

Working & Living in Auckland

Everything you need to know



AUCKLAND DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD OVERVIEW

Auckland District Health Board (DHB) is committed to excellence in patient care, research, training, and community service. Auckland DHB has 3 major facilities including New Zealand's largest public hospital and largest clinical research facility and provides emergency, medical, surgical, maternity, community health and mental health services. There are approximately one million patient contacts each year, including local hospital and outpatient services.

Auckland City Hospital provides acute medical and surgical services including: children and young people's services, women's health, surgical services, cardiothoracic, clinical support, medical services, laboratory and radiology.

Greenlane Clinical Centre provides community, ambulatory and mental health services including: rheumatology, pain services, sexual health, diabetes management, dermatology, oral health, immunology, audiology, allied health, and mental health.

Buchanan Rehabilitation Centre is a specialist 40-bed mental health, recovery focused, rehabilitation service which provides assessment, treatment and intensive rehabilitation.

Other ADHB funded facilities include Primary Health Organisations, GP services and nursing services, community-based health services, Kaupapa Māori services, Pacific health services, laboratories, community-based pharmacies, dental health services, midwives/maternity services, residential care for mental health, rest homes and Hospice and generalist palliative care.

Auckland Regional Public Health Service is hosted by Auckland DHB but works across the whole region. This is funded predominantly by the Ministry of Health.

The health service employs over 10,000 highly skilled clinical and non-clinical professionals and is recognised for providing timely and effective services that its communities can rely on. The DHB has an international reputation and is renowned academically with close ties to the University of Auckland.

Auckland DHB Vision

Healthy Communities – World Class Healthcare – Achieved Together

Auckland DHB Purpose

To improve the health of the Auckland DHB population and all New Zealanders who access our services, through high-quality health and disability services.



Auckland DHB Strategic Priorities

- Drive down rates of preventable disease
- Understand and act on equity
- Transform our patient and family experience
- Work with others as a single integrated system
- Invest in our workforce
- Get the best outcomes from our resources.

COMMUNITY AND LONG-TERM CONDITIONS DIRECTORATE

The Community and Long Term Conditions Directorate (CLTC) was formed in February 2014. The Directorate provides Palliative Care, Geriatric and Rehabilitation Medicine, Rheumatology, Endocrinology, Diabetes, Chronic Pain, Sexual Health, Dermatology and Immunology services. The Directorate also has responsibility for a wide range of community services including district nursing, allied health and community rehabilitation services.

CLTC Purpose

To provide quality, patient centred, self- directed care as close to home as possible.

CLTC Goals

- Develop new models of care and services focussed on integration with primary care and other community health providers;
- Develop and provide responsive services to prevent hospital admission, and support safe and early discharge from hospital;
- Building community resilience and capacity to enable excellent, high quality care with all partners;
- Provide holistic and equitable rehabilitation across the continuum of care, maximising independence for the population; and
- Enhanced workforce engagement, succession planning and supporting staff to enable whole system navigation of care for the community.

Key Priorities for CLTC Directorate in 2016/17

The Directorate will focus on the following Directorate priorities:

- Embedding clinical governance culture across the Directorate to support all decision making;
- Leadership and workforce development programme;
- Outpatient improvement programme;
- Improvement in health outcomes through new models of care; and
- Achieve Directorate financial savings target for 2016/17.



AUCKLAND ACADEMIC HEALTH ALLIANCE

Auckland City Hospital is New Zealand's largest teaching hospital. It has an alliance with the University of Auckland and its Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences in the form of the Auckland Academic Health Alliance. This patient-focused partnership aims to speed the translation of research 'from the bench to the bedside'. Its patient-centred approach underpins the development of our health workforce, informs research strategy, invigorates clinical teaching and ensures that scientific breakthroughs and advances in medical care reach patients faster.

