

23 August 2024



## Official information Request: Number of ratepayers

I am writing to you in response to your request received 22 August for the information on the number of ratepayers in the district. We have assessed your request under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA). I have received information to provide the following response:

As at the 22 August 2024, there are 7485 rateable properties and 412 non-rateable properties.

Rates are a legislated charge against your property (not individuals) and are set by your district's local and regional councils. Rates are reassessed for every urban household, lifestyle unit, commercial/industrial, and rural property each year and are payable to your local council. They are charged quarterly and can be paid annually, quarterly, monthly, fortnightly, or weekly.

For more information about rates please visit: <a href="https://swdc.govt.nz/services/rates/">https://swdc.govt.nz/services/rates/</a>

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. If this request is selected it will be published at <a href="https://swdc.govt.nz/lgoima-proactive-release/">https://swdc.govt.nz/lgoima-proactive-release/</a>, with your personal information removed.

You have a right to request a review by the Ombudsman on this response. Further information about this process can be found on <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz/what-ombudsman-can-help/complaints-about-government-agencies/how-make-complaint">https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz/what-ombudsman-can-help/complaints-about-government-agencies/how-make-complaint</a> or email <a href="mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz">info@ombudsman.parliament.nz</a>

Nāku noa, nā

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