captured in the Inventory are critical to produce both credible reports and robust domestic climate change policy.

The Inventory follows Statistics New Zealand’s ‘Principles and Protocols for producers of Tier 1 statistics’ when managing and sharing Inventory information under development. Generally, there is no prior access provided for any stakeholders other than the Minister of Climate Change and other Ministers with relevant portfolios. However, in some instances, MfE may deem other stakeholders eligible for access to embargoed Inventory information.

The below table is the register of all stakeholders who received embargoed information on the Greenhouse Gas Inventory 1990–2020 (published on 12 April 2022 on [MfE’s website](#)). This register also explains the reasons for granting early access to this information. Note: the report and key findings were shared with appropriate individuals within MfE on a need-to-know basis.

Recipient	Information provided	Reasons for providing the information
Ainsley Smith, MfE	Sector emissions numbers for 2019 and 2020, including Kyoto Protocol accounting forestry activities (provided on 25 February 2022)	Under section 5ZI(2A)(b) of the Climate Change Response Act 2002, the Minister of Climate Change must publish New Zealand’s first Emissions Reduction Plan (ERP) by 31 May 2022. Due to the Greenhouse Gas Inventory 1990–2020 being published only one month prior to the ERP, embargoed

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		information was provided to the requestor in the ERP team to inform their plan to use 2019 as the benchmark and not update the greenhouse gas projections.
Martin Barry, Toitū Envirocare	Emission factors for Agriculture, Forestry, Waste and Energy (provided on 25 February 2022)	Embargoed data containing emission factors from the 2022 NIR were sent to the Technical Advice Panel to peer review in the context of the draft methodologies in the 2022 Measuring Emissions Guidance.
Andrea Barber, Agrilink		
Barbara Nebel, Thinkstep		
Rachel Cooper, MfE		
Angela Seaton, Stats NZ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Percentage change in New Zealand's gross and net emissions in 2020 compared with 1990 Trend across the time series Sectoral breakdown of gross and net emissions in the year 2020 New Zealand's net emissions contribution to climate change (provided on 17 March 2022)	Embargoed information was provided to the requestor to ensure that Environment Aotearoa 2022 content relating to greenhouse gas emissions was up to date and aligned with the concurrent release of New Zealand's Greenhouse Gas Inventory 1990–2020. Environment Aotearoa is a legislative requirement under the Environmental Reporting Act 2015.
Sonja Miller, Stats NZ		
Aaron Napier, MfE		
Carla Gomez, MfE		
Drew Bingham, MfE		
Office of Hon James Shaw – Minister of Climate Change	Greenhouse Gas Inventory 1990–2020 (report), briefing note and summary information (provided on 11 April 2022)	Embargoed Inventory information is provided up to 24 hours in advance of release to Ministers who are members of the Climate Response Ministerial Group, and their office. The early release is due to the complexity of the information provided and the high public and media interest in the topic.
Office of Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern – Prime Minister	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change
Office of Hon Grant Robertson – Minister of Finance	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change

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Office of Hon Dr Megan Woods – Minister of Energy and Resources	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change
Office of Hon Carmel Sepuloni – Minister for Social Development and Employment	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change
Office of Hon David Parker – Minister for the Environment	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change
Office of Hon Nanaia Mahuta – Minister of Foreign Affairs	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change
Office of Hon Poto Williams – Minister for Building and Construction	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change
Office of Hon Damien O’Connor – Minister of Agriculture	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change
Office of Hon Stuart Nash – Minister of Forestry	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change
Office of Hon Willie Jackson – Minister for Māori Development	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change
Office of Hon Michael Wood – Minister of Transport	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change	As per the Office of the Minister of Climate Change

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