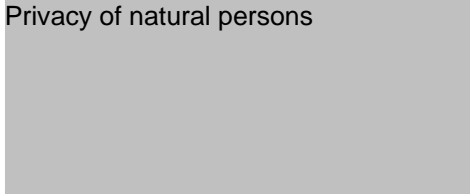




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Privacy of natural persons



Thank you for your email of 26 March 2021 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Privacy of natural persons



I am wondering if I could get the following data from you please:

- 1. The number of refugees of employable age, but not employed per year in the last Ten years.*
- 2. The percentage of refugees of employable age but not employed per year compared to the general population percentage of employable age, but not employed in the same year for the past Ten years.*

I already have access to the number of refugees arriving in New Zealand per year.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Further to my email to you of 21 April 2021, this letter is to provide you a formal response to your request for information under the Act.

Data on the employment rates of former refugees are not held in immigration records by MBIE but are regularly derived through research using Stats NZ's Integrated Data Infrastructure (IDI). The most recent figures are available from the Refugee Resettlement Strategy dashboard:

<https://www.immigration.govt.nz/about-us/what-we-do/our-strategies-and-projects/refugee-resettlement-strategy> and covers cohorts of former refugees who arrived in New Zealand after 2010.

The dashboard is updated each year and released on the MBIE website.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to request a review by the Ombudsman. The relevant details can be found here: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz

Yours sincerely

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