

DEMOGRAPHICS (2006 CENSUS)

Data sourced from Statistics New Zealand Census of Population and Dwellings.

Population

At the 2006 Census, Waitakere City was New Zealand's fifth largest city with a usually resident population of 186,444. This places it between North Shore City (population 205,608) and Wellington City (179,466) in terms of population size.

The following table show the changes in population that have occurred from 1996-2006 for Waitakere City, together with the six other Auckland Region local authorities (sorted by decreasing size), and the Auckland Region and New Zealand as a whole.

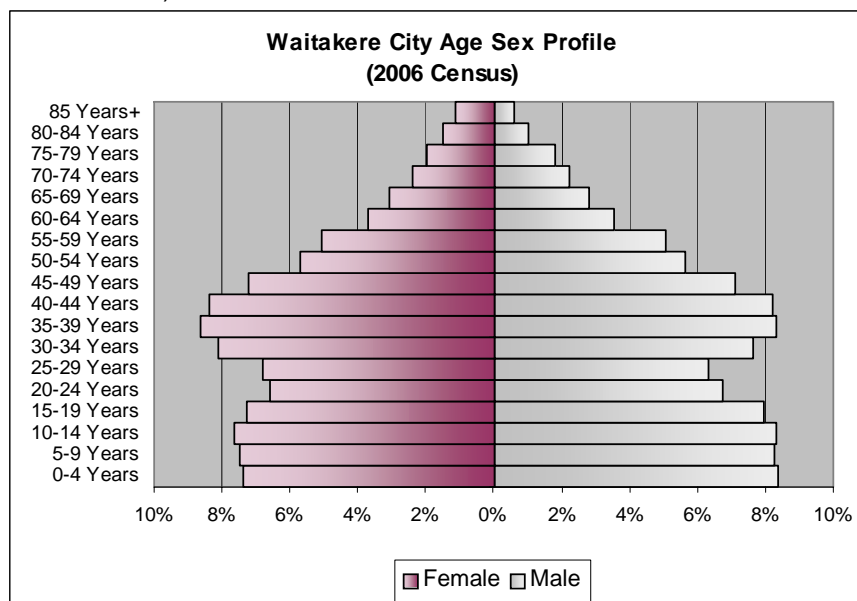
City/Region	1996 Census Usually Resident Population	2001 Census Usually Resident Population	2006 Census Usually Resident Population	Percent Change, 1996 to 2006
Auckland City	345,768	367,734	404,658	17%
Manukau City	254,280	283,197	328,968	29%
North Shore City	172,164	184,821	205,608	19%
Waitakere City	155,565	168,750	186,444	20%
Rodney District	66,483	76,185	89,559	35%
Franklin District	47,826	51,669	58,932	23%
Papakura District	39,690	40,665	45,183	14%
Auckland Region	1,068,645	1,158,891	1,303,068	22%
New Zealand	3,618,300	3,737,280	4,027,947	11%

Households

The number of households in Waitakere City at the 2006 Census was 61,836. The average number of people per household was 3.02.

Age Sex Profile

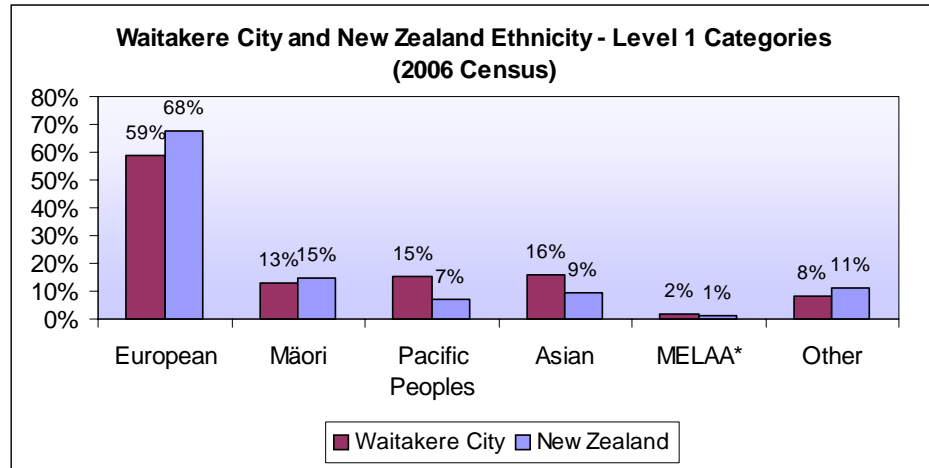
The median age for Waitakere City residents at the 2006 Census was 33 years, up from 31 years in 1996. Just under a quarter (24%) of the population is aged less than 15 yrs, and 9% is aged 65 or over. In the 0-4 yr age group, males outnumbered females 7578 to 7077 but in the 85+ range there are almost two females for every male (1071 females to 555 males).



