

23 November 2023



Tēnā koe s9(2)(a)

Thank you for your email of 17 October 2023 to Oranga Tamariki—Ministry for Children (Oranga Tamariki) requesting statistical information on section 101, 78, 92 and 91 orders granted in the past four years. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

You have requested:

How many sections 101 orders were granted in favour of the Ministry in the past 4 years, including a breakdown per year

How many sections 78 orders were granted in favour of the Ministry in the past 4 years, including a breakdown per year

How many sections 92 orders were granted in favour of the Ministry in the past 4 years, including a breakdown per year

How many sections 91 orders were granted in favour of the Ministry in the past 4 years, including a breakdown per year

The information you have requested regarding section 101, 78, 91 and 92 orders is further detailed in the table below. The information is provided for each of the last four financial years.

Entries to Care				
	FY2019/20	FY2020/21	FY2021/22	FY2022/23
Section 101 custody order on entry to care	84	66	45	42
Section 78 on entry to care	394	257	243	326
Section 91 Support orders	489	540	425	366
Section 92 Interim Support Orders	105	101	126	115

Please note that a child may have two or more entry episodes in the reporting period and may therefore be counted more than once. The date of entry to care is the date of the first legal order in each episode.

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Section 91 support orders is where, if, on application under section 68, the court is satisfied that a child or young person is in need of care or protection, it may make an order directing the chief executive or any other person or organisation named in the order to provide support to that child or young person for such a period (not exceeding 12 months) as is specified in the order.

Section 92 Interim Support Orders is where an application is made to the court for a care or protection order in relation to a child or young person, the court may, on application by the applicant, or a barrister or solicitor representing the child or young person, or of its own motion, make such an order as it is empowered to make under section 91 pending the determination of the application.

Oranga Tamariki may make the information contained in this letter and any attached documents available to the public. We will do this by publishing the letter and attachments on our website. Your personal details will be deleted, and we will not publish any information that would identify you as the person who requested the information.

I trust the information provided is useful. I encourage you to raise any concerns about the response with <u>OIA_Requests@ot.govt.nz</u>. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman by contacting them on 0800 802 602 or at info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Nāku noa, nā

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