

Public Housing in Taranaki Region

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

New Plymouth District, Rangitikei District, Ruapehu District, South Taranaki District, Stratford 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.

1,165

Kāinga Ora IRRS Occupied Homes

29

Registered CHP IRRS Occupied Homes

27

Kāinga Ora Market Renters

0

Registered CHP Market Renters

9

Kāinga Ora Short-term Vacants

45

Kāinga Ora Long-term Vacants

= 1,275

Public Homes in Taranaki region
(1,270 as at 30 June 2023)

Note: All figures in this factsheet are as at 30 September 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 Taranaki 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.

12,627

People receiving Accommodation Supplements
(12,175 as at 30 June 2023)

\$1,005,934

AS payments per week
(\$964,264 as at 30 June 2023)

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.

3,167

People receiving Temporary Additional Support
(3,051 as at 30 June 2023)

\$268,230

TAS payments per week
(\$251,090 as at 30 June 2023)

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.

20

Link People
Limited

9

The Salvation Army
New Zealand Trust

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= 29

**Public housing tenancies in Taranaki region being
delivered by Community Housing Providers**
(25 as at 30 June 2023)

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.

12

NCIWR

17

The Salvation Army

10

Roderique Hope Trust

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= 39

Total available places as at 30 September 2023
(39 as at 30 June 2023)

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.



\$504,899

Bond Grants



\$47,646

Moving Assistance



\$142,707

Rent Arrears



\$196,440

Rent in Advance



\$2,000

Tenancy Costs Cover



\$3,000

Transition to Alternative Housing Grant

= 986

Grants for 580 distinct clients (total \$896,692)

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.

676

Housing register

(694 as at 30 June 2023)

88

Transfer register

(88 as at 30 June 2023)

Applications Housed



Taranaki

36 (15 as at 30 June 2023)



National

2,041 (1,758 as at 30 June 2023)

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 30 September 2023, there have been **378** grants made supporting **106** households compared with **411** grants made supporting **107** households in the quarter ending 30 June 2023.

\$744,235

Total amount granted in the quarter ending 30 September 2023 (\$924,511 as at 30 June 2022)

Note:

The number of households supported is the number of distinct clients who were granted an EH SNG in the quarter ending 30 September 2023, based on the housing region the last grant of the quarter was made in.

Regional Overview

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|--------------------------------|--|---|---|---|--|
| New Plymouth District | Number of applicants on the Housing Register 386 (394) | Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 70 (70) | Public Housing Occupied Homes 942 (944) | Transitional Housing places 30 (30) | Number of EH SNG approved 182 (177) Amount of EH SNG approved \$383,754 (\$372,861) |
| Rangitikei District | Number of applicants on the Housing Register 68 (61) | Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (S) | Public Housing Occupied Homes 45 (48) | Transitional Housing places S (S) | Number of EH SNG approved 26 (32) Amount of EH SNG approved \$45,690 (\$56,915) |
| Ruapehu District | Number of applicants on the Housing Register 60 (67) | Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (S) | Public Housing Occupied Homes 77 (78) | Transitional Housing places S (S) | Number of EH SNG approved 72 (89) Amount of EH SNG approved \$176,572 (\$219,621) |
| South Taranaki District | Number of applicants on the Housing Register 121 (131) | Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (6) | Public Housing Occupied Homes 119 (120) | Transitional Housing places S (S) | Number of EH SNG approved 48 (45) Amount of EH SNG approved \$62,550 (\$85,090) |
| Stratford District | Number of applicants on the Housing Register 41 (41) | Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (S) | Public Housing Occupied Homes 38 (36) | Transitional Housing places - (-) | Number of EH SNG approved 50 (68) Amount of EH SNG approved \$105,670 (\$126,460) |

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 30 September 2023.
- 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 30 September 2023.