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Kia ora,

We refer to your information request below. Hamilton City Council provides the following response.

**Your request:**

*I request the following under the LGOIMA.*

- Your council's average rates revenue per residential rating unit*
- Your council's average rates revenue per commercial rating unit*

*Could you please give me this data for the last seven fiscal years.*

**Our response:**

Year	Residential Average Rates	Commercial Average Rates	Adopted rates increase for existing ratepayers
2018/19	2,453.55	14,465.18	9.7%
2019/20	2,565.86	15,157.41	3.8%
2020/21	2,638.58	15,831.99	2.8%
2021/22	2,887.54	17,710.91	8.9%
2022/23	3,023.24	19,233.41	4.9%
2023/24	3,158.17	20,458.60	4.9%
2024/25	3,681.43	24,768.19	16.5%

Rates for residential properties in Hamilton include water, except for a small number of rural properties on a trickle feed supply which are metered.

Commercial properties generally pay for water by meter and will receive a separate invoice for this.

The increase to the average is not the same as the rates increase that an existing property would have had during this time. I have included Council's adopted rates increases to show this.

Each year new properties and value are added due to growth (mostly due to subdivision and building work).

The average is not the best representation of the rates that a typical property pays. There are some very large properties included (such as residential retirement villages).

E.g. for 2024/25 the median residential property has a 2021 valuation of \$830,000 and pays rates of \$3,305.87 (50% of residential properties pay less than this). The residential average is \$3,681.43.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

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Best,

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