

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 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.

2,259

Kāinga Ora IRRS
Occupied Homes

124

Registered CHP
IRRS Occupied
Homes

59

Kāinga Ora
Market Renters

–

Registered CHP
Market Renters

20

Kāinga Ora
Short-term
Vacants

76

Kāinga Ora
Long-term
Vacants

= 2,538

Public Homes in Central region
(2,528 as at 31 March 2022)

Note: All figures in this factsheet are as at 30 June 2022.

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.

19,149

People receiving Accommodation Supplements
(19,090 as at 31 March 2022)

\$1,339,644

Weekly total AS amount
(\$1,325,410 as at 31 March 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.

4,568

People receiving Temporary Additional Support
(4,553 as at 31 March 2022)

\$364,177

Weekly total TAS amount
(\$358,668 as at 31 March 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.

72

Compass Housing Services (NZ)

4

Emerge Aotearoa Housing Trust

3

Link People Limited

3

Manawatu Community Housing Trust

42

Trusthouse Limited

= 124

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

14

First Community Trust

65

Homes for People

45

NCIWR

44

The Salvation Army

= 168

**Total available places as at 30 June 2022
(171 as at 31 March 2022)**

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.



\$105,676

Bond Grants



\$8,958

Moving Assistance



\$10,938

Rent Arrears



\$37,118

Rent in Advance



\$9,000

Transition to Alternative Housing Grant

= 141

Grants for 82 distinct clients (total \$171,690)

(127 grants for 88 distinct clients, total \$137,308 as at 31 March 2022)

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.

1,577

Housing register

(1,603 as at 31 March 2022)

258

Transfer register

(244 as at 31 March 2022)

Applications Housed



Central

41 (42 as at 31 March 2022)



National

1,679 (1,336 as at 31 March 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 30 June 2022, there have been **1,350** grants made supporting **334** households compared with **1,581** grants made supporting **408** household in the quarter ending 31 March 2022.

\$3,401,741

Total amount granted in the quarter ending 30 June 2022

(\$3,655,280 as at 31 March 2022)

Note:

The number of households supported is the number of distinct clients who were granted an EH SNG in the quarter ending 30 June 2022, 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 235 (236)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 12 (S)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 171 (171)	Transitional Housing places 7 (7)	Number of EH SNG approved 193 (224) Amount of EH SNG approved \$463,334 (\$511,668)
Manawatu District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 139 (135)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 12 (10)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 156 (155)	Transitional Housing places 18 (18)	Number of EH SNG approved 48 (55) Amount of EH SNG approved \$91,960 (\$97,327)
Palmerston North City	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 764 (792)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 189 (172)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 1,479 (1,495)	Transitional Housing places 129 (133)	Number of EH SNG approved 949 (1,105) Amount of EH SNG approved \$2,436,544 (\$2,600,790)
Tararua District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 57 (58)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register - (-)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 42 (41)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 31 (40) Amount of EH SNG approved \$81,539 (\$95,530)
Whanganui District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 382 (382)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 45 (48)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 594 (591)	Transitional Housing places 14 (13)	Number of EH SNG approved 129 (157) Amount of EH SNG approved \$328,363 (\$349,965)

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 2022.
- 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 June 2022.