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I refer to your email of 5 November 2018 in which you request the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

*"I would like to know how many of Kiwis have died or gone missing abroad from the past five years (2015 - to November 2018).*

*I would also like each individual's name and the country they died or disappeared in, along with the age of each person and cause of death."*

On 12 November 2018, we contacted you and your request was re-scoped to only include the numbers of New Zealanders who have died overseas, per country.

The information relevant to your request is included in Annex A. We have provided details for the last five calendar years where the Ministry has been notified of New Zealand citizens dying overseas, and the country where the deaths occurred.

Further information on consular services we provide to New Zealanders detained overseas is provided at [www.safetravel.govt.nz/death](http://www.safetravel.govt.nz/death). Information on consular services we provide to New Zealanders travelling or living overseas is detailed on [www.safetravel.govt.nz](http://www.safetravel.govt.nz).

Please note that this letter (with your personal details redacted) may be published on the Ministry's website.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek a review of this response by the Ombudsman.

Yours sincerely

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Wendy Adams  
for Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade

## Annex A

Deaths of New Zealand Citizens notified to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018 (Year to 31 October)
Country	No. of people	No of People	No. of people	No. of people	No. of people
American Samoa		1			
Argentina	1				
Australia	32	23	36	36	42
Bahamas					1
Bangladesh					1
Bermuda				2	
Bhutan					1
Brazil	1				
Brunei				1	
Bulgaria	1				
Cambodia	4		10	2	
Canada	5		1	3	1
Chile		2			
China	7	11	15	12	6
Cook Islands	1	1	4	6	3
Croatia				1	
Czech Republic			1		
Cuba	1				
Denmark			1	1	
Ecuador			1		
Egypt	2	1			1
Ethiopia		1	1		
Fiji	1	2	8	5	2
France	1	5	3	5	3
French Polynesia	1	1		1	
Germany	1	8	7	6	7
Ghana					1
Greece	1			1	1
Hong Kong		1			
Hungary			1		
India	5	6		2	7
Indonesia	3	8	3	2	4
Iraq		2			
Ireland					1
Israel		1	1		

Italy	1	2	1	3	6
Japan	6	3	3	4	1
Jordan					1
Kenya					2
Korea (RoK)	4	1	1	3	
Kuwait		2			
Laos			2		
Latvia		1		1	1
Lebanon				1	
Lesotho					1
Libya	1				
Malaysia	3	4	3	2	3
Mali		1			
Mexico	2	1	3	1	
Morocco	1	1	1		1
Namibia					1
Netherlands	1		2	1	1
Netherlands Antilles			1		
New Caledonia	1		1		
Niue	1	1			
Norway			1		
Oman	2		1		1
Pakistan					1
Papua New Guinea	1		2	1	
Peru		3		1	
Philippines	5	8	8	8	5
Poland				1	
Qatar	1			1	
Romania		1			
Russia				1	1
Samoa	2	3			
Saudi Arabia	1		2		1
Singapore	3	3	4	2	2
South Africa		1			
Spain					2
Sweden				1	
Switzerland	1	1	1	2	2
Taiwan	2	1	1	1	
Thailand	10	9	19	15	17
Timor-leste					1
Tonga		2	4	1	1
Turkey	1	1		1	1
Ukraine	2	2	1		

United Arab Emirates	1	3	2	2	1
United Kingdom	11	12	10	11	20
United States of America	9	9	15	6	11
Uruguay					1
Vanuatu	1	1		3	
Vietnam	3	3	2	6	5
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>170</b>