

# **Factsheet**

# How to Read the Excess Annual Leave Report and What Happens Next

## **Column definitions**

### **Excess:**

The balance the employee must reduce their leave by.

#### **Leave Unit:**

This will show whether the 'Excess' is in either Days or Hours. For those who are part-time or have ever been part-time it will display in Hours. It cannot be changed back to days.

## Excess (Employee's Standard Day):

The excess leave balance converted to days based on employee FTE. (May differ if employee has a Roster.)

# **Hours Change:**

A 'Y' indicates the person had an increase or decrease in work hours since 1 December the previous year. This may be one of the factors why the person has an excess balance.

#### PL:

A 'Y' indicates that at the time this report was run the person is on Parental Leave. This may be one of the factors why the person has an excess balance.

## **Future Bookings:**

This shows future approved leave bookings. This maybe useful when formulating future leave plans.

### What to do next?

The <u>Annual Leave Policy</u> requires formal approval for any excess leave carried over on **1 December 2024**. For practical purposes, leeway is given for the period up to and including **3 January 2025**. If you have a continuous leave booking that commences no later than **3 January 2025**, and it fully

clears the excess, no form is required.
All those on the report will need to complete a 'Request to Carry Forward Excess Annual Leave' form,

- unless they book and take leave up to and including 3 January 2025 that fully clears the 'Excess'.
- At the date this Excess Leave report was run, those who already have an approved leave booking up
  to and including 3 January 2025, have had their 'Excess' adjusted accordingly.
- Note the below section 'Ways to reduce excess leave balances', and undertake the actions.
- The 'Request to Carry Forward Excess Annual Leave' form is in the 'Form Store' on the HR Division webpage.
- Send all completed 'Request to Carry Forward Excess Annual Leave' forms to HR Services, Shared Services by **31 January 2025.**

### Ways to reduce excess leave balances

- Ensure all staff enter and have approved their Christmas/New Year/January leave by 23
   December 2024.
- Check who has entered this leave using the 'December Leave Bookings' Business Objects report.
- Check for missing past leave bookings using the 'Leave Bookings History' Business Objects report.
- Once leave is approved, check there is no remaining excess using the 'HRMS Annual Leave Summary' Business Objects report.

# What will HR Services do in February 2025?

- Identify who has a non-approved excess leave balance.
- Book leave for each person as per the Annual Leave Policy.

## Who to contact for advice

## Leave Management advice

Contact your Divisional HR Manager, Senior Adviser or Adviser.

**Divisional HR Support Contact** 

# **Understanding the Report/Process**

Contact Payroll at payroll@otago.ac.nz