AUCKLAND DHB POLICIES

This link provides access to a selection of relevant ADHB policies that prospective employees are encouraged to review and understand prior to accepting any offer of employment:

<http://careers.adhb.govt.nz/ADHBPolicies/tabid/129/Default.aspx>

Annual Plan 2015/16

The annual plan outlines ADHB's priorities for delivery of health services that align with their three goals. http://www.adhb.govt.nz/documents/ADHB_AP_2015-16_FINAL.pdf

Annual Report 2014/15

The report shows outcomes on the clinical and financial goals in the Annual Plan.

http://www.adhb.govt.nz/documents/ADHB_Annual%20Report%202014_15.pdf

2014-2015 AT A GLANCE

- In 2014 6,036 babies were born to Auckland DHB mothers
- Motutapu Ward, the new Northern Region Haematology and Bone Marrow Transplant Unit, officially opened to patients in August 2014
The budget in 2014/15 was \$2.1 billion (group)
- Life expectancy among Māori and Pacific populations continues to rise and in 2014 was 79.4 years for Māori and 77.4 years for Pacific
- The infant mortality rate continues to decline (4.5 per 1,000 live births 2010-12) and is lower than the national rate
- 13,902 elective procedures were delivered in 2014/15 against a target of 13,872.
- The emergency departments treated and saw more people faster than ever before, with 94% of patients discharged, admitted or transferred within six hours
- Waiting times for elective surgery reduced with 100% of patients waiting no longer than four months for their first assessment, and nearly 100% waiting no longer than four months for their first treatment
- Doctor, nurse and allied health staff FTE has grown (with the number of doctors at Auckland growing 31% (190 FTE) since FY2009/10)
- A specialist mother and baby unit that provides care and treatment for new and expectant mothers with mental health conditions has been opened at Auckland City Hospital.



AUCKLAND CITY

Located on the North Island of New Zealand, Auckland is both city and region. It is the heart of the national economy, and the site of the country's busiest port and airport. The region's size, its job opportunities and relaxed lifestyle combine to make Auckland a highly desirable place to live.

Renowned for beautiful beaches, open spaces, abundant attractions and exciting nightlife, Auckland is a blend of modern urban living with the traditional beauty of Maori culture. Auckland attracts a rich mix of professionals, students, creatives and sports enthusiasts; lifestyle is an important focus for those who move here, largely due to the vast array of opportunities available both personally and professionally.

The city is home to a culturally diverse population; the European ethnic group makes up the majority of the population (56.5%), while 11.1% of people have Maori tribal affiliations. People from the Pacific islands, Asia, Middle East, Latin America, Africa and others make up the rest of the population. Auckland's diverse ethnicity also lies in the fact that 37% of its inhabitants were born overseas.

When it comes to shopping, Auckland has everything you would expect from an international city. The main shopping streets in the Central Business District are the Chancery and High Street, there is a wide range of boutiques, jewellers, accessory shops and a number of leading stores. Other shopping areas in the city include the Atrium on Elliot Street and DFS Galleria in Customs House. For a bite-to-eat Auckland has quite literally hundreds of restaurants to choose from. Whether you are after a casual lunch cafe, a fine dining restaurant, or just great coffee, the city has a diverse range of dining experiences encompassing all flavours and cuisines.

From surf beaches to sheltered coves, there are thousands of beaches throughout the greater Auckland region. Whether you are looking to unwind or enjoy some of the many water-based activities on offer, you will be spoilt for choice. And with over 4000 parks and gardens, you can always find somewhere to sit and read a book or newspaper, or even study; Auckland has a range of private and public education opportunities and an extensive choice of residential properties making it a popular region for families, couples and retirees.

Living and working in Auckland has so much to offer! You will find a fantastic lifestyle for you and your family, with an outstanding school system, excellent health services, shorter commuting times, plenty of fresh air and community living. Much of what is best about the New Zealand can be found here – it's a clean, safe and relaxed place to live.

TRAVEL AND ACCESS

Auckland International Airport is 21km south of the city centre. It has an international terminal and a domestic terminal. A shuttle service operates between the terminals and the city, every 10–15 minutes. A range of operators offer flights to Auckland from Australia, the United Kingdom and the United States. Locally, Air New Zealand flies to Kaitia, Kerikeri, Whangarei, Hamilton, Tauranga, Whakatane, Gisborne, Rotorua, Taupo, New Plymouth, Napier, Whanganui, Palmerston North, Masterton, Wellington, Nelson, Blenheim, Christchurch, Queenstown and Dunedin giving you the option to travel the entire country.



Travelling within New Zealand on the whole is a pleasure; it's a country made for driving holidays with incredible surrounds; mountainous landscapes, geothermal centres, surf-washed beaches and glacier country to explore. Various public transport options are available for travelling within Auckland, including rail, taxis, ferry, car rental, bus services and coaches.

CLIMATE

The Auckland region has a sub-tropical climate with warm humid summers and mild winters.

