



Outdoor containment approvals for genetically modified organisms (GMOs) in New Zealand from 1988 to January 2012

The following tables show the number of approvals for outdoor research involving GMOs (field tests or outdoor developments) that were approved by the Minister for the Environment after recommendations by the Interim Assessment Group (IAG) before July 1998 or by ERMA (now the EPA) from July 1998 onwards.

Notes to this document:

- **The IAG numbers listed are approvals for genetically modified crop and animal field trials (excludes glasshouse trials, taste testing, fermentations, vaccine testing, microorganisms or imports).*
- ***The ERMA/EPA approvals are organised by the calendar year the approval was notified (which may differ from the year approved).*
- *There are two 1998 approvals: 1 outdoor experiment approved under the IAG system and 1 approved under the HSNO Act.*
- ****GMF98009 Part I and Part II approvals are counted separately in 1999 and 2001 respectively. However if these approvals are counted as one, the total field tests or outdoor developments are 19.*
- *The Royal Commission on Genetic Modification report was published in 2001.*

Interim Assessment Group	
Year approved	Number*
1988	4
1989	5
1990	2
1991	1
1992	3
1993	4
1994	0
1995	4
1996	4
1997	15
1998	1
Total approved pre HSNO Act	43

ERMA (now EPA)	
Calendar year notified	Number**
1998	1
1999	9
2000	1
2001	3
2002	1
2003	1
2004	0
2005	0
2006	0
2007	1
2008	1
2009	0
2010	2
2011	0
Total approved under the HSNO Act	20***