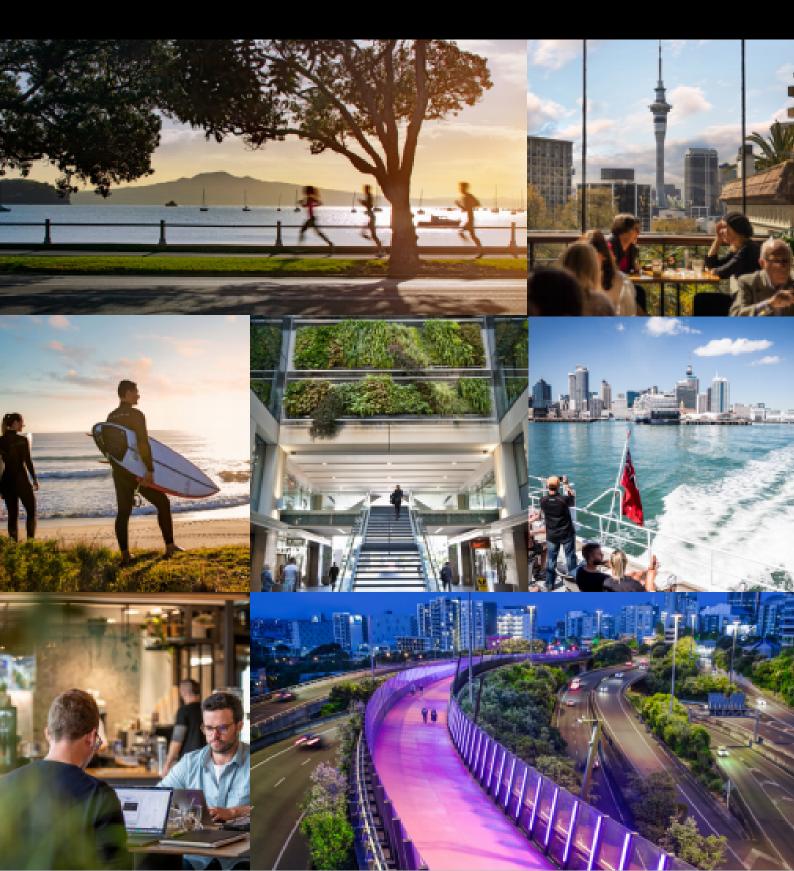
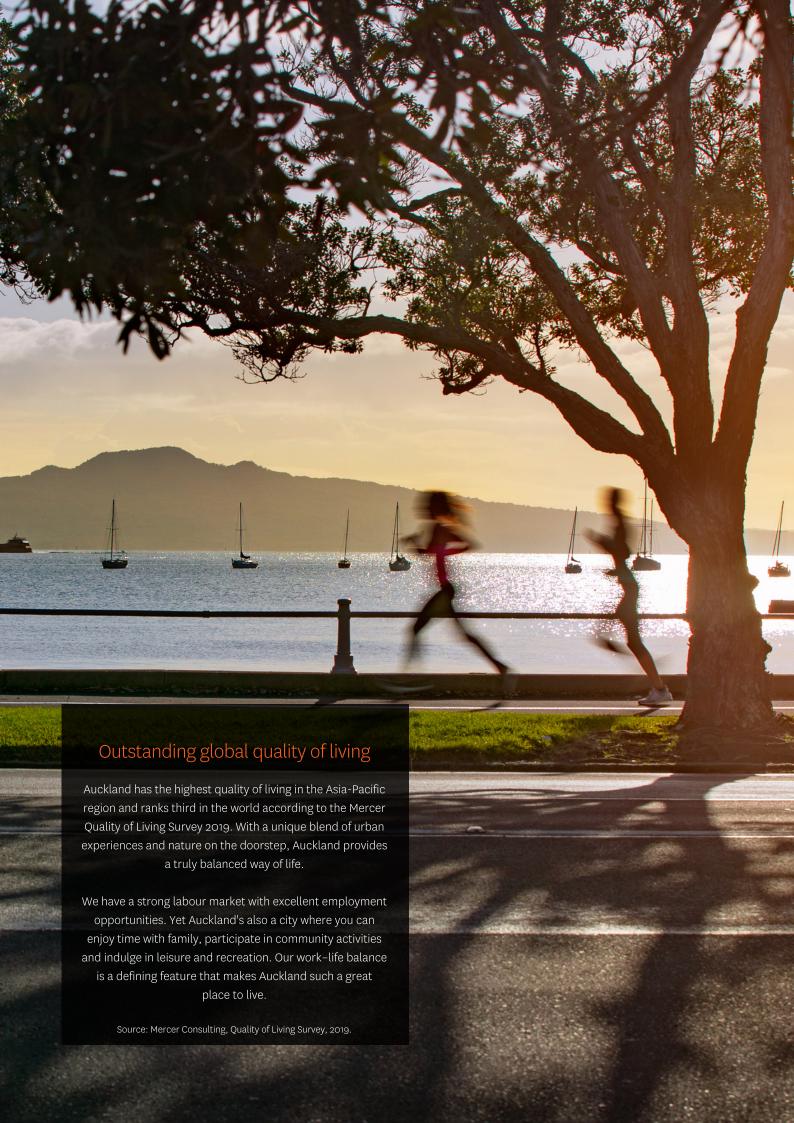
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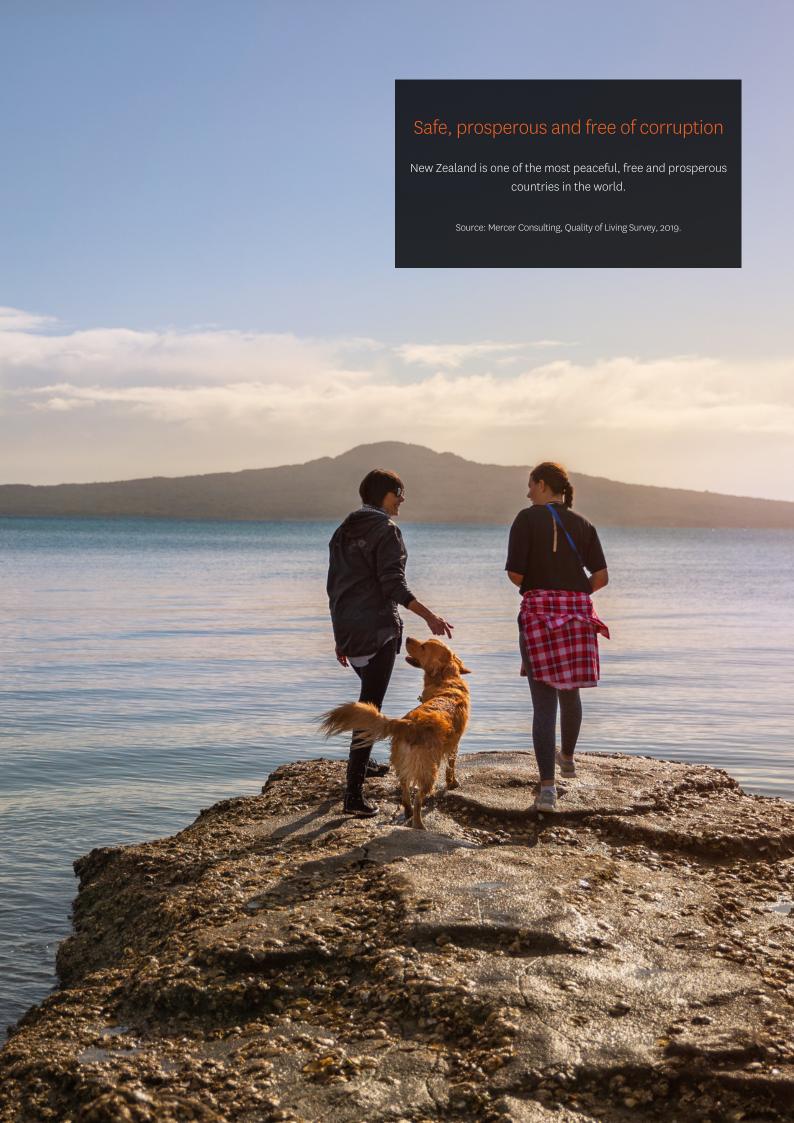
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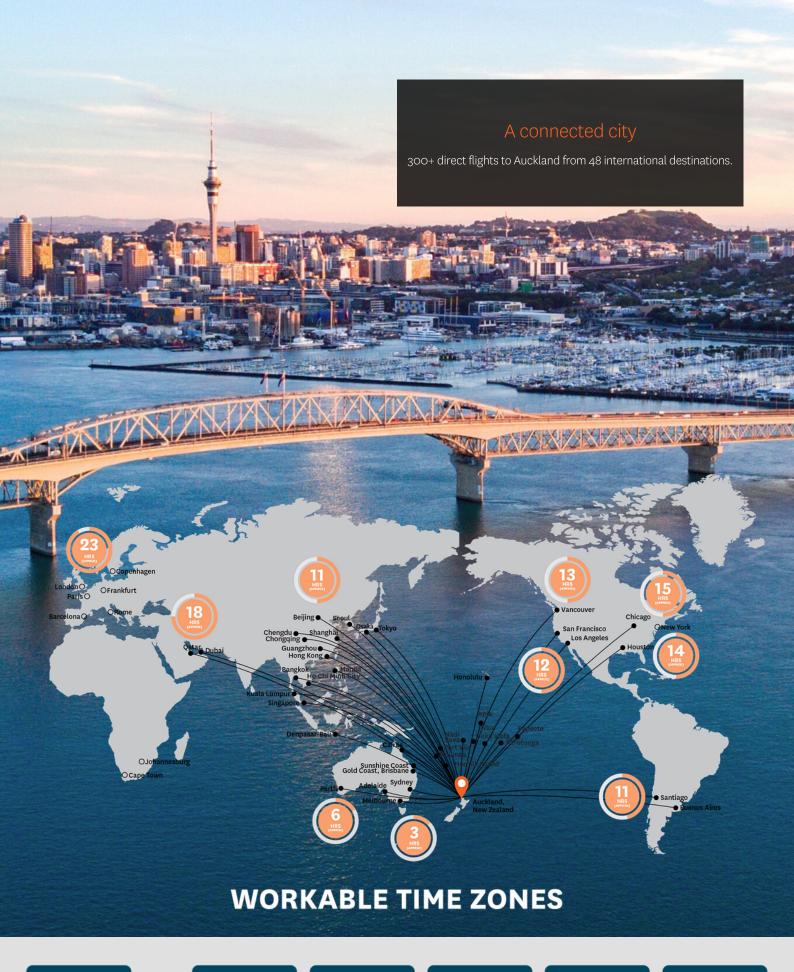