Ethnicity

Residents from over 150 ethnic groups make Waitakere City their home. The chart at right shows simplified groupings (the Level 1 classification) for Waitakere compared with New Zealand as a whole.

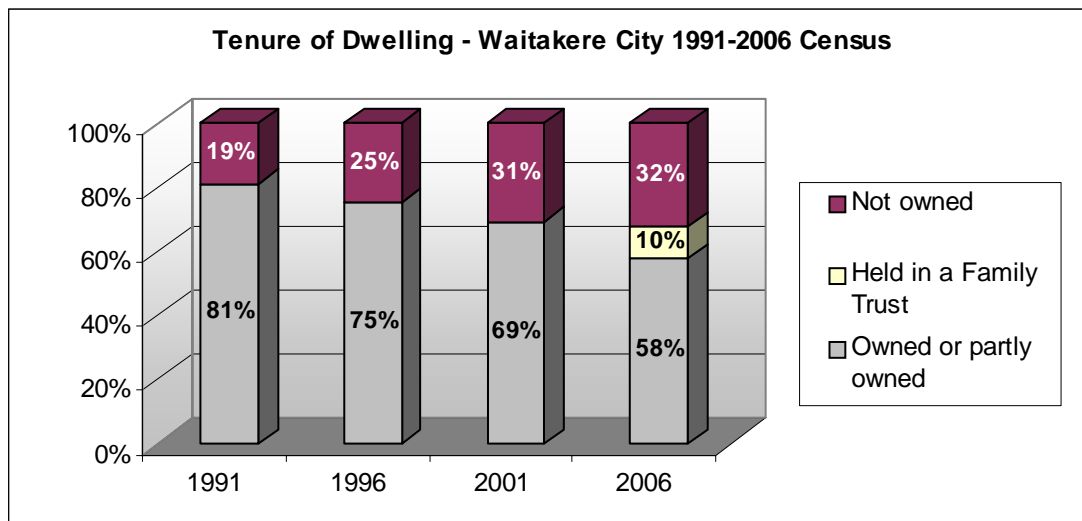
A large proportion of the "Other" ethnic group category is comprised of "New Zealander" responses.



Note: Percentage totals may add to greater than 100 per cent due to individuals identifying with more than one group.
*MELAA = Middle Eastern, Latin American and African

Tenure of Dwelling

Over the last 15 years, the percentage of households that own or partly own the home they live in has declined considerably, in line with national trends. Note that prior to 2006, dwellings held in a family trust were considered "not owned". The average rent paid Waitakere City at the 2006 Census was \$254 per week.



Income (those aged 15+)



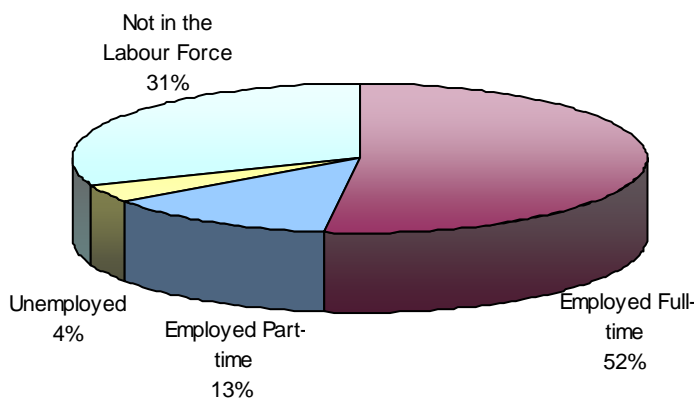
- The median personal income for Waitakere City residents aged 15 and over at the 2006 Census was \$26,100.
- The median family income is \$61,100.
- The median household income is \$58,500.

Largest Industry Sectors

The following are the top five industry sectors, by number of employees, located in Waitakere City as at the 2006 Census.

- Manufacturing (18%)
- Retail (14%)
- Education and Training (11%)
- Health Care and Social Assistance (9%)
- Construction (7%)

Labour Force Status (those aged 15+)



Highest Qualification (those aged 15+)

Forty-three percent of Waitakere City residents fifteen and over have a Level 1-4 Certificate as their highest qualification. Fifteen percent have a Level 7 or higher qualification, and 24% have no formal qualifications.

Just under one in ten (9%) of those 15 and over had received their highest educational qualification from an overseas secondary school.

Occupation and Industry (those aged 15+)

The most common occupations of Waitakere City residents are Professionals (19%), followed by Technicians and Trades Workers (16%), Managers (15%) and Clerical and Administrative Workers (15%).

Occupation of Waitakere City Residents (2006 Census)

