



20 September 2021

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Dear [Redacted]

Official Information Act Request

You have asked for information about Northland DHB's Intensive Care Unit (ICU).

Under the OIA I would like to request ICU bed occupancy (% of ICU beds occupied or number of occupied bed days and total number of available beds) for the period 1 Jan 2018 until the most recent available date. Could this please be provided in the smallest time periods possible (days, if available, otherwise weeks, otherwise months).

Monthly utilisation data is listed in the following table. Bed capacity is based on 5 ICU beds in use. Actual beds in use is flexed up (to a maximum of eight beds) and down depending on demand.

	2018	2019	2020	2021
January	75%	48%	68%	47%
February	81%	61%	62%	53%
March	58%	67%	27%	71%
April	70%	54%	28%	64%
May	52%	71%	32%	72%
June	72%	71%	41%	57%
July	66%	74%	65%	79%
August	65%	61%	53%	NA
September	65%	52%	47%	NA
October	52%	60%	63%	NA
November	70%	53%	79%	NA
December	66%	56%	64%	NA

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If you have any questions regarding Northland DHB's response to your information request please contact Northland DHB's Communications Manager, in the first instance at communications@northlanddhb.org.nz .

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'MC', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dr Nick Chamberlain
Chief Executive