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Dear [REDACTED]

I am writing to you in response to your request dated 29 May 2019. You asked:

- how much revenue does the police get from annual firearms licences, and how much does it cost to administer the scheme (new gun control lobby group argues the firearms licence scheme is effectively subsidised by taxpayers as it costs far more to administer compared to the cost of a licence)? is it possible to get this info per year for the last five years?

All revenue and expenses for government agencies are published in their annual reports. The Police annual reports are available here <https://www.police.govt.nz/about-us/publications/corporate/annual-report>

I have summarised the revenue and expenses for firearms licensing for the last five years below.

Financial Year	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17	17/18
Firearms Licensing Expenditure (\$mil)	8.609	10.283	11.502	11.876	12.967
Arms Licences Revenue (\$mil)	3.104	4.227	5.575	5.407	4.073

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

Yours sincerely



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