

Public Housing in Northland Region

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

Far North District,
Kaipara District,
Whangarei District.



Public Housing Supply

Public houses are properties owned or leased by Housing New Zealand (HNZ) and registered Community Housing Providers (CHPs) that can be tenanted by people who are eligible for public housing.

2,013

HNZ IRRS
Places

1

Registered CHP
IRRS Place

41

HNZ Market
Renters

0

Registered CHP
Market Renters

11

HNZ Short-term
Vacants

13

HNZ Long-term
Vacants

= 2,079

Public houses in Northland region
(2,041 as at 30 June 2018)

Note: All figures in this factsheet are as at 30 September 2018.

Housing Support in the Northland 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.

15,320

Accommodation Supplement
(14,960 as at 30 June 2018)

\$1,119,235

Weekly total AS amount
(\$1,082,252 at 30 June 2018)

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.

3,161

Temporary Additional Support
(3,142 as at 30 June 2018)

\$172,973

Weekly total TAS amount
(\$170,513 as at 30 June 2018)

The Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) also 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.

Community Housing Providers

Community Housing Providers (CHPs) became eligible to receive the Income Related Rent Subsidy (IRRS) from 2014 for tenants placed from the Social Housing Register.

CHPs are registered, regulated and monitored by the Community Housing Regulatory Authority.

1

Whangarei Accessible
Housing Trust

= 1

**Public housing tenancies in Northland region being
delivered by Community Housing Providers**
(1 as at 30 June 2018)

Transitional Housing

Transitional housing provides warm, dry and safe short-term accommodation for people in need, along with tailored social support while they're there. Transitional housing is managed by contracted 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 the Ministry of Social Development and Housing New Zealand.

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.

11

Waitomo Papakainga

37

He Korowai Trust

1

Ngati Hine Health Trust

13

Emerge Aotearoa

26

Te Runanga o
Whaingaroa

15

Tai Tokerau

26

The Salvation Army

24

Women's Refuge

= 153

Total available places as at 30 September 2018
(139 as at 30 June 2018)

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 transition out of public housing.



\$114,512

Bond Grants



\$17,285

Letting Fees



\$22,646

Moving
Assistance



\$8,762

Rent in Advance



\$430

Tenancy
Costs Cover

= 181

Grants for 108 distinct clients (total \$163,634)

(124 grants for 79 distinct clients, total \$105,628 as at 30 June 2018)

Social Housing Register

When New Zealanders are in need of public housing, their needs are recorded on the Social Housing Register. The Social 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.

375

Housing register

(307 as at 30 June 2018)

79

Transfer register

(58 as at 30 June 2018)

Applications Housed



Northland

44 (50 as at 30 June 2018)



National

1,721 (1,527 as at 31 March 2018)

Notes:

- This includes both A and B priority applications.
- Applications housed may have been housed with Housing New Zealand Corporation 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 individual and families with the cost of staying in short-term accommodation if they are unable to access one of the Ministry'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 2018, there have been **364** grants made supporting **119** households compared with **406** grants supporting **118** households in the quarter ending 30 June 2018.

\$276,553

Total amount granted in the
quarter ending 30 September 2018
(\$298,908 as at 30 June 2018)

Note:

The number of households supported is the number of distinct clients who were granted a EH SNG in the quarter ending 30 September 2018, based on the housing region the last grant of the quarter was made in.

Regional Overview

Far North District	Number of applicants on the Social Housing Register 166 (120)	Public Housing tenancies 652 (656)	Transitional Housing places 87 (82)	Number of EH SNG approved 218 (207) Amount of EH SNG approved \$145,621 (\$124,930)
Kaipara District	Number of applicants on the Social Housing Register 35 (23)	Public Housing tenancies 111 (112)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 9 (13) Amount of EH SNG approved \$4,428 (\$8,310)
Whangarei District	Number of applicants on the Social Housing Register 253 (222)	Public Housing tenancies 1,292 (1,248)	Transitional Housing places 66 (57)	Number of EH SNG approved 137 (186) Amount of EH SNG approved \$126,504 (\$165,668)

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.
- Social Housing Register includes both the Housing Register and Transfer Register as at 30 September 2018. A breakdown of these is available at <http://www.msd.govt.nz/about-msd-and-our-work/publications-resources/statistics/index.html>
- Transitional Housing – Actual is at 30 September 2018.
- Emergency Housing – Amount of EH SNG is the total value of grants issued in the quarter ending 30 September 2018.
- Public Housing Tenancies includes Housing New Zealand 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 2018.