


21 August 2024



Tēnā koe 

Thank you for your request to the Department of Conservation, received on 26 July 2024, in which you asked for:

Can you please provide the International/Kiwi visitor split (in raw numbers) for each of the following sites, for the 2023/24 booking season. (Ideally month-by-month, but if that's too hard, just a full-season total)

For the Great Walks, if it's easier to collate for the walk overall, rather than a specific hut, that would be fine.

[...]

Mueller Hut

Brewster Hut

Powell Hut

Pouakai Hut

Sunrise Hut

Totaranui campsite

Welcome Flat hut

Angelus Hut

Routeburn Falls Hut

Clinton Hut

Waihohonu Hut

Luxmore Hut

Cape Brett Hut

Mt Heale Hut

Aspiring Hut

We have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982.

The booking data requested has been provided in the attached workbook. The metric used for these is bednights. A bednight is a single person staying for a single night, so for example one person staying for two nights at a hut will be recorded as two bednights, and two people staying for a single night will also be recorded as two bednights.

The first sheet within the workbook contains bednights for the four Great Walk huts requested, broken down by country (NZ or Other). Country is recorded at the individual occupant level for Great Walks.

The second sheet contains the same data for all other huts requested. Country is not collected for individual occupants at non-Great Walk facilities, and bednights are recorded as New Zealand or other based only on the country listed for the account holder making the booking. This dataset also contains bednights for Luxmore Hut outside the Great Walks season, when it is considered a Serviced hut.

Item	Date	Document description	Decision
1	19 August 2024	OIAD-4317 - hut bednights data July 2023 to June 2024	Released in full

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



Nāku noa, nā



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