

Tupuranga Waikato Waikato progress indicators

Scorecard 2023

The Waikato progress indicators (WPI) measures social, economic and environmental progress in the Waikato region.

This scorecard compares latest data with baseline results for each indicator (2006 - 2007).

For each of the 32 indicators, results are shown as improving trends, worsening trends or no

significant change over the last 15 years. The indicators are grouped by wellbeing theme - economic, social and environmental wellbeing. For further information refer to waikatoregion.govt.nz/wpi



ECONOMY		SOCIETY		ENVIRONMENT	
	Income Real median weekly household income.		Building activity Real value of new building consents issued.		Employment Percentage of total working-age population who are employed.
	Regional GDP Real Gross Domestic Product (GDP) per capita.		Community engagement Percentage of people who agree the public can influence Council decisions.		Water use Water allocation as a percentage of primary allocable water (Waikato River).
	Crime Rates of victimisation per 10,000 population.		Cultural respect Level of agreement that having people with different lifestyles and cultures makes area a better place to live.		Educational attainment Percentage of school leavers with NCEA level 2 or above.
	Housing affordability Ratio of housing costs to household disposable income.		Income inequality Gini coefficient - a measure of the concentration of income within the region.		Life expectancy Life expectancy at birth.
	Life satisfaction Percentage of people who rate their overall quality of life positively.		Perceived health Percentage of people who rate their overall health good, very good or excellent.		Perceptions of safety Percentage of adults who feel safe walking alone in their neighbourhood after dark.
	Physical activity Percentage of people who say they were physically active on five or more of the past seven days.		Public transport Passenger transport boardings per resident per annum.		Road safety Social costs of road injury crashes per capita.
	Social connectedness Percentage of people who feel a sense of community in their neighbourhood.		Te Reo Māori speakers Percentage of Te Reo Māori speakers in the total population.		Voter turnout Average voter turnout in local council, DHB and regional council elections.
	Air quality Exceedances of the regional guideline for particulate matter.		Greenhouse gases Annual total greenhouse gas emissions.		Coastal ecosystem health Traits Based Index calculated for estuarine monitoring sites.
	Environmental attitudes New Ecological Paradigm - Percentage pro- or mid-ecological.		Residential expansion onto highly productive land Area of highly productive land in urban and rural residential use.		Indigenous vegetation Extent of indigenous vegetation on land.
	Recycling Self-reported prevalence of household recycling.		Waste Tonnage of waste to landfill per annum.		River water quality Percentage of water samples taken from rivers and streams deemed unsatisfactory for ecological health.
	Soil quality Percentage of monitored soil sites meeting at least five soil quality targets.				