

Table One: Number of clients receiving the Jobseeker Support Work Ready and Jobseeker Support – Health Condition or Disability for the period 1 January 2024 to 30 September by quarter, broken down by continuous duration, gender, age, ethnicity and region.

Recipient Characteristic		March 2024		June 2024		September 2024	
		Jobseeker Support - Health Condition and Disability	Jobseeker Support - Work Ready	Jobseeker Support - Health Condition and Disability	Jobseeker Support - Work Ready	Jobseeker Support - Health Condition and Disability	Jobseeker Support - Work Ready
Continuous Duration	One year or less	23,004	55,098	23,727	58,614	25,527	60,126
	More than one year	56,691	53,196	58,779	55,320	62,331	56,775
Gender	Gender Diverse	786	741	852	783	942	753
	Female	38,292	41,421	39,597	42,822	41,697	42,999
	Male	40,617	66,132	42,057	70,329	45,222	73,152
Age Group	18-24 years	10,278	29,280	10,719	31,422	11,634	32,652
	25-39 years	21,546	38,037	22,512	39,615	24,483	40,476
	40-54 years	24,369	26,007	25,047	27,207	26,331	27,690
	55-64 years	23,505	14,967	24,228	15,684	25,410	16,089
Ethnicity	European	43,854	42,915	45,342	44,829	48,033	45,447
	Māori	24,852	46,533	25,728	48,462	27,684	49,386
	Pacific Peoples	8,070	15,159	8,358	16,038	8,946	16,791
	Asian	5,139	5,829	5,367	6,243	5,703	6,396
	Middle Eastern/Latin American/African	1,650	2,007	1,704	2,046	1,761	2,058
	Other ethnicity	2,931	4,350	3,054	4,707	3,297	4,905
	Ethnicity not specified	3,768	6,825	3,999	7,554	4,347	8,106
MSD Region	Northland	5,022	6,291	5,190	6,606	5,568	6,663
	Auckland Metro	30,015	37,728	30,840	39,894	32,601	40,839
	Waikato	7,371	9,300	7,479	9,576	8,028	9,627
	Taranaki	2,817	5,646	3,036	5,814	3,291	5,850
	Bay of Plenty	6,999	11,460	7,317	11,808	7,758	12,153
	East Coast	2,961	5,340	3,135	5,715	3,396	6,243

Central	3,684	4,656	3,912	4,896	4,293	5,034
Wellington	5,667	10,662	5,865	10,869	6,258	11,106
Nelson	3,132	2,679	3,300	3,024	3,519	3,153
Canterbury	8,070	9,168	8,274	9,840	8,724	9,903
Southern	3,888	5,154	4,092	5,742	4,368	6,204
Other	63	210	63	144	57	132
Total Recipients	79,695	108,294	82,506	113,931	87,861	116,904

Notes:

- Working Age is 18-64 years.
- From 2 December 2019, The Ministry of Social Development has three options to record a client's or child's gender: Male, Female or Gender Diverse.
- Continuous duration is how long the current recipients of a benefit (or benefit group) have been continuously receiving a benefit in the wider benefit system, including time on all benefits except Unsupported Child's Benefit, Orphan's Benefit, New Zealand Superannuation, Veteran's Pension and non-beneficiary assistance.
- MSD Region is based on the service centre responsible for managing the client.
- The region 'Other' represents those service centres that do not represent a geographic location such as call centres and processing units.
- Ethnicity data is self-identified and multiple ethnicities may be chosen by an individual as fits their preference or self-concept.
- Total response ethnicity means that if a person identifies with more than one ethnic group, they are counted in each applicable group.
- Because a client can choose more than one ethnic response, the total number of ethnic responses will be greater than the number of clients.
- To protect confidentiality the Ministry of Social Development uses processes to make it difficult to identify an individual person or entity from published data.
- These data tables have had random rounding to base three applied to all cell counts in the table.
- Random rounding does not round to zero. A value of one or two will be rounded to three.
- The impact of applying random rounding is that columns and rows may not add exactly to the given column or row totals.
- The published counts will never differ by more than two counts.