

Scorecard

Waikato progress indicators - tupuranga waikato

The Waikato Progress Indicators (WPI) Monitoring Programme enables us to put measures around societal and environmental progress in the Waikato region as well as growth in the regional economy. This scorecard has been developed to help measure the Waikato region's overall progress. Latest data is compared with baseline results for each indicator (2006 - 2007). Results are shown as improving trends, worsening trends or no significant change.

SOCIETY

Life satisfaction 

Percentage of people who rate their overall quality of life positively.

Educational attainment 

Percentage of school leavers with NCEA level 2 or above.

Housing affordability 

Ratio of housing costs to household income.

Perceptions of safety 

Percentage of adults who feel safe walking alone in their neighbourhood after dark.

Crime 

Rates of victimisation per 10,000 population.

Road safety 

Social costs of road injury crashes per capita.

Life expectancy 

Life expectancy at birth.

Perceived health 

Percentage of people who rate their overall health good, very good or excellent.

Social connectedness 

Percentage of people who feel a sense of community in their neighbourhood.

Community pride 

People's sense of pride in the way their city/town looks and feels.

Physical activity 

Percentage of people who say they were physically active on five or more of the past seven days.

Cultural respect 

Level of agreement that having people with different lifestyles and cultures makes area a better place to live.

Te Reo Māori speakers 

Percentage of Te Reo Māori speakers in the total population.

Greenhouse gases 

National annual total greenhouse gas emissions.

Indigenous vegetation 

Extent of indigenous vegetation on land.

Coastal ecosystem health 

Traits Based Index calculated for estuarine monitoring sites.

Waste 

Tonnage of waste to landfill per annum.

Recycling 

Self-reported prevalence of household recycling.

Voter turnout 

Average voter turnout in local council, DHB and regional council elections.

Community engagement 

Percentage of people who agree the public can influence Council decisions.

Income 

Real median weekly household income.

Income inequality 

Gini coefficient - a measure of the concentration of income within the region.

Building activity 

Real value of new building consents issued.

Employment 

Proportion of total working-age population who are employed.

Public transport 

Passenger transport boardings per resident per annum.

Water use 

Water allocation as a percentage of total allocable water (Waikato River).

ENVIRONMENT

Environmental attitudes 

New Ecological Paradigm - Percentage pro- or mid-ecological.

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.

Residential expansion onto versatile land 

Area of versatile land in urban and rural residential use.

Air quality 

Exceedances of the regional guideline for particulate matter.

ECONOMY

Regional GDP 

Real Gross Domestic Product (GDP) per capita.

 IMPROVING TREND  NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE  WORSENING TREND

