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Thank you for your email of 30 July 2025 to the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982, information about the fog cannon subsidy scheme.

For clarity, your questions have been responded in turn.

How many fog cannons have been installed since May 30th, 2023 through the fog cannon subsidy scheme?

Since May 30, 2025, 2527 fog cannons were installed.

How many applications for a fog cannon have been received on a month by basis from May 30th, 2023, through to July 30th, 2025?

Applications for the Fog Cannon Subsidy Scheme closed on 28 February 2025, therefore, no applications were received past this date. For information from June 2023 – February 2025, please see the table below:

Timeframe	Applications Received
Jun-23	598
Jul-23	251
Aug-23	188
Sep-23	219
Oct-23	167
Nov-23	171
Dec-23	80
Jan-24	63
Feb-24	105
Mar-24	81
Apr-24	67
May-24	69
Jun-24	36
Jul-24	34
Aug-24	36
Sep-24	32
Oct-24	25

Nov-24	26
Dec-24	7
Jan-25	11
Feb-25	44

Please note not all applications were approved for an installation of a Fog Cannon. There were also a number of expired applications as an installation was not arranged within the voucher validity period.

Of the 11 million dollars of funding that was announced in May, 2023 how much has been spent to date?

\$8,631,439.79 has been spent to date.

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