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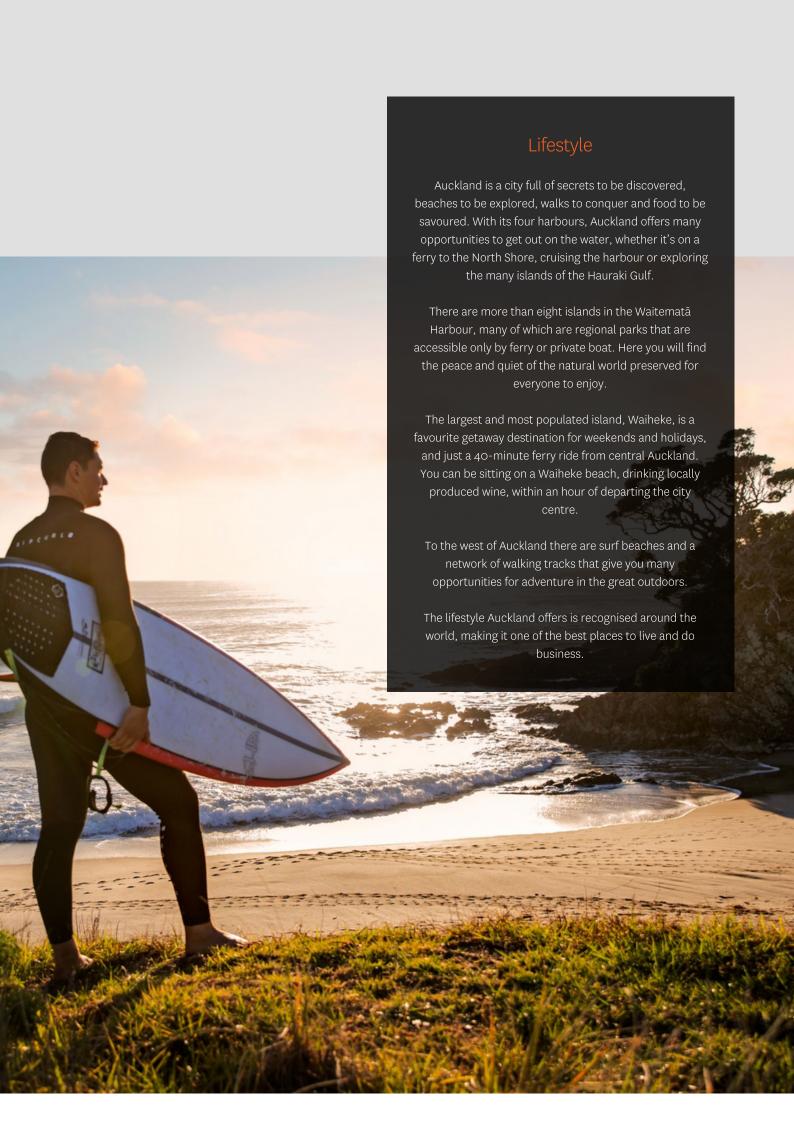


