2023 Census results Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board

About the 2023 Census

The 2023 New Zealand Census of Population and Dwellings was held on 7 March 2023.

This is the official count by Stats NZ of how many people and dwellings there are in New Zealand. It provides a snapshot of New Zealand on census day. Stats NZ used a combined census model in 2023 to produce the highest possible data quality. For more information on what this involved, go to:

www.stats.govt.nz/topics/using-a-combined-census-model-for-the-2023-census/.

This summary report provides an overview of results from the census for the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board area.

Population growth

At the 2023 Census there were 86,949 usual residents in Ōtara-Papatoetoe, an increase of 1827 people since the 2018 Census.

This represents a 2.1% increase between 2018 and 2023. There had been a 12.5% increase between 2013 and 2018. Ōtara-Papatoetoe's growth is lower than that of Auckland as a whole (5.4% increase).

Ōtara-Papatoetoe represents 5.2% of the Auckland population, compared with 5.4% at the 2018 Census.



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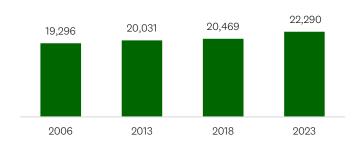
+1827 (**+2.1%**) since the 2018 Census

Number of dwellings

The census captures the number of occupied and unoccupied private and non-private dwellings. Non-private dwellings (short or long-term communal or transitory type accommodation, e.g. communal staff quarters, hospitals and prisons) are not reported here.

At the 2023 Census, Ōtara-Papatoetoe had a total of 22,290 occupied private dwellings, an increase of 1821, or 8.9% from 2018. This represents similar growth compared to Auckland as a whole (8.7% increase).

Number of occupied private dwellings



In addition, 846 unoccupied (empty) private dwellings were counted.

Home ownership

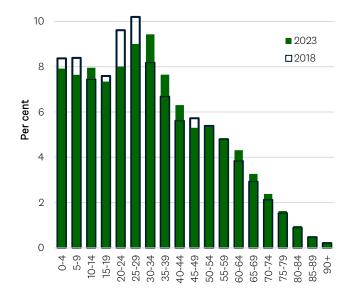
Over half (41.7%) of dwellings in Ōtara-Papatoetoe were either owned, partly owned, or held in a family trust. This is similar to 2018 (43.1%), but lower compared to Auckland as a whole (59.5%).

The remaining (58.3%) dwellings were mainly rented. This includes a mix of renting from private or public sector landlords.



Age structure

Nearly one in four (23.5%) of the Ōtara-Papatoetoe population was under 15, compared to 19.2% for Auckland. 67.6% were between 15-64, compared to 67.5% for Auckland. 8.9% were 65 or older, compared to 13.3% for Auckland.



The median age of Ōtara-Papatoetoe usual residents was 31.1 years, compared with 35.9 years for Auckland. This is the third-lowest median age of all the local boards.

Māori descent

In 2023, 17.0% of Ōtara-Papatoetoe usual residents stated they were of Māori descent, compared to 13.8% for Auckland as a whole.

The median age of those of Māori descent was 24.7 years (26.5 for Auckland).

Gender identity

The 2023 Census included a question on gender identity. This refers to a person's social and personal identity as male, female, or another gender, or genders that may be non-binary.

In Ōtara-Papatoetoe, 49.9% identified as female (50.2% in Auckland), 49.9% identified as male (49.4% in Auckland) and 0.2% identified as another gender (0.4% in Auckland).

Ethnic diversity

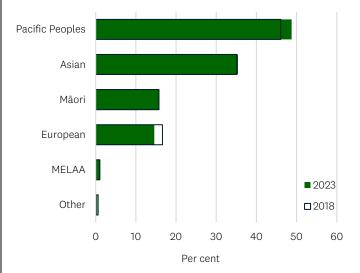
48.7% identified as Pacific Peoples (compared to 16.6% across Auckland).

35.4% identified with an Asian ethnicity (compared to 31.3% across Auckland).

15.8% identified as Māori (compared to 12.3% across Auckland). The census counted 13,749 Māori usually resident in Ōtara-Papatoetoe. This is an increase of 357 people, or 2.7%, since the 2018 Census.

14.6% identified with a European ethnicity (compared to 49.8% across Auckland).

1.0% identified as the broad MELAA (Middle Eastern, Latin American and/or African) group (compared to 2.7% across Auckland).



People could choose more than one ethnicity and categories are not exclusive. Percentages will add to more than 100.

Ōtara-Papatoetoe's Pacific Peoples population increased between 2018 and 2023. Since the 2018 Census this group increased by 3183 (+8.1%).



42,381

usual residents identified as Pacific Peoples in 2023

+3183 (+8.1%) since the 2018 Census

Further information

This document was prepared in November 2024 by the Social and Economic Research and Evaluation team. For further information please contact us at census@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz.