



15 June 2022

Kia ora [REDACTED]

Your Official Information Act request, reference: GOV-018560

Thank you for your email of 19 May 2022, to the ACC Claims inbox asking for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

1. *Please provide the highest dollar amount that has been paid for a motor vehicle to meet a claimants Transport for Independence needs in the last 5 years.*
2. *What percentage of Transport for Independence payments made by the Corporation in the last 5 years, exceeded the Branch delegated contribution maximum (believed to be \$35,000.00).*
3. *Of the payments in excess of the Branch delegated contribution what is the range from lowest to highest, to include numbers i.e., 3 @ \$40,000.00, 2 @ \$45,000.00, 3 @ \$120,000.00 etc. Could a timeframe for this information be made available?*

Due to the nature of your request, it was transferred to ACC's Government Engagement and Support team for response.

The branch delegated contribution maximum for a motor vehicle purchase is \$25,000

Any Transport for Independence payment over \$25,000 must be approved by a Technical Specialist.

The requested information on Transport for Independence payments is attached to this letter as Appendix 1 and released to you in full. Please refer to the *Notes* tab for further information and caveats related to the data provided.

If you're concerned about this response, please get in touch

You can email me at GovernmentServices@acc.co.nz.

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Information about the response:

The data has been extracted based on the following criteria:

A payment was made for a Vehicle purchase* between 1 July 2016 and 11 June 2022.
All other spend have been included under the same purchase order number used for the vehicle purchase.
Other spend includes all modifications made under the Transport for Independence contract class.
Assessment services have not been included in this data extract.
Please see the service schedule for more details about contracted purchasing.
<https://www.acc.co.nz/assets/contracts/vmod-schedule.pdf>

Caveats:

The data provided includes both contracted and non-contracted vehicle purchase/modification spend.
Vehicle spend includes the vehicle purchase and all modifications made to the vehicle.
Data has been counted by the number of purchase orders.
A single purchase order may be used to purchase multiple vehicles where required.
Data in table 1 has been counted by the first vehicle purchase payment. Spend for vehicles purchased in 21/22 YTD financial year may be incomplete.
Costs provided are exclusive of GST.
The first payment date for a vehicle may differ to the date the client first sought assistance with transport.
Data was extracted on 13 June 2022 and may differ if extracted again at a later date.

Service codes used to identify vehicle purchases and modifications.

Service Code	Service Description
Purchase	
VEH02	Motor Vehicle Purchase
VEH03	Motor Vehicle Subsequent Purchase
VEH08	Highly Modified Vehicles - Vehicle Purchase
VEH09	Highly Modified Vehicles: Subsequent Vehicle Purch
VEH40	Highly Mod Vehicle (Lvl 3) Purchase - Non-package
VEHMBSP	Vehicle Pur:Mercedes Benz Sprinter 313 SWB Minibus
VEHMBVP	Vehicle Pur: Mercedes Benz Vito 116 MWB Tourer
VEHRMP	Vehicle Purchase: Renault Master SWB
VEHVWCAP	Vehicle Purchase: VW Caravelle LWB 340Nm DSG Auto
VEHVWCMP	Vehicle Purchase: VW Caddy Mobility Life
VEHVWTP	Vehicle Purchase: VW Transporter T6 SWB
Modifications	
VEH01	Motor Vehicle Modifications
VEH06	Highly Modified Vehicles (Lvl 3) - Repairs
VEH07	Highly Modified Vehicles - Stage 1&2 Modifications
VEH14	Highly modified vehicles-Kia Carnival Repairs 2015
VEH20	Vehicle Modifications - Level 1&2: Labour per hour
VEH21	Vehicle Modifications - Level 1&2:Materials & Cert
VEH22	Vehicle Modifications - Level 1&2: Repairs
VEH31	Highly Mod Vehicles (Lvl 3): Stage 2 Modification
VEH32	Highly Mod Vehicles (Lvl 3): Stage 1&2 LVVTA Cert
VEH50	Highly Mod Veh (Lvl 3): Non-package Stage 1&2 Mods
VEHMBS1	Vehicle Mod: MB Sprinter Self drive & 3 seats rear
VEHMBS2	Vehicle Mod: MB Sprinter Self drive & 4 seats side
VEHMBS3	Vehicle Mod: MB Sprinter Front pass & 3 seats rear
VEHMBS4	Vehicle Mod: MB Sprinter Driver only dual hoist mt
VEHMBS5	Vehicle Mod: MB Sprinter Passenger only dual hoist
VEHMBV1	Vehicle Mod: MB Vito Self drive & 5 seats side
VEHRM1	Vehicle Mod: Renault Master Dual Pos driver & Pass
VEHVWCA1	Vehicle Mod:VW Caravelle Self drive & 5 seats side
VEHVWT1	Veh Mod: VW Transporter Dual positn Driver & Pass

Table 1: Summary of vehicle spend (excl. GST) under Transport for Independence service between 1 July 2016 and 11 June 2022.

Measure	First Purchase Payment Financial Year					
	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22 YTD
Max Vehicle Spend (To nearest \$5,000)	\$ 125,000	\$ 190,000	\$ 135,000	\$ 140,000	\$ 175,000	\$ 190,000
Count of Purchase Orders	310	337	314	274	313	251
% of Vehicle Spend over \$25,000	39%	45%	42%	36%	49%	49%

Table 2: Breakdown of vehicle spend (excl. GST) under Transport for Independence service between 1 July 2016 and 11 June 2022.

Spend (\$)	Purchase Order Count
0-5,000	103
5,000-10,000	115
10,000-15,000	225
15,000-20,000	316
20,000-25,000	257
25,000-30,000	139
30,000-35,000	61
35,000-40,000	128
40,000-45,000	29
45,000-50,000	23
50,000-55,000	45
55,000-60,000	15
60,000-65,000	14
65,000-70,000	12
70,000-75,000	17
75,000-80,000	26
80,000-85,000	31
85,000-90,000	30
90,000-95,000	29
95,000-100,000	31
100,000-105,000	21
105,000-110,000	37
110,000-115,000	26
115,000-120,000	21
120,000-125,000	14
125,000+	34

Please note:

Count of purchase orders is the number of purchase orders created for a vehicle purchase under the Transport for Independence service. This has been used as a proxy to count the number of vehicles that have been purchased.

Vehicle spend includes the purchase of the vehicle *and* any modifications or alterations required on the vehicle for the client, where spend is made under the same purchase order as the vehicle purchase.

A purchase order may be used for multiple payments/services required to ensure the vehicle is suitable to the needs of the client. For example a cheaper vehicle may have been purchased but may require a large amount of modification to make it full accessible, and this data will include the full spend to ensure the vehicle is ready for use.

A Transport for Independence assessment is required to be completed prior to approval to assess the individual clients needs.

The data provided includes both contracted and non-contracted vehicle purchase/modification spend. Data is included where the vehicle purchase is made in the specified time period. Table 1 counts claims by the financial year that the vehicle purchase payment was made.