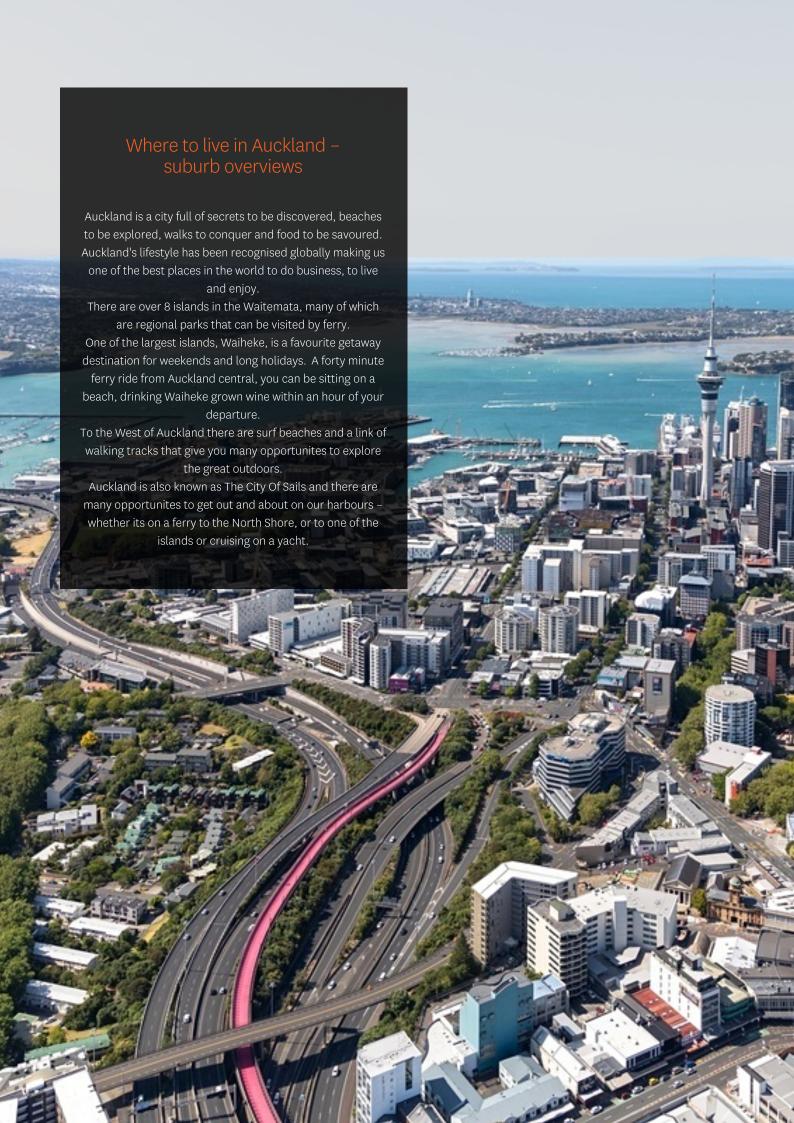
What makes Auckland special?

