Labour Market Statistics Snapshot - Pacific Peoples

Annual March 2025



Male Employment Rate	66.8%	Aged 25-44 Employment rate	76.3%
Total	92,200	Total	86,000
from last year	-2,300	from last year	-1,000
from last 5 years	+2,600	from last 5 years	+9,800

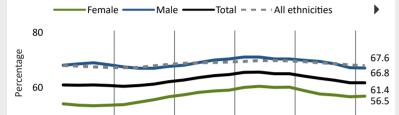
2021

Female Employment Rate	56.5%	Aged 45+ Employment rate	58.7%
Total	85,300	Total	57,000
from last year	-2,200	from last year	+1,400
from last 5 years	+10,600	from last 5 years	+3,900
	Employme	ent Rate	

177,400 -4,600

+13,100

2025



2023

2024

2022

Full-time from last year from last 5 years	151,400 -3,400 +9,300	Part-time from last year from last 5 years	26,000 -1,200 +3,800
Occupation		Employed	1 year change
Managers		23,500	+100
Professionals		29,900	-2,400
Trades & Technicians		20,900	+1,400
Service workers		21,400	-900
Clerical workers		18,900	+1,400
Sales workers		13,700	-1,500
Machinery Operators and D	Privers	17,900	-200
Labourers		28,700	-2,900

Skill	Employed	1 year change
Highly-skilled	50,200	-1,800
Skilled	14,800	+500
Semi-skilled	20,200	+600
Low-skilled	53,600	-300
Unskilled	36,200	-4,000

Industry	Employed	1 year change	5 year change
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Mining	4,200	+100	-300
Manufacturing	22,200	-1,400	NC
Utilities & Construction	21,300	-200	+3,500
Wholesale & Retail	22,400	-1,400	-100
Accommodation and food	9,400	+2,300	+1,300
Transport, Warehousing IM & Communications	15,300	+800	+300
Financial and Insurance Services	6,300	+700	+1,600
Other Business Services	14,400	-1,800	-2,000
Public Administration and Safety	13,900	-1,300	+3,300
Education and Training	11,500	-900	+2,100
Health Care and Social Assistance	21,700	+400	+3,300
Other Services	10,700	-1,600	+1,400

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Male Underutilisa Total from last year from last 5 years	tion Rate	16.1% 17,100 +3,800 +4,800	Fen		sation Rate — Total –	– – · All ethnicities	•
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Underemp	oyed	U	Inemploy	/ed (UE)		Potential Labou	Ir Force
Total from last year from last 5 years	8,300 +500 +2,500	UE Rate from last year from last 5 years	9.9% +2.5pp +2.2pp	Total from last year from last 5 years	19,500 +4,900 +5,700	Total from last year from last 5 years	9,400 +300 +900
Male Total from last year from last 5 years	2,800 -300 +700	Male UE Rate Total from last year from last 5 years	9.9% 10,200 +3,700 +3,700	Aged 25-44 UE Rate Total from last year from last 5 years	<mark>6.9%</mark> 6,400 +1,800 +1,800	Male Total from last year from last 5 years	4,100 +400 +400
Female Total from last year	5,500	Female UE Rate Total	9.9% 9,400 +1,300	Aged 45+ UE Rate Total from last year	<mark>4.2%</mark> 2,500 +2,500	Female Total from last year	5,300 -100

UNDERUTILSATION

		Emplo	yed			Unemployed		
	Current		Change		Current		Change	
	quarte	r	from last Year		quarter		from last Year	
Region	People	Rate	People	Rate	People	Rate	People	Rate
Auckland	106,000	58.8%	-6,800	-2.7pp	11,900	10.1%	+2,200	+2.2pp
Wellington	22,600	68.9%	+1,800	-0.7pp	2,200	9.0%	+1,100	+4.1pp
Rest of North island	30,400	62.6%	+800	-2.6pp	3,800	11.0%	+1,100	+2.8pp
South island	18,500	67.7%	-300	-2.8pp	1,600	8.2%	+500	+2.5pp
South Auckland	51,200	54.7%	-2,300	-3.5pp	6,800	11.7%	+2,000	+3.5pp
West Auckland	25,200	61.5%	-1,900	-2.2pp	2,500	9.1%	+100	+0.9pp
Rest of Auckland	29,600	64.7%	-2,500	-1.2pp	2,600	8.0%	+100	+0.8pp

