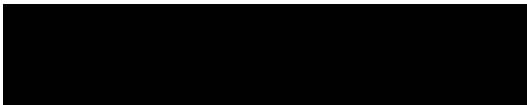


25 July 2025



Kia ora 

#### **Official Information Act request 25.024**

Thank you for your request of 25 July 2025 for information about telecommunication operators in New Zealand under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA). You requested:

*“Could you please confirm the current number of licensed telecommunications operators in New Zealand, including both mobile network operators (MNOs) and mobile virtual network operators (MVNOs).”*

#### **Our response**

We can advise that telecommunication operators are not licensed in New Zealand.

However, it may interest you to know that licensing for Spectrum/Radio is looked after by Radio Spectrum Management <https://www.rsm.govt.nz/>.

Network operators must be registered and this is looked after by Ministry of Business, Innovation, and Employment (MBIE). This information can be found as a public list here: [www.mbie.govt.nz/science-and-technology/it-communications-and-broadband/our-role-in-the-ict-sector/telecommunications-and-broadcasting-network-operators](http://www.mbie.govt.nz/science-and-technology/it-communications-and-broadband/our-role-in-the-ict-sector/telecommunications-and-broadcasting-network-operators).

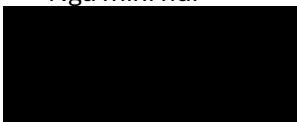
#### **Further information**

We hope this response has been helpful. If you have any questions about this response, please do not hesitate to contact us at [oia@comcom.govt.nz](mailto:oia@comcom.govt.nz).

If you are not happy with our response, you have the right to complain to the Ombudsman. Information about how to do this is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Please note, the Commission may publish this response on our website. All personal information will be redacted prior to publication.

Ngā mihi nui



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