Manaakitanga

LOOKING AFTER YOU

Manaakitanga is the Māori concept of hospitality that guides all New Zealanders when welcoming guests. For the team at Invest Auckland, it is a fundamental part of our philosophy as we welcome you to Auckland. That means supporting you and your family as you make the transition, and ensuring that settling here is as simple and stress-free as it can be.





Overseas Investment Office information

Certain overseas people can apply for Overseas Investment Office (OIO) consent to buy one New Zealand home and live in it. You can find out more on the <u>Land Information New Zealand website.</u>

About the Overseas Investment Office

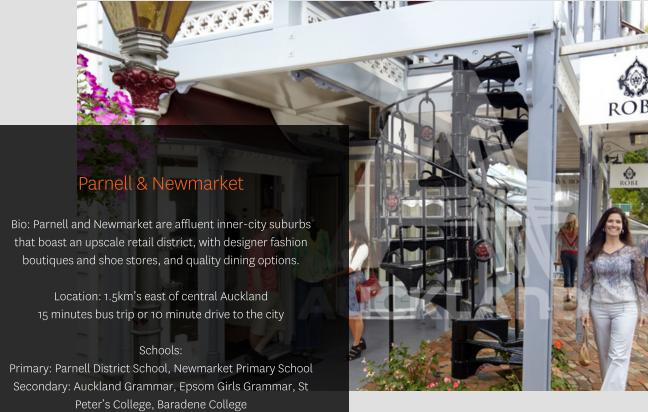
The Overseas Investment Office regulates access to New Zealand's land, residential properties and significant business assets by overseas investors, and makes decisions on overseas investment applications. It administers and applies the Overseas Investment Act. Its work contributes to more homes and jobs for New Zealanders, thriving companies and industries, protection of the places Kiwis treasure, and greater access to them.











Average house prices (3 bedroom): Rent: NZ\$860 per week - US\$591 per week Sale Price: NZ\$1.7 million - US\$1.17 milion

Find more information here:
Parnell and Newmarket



Ponsonby

Bio: Ponsonby is a vibrant and eclectic inner-city suburb with many boutique fashion stores, bars and restaurants.

Location: 2km's west of central Auckland 20 minutes bus trip or 15 minute drive to the city

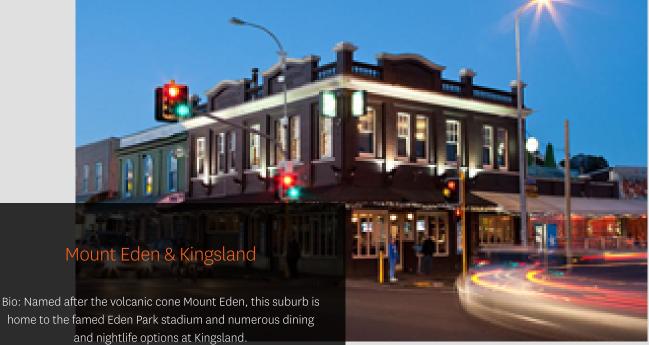
Schools:

Primary: Ponsonby Intermediate School Secondary: Western Springs College, Auckland Girl's Grammar, Saint Mary's College, St Paul's College

Average house prices (3 bedroom): Rent: NZ\$880 per week – US\$605 per week Sale Price: NZ\$1.8 million – US\$1.24 million

Find more information here: <u>Ponsonby</u>





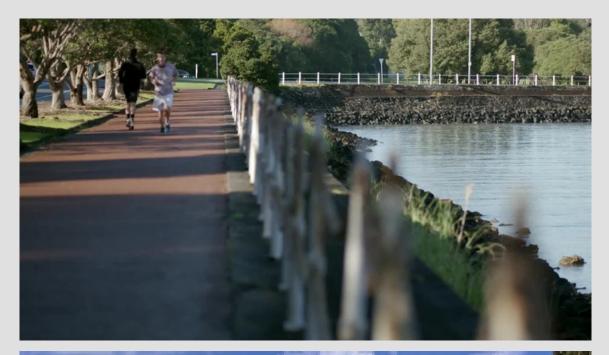
Location: 3km's south of central Auckland 20 minutes train trip or 10 minute drive to the city

Schools:

Primary: Mount Eden Primary School Secondary: Mount Albert Grammar, Marist College, St Peter's College

> Average house prices (3 bedroom): Rent: NZ\$740 per week – US\$509 per week Sale Price: NZ\$1.6 million – US\$1.1 million

Find more information here: Mount Eden and Kingsland





Bio: These two vibrant beachfront suburbs are lined with eateries and shops, served with beach and seaside views and a relaxed

30 minutes bus trip or 20 minute drive to the city

Primary: St Heliers School, Glendowie School, Churchill Park School, Kohimarama School

Secondary: Selwyn College, Glendowie College, Sacred Heart Boys College

> Average house prices (3 bedroom): Rent: NZ\$770 per week - US\$530 per week

Find more information here: <u>Mission-Bay-and-St-Heliers</u>







Schools:

Primary: Devonport Primary, Vauxhall School, Stanley Bay
Primary and St Leo's Primary
Secondary: Takapuna Grammar

Average house prices (3 bedroom): Rent: NZ\$750 per week – US\$560 per week Sale Price: NZ\$1.3 million – US\$890 thousand

