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23 October 2025

Tēnā koe

I refer to your email dated 20 October 2025, requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

I have responded to your questions in turn below:

1. ***Any data, reports, or aggregated statistics on the number of active PSV vehicles operating across New Zealand (including taxis, shuttles, and rideshare vehicles), with breakdowns by:***
 - ***Daily or weekly activity (if available)***
 - ***Peak and off-peak usage***
 - ***Monthly or quarterly trends since January 2022.***

The Ministry of Transport (the Ministry) does not hold the specific information you have requested. However, we hold data on the number of vehicles registered as Small Passenger Service Vehicles (PSVs) across time. The table attached as Annex 1 pertains to light vehicles (less than 3.5 tonnes gross weight) that were registered as PSVs with NZTA at some point during each given month.

We have also transferred this part of your request to NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA). Part of the information to which your request relates is not held by the Ministry but is believed to be held by NZTA. In these circumstances, we are required under section 14 of the Act to transfer your request.

2. ***Any reports, data dashboards, or research conducted or commissioned by the Ministry on PSV supply, demand, or utilisation patterns.***

The Ministry has not conducted or commissioned any reports on PSV supply, demand, or utilisation patterns.

The Ministry has questions about “App based ride hailing services” in a panel survey it undertakes. Panel surveys are sent to a subset of people who have completed the Household Travel Survey. The questions ask about knowledge, attractiveness, current and future intended use of these services. The survey does not ask any questions in relation to specific companies or around fleet sizes. Access to the data in these surveys is via a Confidentiality Deed. Please contact travelsurvey@transport.govt.nz if you wish to access this data.

3. Any data-sharing agreements, memoranda of understanding, or reports received from private rideshare platforms (e.g., Uber, Ola, Zoomy) relating to fleet size, driver numbers, trip volumes, or operational trends

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You have the right to seek an investigation and review of this response by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on the Ombudsman's website www.ombudsman.parliament.nz

The Ministry publishes our Official Information Act responses and the information contained in our reply to you may be published on the Ministry's website. Before publishing we will remove any personal or identifiable information.

Nāku noa, nā



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Annex 1

Month	Registered PSVs
January 2022	20716
February 2022	20516
March 2022	20304
April 2022	20342
May 2022	20439
June 2022	20553
July 2022	20669
August 2022	20945
September 2022	21198
October 2022	21477
November 2022	21813
December 2022	22138
January 2023	22335
February 2023	22592
March 2023	23249
April 2023	23736
May 2023	24323
June 2023	24759
July 2023	25123
August 2023	25599
September 2023	25825
October 2023	25914
November 2023	26013
December 2023	26073
January 2024	25952
February 2024	25984
March 2024	26191
April 2024	26270

Month	Registered PSVs
May 2024	26329
June 2024	26289
July 2024	26371
August 2024	26357
September 2024	26282
October 2024	26256
November 2025	26174
December 2024	26107
January 2025	26019
February 2025	25978
March 2025	26002
April 2025	26107
May 2025	26143
June 2025	26203