

Outcome

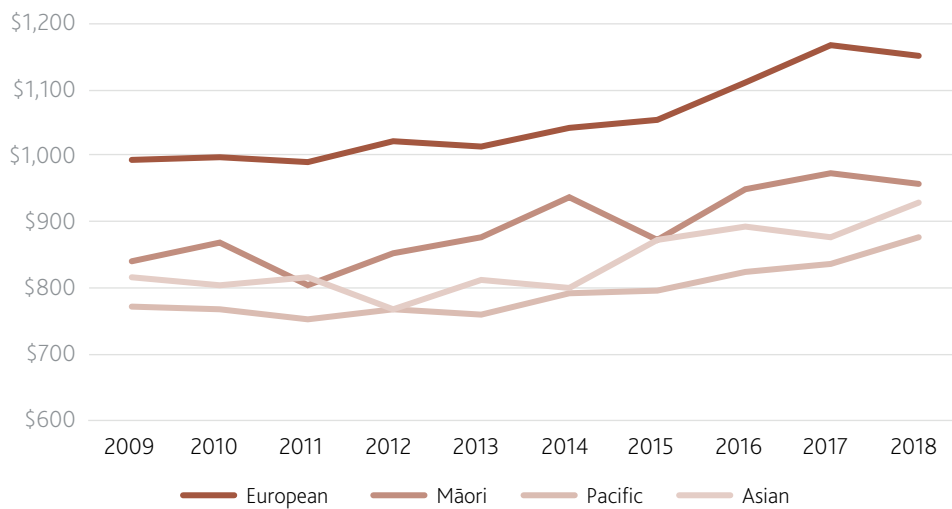


Opportunity and Prosperity

Measure 2

Aucklanders' average wages

Median weekly earnings of employed people by ethnicity (\$)



Data

Earnings of people in paid employment by region, age, sex and ethnic group - median and average, hourly and weekly; inflation-adjusted.

Source

Statistics New Zealand, Labour market statistics (incomes) (formerly NZ Income Survey, now from June quarter of Household Labour Force Survey) and Consumer Price Index.

Frequency

Annual, (Ethnicity, only from 2009).

Availability

Published at <http://nzdotstat.stats.govt.nz/wbos/index.aspx> - Incomes - Income tables.

Note

All data is subject to survey error margins. Coverage is people over 15 years old who work for wages or salaries or are self-employed. Earnings now comprise income from wages and salaries, self-employment, and government transfers, but no longer including private transfers or investment income. Variations in weekly earnings arise from variation in both hourly earnings and hours worked. Weekly earnings comprise full- and part-timers, but median hourly rates typically equate to 37 - 40 hours/week. Ethnic group sums may exceed totals due to respondents selecting multiple ethnic groups.

Relevance

Employment earnings are the main source of income for most people and their households, and the main way that improved prosperity benefits the general population. They also generate taxes that help fund government services and transfers to other households.

Baseline (2018)

In 2018 the mean weekly earnings for Aucklanders who identify as European were \$1,150 (NZD), \$959 (NZD) for Māori, \$878 (NZD) for Pacific, and \$928 (NZD) for Asian (Aucklanders average wages \$1,036).

Analysis

Between 2009 and 2018 there was a general increase in median weekly earnings for all ethnic groups in Auckland. This increase was largest for the European ethnic group.

(▲) Trend

From 2009 to 2018 increasing positive trend.