Find more information here: <u>Devonport</u>





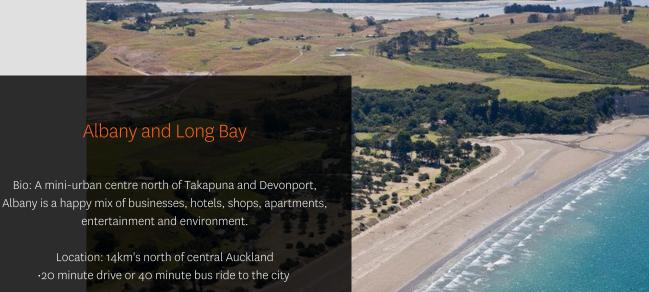
Schools:

Primary: Takapuna School, St Joseph's Catholic, Rosmini College, Carmel College, Milford School Secondary: Takapuna Grammar, Carmel College, Rosmini College

> Average house prices (3 bedroom): Rent: NZ\$680 per week – US\$536 per week Sale Price: NZ\$1.5 million – US\$1.09 million

> Find more information here: <u>Takapuna</u>





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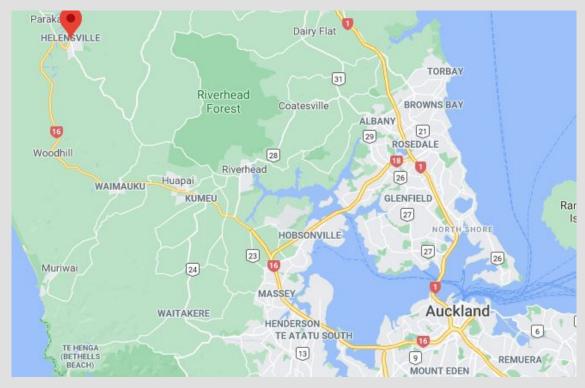
Primary: Pinehurst School, Kristin School, Albany School, Pinehill School

·Secondary: Pinehurst School, Rangitoto College, Kristin School

Average house prices (3 bedroom):
•Rent: NZ\$620 per week – US\$426 per week
•Sale Price: NZ\$805,000 –US\$ 554,000

Find more information here: <u>Albany and Long Bay</u>





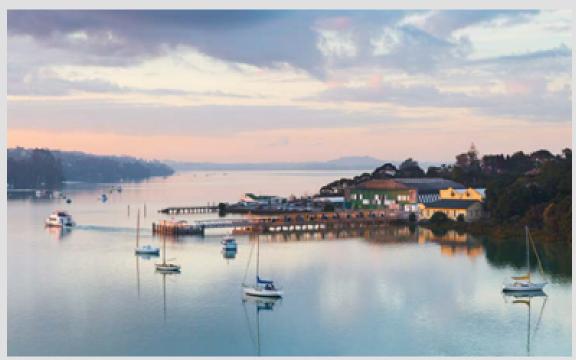


Schools:

Primary: Huapai District School, Riverhead School, Waimauku School

Secondary: Massey High School

Average house prices (3 bedroom): Rent: NZ\$490 per week – US\$337 per week Sale Price: NZ\$700,000 – US\$481,000





Schools:

Primary: Hobsonville School, Hobsonville Point Primary School Secondary: Hobsonville Point Secondary School, Massey High School

> Average house prices (3 bedroom): Rent: NZ\$650 per week - US\$447 per week Sale Price: NZ\$1.0 million - US \$690,000

Find more information here: Hobsonville Point

Real estate and relocation

Property websites

When searching for a place to live, here are some online resources that will help you find the ideal home in the best location. Our team will help you get settled in New Zealand once you arrive.

Homes.co.nz

This provides a detailed record of house sales available, with estimated property values. An interactive map helps you choose where to buy/rent

Trade Me Properties

The properties section of trade/auction website Trade
Me allows you to setup notifications for specific search
criteria.

Realestate.co.nz

This is the official website for the Real Estate Institute of New Zealand. It has an interactive map to show local amenities and you can set up notifications for specific search criteria.

Oneroof.co.nz

OneRoof lists properties for sale or rent (with helpful mortgage calculators), and provides information on local schools, crime stats, commute times, property values, market trends.



Selected real estate agencies

Agency	Phone	URL	email
Barfoot & Thompson	+64 (9) 307 6300	www.barfoot.co.nz	Find a branch
Bayleys	+64 (9) 309 6020	www.bayleys.co.nz	enquiries@bayleys.co.nz
City Sales	+ 64 (9) 3030 601	www.citysales.co.nz	sales@citysales.co.nz
First National	+64 (9) 557 0300	www.firstnational.co.nz	mail@firstnational.co.nz
Harcourts	Find a branch	https://harcourts.co.nz/	Find a branch
⊔ Hooker	0800 447 060 (NZ)	www.ljhooker.co.nz	Complete the form
Professionals	+64 (9) 329 5464	www.professionals.co.nz	sales@professionals.co.nz
Ray White	+64 (9) 377 5069	http://raywhite.co.nz/	corporate.nz@raywhite.com



Selected relocation companies

Moving your possessions can be one of the most stressful parts of relocating, and we will be here to ensure the process is as simple as possible.

