

NEW ZEALAND Key Facts



Education at a Glance: OECD Indicators 2012

Indicator	New Zealand	OECD average	New Zealand rank*
Educational Access and Output			
Enrolment rates			
3-year-olds (in early childhood education)	86%	66%	11 of 36 countries
4-year-olds (in early childhood and primary education)	95%	81%	14 of 38 countries
5-14 year-olds (all levels)	101%	96%	8 of 39 countries
Percentage of population that has attained pre-primary or primary levels of education only			
25-64 year-olds	m	m	m
Percentage of population that has attained at least upper secondary education			
25-64 year-olds	73%	74%	23 of 40 countries
25-34 year-olds	79%	82%	27 of 36 countries
55-64 year-olds	62%	62%	20 of 36 countries
Percentage of population that has attained tertiary education			
25-64 year-olds	41%	31%	6 of 41 countries
25-34 year-olds	46%	38%	7 of 37 countries
55-64 year-olds	34%	23%	5 of 37 countries
Entry rates into tertiary education			
Vocational programmes (Tertiary-type B)	48%	17%	2 of 33 countries
University programmes (Tertiary-type A)	80%	62%	5 of 36 countries
Graduation rates			
Percentage of today's young people expected to complete upper secondary education in their lifetime	m	84%	m
Percentage of today's young people expected to complete university education (tertiary-type A) in their lifetime	47%	39%	8 of 28 countries
Economic and Labour Market Outcomes			
Unemployment rate of 25-64 year-olds			
Below upper secondary	6.1%	12.5%	27 of 33 countries
Upper secondary and post-secondary non-tertiary	4.5%	7.6%	28 of 34 countries
Tertiary	3.8%	4.7%	23 of 34 countries
Average earnings premium for 25-64 year-olds with tertiary education (compared to people with upper secondary education; upper secondary = 100)			
Men and women	124	155	32 of 32 countries
Men	130	160	32 of 32 countries
Women	135	157	30 of 32 countries
Average earnings penalty for 25-64 year-olds who have not attained upper secondary education (compared to people with upper secondary education; upper secondary = 100)			
Men and women	79	77	14 of 32 countries
Men	81	78	11 of 32 countries
Women	85	74	4 of 32 countries

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Percentage of people not in employment, education or training			
15-29 year-olds (2005 data)	12.6%	15.0%	18 of 32 countries
15-29 year-olds (2010 data)	16.3%	15.8%	13 of 32 countries
Financial Investment in Education			
Annual expenditure per student (in equivalent USD, using PPPs)			
Pre-primary education	11 202	6 670	2 of 34 countries
Primary education	6 812	7 719	19 of 35 countries
Secondary education	7 960	9 312	24 of 37 countries
Tertiary education	10 619	13 728	21 of 37 countries
Total public and private expenditure on education			
As a percentage of GDP	7.4%	6.2%	4 of 37 countries
Total public expenditure on education			
As a percentage of total public expenditure	21.2%	13.0%	1 of 32 countries
Share of private expenditure on educational institutions			
Primary, secondary and post-secondary non-tertiary education	12.8%	8.8%	8 of 32 countries
Tertiary education	32.1%	30%	10 of 31 countries
All levels of education	17.4%	16%	10 of 30 countries
Schools and Teachers			
Ratio of students to teaching staff			
Pre-primary education	7.1	14.4	29 of 32 countries
Primary education	16.2	15.8	18 of 36 countries
Secondary education	15.3	13.8	13 of 38 countries
Number of hours of compulsory instruction time per year			
7-8 year-olds	m	774 hours	m
9-11 year-olds	m	821 hours	m
12-14 year-olds	m	899 hours	m
Number of hours of teaching time per year (for teachers in public institutions)			
Primary education	930	782 hours	3 of 35 countries
Lower secondary education	845	704 hours	5 of 34 countries
Upper secondary education	760	658 hours	8 of 35 countries
Ratio of teachers' salaries to earnings for full-time, full-year adult workers with tertiary education			
Primary school teachers	0.98	0.82	7 of 27 countries
Lower secondary school teachers	1.01	0.85	7 of 27 countries
Upper secondary school teachers	1.03	0.90	9 of 27 countries

* Countries are ranked in descending order of values.

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