	Participation Rate from last year from last 5 years		ARTICPATION RATE Total from last year from last 5 years	197,000 +400 +19,000
•	Male Participation R Total from last year from last 5 years	ate 74.2% 102,300 +1,300 +6,200	Aged 25-44 Participation F Total from last year from last 5 years	tate 82.0% 92,400 +800 +11,600
20.1 18.0 16.1	Female Participation Total from last year from last 5 years	94,600 -1,000 +12,700	Aged 45+ Participation Rat Total from last year from last 5 years articipation Rate	e 61.9% 60,100 +2,600 +4,500
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orce	60			62.7
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+900		OT IN EDUCATION, RAINING (Aged 15	EMPLOYMENT OR -24 years)	
4,100 +400 +400	NEET rate from last year from last 5 years	19.4% +2.5pp +3.0pp	Total from last year from last 5 years	15,400 +1,900 +3,100
5,300 -100 +600	Male NEET rate Total from last year from last 5 years	20.2% 7,600 +2,400 +2,200	Aged 15-19 NEET rate Total from last year from last 5 years	14.2% 5,900 +600 +1,300
1	Female NEET rate Total from last year from last 5 years	18.7% 7,700 -600 +800	Aged 20-24 NEET rate Total from last year from last 5 years	25.3% 9,400 +1,200 +1,700
			Rate	
	Female	MaleT	otal – – – · All ethnicities	20.2
	Dercentage			18.7
	10 20	21 2022	2023 2024	2025
	r	N	ET	
	Unemployed, Not			not in education
	Education Total 6,6	00 Total	5,400 Total	caregiving 3,400
	from last year +1,5	00 from last yea	r no change from last ve	ear +400

from last year

+1,500

from last year no change

from last year

+400



SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES

All data provided apart from regional, industry, age group and NEET breakdowns is seasonally adjusted. This process removes the seasonal component present when dealing with quarterly data. Seasonal patterns obscure the underlying behaviour of the series. For the unadjusted series, only annual changes are reported to avoid seasonal effects.

DEFINITIONS

EMPLOYED: People in the working-age population who, during the reference week, did one of the following:

- worked for one hour or more for pay or profit in the context of an employee/employer relationship or selfemployment
- worked without pay for one hour or more in work which contributed directly to the operation of a farm, business, or professional practice owned or operated by a relative
- had a job but were not at work due to own illness or injury, personal or family responsibilities, bad weather or mechanical breakdown, direct involvement in an industrial dispute, or leave or holiday.

EMPLOYMENT RATE: The number of employed people expressed as a percentage of the working-age population. The employment rate is closely linked to the working-age population definition.

FULL-TIME/PART-TIME STATUS: Full-time workers usually work 30 hours or more per week, even if they did not do so in the survey reference week because of sickness, holidays, or other reasons. Part-time workers usually work fewer than 30 hours per week.

FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) JOBS: The total number of full-time jobs plus half the number of part-time jobs. Does not include working proprietors.

HOURS WORKED: Average weekly paid hours (FTE) are calculated by dividing total ordinary hours paid by total FTEs.

HOURLY EARNINGS: Average hourly earnings are calculated by dividing total gross earnings by total paid hours.

LABOUR FORCE: Members of the working-age population, who during the survey reference week, were classified as 'employed' or 'unemployed.'

LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE: The total labour force expressed as a percentage of the working-age population. Labour force participation is closely linked to how the working-age population is defined.

NEET (NOT IN EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION, OR TRAINING): Young people aged 15–24 years who are unemployed (part of the labour force) and not engaged in education or training, and those not in the labour force and not engaged in education or training for many reasons.

NEET RATE: The total number of youth (aged 15-24 years) who are not in education, employment, or training (NEET), as a proportion of the total youth working-age population.

NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE: Any neither employed nor unemployed. For example, this residual category includes people who:

- are retired
- •have personal or family responsibilities such as unpaid housework and childcare
- attend educational institutions
- •are permanently unable to work due to physical or mental
- disabilities.
- were temporarily unavailable for work in the survey reference week
- •are not actively seeking work.

POTENTIAL LABOUR FORCE: The potential labour force consists of people who are not in the labour force but can be considered to be 'just outside it'. They meet two of the three criteria needed to be considered unemployed. Two main groups of individuals are in the potential labour force:

> •UNAVAILABLE JOBSEEKERS – People who were actively seeking work, were not available to have started work in the reference week, but would become available within a short subsequent period

•AVAILABLE POTENTIAL JOBSEEKERS - People who are not actively seeking work but were available in the reference week and want a job.

UNDERUTILISATION: The sum of those unemployed, underemployed, who are not actively seeking but are available and wanting a job and people who are actively seeking but not currently available, but will be available to work in the next four weeks.

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Average weekly paid hours and average hourly earnings are calculated from the Quarterly Employment Survey (QES), which has different coverage than the Household Labour Force Survey (HLFS). The QES is a survey of employees that excludes self-employeed people, the Agriculture industry, unpaid family workers and New Zealand Defence Force, while the HLFS is a survey of households that only includes usually resident New Zealanders, so can exclude some temporary seasonal labourers. If you have any feedback, questions or suggestions please contact us at: LabourMarketInsights@mbie.govt.nz

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UNDEREMPLOYMENT: People who are in part-time employment who would like to, and are available to, work more hours.

UNEMPLOYED: All people in the working-age population who, during the reference week, were without a paid job, available for work, and had either actively sought work in the past four weeks ending with the reference week, or had a new job to start within the next four

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE: The number of unemployed people expressed as a percentage of the labour force.

WORKING-AGE POPULATION: The usually resident, non-institutionalised population of New Zealand aged 15 years