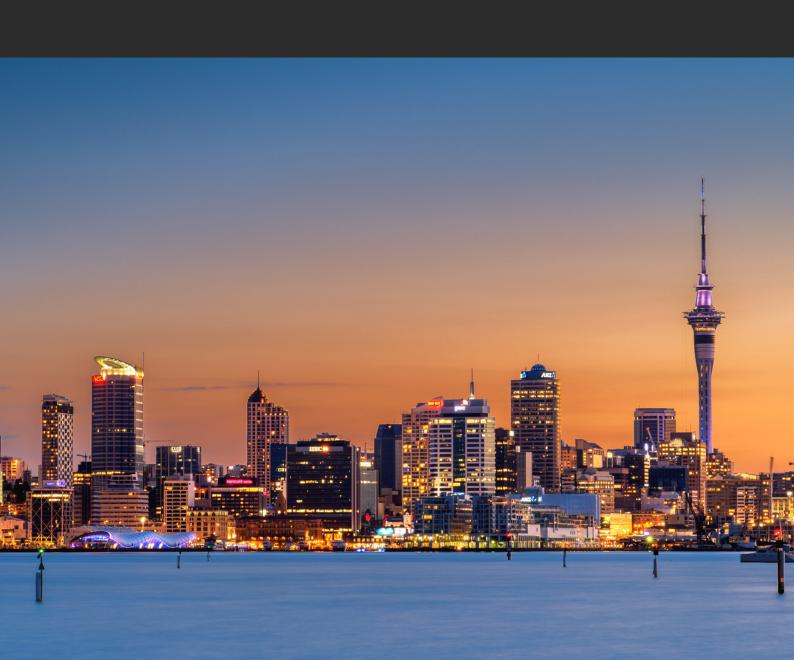
Most major real estate agencies offer moving services, and there are a number of dedicated relocation companies operating from the US and the UK to New Zealand, such as

World Moving

Crown Relocations

The Moving Company

<u>Conroy Removals</u>





Cultural life – festivals

Festivals are a huge part of Auckland's cultural life, ranging from celebrations of Pasifika to film, food and literature.

<u>Auckland Arts Festival</u> runs during March every year. It describes itself as a place of ambitious ideas by storytellers, provocateurs and creators, and is always well attended.

<u>The International Comedy Festival</u> runs through May each year, in venues throughout the city. The talent assembled is the cream of international comics and local acts.

<u>Auckland Writers Festival</u> is hugely popular and is held over a week in mid-May at the Aotea Centre. Every year it brings together a stunning programme of international and local writers.

The <u>International Film Festival</u> runs from July through to early August annually. This is a big event in the winter calendar for Aucklanders, showcasing a huge variety of new and classic films.

Elemental Festival is an annual event with a range of food and cultural and lighting displays. In 2021 its theme is storytelling, with a range of new works, crowd-pleasing spectacles, and interactive and immersive events.

<u>Diwali</u>, the annual Indian festival held in October, is enjoyed by Aucklanders of every background.

<u>Lantern Festival</u> marks the Chinese Lunar New Year in
January or February with a large celebration in Albert Park,
popular with young and old.

<u>Pasifika Festival</u> celebrates all the Pacific Island cultures over a weekend in March each year.



Cultural life – theatre

Theatre in Auckland is vibrant and diverse, ranging from international productions through to local theatre companies producing original work. The theatre precinct is based around Aotea Square and has four major venues.

<u>Q Theatre</u> is the home of independent theatre, dance and music.

Basement Theatre hosts fringe and developing companies.

<u>Auckland Live</u> hosts productions at the Aotea Centre and Civic Theatre.

Auckland has two main theatre companies:

<u>Auckland Theatre Company</u> is based at the ASB Waterfront Theatre, but also tours.

<u>Silo Theatre Company</u> is known for its programme of contemporary productions.



Cultural life – dance

Dance has a strong history in Auckland. The Royal New Zealand Ballet tour regularly, and there are several dance companies based in Auckland including Black Grace and the contemporary New Zealand Dance Company.

The <u>Royal New Zealand Ballet's</u> 2021 season includes productions of Giselle, Tutus on Tour, The Firebird with Paquita, and A Midsummer's Night's Dream.

<u>Black Grace's</u> 2021 season includes (m) Orpheus (with New Zealand Opera).

The New Zealand Dance Company has studios and classes that are available for all, including youth classes and open company classes.

<u>Atamira Dance Company</u> are unique in Māori contemporary dance theatre, and are touringTe Wheke in 2021.



Cultural life - opera

New Zealand Opera perform at the Aotea Centre and ASB Waterfront Theatre, as well as venues in Wellington and Christchurch. They offer an extensive range of community engagements, such as Opera in Schools. Their 2021 season includes (m)Orpheus and The Marriage of Figaro.

Opera Factory is the home of fringe opera in Auckland and the development ground for many of New Zealand's rising stars. They perform regularly throughout Auckland and often run or perform at gala events.

Cultural life - art

The art scene is alive and well in Auckland, with numerous public and dealer galleries around the city. Dealer galleries are clustered around Karangahape Road and hold regular showings.

Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tāmaki is in the central city and has a permanent collection of both New Zealand and international work, along with revolving exhibitions.

The Wallace Arts Trust is based at the beautiful Pah Homestead overlooking Auckland. Its collection is founded on James Wallace's personal collection of New Zealand contemporary art.

<u>Te Uru</u> is West Auckland's contemporary art centre, based at Titirangi in the beautiful Waitākere Ranges.

Auckland War Memorial Museum Tāmaki Paenga Hira is a cultural landmark and one of Auckland's most iconic buildings. It holds an impressive and important collection of artefacts and has excellent programmes for children. For families, it's a great place to visit during the holidays and weekends.



Cultural life – music

Auckland is a UNESCO City of Music, home to a wealth of homegrown talent, alongside such international stars as Lorde and Neil Finn.