Typical summer daytime maximum temperatures range from 22°C to 24°C. Winter daytime maximum temperatures range from 15°C to 17°C. January is the hottest month in Auckland and the coldest is July.

| Month | Average Daily Maximum Temp. (C) | Average Daily Minimum Temp. (C) | Average hours Sunshine (per day) | Average Afternoon Humidity |
|-----------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| January | 24 | 15 | 7.4 | 70 |
| February | 24 | 16 | 7 | 72 |
| March | 23 | 15 | 5.8 | 75 |
| April | 20 | 12 | 5.4 | 78 |
| May | 18 | 10 | 4.6 | 80 |
| June | 16 | 8 | 3.7 | 84 |
| July | 15 | 7 | 4.5 | 84 |
| August | 15 | 8 | 4.7 | 80 |
| September | 17 | 9 | 5 | 75 |
| October | 18 | 10 | 5.8 | 73 |
| November | 20 | 12 | 6.2 | 71 |
| December | 22 | 14 | 7.3 | 70 |

CULTURE

Auckland has thriving arts and cultural scene, where you can participate and immerse yourself in the arts. There are many venues to visit, as well as events and festivals in alternative spaces throughout the city. You can find live music playing at venues throughout the week – from classic and jazz to rock and hip hop.

Auckland's premier performing arts, convention, civic and entertainment facility comprises of the Aotea Centre, Auckland Town Hall, the Civic Theatre and Aotea Square. Each of these centres stage big theatrical and musical productions. Upcoming events include La Cucina dell'Arte, John Cleese and Eric Idle, Noel Gallagher, The Proclaimers and Evita the musical. Festivals of art and culture, such as the annual Chinese New Year Lantern Festival are great events for all the family.

The Auckland War Memorial Museum is home to a rich cultural collection, ranging from Maori artefacts and geological lessons on the city and the country, to an historic journey through Auckland's last few decades. You can also check out the Howick Historical Village, the Museum of Transport & Technology and the National Maritime Museum.

The Auckland Art Gallery is the city's main gallery; however there are plenty of smaller galleries with ongoing exhibitions.

More modern art-works can be found at the New Gallery or try Artspace, the Gus Fisher Gallery or the George Fraser Gallery to ensure you never run out of things to see. Exploring around Auckland you will find that you constantly stumble across private art galleries, studios and arts & crafts shops with very distinctive exhibitions. Take the time to discover Auckland's fascinating Māori culture and history with a guided day tour, or visit a 17th century fortified Māori village replica.

55 public libraries operate across Auckland; joining the library and borrowing items is free. There are computers available for public use at the libraries. A range of activities are presented at the libraries throughout the year including school holiday programs, story time and reading clubs for children; speakers, music and workshops for adults; and book talk and coffee sessions for keen readers. Auckland also has four mobile library services.



ATTRACTIONS

The Auckland region has a number of attractions to enjoy whether you are looking to move on your own or with family. Ride roller coasters, soak in thermal hot pools, join a food and wine tour or find Auckland's most scenic spots. The city is rich in interesting geological features - it is encircled by 11 extinct volcanoes.

For all the family a visit to the Sky Tower is a must. Travel 328 metres up in glass fronted lifts to spectacular viewing platforms. Kelly Tarlton's Antarctic Encounter & Underwater World showcases over 30 live animal exhibits including the world's largest Antarctic penguin colony exhibit. Auckland Zoo is home to 117 species, and over 700 animals. EcoZip Adventures offers state-of-the-art flying fox ziplines and an eco-immersive forest walk on Waiheke Island, for nature lovers of all ages.

Spend your weekends visiting the regions natural playgrounds; the Hauraki Gulf, on the doorstep of Auckland city, is home to a multitude of remarkable islands. You can walk to the summit of Rangitoto, the black lava volcanic island in the middle of the inner Hauraki Gulf or hire a kayak and join an evening paddle to the island.

Enjoy wine tasting and beachcombing on Waiheke Island, a half hour ferry ride from the city centre. Sunbathe and swim at Motuihe Island or visit the wildlife sanctuary on Tiritiri Matangi Island. Experience a wilderness adventure on Great Barrier Island - a large native rainforest and stunning coastline offering many walking tracks that allow you to explore the rugged beauty of the west coast.

SPORTS

Auckland's sports scene is one of the most exciting in the world, with a diverse range of indoor and outdoor activities and events accessible for all. Rugby and cricket are the most popular sports in Auckland. Eden Park and Mt Smart Stadium are just a couple of the sporting venues that exist in the city.



