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Kia ora

Your Official Information Act request, reference: GOV-024279

Thank you for your email of 3 April 2023, asking for injury information related to strawberry harvesting. Due to the nature of your request, we are responding under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

We cannot provide you with claim injuries specific to strawberry harvesting as this is not information that ACC records.

As such, we are refusing to provide information specific to strawberry harvesting as the information does not exist. This decision has been made under section 18(e) of the Act.

Instead, we have decided to provide you in the attached dataset with claim injuries between 1 January 2018 and 31 December 2022 for the classification unit, Berry Fruit growing (01192) and Horticultural contracting and labour supply (02195). In the appendix is a more detailed list of what is included in these classifications.

We considered providing you with data for the *02190 Agriculture and fishing support services (not elsewhere classified)* classification unit. However, that classification unit is very broad and likely does not include activities related to growing and picking berries. The most relevant codes have been provided to you.

Low value numbers related to claims

Some of the values in the tables only indicate that the number is less than 4 (denoted as <4). In other instances, values are supressed and notated as (..). This is to limit the potential for particular individuals, or matters specific to certain individuals, from being identified.

Withholding in this way is necessary to protect the privacy of these individuals under section 9(2)(a) of the Act. In doing so, we have considered the public interest in making the information available and have determined that it does not outweigh the need to protect the privacy of these persons.

If you have any questions about this response

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

If you are not happy with this response, you can also contact the Ombudsman via <u>info@ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or by phoning 0800 802 602. Information about how to make a complaint is available at <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u>.

Ngā mihi

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