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Tēnā koe 

Thank you for your email of 1 November 2024, seeking further information to the Department of Corrections – Ara Poutama Aotearoa, requesting information about offender transfers via airplane in the last five years, further to that provided in response to your previous request (our reference C180348). Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

You requested:

I need to get updated figures on this topic as we plan to run something over summer.

Can I please have the figures relating to 2024 updated as figures previously provided were only up to April, or May, this year.

It relates to these questions only:

How many detainees, of adult prisons, have been transported around the country via airplane (in 2024)?

- Can I please have this information broken down into the total number of prisoners and transfers?*
- Of these transfers, how many were private chartered flights and how many were commercial flights?*

Please see the below tables for the requested information, which display the total number of prisoners moved on chartered and commercial flights for 2024, as at 8 November 2024.

Number of Charter Flights	Number of Prisoners
24	1,221

Number of Commercial Flights	Number of Prisoners
52	55

Please note that this response may be published on Corrections' website. Typically, responses are published quarterly, or as otherwise determined. Your personal information including name and contact details will be removed for publication.

I trust the information provided is of assistance. I encourage you to raise any concerns about this response with Corrections. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Ngā mihi



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