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Subject: RE: Request: Vaccine Surplus Breakdown [SEC=OFFICIAL]
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Don't let him take too much of your time on this. I think your original response is sufficient. He used to be a Ministerial adviser in the last Government, I'm surprised he's not going through the MO.

Thanks,

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From: Troy Bilborough

Sent: Monday, 7 June 2021 9:03 AM

To: COVID19VaccineOperationsCentre

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Subject: RE: Request: Vaccine Surplus Breakdown [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hi Lucy,

Can I please confirm acknowledgement of our email below and whether we will be receiving the requested information this morning, given you did not meet our requested COB deadline, noting your initial response did not answer our question in good faith, hence the need for us to reframe it below.

We are happy to work constructively with you and please feel free to give me a call on 0427 063 150, noting it has been 7 days since our first request.

Cheers, tb

From: Troy Bilborough

Sent: Thursday, 3 June 2021 9:21 PM

To: COVID19VaccineOperationsCentre <COVID19VaccineOperationsCentre@Health.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Request: Vaccine Surplus Breakdown [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi Lucy,

To improve the speed of our request, please find the below table for convenience taken from the VOC weekly updates. If the below information is available before 26/4 then that would be appreciated. Given it's available data, I'd appreciate a response by COB tomorrow (Friday 4/6/2021)

	Administered		Distributed		Released	
	Pfizer	AstraZeneca	Pfizer	AstraZeneca	Pfizer	AstraZeneca
31/05/2021					352,170	1,007,600
24/05/2021					352,170	1,019,100
17/05/2021					351,000	1,030,600
10/05/2021					351,000	736,900
3/05/2021					173,600	707,300

26/04/2021

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Cheers tb

From: Troy Bilborough <troy.bilborough@provocate.com.au>

Sent: Thursday, 3 June 2021 4:52 PM

To: COVID19VaccineOperationsCentre <COVID19VaccineOperationsCentre@Health.gov.au>

Subject: Re: Request: Vaccine Surplus Breakdown [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Thanks Lucy- but that doesn't answer our question. what is the breakdown of the 2.5m surplus.
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From: COVID19VaccineOperationsCentre <COVID19VaccineOperationsCentre@Health.gov.au>

Sent: Thursday, June 3, 2021 4:49:00 PM

To: Troy Bilborough <troy.bilborough@provocate.com.au>

Subject: RE: Request: Vaccine Surplus Breakdown [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Good afternoon Troy,

As at 3rd June, the rate of administering the vaccines between the AstraZeneca and Pfizer vaccines has been, 67% AstraZeneca vaccine and 33% Pfizer vaccine. The Administration and utilisation slide on the [Department of Health website](#) provides an indicative estimate of dose utilisation across both Pfizer and AstraZeneca vaccines.

Kind regards,

Lucy S

Vaccine Operations Centre

COVID-19 Vaccine Strategy Taskforce Division

Department of Health

The Department of Health acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of Australia and their continued connection to land, sea and community. We pay our respects to all Elders past and present.

From: Troy Bilborough <troy.bilborough@provocate.com.au>

Sent: Tuesday, 1 June 2021 2:24 PM

To: News <News@health.gov.au>

Subject: Request: Vaccine Surplus Breakdown

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Hello Health Media Team,

I hope this finds you well. Quick question.

On page 7 of the Dept of Health Weekly COVID update, there reports to be a

- 6.41m vaccinations made available
- 4.24m vaccinations administer
- 2.17 million surplus vaccinations

Could you please provide us with the breakdown of these numbers (or best guess estimates) of Pfizer vs AstraZeneca? <https://www.health.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/2021/05/covid-19-vaccine-rollout-update-31-may-2021.pdf>

To help, as stated in the Dept's last VOC weekly update on 25th May:

"Last week, 352,170 doses of Pfizer and 1,019,100 doses of AstraZeneca were released. Over the coming days, the Therapeutic Goods Administration will conduct sample testing of 352,170 doses of Pfizer vaccine which arrived in Australia last night, along with another 1 million doses of AstraZeneca produced onshore by CSL, prior to releasing the vaccines for distribution.

<https://www.health.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/2021/05/covid-19-vaccine-rollout->

[update-31-may-2021.pdf](#)

Given the above, I imagine the figures are easily accessible and at hand. A response by COB today would therefore be much appreciated. Happy to link up with someone in the Department direct if that is quicker.

Cheers,

tb

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