

Public Housing in Waikato Region

The Waikato region is based on the following Territorial Local Authorities:

Hamilton City, Hauraki District, Matamata-Piako District, Otorohanga District, South Waikato District, Taupo District, Thames-Coromandel District, Waikato District, Waipa District, Waitomo District.



Public Housing Supply

Public houses are properties owned or leased by Kāinga Ora and registered Community Housing Providers (CHPs) that can be tenanted by people who are eligible for public housing.

4,547	238	35	0	29	16
Kāinga Ora IRRS Tenancies	Registered CHP IRRS Tenancies	Kāinga Ora Market Renters	Registered CHP Market Renters	Kāinga Ora Short-term Vacants	Kāinga Ora Long-term Vacants

= 4,865

Public houses in Waikato region
(4,859 as at 31 December 2020)

Note: All figures in this factsheet are as at 31 March 2021.

The Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) pays an Income-Related Rent Subsidy (IRRS) to registered housing providers to cover the balance between the tenant's rental payment and the market rent for the property.

Housing Support in the Waikato Region

Accommodation Supplement (AS) is a weekly payment to assist people who are not in public housing, with their rent, board or the cost of owning a home. A person does not have to be receiving a benefit to qualify for Accommodation Supplement.

40,151

People receiving Accommodation Supplements
(41,848 as at 31 December 2020)

\$3,654,961

Weekly total AS amount
(\$3,699,536 as at 31 December 2020)

Temporary Additional Support (TAS) is a weekly payment that helps to cover essential living costs that cannot be met from their income and through other resources. It is paid for a maximum of 13 weeks, and the recipient does not have to be receiving a main benefit to qualify for it.

9,927

People receiving Temporary Additional Support
(10,417 as at 31 December 2020)

\$669,612

Weekly total TAS amount
(\$665,252 as at 31 December 2020)

Community Housing Providers

From 2014 registered Community Housing Providers (CHPs) became eligible to receive the Income Related Rent Subsidy (IRRS) for tenants.

CHPs are registered, regulated and monitored by the Community Housing Regulatory Authority.

55

Accessible Properties
New Zealand Limited

2

Coromandel Independent
Living Trust

17

Habitat for Humanity
NZ Ltd

142

Link People Limited

13

Te Runanga o Kirikiriroa
Charitable Trust

9

The Salvation Army
New Zealand Trust

= 238

Public housing tenancies in Waikato region being
delivered by Community Housing Providers
(236 as at 31 December 2020)

Transitional Housing

Transitional housing provides warm, dry and safe short-term accommodation for people in need, along with tailored housing related support while they're there. Transitional housing is managed by providers, who are skilled in supporting tenants with a range of social and tenancy-related services, and are also responsible for maintaining the properties.

The transitional housing programme is led by HUD in collaboration with Kāinga Ora, transitional housing providers, the Ministry of Social Development and the wider housing sector.

People living in transitional housing pay rent of up to 25% of their income, which is in line with income-related rents for public housing. The balance is subsidised to providers by HUD.

119

Emerge Aotearoa

40

Link People Limited

35

Te Runanga
O Kirikiriroa

16

Te Whakaruruhau

26

The Salvation Army

12

Women's Refuge

= 248

Total available places as at 31 March 2021
(243 as at 31 December 2020)

Housing Support Products

Housing Support Products (HSPs) consist of a range of products designed to assist people to achieve or sustain independence in the private housing market. HSPs help to ensure that those who most need public housing can access it by reducing the number of people on the register, and by helping those who can sustain alternative housing to do so.



\$218,537

Bond Grants



\$21,666

Moving Assistance



\$154,850

Rent Arrears



\$64,022

Rent in Advance



\$6,850

Tenancy Costs Cover



\$6,000

Transition to Alternative Housing Grant

= 435

Grants for 320 distinct clients (total \$471,925)

(367 grants for 262 distinct clients, total \$396,265 as at 31 December 2020)

Public Housing Register

When New Zealanders are in need of public housing, their needs are recorded on the Public Housing Register. The Public Housing Register is comprised of a Housing Register and a Transfer Register. The Housing Register is prioritised by need and consists of public housing applicants who have been assessed as being eligible. The Transfer Register is made up of people already in public housing, but who have requested and are eligible for a transfer to another property.

