

**Population Indicators**  
New Zealand  
1991–2009

Year Ended 31 December	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Mean estimated resident population	3,495,800	3,533,000	3,573,600	3,621,600	3,675,800	3,733,900	3,782,600	3,815,800	3,837,300	3,860,100	3,887,000	3,951,200	4,027,700	4,088,700	4,136,000	4,186,900	4,230,700	4,271,100	4,318,100
Males	1,719,500	1,739,400	1,760,100	1,784,600	1,812,100	1,841,800	1,864,300	1,878,100	1,886,000	1,895,000	1,906,300	1,937,800	1,975,600	2,004,400	2,026,200	2,049,500	2,072,000	2,093,300	2,118,600
Females	1,776,300	1,793,600	1,813,500	1,837,000	1,863,700	1,892,100	1,918,300	1,937,700	1,951,300	1,965,100	1,980,700	2,013,400	2,052,000	2,084,300	2,109,800	2,137,400	2,158,800	2,177,800	2,199,500
Median age (years)	31.4	31.7	32.0	32.3	32.6	32.9	33.2	33.6	34.0	34.3	34.7	34.8	35.0	35.2	35.5	35.8	36.1	36.3	36.5
Sex ratio (males per 100 females)	96.8	97.0	97.1	97.1	97.2	97.3	97.2	96.9	96.7	96.4	96.2	96.2	96.3	96.2	96.0	95.9	96.0	96.1	96.3
Live births <sup>(1)</sup>	59,911	59,166	58,782	57,321	57,671	57,280	57,604	55,349	57,053	56,605	55,799	54,021	56,134	58,073	57,745	59,193	64,044	64,343	62,543
Median age of women having a baby (years)	27.9	28.2	28.3	28.5	28.6	28.8	29.1	29.3	29.5	29.7	29.8	30.1	30.2	30.3	30.4	30.3	30.1	30.0	29.9
Deaths <sup>(2)</sup>	26,389	27,115	27,100	26,953	27,813	28,255	27,471	26,206	28,122	26,660	27,825	28,065	28,010	28,419	27,034	28,245	28,522	29,188	28,964
Infant deaths	494	427	421	401	384	407	377	305	317	346	296	300	277	324	295	300	317	322	308
Natural increase	33,522	32,051	31,682	30,368	29,858	29,025	30,133	29,143	28,931	29,945	27,974	25,956	28,124	29,654	30,711	30,948	35,522	35,155	33,579
Marriages	21,841	20,804	20,802	20,587	20,452	20,453	19,953	20,135	21,085	20,655	19,972	20,690	21,419	21,006	20,470	21,423	21,494	21,948	21,628
Median age of bridegroom (years)	28.8	29.1	29.4	29.7	30.1	30.4	30.7	30.8	31.0	31.5	31.6	31.8	31.9	32.3	32.5	32.6	32.5	32.5	32.2
Median age of bride (years)	26.5	26.7	27.0	27.3	27.7	28.0	28.4	28.6	28.8	29.3	29.5	29.7	29.8	30.2	30.4	30.4	30.2	30.2	30.1
Divorces	9,152	9,114	9,193	9,213	9,574	10,009	9,754	10,067	9,931	9,699	9,683	10,292	10,491	10,609	9,972	10,065	9,650	9,713	8,737
Median age of husband (years)	39.0	39.2	39.6	39.8	40.0	40.6	40.6	40.5	41.2	41.6	41.9	42.4	42.5	43.0	43.3	44.0	44.3	44.5	44.9
Median age of wife (years)	36.2	36.5	36.8	37.0	37.2	37.8	37.9	37.9	38.4	39.0	39.3	39.8	40.1	40.4	40.8	41.4	41.6	41.9	42.3
Arrivals (permanent and long-term)	50,578	48,144	55,081	64,382	77,563	79,005	67,636	58,220	59,743	62,994	81,094	95,951	92,660	80,479	78,963	82,732	82,572	87,463	86,410
Departures (permanent and long-term)	44,181	43,504	41,096	44,525	49,077	54,212	60,012	64,485	68,772	74,306	71,368	57,753	57,754	65,371	71,992	68,123	77,081	83,649	65,157
Net migration	6,397	4,640	13,985	19,857	28,486	24,793	7,624	-6,265	-9,029	-11,312	9,726	38,198	34,906	15,108	6,971	14,609	5,491	3,814	21,253
Life expectancy at birth (years) <sup>(3)</sup>																			
Males	72.9					74.4					76.3					78.0	78.2	78.4	
Females	78.7					79.7					81.1					82.2	82.2	82.4	
Difference (female-male)	5.9					5.3					4.8					4.1	4.0	4.0	
Total fertility rate <sup>(4)</sup>	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.2	2.1

1. Live births registered in New Zealand to women resident in New Zealand by date of registration. Births data for 1998 are lower than expected because of a small change to the rate at which births were registered during 1998.

2. Deaths registered in New Zealand of people resident in New Zealand, by date of registration.

3. 1991 figures are based on the complete period life table for 1990-92.

1996 figures are based on the complete period life table for 1995-97.

2001 figures are based on the complete period life table for 2000-02.

2006 figures are based on the complete period life table for 2005-07.

2007 figures are based on the abridged period life table for 2006-08.

2008 figures are based on the abridged period life table for 2007-09.

4. The average number of live births that a woman would have during her life if she experienced the age-specific fertility rates of a given period (usually a year). It excludes the effect of mortality.

Source: Statistics New Zealand