You can take part yourself or cheer on your favourite team from the sidelines; New Zealand's only national rugby league team the Warriors are based in Auckland. Viaduct Harbour is also host to many fabulous events including the past America's Cup defences, Louis Vuitton Regattas, the Volvo Round the World Race stopover in March 2012 and the Auckland International Boatshow among many other fantastic events.

Auckland has outdoors in abundance with beaches, native bush, look-outs, mountain biking tracks, and over 4000 local parks that are used for recreational purposes. This includes sporting fields and designated lawn areas with formal and informal recreation. Enjoy the regional parks from horseback on designated horse tracks. Mountain bike tracks take you through parks and coastal bush. Fishing is allowed in some parks but strictly prohibited in others. Abseiling sites are available at Huia in the Waitakere Ranges.

You can utilise the coastal environment to sail, surf, windsurf and kayak, or enjoy various land-based activities from athletics to golf. There are numerous leisure centres and health and fitness clubs which cater for the many diverse interests of local residents including badminton, dance funk, indoor soccer, basketball, volleyball and more.

Sports Snapshot

- 43 Swimming pool centres
- 2 Golf courses
- 70 Mooring management areas
- 5 Roller and ice skating rinks
- 25 Mountain Biking tracks
- 3 Sports stadiums
- 9 Horse riding trails
- 2 Motor racing tracks
- 500+ Sports clubs



REAL ESTATE

There are numerous architectural styles, stunning locations and varied streetscapes across Auckland that offer an enviable lifestyle. Whether it's a contemporary apartment, an elaborate Victorian or Edwardian style home or a palatial waterfront estate, you are sure to find real estate that you'll love. Auckland's house prices reflect the popularity of the area and the high level of liveability.

Average weekly rent received across Auckland

| | Number of bedrooms | | | | |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5+ |
| Central Auckland | \$366 | \$548 | \$911 | | |
| Central Suburbs | \$337 | \$457 | \$588 | \$762 | \$969 |
| Eastern Suburbs | \$354 | \$468 | \$624 | \$809 | \$1,077 |
| Franklin/Manukau Rural | \$287 | \$340 | \$413 | \$523 | \$653 |
| North Shore | \$361 | \$444 | \$554 | \$697 | \$840 |
| Pakuranga/Howick | \$319 | \$422 | \$523 | \$638 | \$765 |
| Rodney | \$321 | \$399 | \$494 | \$622 | \$717 |
| South Auckland | \$300 | \$374 | \$457 | \$556 | \$673 |
| West Auckland | \$304 | \$390 | \$471 | \$571 | \$723 |
| Auckland average | \$337 | \$433 | \$520 | \$652 | \$803 |

Data: <https://www.barfoot.co.nz/market-reports/2016/august/rental-report>



Average sale price received across Auckland

| Number of Sales | No of Bedrooms | | | | | |
|------------------------|----------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5+ |
| Central Auckland | - | \$435,143 | \$552,340 | \$1,205,000 | - | - |
| Central Suburbs | - | \$627,125 | \$824,135 | \$1,118,689 | \$1,214,939 | \$1,725,333 |
| Eastern Suburbs | - | \$331,000 | \$943,813 | \$1,102,537 | \$1,522,533 | \$1,218,750 |
| Franklin/Manukau Rural | \$603,600 | - | \$541,875 | \$675,980 | \$881,087 | \$999,000 |
| North Shore | \$711,000 | - | \$665,895 | \$999,689 | \$1,220,242 | \$1,526,569 |
| Pakuranga/Howick | \$903,090 | - | \$737,000 | \$1,035,625 | \$1,180,950 | \$1,387,925 |
| Rodney | \$947,667 | \$465,000 | \$709,000 | \$857,875 | \$1,055,046 | \$1,350,000 |
| South Auckland | \$371,800- | - | \$544,291 | \$684,695 | \$800,611 | \$885,431 |
| West Auckland | \$656,071 | \$482,500 | \$672,864 | \$800,972 | \$964,622 | \$1,194,833 |

Data: <https://www.barfoot.co.nz/market-reports/2016/august/residential-sales-report>

EDUCATION

Education is well provided for in Auckland with over 545 primary and secondary schools in the region providing some of the country's most culturally and socially diverse education services. All schools, whether funded by the New Zealand Education Ministry or privately owned, follow the education curriculum according to the Education Act of 1989. This provides full time education of New Zealand children from six years of age until they are sixteen.

