

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 Homes

Public Homes 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.

4,569

Kāinga Ora IRRS
Occupied Homes

286

Registered CHP
IRRS Occupied
Homes

90

Kāinga Ora
Market Renters

1

Registered CHP
Market Renters

33

Kāinga Ora
Short-term
Vacants

48

Kāinga Ora
Long-term
Vacants

= 5,027

Public Homes in Waikato region
(5,002 as at 31 December 2021)

Note: All figures in this factsheet are as at 31 March 2022.

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.

39,174

People receiving Accommodation Supplements
(40,732 as at 31 December 2021)

\$3,613,173

Weekly total AS amount
(\$3,760,876 as at 31 December 2021)

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.

9,934

People receiving Temporary Additional Support
(10,246 as at 31 December 2021)

\$771,295

Weekly total TAS amount
(\$751,261 as at 31 December 2021)

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.

65

Accessible Properties
New Zealand Limited

2

Coromandel Independent
Living Trust

6

Habitat for Humanity
Central Region Limited

20

Habitat for Humanity
NZ Ltd

167

Link People Limited

16

Te Runanga o Kirikiriroa
Charitable Trust

11

The Salvation Army
New Zealand Trust

= 287

Public housing tenancies in Waikato region being
delivered by Community Housing Providers
(271 as at 31 December 2021)

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.

163

Emerge Aotearoa

8

Hamilton Christian
Night Shelter

14

Kirikiriroa Family
Services Trust

57

Te Runanga
o Kirikiriroa

40

Link People Limited

17

NCIWR

38

The Salvation Army

20

Te Whakaruruhau

= 357

Total available places as at 31 March 2022
(339 as at 31 December 2021)

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.



\$135,847

Bond Grants



\$11,104

Moving Assistance



\$31,682

Rent Arrears



\$37,202

Rent in Advance



\$7,800

Transition to Alternative Housing Grant

= 186

Grants for 124 distinct clients (total \$223,634)

(254 grants for 164 distinct clients, total \$284,584 as at 31 December 2021)

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.

2,907

Housing register

(2,739 as at 31 Dec 2021)

398

Transfer register

(379 as at 31 Dec 2021)

Applications Housed



Waikato

99 (82 as at 31 Dec 2021)



National

1,336 (1,441 as at 31 Dec 2021)

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 2022, there have been **5,845** grants made supporting **1,391** households compared with **6,549** grants made supporting **1,405** households in the quarter ending 31 December 2021.

\$22,814,036

Total amount granted in the quarter ending 31 March 2022

(\$23,531,282 as at 31 December 2021)

Note:

The number of households supported is the number of distinct clients who were granted an EH SNG in the quarter ending 31 March 2022, 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 1,783 (1,689)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 301 (286)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 3,499 (3,472)	Transitional Housing places 337 (319)	Number of EH SNG approved 4,383 (4,788) Amount of EH SNG approved \$19,138,513 (\$19,418,969)
Hauraki District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 76 (74)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (S)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 104 (105)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 114 (124) Amount of EH SNG approved \$231,915 (\$234,554)
Matamata-Piako District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 112 (98)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 13 (12)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 168 (169)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 128 (127) Amount of EH SNG approved \$341,971 (\$296,152)
Otorohanga District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 44 (33)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (S)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 35 (36)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 44 (19) Amount of EH SNG approved \$116,557 (\$71,080)
South Waikato District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 122 (123)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (S)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 38 (37)	Transitional Housing places 6 (6)	Number of EH SNG approved 122 (176) Amount of EH SNG approved \$246,188 (\$373,715)
Taupo District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 227 (202)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 20 (19)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 171 (171)	Transitional Housing places S (S)	Number of EH SNG approved 637 (785) Amount of EH SNG approved \$1,524,924 (\$1,752,195)
Thames-Coromandel District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 108 (117)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 18 (18)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 207 (203)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 123 (126) Amount of EH SNG approved \$270,209 (\$250,171)
Waikato District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 269 (257)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 24 (21)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 394 (392)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 122 (184) Amount of EH SNG approved \$433,558 (\$550,998)
Waipa District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 104 (90)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 9 (9)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 236 (230)	Transitional Housing places S (S)	Number of EH SNG approved 160 (208) Amount of EH SNG approved \$480,897 (\$534,337)
Waitomo District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 62 (56)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (S)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 94 (94)	Transitional Housing places 6 (6)	Number of EH SNG approved 12 (S) Amount of EH SNG approved \$29,305 (\$49,110)

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 2022.
- Public Housing Occupied Homes includes Kāinga Ora and community housing provider occupied homes that are either subsidised through Income-Related Rent Subsidy or the tenant is paying market rent, and is at 31 March 2022.