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Individual home ownership, for the census usually resident population count aged 15 years and over

	Hold in a family trust	Own or partly own	Do not own/hold in a family trust	Total stated	Not elsewhere included	Total
Rural	80,214	236,253	202,872	519,339	86,505	605,844
As a %	13.2%	39.0%	33.5%	85.7%	14.3%	100%
All NZ	350,136	1,310,925	1,548,078	3,209,139	567,216	3,776,355
As a %	9.3%	34.7%	41.0%	85.0%	15.0%	100%

Dwelling mould indicator+ for occupied private dwellings

	Mould over A4 size - always	Mould over A4 size - sometimes	Total mould**	No mould / mould smaller than A4 size	Total stated	Not elsewhere included	Total
Rural	9,081	28,116	37,197	210,183	247,380	29,883	277,263
As a %	3.3%	10.1%	13.4%	75.8%	89.2%	10.8%	100%
All NZ	64,536	188,319	252,855	1,240,494	1,493,349	170,964	1,664,313
As a %	3.9%	11.3%	15.2%	74.5%	89.7%	10.3%	100%

⁺ Analysis of the relationship between non-response to the 2018 Census and deprivation indicates that it is likely the census data under-represents the level of housing quality issues in New Zealand to some extent.

Access to telecommunication systems+ for households in occupied private dwellings

	No access to telecommunication systems	Access to a cellphone / Access to a telephone		Access to the internet	Total stated	Not elsewhere included	Total
Rural	2,817	227,670	174,033	212,925	250,047	27,216	277,263
As a %	1.0%	82.1%	62.8%	76.8%	90.2%	9.8%	100%
All NZ	16,947	1,402,122	953,457	1,313,376	1,525,098	139,215	1,664,313
As a %	1.0%	84.2%	57.3%	78.9%	91.6%	8.4%	100%

⁺ Households reporting more than one way to access telecommunication systems were counted in each stated category.

Dwelling dampness indicator+ for occupied private dwellings

	Always damp	Sometimes damp	Total damp++	Not damp	Total stated	Not elsewhere included	Total
Rural	6,084	43,368	49,452	197,031	246,483	30,780	277,263
As a %	2.2%	15.6%	17.8%	71.1%	88.9%	11.1%	100%
All NZ	44,520	274,371	318,891	1,162,485	1,481,376	182,937	1,664,313
As a %	2.7%	16.5%	19.2%	69.8%	89.0%	11.0%	100%

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Access to basic amenities+ for occupied private dwellings

	None of these	Cooking facilities	Safe tap water**	Kitchen sink	Refrigerator	Bath or shower	Toilet	Electricity supply	Total stated	Not elsewhere included	Total
Rural	651	249,498	240,069	249,324	245,883	248,886	248,928	247,860	251,793	25,470	277,263
As a %	0.2%	90.0%	86.6%	89.9%	88.7%	89.8%	89.8%	89.4%	90.8%	9.2%	100%
All NZ	5,979	1,512,414	1,481,133	1,513,830	1,481,430	1,514,472	1,515,042	1,503,675	1,529,901	134,412	1,664,313
As a %	0.3%	90.9%	89.0%	91.0%	89.0%	91.0%	91.0%	90.3%	91.9%	8.1%	100%

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Main types of heating used to heat dwellings+ (total responses) for occupied private dwellings

	No heating used	Heat pump	Electric heater	Fixed gas heater	Portable gas heater	Wood burner	Pellet fire	Coal burner	Other types	Total stated	Not elsewhere included	Total
Rural	4,560	87,303	82,986	13,230	15,495	175,674	1,938	6,921	10,425	252,255	25,008	277,263
As a %	1.6%	31.5%	29.9%	4.8%	5.6%	63.4%	0.7%	2.5%	3.8%	91.0%	9.0%	100%
All NZ	60,828	723,735	674,931	179,499	96,564	494,793	15,105	18,843	45,078	1,529,550	134,763	1,664,313
As a %	3.6%	43.5%	40.5%	10.8%	5.8%	29.7%	0.9%	1.1%	2.7%	91.9%	8.1%	100%

⁺ Dwellings using more than one main type of heating were counted in each stated category.

^{++ &#}x27;Total mould' consists of the categories: 'Mould over A4 size – always' and 'Mould over A4 size – sometimes'.

^{** &#}x27;Total damp' consists of the categories: 'Always damp' and 'Sometimes damp'.

^{**} Tap water that is safe to drink

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Tenure of household for households in occupied private dwellings

	Dwelling owned or partly owned	Dwelling held in a family trust	Total owned	Dwelling not owned and not held in a family trust	Total stated	Not elsewhere included	Total
Rural	150,714	51,432	202,146	71,628	273,747	3,516	277,263
As a %	54.3%	18.6%	72.9%	25.8%	98.7%	1.3%	100
All NZ	847,377	219,555	1,066,932	586,131	1,653,060	11,253	1,664,313
As a %	50.9%	13.2%	64.1%	35.2%	99.3%	0.7%	100

Sector of landlord, for households in rented occupied private dwellings

	Private person, trust, or business	Local authority or city council	Housing New Zealand Corporation	lwi, hapū, or Māori land trust	Other community housing provider	Other state owned corporation or state owned enterprise, or government department or ministry	Total stated	Not elsewhere included	Total
Rural	50,532	621	534	930	201	1,512	54,288	249	54,549
As a %	92.6%	1.1%	1.0%	1.7%	0.4%	2.8%	99.6%	0.4%	100
All NZ	440,025	11,190	63,105	1,674	6,393	4,668	527,058	798	527,853
As a %	83.4%	2.1%	12.0%	0.3%	1.2%	0.9%	99.8%	0.2%	100

Number of motor vehicles, for households in occupied private dwellings

	No motor vehicle	One motor vehicle	Two motor vehicles	Three motor vehicles	Four motor vehicles	Five or more motor vehicles	Total stated	Not elsewhere included	Total
Rural	4,935	58,707	112,554	43,650	17,868	10,416	248,214	29,049	277,263
As a %	1.8%	21.2%	40.6%	15.7%	6.4%	3.8%	89.5%	10.5%	100
All NZ	100,302	514,992	598,062	194,910	73,143	35,889	1,517,298	147,015	1,664,313
As a %	6.0%	30.9%	35.9%	11.7%	4.4%	2.1%	91.0%	9.0%	100

Weekly rent paid by household, for households in rented occupied private dwellings

	Under \$100	\$100 - \$149	\$150 - \$199	\$200 - \$299	\$300 - \$399	\$400 - \$499	\$500 - \$599	\$600 + over	Total stated	Not elsewhere	Total	Median (\$)
Rural	4,401	7,509	8,232	15,084	9,543	4,317	1,833	2,121	53,121	1,398	54,549	251
As a %	8.1%	13.8%	15.1%	27.6%	17.5%	7.9%	3.4%	3.8%	97.2%	2.8%	100	-
All NZ	33,966	46,638	35,031	92,199	114,576	92,091	54,183	53,151	521,838	6,015	527,853	340
As a %	6.4%	8.8%	6.6%	17.5%	21.7%	17.4%	10.3%	10.1%	98.8%	1.2%	100	-

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