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I am writing to you in response to your email dated 26 September 2018. You requested:

- 1. The number of military-style semi-automatic weapons, pistols, and restricted weapons in the Southern District linked to licence holders, broken down by whether they are a military-style semi-automatic weapon, pistol, or restricted weapon, and further broken down by Otago Coastal, Otago Lakes Central and Southland areas.*
- 2. The same number of military-style semi-automatic weapons, pistols, and restricted weapons for each of the other 11 police districts.*

There are currently 66,085 MSSAs, pistols, and restricted weapons linked to active firearms licence holders nationally.

The breakdown by Area of where the licence holder lives in Southern District, and by each Police District is provided in the tables below.

Licence Holder's Address Area in Southern District	MSSA (Military Style Semi Automatic)	Pistol	Restricted Weapon
Otago Coastal Area	427	1,266	265
Otago Lakes Central Area	190	527	147
Southland Area	748	1,413	355

Licence Holder's Address District Nationally	MSSA (Military Style Semi Automatic)	Pistol	Restricted Weapon
Northland	760	2,203	657
Waitematā	1,832	4,471	2,326
Auckland City	1,194	3,422	1,554
Counties Manukau	1,143	2,814	1,193

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Waikato	1,031	2,792	673
Bay of Plenty	1,173	3,147	639
Eastern	430	1,951	630
Central	1,403	3,120	2,702
Wellington	1,207	3,401	1,262
Tasman	780	1,914	587
Canterbury	1,589	5,264	1,981
Southern	1,365	3,205	767
Not geocoded to a District	971	3,549	1,204

The Police District of each licence holder is based on the address that the firearms licence holder has provided as their home address. There are some instances where the address is not directly geocoded to a District and these are shown as not geocoded. Police still has the address of each individual, but it would require substantial collation to attribute each one to a District. This Not Geocoded number also includes any individuals who are currently overseas but maintain their New Zealand firearms licence.

For your information, Police has developed a process for proactive release of information, so the response to your request may be publicly released on the New Zealand Police website.

Yours sincerely



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