

Public Housing in Southern Region

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

Central Otago District, Clutha District, Dunedin City, Gore District, Invercargill City, Queenstown-Lakes District, Southland 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.

1,704

Kāinga Ora IRRS Occupied Homes

70

Registered CHP IRRS Occupied Homes

70

Kāinga Ora Market Renters

2

Registered CHP Market Renters

19

Kāinga Ora Short-term Vacants

53

Kāinga Ora Long-term Vacants

= 1,918

Public Homes in Southern region
(1,906 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 Southern 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.

16,387

People receiving Accommodation Supplements
(16,185 as at 31 March 2022)

\$1,147,281

Weekly total AS amount
(\$1,128,999 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.

3,668

People receiving Temporary Additional Support
(3,601 as at 31 March 2022)

\$277,956

Weekly total TAS amount
(\$270,733 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.

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Just Housing
Otepoti Dunedin

41

Queenstown
Lakes Community
Housing trust

30

The Salvation Army
New Zealand Trust

= 72

Public housing tenancies in Southern region being delivered by Community Housing Providers
(68 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.

53

Emerge Aotearoa

18

Methodist Mission
Southern

32

NCIWR

50

The Salvation Army

= 153

Total available places as at 30 June 2022
(134 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.



\$47,321

Bond Grants



\$12,376

Moving Assistance



\$11,463

Rent Arrears



\$13,710

Rent in Advance



\$2,120

Tenancy Costs Cover



\$3,000

Transition to Alternative Housing Grant

= 82

Grants for 57 distinct clients (total \$89,989)

(75 grants for 51 distinct clients, total \$84,646 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.

695

Housing register

(701 as at 31 March 2022)

84

Transfer register

(80 as at 31 March 2022)

Applications Housed



Southern

34 (28 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 **201** grants made supporting **52** households compared with **350** grants made supporting **96** households in the quarter ending 31 March 2022.

\$268,029

Total amount granted in the quarter ending 30 June 2022

(\$407,306 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

Central Otago District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 18 (15)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (S)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 19 (19)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved - (S) Amount of EH SNG approved - (\$4,773)
Clutha District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 33 (34)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (S)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 27 (27)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved S (S) Amount of EH SNG approved \$4,035 (\$1,880)
Dunedin City	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 395 (394)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 73 (66)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 1,362 (1,360)	Transitional Housing places 101 (97)	Number of EH SNG approved 82 (213) Amount of EH SNG approved \$100,664 (\$242,563)
Gore District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 22 (25)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register - (-)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 36 (38)	Transitional Housing places 6 (6)	Number of EH SNG approved S (20) Amount of EH SNG approved \$1,420 (\$16,670)
Invercargill City	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 184 (185)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 8 (10)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 349 (345)	Transitional Housing places 46 (31)	Number of EH SNG approved 100 (92) Amount of EH SNG approved \$146,108 (\$110,600)
Queenstown-Lakes District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 20 (24)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (S)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 54 (53)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 8 (10) Amount of EH SNG approved \$9,162 (\$22,700)
Southland District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 23 (24)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register - (-)	Public Housing Occupied Homes S (S)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 6 (7) Amount of EH SNG approved \$6,640 (\$8,120)

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.