

WPQ 9375 (2026) What external legal costs, if any, were incurred by any department or entity for which the Minister is responsible in each financial year since 2020/21, broken down by department or entity and by the nature of the legal work (litigation, commercial advice, employment matters, Treaty matters, or other)?

Department or entity	Nature of legal work	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
LINZ	Canterbury Earthquake Recovery	471,607	361,131	21,484	-	416	-
LINZ	Commercial advice	64,487	95,096	99,087	3,658	69,243	-
LINZ	Employment matters	58,815	39,324	7,785	10,652	25,858	40,104
LINZ	Other litigation	45,270	174	50,128	4,921	76,107	49,463
LINZ	Overseas Investment litigation and enforcement	297,065	113,680	266,690	158,524	374,555	318,791
LINZ	Property Disposal	196,606	168,213	313,508	232,403	144,844	38,841
LINZ	Treaty matters	14,550	6,262	26,508	15,992	7,027	5,881
LINZ	Other legal costs	116,308	117,123	239,274	135,255	109,495	90,950
LINZ	Total Legal costs	1,264,707	901,004	1,024,463	561,406	807,546	544,030