To enrol your children at a school admission is by residential zoning. You will be required to supply proof of your address. If you want to send your child to a school in another zone, spare places can be allocated by ballot. An exception to the zoning rule would be for your children to attend a special school, such as a religious school.

Government-funded schools don't charge tuition fees, however parents are expected to meet some of the costs such as uniforms, stationery and other activities such as school trips and camps.

The school year is from February to December and has four terms each around ten weeks. Summer holidays are from December to February and last between five and six weeks. Autumn, winter and spring holidays last two weeks each. The school day usually starts at 9am and finishes at 3pm in primary schools and 3:30pm in the secondary schools.

Pre-school Education

Young children from two to five years old usually attend pre-school. Pre-school isn't compulsory however it's quite common for parents to enrol their children. Auckland has a wide range of both

state-funded and private pre-schools, many run by private operators, community church groups and voluntary agencies.

Kindergartens provide early education for children from three to five years old. The sessions are informal and focus on developing social skills and learning through play. In general children attend either in the morning or in the afternoon. There are usually two or three trained teachers but parents are expected to assist in the class and with committee work. Some kindergartens are free but donations are normally expected.

Primary Education

Full time education starts in primary school by the time your child reaches six years old however the majority of children start before that. Primary school covers years 1 to 6. Some primary schools also include intermediate school, years 7 and 8. However, not all of them include intermediate school so your child would have to change schools to complete years 7 and 8. There are around 450 primary/intermediate schools in the greater Auckland region.



Secondary Education

Secondary school education is compulsory for children from 13 years old up to the age of 16 and covers years 9 to 13. Most children stay at school until 18 years old but they can remain until the end of the year they become 19. There are approximately 85 secondary schools in the greater Auckland region. The National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) is the main national qualification for secondary school students in New Zealand.

Schools Snapshot:

- St Cuthbert's College has the best academic record of all schools in Auckland. It has the highest Scholarship pass rate (60 per cent of Year 13) and the highest weighted average of University entrance passes over the past five years (97.4 per cent of all school-leavers).
- Auckland International College has the highest pass rate for the top level of NCEA or its equivalent (98 per cent of all school-leavers). AIC students sit the International Baccalaureate exams, not NCEA.
- Auckland Grammar School, Epsom Girls Grammar School and Macleans College are the standout state schools.
- Baradene College, St Mary's College and Carmel College are the best-performing Catholic schools.

Data: <http://www.metromag.co.nz/city-life/education/the-best-schools-in-auckland-2015/>

Tertiary Education

There are six tertiary institutions in Auckland: University of Auckland, AUT University, Unitec, Massey University, Te Wananga O Aotearoa and Manukau Institute of Technology. All Auckland Universities have internationally recognised academic and research standards and offer bachelor, master and doctoral degrees. Tuition fees are partially paid by the New Zealand Ministry of

Education department but students are expected to pay the rest. Fees can vary considerably from one university to the next.

Auckland has hundreds of tertiary level education and skills based learning establishments. They provide specialised pathways of education or training to meet every aspiration.

FAST FACTS

- The original Maori name for Auckland is Tamaki Makaurau
- The first settlers in New Zealand were the Maori, followed by large numbers of migrants from the United Kingdom, people from neighbouring Pacific Islands including Samoa and Tonga, Chinese and Korean migrants, and new residents from a wide range of countries such as the US, South Africa, Zimbabwe and India
- Auckland has 265 days of sunshine per year
- Auckland City has six sister cities; Brisbane, Queensland, Australia; Guangzhou, Guangdong, China; Hamburg, Germany; Fukuoka, Fukuoka Prefecture, Japan; Busan, South Korea; Los Angeles, California, United States and Taichung, Taiwan
- Unlike Australia, New Zealand does not have any dangerous or poisonous animals (with the one tiny exception of the Katipo Spider)

USEFUL WEBSITES

Auckland District Health Board

<http://www.adhb.govt.nz/>

University of Auckland

<https://www.auckland.ac.nz/en.html>

Auckland Academic Health Alliance

<http://www.aaha.org.nz/>

Auckland Council

<http://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/EN/Pages/default.aspx>

The official tourism website for Auckland

<http://www.aucklandnz.com/>

Real Estate NZ

<http://www.realestate.co.nz/residential/all/auckland>

Schools in Auckland

<http://www.whichschool.co.nz/>

Auckland Airport

<https://www.aucklandairport.co.nz/>