2,432

Housing register

(2,251 as at 31 Dec 2020)

350

Transfer register

(320 as at 31 Dec 2020)

Applications Housed



Waikato

95 (165 as at 31 Dec 2020)



National

1,751 (2,131 as at 31 Dec 2020)

Notes:

- This includes both A and B priority applications.
- Applications housed may have been housed with Kāinga Ora or with a Community Housing Provider.

Emergency Housing Special Needs Grant

The purpose of the Emergency Housing Special Needs Grant (EH SNG) is to help individuals and families with the cost of staying in short-term accommodation if they are unable to access one of HUD's contracted transitional housing places.

The EH SNG pays for short-term accommodation for up to seven days at a time, and is provided by commercial and community providers who are not contracted by HUD to deliver accommodation services.

In the quarter ending 31 March 2021, there have been **4,375** grants made supporting **1,056** households compared with **4,386** grants made supporting **975** households in the quarter ending 31 December 2020.

\$12,656,428

Total amount granted in the quarter ending 31 March 2021

(\$12,190,662 as at 31 December 2020)

Note:

The number of households supported is the number of distinct clients who were granted an EH SNG in the quarter ending 31 March 2021, based on the housing region the last grant of the quarter was made in.

Regional Overview

Hamilton City	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 1,528 (1,385)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 263 (238)	Public Housing tenancies 3,359 (3,354)	Transitional Housing places 234 (229)	Number of EH SNG approved 3,178 (3,140) Amount of EH SNG approved \$10,593,582 (\$10,212,817)
Hauraki District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 54 (57)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (S)	Public Housing tenancies 109 (109)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 99 (105) Amount of EH SNG approved \$133,554 (\$203,013)
Matamata-Piako District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 94 (88)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 12 (11)	Public Housing tenancies 171 (173)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 116 (170) Amount of EH SNG approved \$215,526 (\$250,445)
Otorohanga District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 40 (39)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (S)	Public Housing tenancies 36 (36)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 39 (19) Amount of EH SNG approved \$74,477 (\$28,781)
South Waikato District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 107 (96)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (S)	Public Housing tenancies 36 (37)	Transitional Housing places 5 (5)	Number of EH SNG approved 144 (111) Amount of EH SNG approved \$206,983 (\$200,294)
Taupo District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 128 (133)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 14 (13)	Public Housing tenancies 174 (173)	Transitional Housing places 5 (5)	Number of EH SNG approved 490 (500) Amount of EH SNG approved \$892,601 (\$781,202)
Thames-Coromandel District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 86 (79)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 15 (11)	Public Housing tenancies 206 (208)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 72 (59) Amount of EH SNG approved \$117,613 (\$76,649)
Waikato District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 234 (233)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 28 (28)	Public Housing tenancies 394 (391)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 109 (147) Amount of EH SNG approved \$194,638 (\$229,597)
Waipa District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 102 (94)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 7 (9)	Public Housing tenancies 240 (236)	Transitional Housing places 4 (4)	Number of EH SNG approved 99 (78) Amount of EH SNG approved \$168,214 (\$129,759)
Waitomo District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 59 (47)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (S)	Public Housing tenancies 95 (95)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 29 (57) Amount of EH SNG approved \$59,240 (\$78,105)

Notes:

- An 'S' denotes data of a small volume. The data is suppressed to ensure the privacy of our clients, and therefore the sum across areas may not equal the total displayed.
- Emergency Housing – Amount of EH SNG is the total value of grants issued in the quarter ending 31 March 2021.
- Public Housing Tenancies includes Kāinga Ora and community housing provider tenanted properties that are either subsidised through Income-Related Rent Subsidy or the tenant is paying market rent, and is at 31 March 2021.