

Freedom of Information request - Number of requests for information

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Dear Australian Bureau of Statistics,

What is the number of requests for information received by all authorities of Australia in 2012?

Yours faithfully,

Nathan Weaver

Please use this email address for all replies to this request:
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Dear Mr Weaver,

RE: YOUR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

I refer to your email of 20 March 2013 to the FOI Officer in which you sought access to the following under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (FOI Act):

- What is the number of requests for information received by all authorities of Australia in 2012?

Response to your request:

The ABS has conducted a search for documents relating to your request. I am now able to notify you that no documents exist pertaining to your request. Therefore, under section 24A of the FOI Act, no access can be granted.

Information pertaining to your request may be found at the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner's [2011-12 Freedom of information agency statistics](http://www.oaic.gov.au/publications/reports/foi_agency_statistics_11-12/index.html) webpage:

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Waiving of Processing Fees

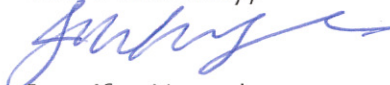
The ABS will not charge you any fees associated with processing this FOI request.

Internal Review of the Decision

Section 54 of the FOI Act gives you the right to apply for an internal review of the decision by the ABS. Additionally; you may request a review of this decision by the Information Commissioner. Details of both procedures involved in an application to review a decision are set out at Attachment 1.

If you have any queries on this matter please contact the ABS FOI Officer, Emma Worthing, at emma.worthing@abs.gov.au or on (02) 6252 7943.

Yours sincerely,



Jennifer Humphrys
A/g Assistant Statistician
Office of the Statistician and External Engagement
Australian Bureau of Statistics

22 March 2013

Attachment 1

Procedures for Internal Review of the Decision

If you disagree with our decision you have the right to apply for an internal review under section 54 of the FOI Act.

Application for a review of the decision must be made within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

No particular form is required but it would assist the decision-maker were you to set out in the application the grounds on which you consider that the decision should be reviewed.

Application for a review of the decision should be addressed to:

The Freedom of Information Officer
Policy and Legislation Section
Australian Bureau of Statistics
Locked Bag 10
BELCONNEN ACT 2616

Review by the Information Commissioner

Section 54L of the FOI Act provides that a person may apply for a review to the Information Commissioner concerning the original decision made by the agency.

An application for a review by the Information Commissioner must be occur within 60 days of the decision. The application must be made in writing (including email) and should be directed to the following address:

Office of the Australian Information Commissioner
GPO Box 2999
Canberra ACT 2601

Email: enquiries@oaic.gov.au

Online Form: <http://www.oaic.gov.au>

An application for review through the Information Commissioner must include contact details for the applicant and a copy of the notice of decision as given by the agency under section 26.

The Information Commissioner usually prefers applicants to seek internal review before asking for a review through their office.