Located near the waterfront and an easy walk from the central city, <u>Spark Arena</u> plays host to visiting bands and performances, while smaller venues around Queen Street and Karangahape

Road are home to a thriving local music scene.

The resident <u>Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra</u> has a fantastic subscription series held at the Auckland Town Hall, as well as many crossover events.

Café culture

Auckland is home to some of the best food experiences in the country – and for the locals, nothing beats a good weekend brunch.

Wherever you go in Auckland, you're sure to stumble across a handful of <u>popular</u> cafés ready to serve up a strong coffee and creamy Eggs Benedict. Check out Major Sprout in the CBD or pop over to Winona Forever in Parnell.

A little further out, there's Porch in St Heliers and Olaf's in Mount Eden. Over the bridge, dine al fresco at Takapuna Beach Café. Or leave the city limits for Black Cottage Café in Coatesville.

The beauty of Auckland's geographic location means there's always a sight to sip to, whether it's beachfront, rolling fields or cityscape.

Life in Auckland



Sporting life

Sport plays a huge part in Auckland life – the city is home to the America's Cup as well as world-beating men's and women's teams in rugby, netball and cricket. So it's a great place to either watch or participate.

For water sports, the City of Sails has it all. Whether it's swimming in the Ocean Swimming Series or sailing in the evening races with the Royal New Zealand Yacht Squadron, there are a multitude of ways to get out on the water.

If watching our national sport is more your thing, rugby is played regularly in winter from March to October at <u>Eden Park.</u>
Watching the world-beating All Blacks play there is truly one of the great sporting experiences.

Tennis is another key part of Auckland's social life. Many suburbs have local clubs offering family memberships. You can find a club at <u>Tennis Auckland</u> or check out the <u>ASB Classic</u> held over December/January every year.

Expat network



Should you need home country support at any stage, Auckland Unlimited has excellent relationships with the US Consulate General, UKDIT and UK Consul General in Auckland, as well as diplomatic corps from many other countries.

For cultural and business needs, there are many available networks for US and UK expats living in Auckland. Here are a few we can help you connect with:

American Chamber of Commerce
American Club Auckland
British New Zealand Business Association
British Expats discussion forum
Irish Business Network
as well as numerous other foreign
Chambers of Commerce

School system



A world-class education

The New Zealand school system is amongst the best in the world, and students' scores for literacy, maths and science are some of the highest. New Zealand qualifications are recognised and respected globally. The government has strong quality assurance systems and monitors all aspects of the education system, both public and private. All eight New Zealand universities are in the top three per cent in the world.

New Zealand's teaching style offers practical, hands-on learning, and students are taught to think critically. New Zealanders are friendly and respectful of other cultures, and education in New Zealand offers the opportunity to learn in English and improve work-relevant language skills.

Tertiary students are eligible to work while they study.

Read more on the Ministry of Education website

New Zealand schools

Most New Zealand children attend state (public) schools funded by the government. Attendance is free for citizens, residents, or children of parents who hold a work visa. Students who are not eligible to enrol as domestic students may be able to enrol as international students.

State-integrated schools (schools with a special character) may be run by a religious faith (e.g., Catholic) or use specialist education methods (e.g., Steiner or Montessori). They are funded by the government, but they also charge fees of around NZ\$1500 a year.

Private schools may be co-educational (co-ed) schools or single-sex schools for either boys or girls. Private schools are not government-funded and charge fees, typically around NZ\$20,000 a year.

New Zealand school system

There are 13 years in the New Zealand school system. All children aged six to 16 must attend school. Most children start school when they turn five.

Primary school covers years 1 to 8 (ages 5 to 12) if it is a 'full' primary school, or years 1 to 6 if it is a 'contributing' primary school. If a child enrolls in a contributing primary school, they will attend an intermediate school to complete years 7 and 8.

After finishing primary or intermediate school, children attend secondary school (also called 'college' or 'high school') to complete their final school years (years 9 to 13). They may leave secondary school before reaching year 13, but not until their sixteenth birthday.

School system



Choosing a school in New Zealand

Schools in New Zealand may cater to as few as 100 or as many as 2000 students. Public schools are grouped into 'zones'. Children are usually expected to attend school in the zone where their home is. You can find your school zone you live in <a href="https://example.com/here.com/he

Every school has a decile rating. This is a reflection of the socioeconomic community the school is located in, not a measure of the school's quality. Lower decile schools have more students living in poorer and less well-equipped communities.

The <u>Ministry of Education website</u> has more information about New Zealand schools, how to choose a school and how to enrol. The <u>school transport</u> section provides information on eligibility, bus routes, school bus safety, and travel assistance for students with special needs.

To find information about schools, use school records, the <u>Education Counts</u> website, or individual school websites. To visit the school you are interested in, make an appointment or ask when it will be holding its next open day.

