#### **Public Housing in**

# **Canterbury Region**

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

Ashburton District, Christchurch City, Hurunui District, Kaikoura District, Mackenzie District, Selwyn District, Timaru District, Waimakariri District, Waimate District, Waitaki 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.

7,041 Kāinga Ora IRRS **Occupied Homes**  1,674 Registered CHP **IRRS** Occupied Homes

**250** Kāinga Ora

Market Renters

Registered CHP Market Renters 74 Kāinga Ora

Short-term Vacants

169

Kāinga Ora Long-term Vacants

= 9,236

**Public Homes in Canterbury region** 

(9,175 as at 31 December 2022)

Note: All figures in this factsheet are as at 31 March 2023.

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 Canterbury 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.

36,971

**People receiving Accommodation Supplements** (38,311 as at 31 December 2022)

\$3,455,087

Weekly total AS amount

(\$3,561,728 as at 31 December 2022)

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.

7,888

**People receiving Temporary Additional Support** 

(8,009 as at 31 December 2022)

\$635,263

Weekly total TAS amount

(619,170 as at 31 December 2022)

### **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.

51
Accessible Properties

New Zealand Limited

61 Link People

Limited

31

VisionWest **Community Trust**  55

Christchurch Methodist Central Mission

1,277

Otautahi Community **Housing Trust** 

91

Comcare Charitable Trust

4

Pathway Affordable **Housing Limited** 

108

Emerge Aotearoa **Housing Trust** 

24

The Salvation Army New Zealand Trust

= 1,702

**Public housing tenancies in Canterbury region** being delivered by Community Housing Providers

(1,666 as at 31 December 2022)

### **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.

35 73 122

23

Christchurch Methodist Mission

Comcare

Emerge Aotearoa

**NCIWR** 

134

85

22

The Salvation Army

VisionWest

**YWCA** 



Total available places as at 31 March 2023

(468 as at 31 December 2022)

### **Housing Support Products**

The Ministry of Social Development (MSD) is currently changing some of the features of the Housing Support Products (HSPs) and this includes changes to some housing-related assistance provided by MSD.

While these changes are finalised, data that is normally provided on Housing Support Products is not available.

### **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.

2,308

599

Housing register

Transfer register

(2,092 as at 31 Dec 2022)

(565 as at 31 Dec 2022)

#### **Applications Housed**



Canterbury

**242** (247 as at 31 Dec 2022)



**National** 



**1,264** (1,848 as at 31 Dec 2022)

#### 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 2023, there have been **2,750** grants made supporting **641** households compared with **2,799** grants made supporting **619** households in the quarter ending 31 December 2022.

\$5,661,951

Total amount granted in the quarter ending 31 March 2023

(\$5,957,601 as at 31 December 2022)

#### Note:

The number of households supported is the number of distinct clients who were granted an EH SNG in the quarter ending 31 March 2023, based on the housing region the last grant of the quarter was made in.

## **Regional Overview**

Ashburton District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register <b>61</b> (58)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register <b>S</b> (S)	Public Housing Occupied Homes <b>185</b> (185)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 86 (94) Amount of EH SNG approved \$111,127 (\$114,065)
Christchurch City	Number of applicants on the Housing Register <b>1,888</b> (1,733)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register <b>548</b> (515)	Public Housing Occupied Homes <b>8,032</b> (7,957)	Transitional Housing places <b>491</b> (464)	Number of EH SNG approved <b>2,530</b> (2,612) Amount of EH SNG approved <b>\$5,384,169</b> (\$5,719,746)
Hurunui District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register <b>22</b> (21)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register <b>S</b> (S)	Public Housing Occupied Homes <b>24</b> (24)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved <b>S</b> (S) Amount of EH SNG approved <b>S</b> (S)
Kaikoura District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 13 (13)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register - (-)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 23 (24)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved <b>S</b> (S) Amount of EH SNG approved <b>S</b> (S)
Mackenzie District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register <b>S</b> (S)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register - (-)	Public Housing Occupied Homes • (-)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved - (-) Amount of EH SNG approved - (-)
Selwyn District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register <b>69</b> (49)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register - (-)	Public Housing Occupied Homes <b>22</b> (22)	Transitional Housing places <b>S</b> (S)	Number of EH SNG approved 25 (14) Amount of EH SNG approved \$24,086 (\$13,183)
Timaru District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register <b>106</b> (96)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register <b>26</b> (27)	Public Housing Occupied Homes <b>378</b> (378)	Transitional Housing places <b>S</b> (S)	Number of EH SNG approved 56 (43) Amount of EH SNG approved \$61,252 (\$51,694)
Waimakariri District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register <b>101</b> (79)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register <b>9</b> (9)	Public Housing Occupied Homes <b>187</b> (189)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 12 (5) Amount of EH SNG approved \$13,370 (\$10,283)
Waimate District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 12 (S)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register <b>S</b> (S)	Public Housing Occupied Homes <b>22</b> (23)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved - (-) Amount of EH SNG approved - (-)
Waitaki District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register <b>35</b> (34)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register <b>7</b> (6)	Public Housing Occupied Homes <b>120</b> (122)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 33 (28) Amount of EH SNG approved \$58,805 (\$45,145)

#### 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 2023.
- Public Housing Occupied Homes includes K\u00e4inga 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 2023.

