

Public Housing in Wellington Region

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

Carterton District, Kapiti Coast District, Lower Hutt City, Masterton District, Porirua City, South Wairarapa District, Upper Hutt City, Wellington City.



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.

8,020

Kāinga Ora
IRRS Tenancies

227

Registered CHP
IRRS Tenancies

199

Kāinga Ora
Market Renters

2

Registered CHP
Market Renters

21

Kāinga Ora
Short-term
Vacants

265

Kāinga Ora
Long-term
Vacants

= 8,734

Public houses in Wellington region
(8,735 as at 30 June 2019)

Note: All figures in this factsheet are as at 30 September 2019.

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 Wellington 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.

28,941

People receiving Accommodation Supplements
(28,608 as at 30 June 2019)

\$2,572,364

Weekly total AS amount
(\$2,520,146 as at 30 June 2019)

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.

6,371

People receiving Temporary Additional Support
(6,010 as at 30 June 2019)

\$374,630

Weekly total TAS amount
(\$346,557 as at 30 June 2019)

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.

21 Accessible Properties New Zealand Limited	25 LinkPeople Limited	21 The Salvation Army New Zealand Trust	83 Trusthouse Limited
12 Porirua Whanau Centre Trust	59 Dwell Housing Trust	5 Emerge Aotearoa Housing Trust	1 Airedale Property Trust
2 Kahui Tu Kaha Limited	—		

= 229

Public housing tenancies in Wellington region
being delivered by Community Housing Providers
(198 as at 30 June 2019)

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.

8 Atareira	110 Emerge Aotearoa	11 First Community Trust	5 Koraunui Marae
15 Oasis Network	27 The Salvation Army	12 Upper Hutt Housing Trust	23 Wellington City Mission
22 Wellington Night Shelter	5 Wellington Women's Boarding House	42 Women's Refuge	—

= 280

Total available places as
at 30 September 2019
(254 as at 30 June 2019)

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.



\$32,517

Bond Grants



\$5,748

Moving Assistance



\$6,713

Rent in Advance



\$6,000

Transition to Alternative Housing Grant

= 38

Grants for 23 distinct clients (total \$50,978)

(35 grants for 21 distinct clients, total \$44,453 as at 30 June 2019)

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.

1,550

Housing register

(1,331 as at 30 June 2019)

435

Transfer register

(376 as at 30 June 2019)

Applications Housed



Wellington

161 (158 as at 30 June 2019)



National

2,082 (1,690 as at 30 June 2019)

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 2019, there have been **3,019** grants made supporting **605** households compared with **2,311** grants supporting **493** households in the quarter ending 30 June 2019.

\$4,145,021

Total amount granted in the quarter ending 30 September 2019 (\$3,322,325 as at 30 June 2019)

Note:

The number of households supported is the number of distinct clients who were granted an EH SNG in the quarter ending 30 September 2019, based on the housing region the last grant of the quarter was made in.

Regional Overview

Carterton District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 12 (S)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register - (-)	Public Housing tenancies S (S)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved S (S) Amount of EH SNG approved \$9,065 (\$1,225)
Kapiti Coast District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 112 (93)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 10 (9)	Public Housing tenancies 215 (216)	Transitional Housing places 7 (4)	Number of EH SNG approved 281 (214) Amount of EH SNG approved \$306,912 (\$233,283)
Lower Hutt City	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 451 (404)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 183 (166)	Public Housing tenancies 3,211 (3,218)	Transitional Housing places 83 (66)	Number of EH SNG approved 1,195 (986) Amount of EH SNG approved \$2,054,592 (\$1,823,307)
Masterton District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 55 (46)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register - (-)	Public Housing tenancies 83 (71)	Transitional Housing places 23 (10)	Number of EH SNG approved 102 (85) Amount of EH SNG approved \$97,811 (\$75,937)
Porirua City	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 270 (230)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 128 (105)	Public Housing tenancies 2,617 (2,619)	Transitional Housing places 49 (58)	Number of EH SNG approved 284 (166) Amount of EH SNG approved \$346,187 (\$206,626)
South Wairarapa District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 14 (S)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register - (-)	Public Housing tenancies S (S)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved S (S) Amount of EH SNG approved \$2,159 (\$10,736)
Upper Hutt City	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 154 (118)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 19 (14)	Public Housing tenancies 388 (391)	Transitional Housing places 45 (42)	Number of EH SNG approved 184 (113) Amount of EH SNG approved \$220,701 (\$139,072)
Wellington City	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 482 (425)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 95 (82)	Public Housing tenancies 1,923 (1,918)	Transitional Housing places 73 (74)	Number of EH SNG approved 960 (737) Amount of EH SNG approved \$1,107,595 (\$832,139)

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 2019.
- 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 30 September 2019.