Read more on the Ministry of Education website

International Baccalaureate (IB) Schools in Auckland

School	Туре	District
ACG New Zealand International College	Secondary (Yr 9-15), co-educational, private	City Centre
ACG Parnell College	Composite school (Yr 1-15), co- educational, private	Newmarket
Auckland Normal Intermediate	Intermediate (Yr 7-8), co-educational, state	Mount Eden
Auckland International College	Secondary (Yr 9-15), co-educational, private	Blockhouse Bay
Bucklands Beach Intermediate School	Intermediate (Yr 7-8), co-educational, state	Bucklands Beach
Diocesan School for Girls	Composite school (Yr 1-15), girls school, private	Epsom
Glendowie School	Full primary school (Yr 1-8), co- educational, state	Glendowie
Kristin School	Composite school (Yr 1-15), co- educational, private	Albany
Rangitoto College	Secondary (Yr 9-15), co-educational, state	Mairangi Bay
Saint Kentigern College	Secondary (Yr 7-15), co-educational, private	Pakuranga
Sherwood Primary	Primary (Yr 1-6), co-educational, state	Browns Bay
St Cuthbert's College	Composite school (Yr 1-15), girls school, private	Epsom
Takapuna Grammar School	Secondary (Yr 9-15), co-educational, state	Takapuna
Takapuna Normal Intermediate School	Intermediate (Yr 7-8), co-educational, state	Takapuna

School system



New Zealand early childhood education

Early childhood education (ECE) provides education and care for children before they are old enough to go to school. Most children in New Zealand get some form of ECE that is partly or fully funded by the government. Find more information here.

New Zealand has more than 5000 licensed ECE facilities. Government bodies set national curricula and control teacher quality.

For teacher-led services – kindergartens, education and care services, home-based services and <u>Te Kura</u> (correspondence school) playgroups – 50 per cent of the supervising adults must be qualified and registered as ECE teachers.

Parent-led services are those where parents/family or caregivers provide care. These may or may not be government-certified, and include <u>Playcentres, Puna kōhungahunga</u> (Māori-focused playgroups) and Pacific Island-focused playgroups.

Find more information here: https://www.newzealandnow.govt.nz/living-in-nz/education/childcare-preschool

https://www.education.govt.nz/early-childhood/running-a-service/different-services/

Choosing a pre-school in New Zealand

The <u>Education Review Office (ERO)</u> is the government body responsible for overseeing quality in early childhood centres as well as schools. Licensed and certified early learning services must meet minimum standards of education and care to operate.

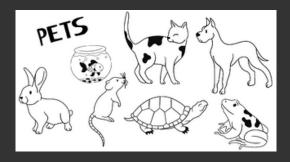
The government subsidises all children who attend early learning services for up to 30 hours per week until children go to school or turn six.

Children aged three, four and five enrolled in an early learning service can receive a higher funding subsidy called 20 Hours ECE. Parents need to check with the service provider about fees and enrolment conditions.

Read the early childhood education ERO guide for parents. Early childhood centre reports are regularly published and contain reviews of childhood education centres.

You can find an ECE centre for your child here.

Bringing pets into New Zealand



Many people have pets that they are unwilling to leave behind when they move. Cats and dogs may be brought into New Zealand if they meet specific health standards, which will depend on the country your pet is coming from. (For biosecurity reasons, there are very strict bans on importing certain animals into New Zealand.)

Countries like the US and UK are recognised as Category 3 countries, i.e., where rabies is absent or well controlled. Importing cats and dogs into New Zealand from Category 3 countries requires:

- A permit to import
- •Post-arrival quarantine (minimum 10 days)
- Post-arrival inspection

The New Zealand Ministry of Primary Industries provides an in-depth, step-bystep guide on how to import cats and dogs into the country. For general information on bringing pets into New Zealand, visit here. Auckland Unlimited can also provide some more in-depth information

Working visas overview

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For those who can contribute to New Zealand's economy and society, a range of visas is available to help them visit, work, study, live, or invest here. The types of visa required will depend on a number of factors, such as particular skills, job description, length of contract, etc.

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New Zealand Now – your online guide to living & working in New Zealand.

New Zealand Now is a government website packed with useful, reliable information to help you get settled. Some of the topics covered include:

- · Moving to New Zealand legal requirements, visas, etc.
- · Living in New Zealand tips for settling in, money and tax, etc.
- · Working in New Zealand the job market, employment rights, etc.
- · Studying in New Zealand where, what and how
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$ Investing in New Zealand business environment and investment options
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$ Help and support

Further information -Money and tax



Money and tax

New Zealand has the least cash circulating per person of any OECD country. Using a card is the most common way to pay, even for small purchases. Contactless and mobile payment systems are becoming more and more common. Visit the New Zealand Immigration website for more details.

It is a good idea to set up a New Zealand bank account before you arrive. Wages and salaries are usually paid directly into your account, and you can transfer money into it, but you cannot use it until you have verified your identity. Check how easy that will be when you choose a bank.

If you are working here for a New Zealand-based company, you may need to apply for an NZ tax (IRD) number. This should be advised on a case-by-case basis. We can provide you with contacts to accountants who can assist you with this.

You can apply for your IRD number <u>here</u>.

Further information -Healthcare



Healthcare

Healthcare in Auckland is first-rate and it's free or low cost for citizens, residents and some work visa holders. Non-residents can also use healthcare services at a cost, but should get medical insurance from their home country.

If you have children aged 17 years or under they may also be eligible for publicly funded healthcare. You can check <u>here</u> whether you qualify for free or subsidised healthcare with the Ministry of Health.

For private healthcare, non-residents should get medical insurance from their home country. Most costs of injuries from accidents are covered through New Zealand's no-fault Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC) scheme.

<u>Your Local Doctor</u> encourages registrations among migrant communities in Auckland, and is a useful source of information.

Need to know more?



Further information on moving to Auckland and New Zealand is available through the <u>New Zealand Now</u> website. You can read their <u>Before you leave</u> section and the <u>When you arrive</u> section for checklists and reminders. The government's <u>New Zealand Ready</u> website is also full of essential information.

We're here to help

Our consultants are ready to assist with independent, free advice. Get personalised insights about moving to Auckland, with no question too big or too small.

Contact Invest Auckland.