

Public Housing in Central Region

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

Horowhenua District, Manawatu District, Palmerston North City, Tararua District, Whanganui 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.

2,256

Kāinga Ora
IRRS Tenancies

94

Registered CHP
IRRS Tenancies

29

Kāinga Ora
Market Renters

0

Registered CHP
Market Renters

21

Kāinga Ora
Short-term
Vacants

50

Kāinga Ora
Long-term
Vacants

= 2,450

Public houses in Central region
(2,399 as at 31 March 2021)

Note: All figures in this factsheet are as at 30 June 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 Central 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.

19,422

People receiving Accommodation Supplements
(19,646 as at 31 March 2021)

\$1,328,054

Weekly total AS amount
(\$1,342,624 as at 31 March 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.

4,263

People receiving Temporary Additional Support
(4,329 as at 31 March 2021)

\$294,421

Weekly total TAS amount
(\$285,106 as at 31 March 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.

3 Emerge Aotearoa Housing Trust	3 Link People Limited	41 Trusthouse Limited	46 Compass Housing Services (NZ)
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Manawatu Community
Housing Trust

= 94

**Public housing tenancies in Central region
being delivered by Community Housing Providers
(45 as at 31 March 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.

14 First Community Trust	59 Homes for People	41 The Salvation Army	35 Women's Refuge
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= 149

**Total available places as at 30 June 2021
(145 as at 31 March 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.



\$131,053

Bond Grants



\$17,053

Moving Assistance



\$75,140

Rent Arrears



\$31,023

Rent in Advance



\$2,000

Tenancy Costs Cover



\$3,000

Transition to Alternative Housing Grant

= 239

Grants for 175 distinct clients (total \$259,269)

(305 grants for 217 distinct clients, total \$329,710 as at 31 March 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.

1,467

Housing register

(1,407 as at 31 March 2021)

214

Transfer register

(209 as at 31 March 2021)

Applications Housed



Central

93 (57 as at 31 March 2021)



National

1,634 (1,751 as at 31 March 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 30 June 2021, there have been **1,341** grants made supporting **338** households compared with **1,405** grants made supporting **378** household in the quarter ending 31 March 2021.

\$2,643,739

Total amount granted in the quarter ending 30 June 2021

(\$2,469,122 as at 31 March 2021)

Note:

The number of households supported is the number of distinct clients who were granted an EH SNG in the quarter ending 30 June 2021, based on the housing region the last grant of the quarter was made in.

Regional Overview

Horowhenua District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 209 (193)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 14 (11)	Public Housing tenancies 172 (170)	Transitional Housing places 3 (3)	Number of EH SNG approved 233 (238) Amount of EH SNG approved \$549,285 (\$502,948)
Manawatu District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 114 (104)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 10 (10)	Public Housing tenancies 161 (162)	Transitional Housing places 18 (16)	Number of EH SNG approved 75 (59) Amount of EH SNG approved \$116,547 (\$84,117)
Palmerston North City	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 729 (716)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 154 (155)	Public Housing tenancies 1,462 (1,424)	Transitional Housing places 109 (107)	Number of EH SNG approved 940 (989) Amount of EH SNG approved \$1,866,335 (\$1,764,395)
Tararua District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 53 (33)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register - (S)	Public Housing tenancies 42 (40)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 39 (35) Amount of EH SNG approved \$50,085 (\$58,625)
Whanganui District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 362 (361)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 36 (32)	Public Housing tenancies 542 (545)	Transitional Housing places 19 (19)	Number of EH SNG approved 54 (84) Amount of EH SNG approved \$61,487 (\$59,037)

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 June 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 30 June 2021.