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I am writing to you in response to your request dated 27 September 2018. Your request was made pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982 and requested:

• How many licensed firearm owners have been convicted of murder with a firearm - by year - in the last twenty years.

There have been 15 people who committed an offence of murder with a firearm between 12 Dec 1998 and 11 Dec 2018 and held a firearms licence at the time of the offence and were subsequently convicted of that offence.

These are shown by year below.

Year of offence	People convicted for murder with a firearm who held a firearms licence at the time of the offence
12 Dec 1998 - 31 Dec 1998	0
1999	0
2000	1
2001	2
2002	2
2003	0
2004	1
2005	0
2006	0
2007	0
2008	0
2009	1
2010	0
2011	1

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2012	0
2013	3
2014	1
2015	0
2016	0
2017	1
1 Jan 2018 - 11 Dec 2018	2

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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