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Dear 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your request, received on 28 February 2019, for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I would like to make an updated request for the same information. I would like to find out the following:

- 1) *How many students were granted fees-free funding since January 1st 2018?*
- 2) *How much money has been paid for fees-free funding since January 1st 2018?*
- 3) *What were the top-10 courses for which fees-free funding has been paid?*
- 4) *How much money was paid for each of those courses?*
- 5) *What were the top 10 education providers where fees-free funding was provided?*
- 6) *How much money was given to each of those providers?*
- 7) *Was funding provided to any of the following courses, if so how much and for how many people:*

- *Diploma in Golf Coaching*
- *Diploma in Tournament Golf*
- *Certificate in Holistic Pulsing*
- *National certificate in real estate*
- *National diploma in Embalming*
- *Diploma in Sport and Recreation*
- *Diploma in DJ and Electronic Music Production*
- *New Zealand certificate in brewing*
- *Diploma in commercial skydiving*
- *Diploma of yoga*
- *Diploma in Ayurvedic Lifestyle Management*
- *Diploma in Professional Scuba Instruction*

I have numbered your questions for ease of reference. In regards to questions 1-6 the TEC does not hold more recent data than what was provided in response to your previous request of 23 October 2018, as we have not yet received all the data necessary to complete the analysis. We are currently working through the data received to date. We cannot confirm final numbers until after the data is received in the April Single Data Return (SDR). I am therefore refusing these parts of your request under section 18(d) of the Act, as the information does not exist.

In line with the Tertiary Education Commission's reporting practices, the finalised 2018 calendar year numbers will be published when they become available. As the data you have requested does not currently exist, your request is declined under section 18(e) of the Act.



In regards to question 7, we have updated this information to include student uptake and funding information for *Diploma in Professional Scuba Instruction* as at August 2018.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

The TEC intends to publish its response to this request on our website with your personal details removed. Consistent with the Act, we are publishing responses in the interests of transparency and accountability, and to improve access to official information.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tim Fowler', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Tim Fowler
Chief Executive
Tertiary Education Commission

Was fees-free funding provided for any of the following qualifications, if so – how much money was supplied and for how many people:

Qualification Code	Qualification Description	Students Enrolled	Course Fees claimed - Including GST
NC1543	National Certificate in Real Estate (Salesperson) Level 4	78	36,638.80
PC1775	Diploma in Professional Scuba Instruction (Level 5)	67	825,870.00
NZ3111	New Zealand Certificate in Real Estate (Salesperson) (Level 4)	53	103,278.00
NZ3414	New Zealand Certificate in DJ and Electronic Music Production (Level 4)	53	165,154.92
ST4864	Diploma in Sport and Recreation	24	60,003.20
NT4538	Diploma in Sport and Recreation	8	5,911.06
PC9023	Diploma in Commercial Skydiving	4	42,369.00
PC9266	Diploma of Yoga	4	24,060.00
NZ1943	New Zealand Diploma in Embalming (Level 5)	3	13,320.00
WC3002	Certificate in DJ and Electronic Music Production	0	0
WC3427	Advanced DJ and Electronic Music Production (Level 5)	0	0
WK2491	Diploma in Sport and Recreation	0	0
AK3246	Diploma in Sport and Recreation	0	0
BP3287	Diploma in Sport and Recreation	0	0
NC5244	National Certificate in Real Estate	0	0
PC9639	Diploma in Golf (level 5)	0	0
PC2280	Diploma in Golf	0	0
PC9733	Diploma of Ayurvedic Lifestyle Management	0	0
PC9820	Certificate in Holistic Healthcare	0	0

Please note, that qualifications NC1543 and NZ3111 are different durations.