

Tupuranga Waikato Waikato Progress Indicators

Scorecard 2025

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 16 years. The indicators are grouped by wellbeing theme - economic, social and environmental wellbeing.. For further information refer to waikatoregion.govt.nz/waikato-progress-indicators-tupuranga-waikato/



ECONOMY		SOCIETY		ENVIRONMENT	
	Building activity Real value of new building consents issued.		Employment Percentage of total working-age population who are employed.		Air quality Exceedances of the regional guideline for particulate matter.
	Regional GDP Real Gross Domestic Product (GDP) per capita.		Water use Water allocation as a percentage of primary allocatable water (Waikato River).		Greenhouse gases Annual total greenhouse gas emissions.
	Community engagement Percentage of people who agree the public can influence Council decisions.		Community pride People's sense of pride in the way their city/town looks and feels.		Residential expansion onto highly productive land Area of highly productive land in urban and rural residential use.
	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.		Waste Tonnage of waste to landfill per annum.
	Income inequality Gini coefficient - a measure of the concentration of income within the region.		Life expectancy Life expectancy at birth.		
	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.		
	Public transport Passenger transport boardings per resident per annum.		Road safety Social costs of road injury crashes per capita.		
	Te Reo Māori speakers Percentage of Te Reo Māori speakers in the total population.		Voter turnout Average voter turnout in local and regional council elections.		
	Environmental attitudes New Ecological Paradigm - percentage pro- or mid-ecological.		Coastal ecosystem health Traits Based Index calculated for estuarine monitoring sites.		
	Recycling Self-reported prevalence of household recycling.		Indigenous vegetation Extent of indigenous vegetation on land.		
	Soil quality Percentage of soil monitoring sites meeting at least five soil quality targets.		River water quality Percentage of water samples taken from rivers and streams deemed unsatisfactory for ecological health.		