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Thank you for your request to the Department of Conservation ('DOC'), received on 21 July 2023, in which you asked for:

*For the past five financial years, the amount of hut ticket revenue (or if this is part of a larger bucket of funds, that particular bucket) collected by DOC from third-party retailers.*

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 ('OIA').

We have extracted the requested data on hut ticket revenue from sales to third-party retailers from our finance system, and is set out below:

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Hut ticket revenue from third-party retailers</b>
2019	\$288,963
2020	\$252,021
2021	\$402,769
2022	\$311, 779
2023	\$337,756
Total	<u>\$1,593,288</u>

Please note that our finance system does not capture hut ticket purchases made in person by third-party retailers at a DOC Visitor Centre, using cash or card to pay for the tickets up front. While this type of purchase does occur, it accounts for a small fraction of hut ticket sales to third-party retailers.

DOC has authorised third-party retailers throughout the country to sell DOC hut tickets alongside our DOC Visitor Centres to ensure that hut tickets and the backcountry outdoor experience are readily accessible.



Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) may be published on the Department's website.



Nāku noa, nā



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