

WPQ 62440 (2024) Table One: The number of Benefit Review Committee hearings held, by financial year and outcome

Financial year	Number of BRC hearings held	Overtured by BRC (proportional percentage)	Upheld by a BRC (proportional percentage)
2021/22	1,085	105 (10%)	916 (84%)
2022/23	997	83 (8%)	870 (87%)
2022/24	1,484	147 (10%)	1,249 (84%)

Notes:

- The data in the table represents cases resolved in each financial year from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2024.

WPQ 62440 (2024) Table Two: Average and median time, in working days, for Review of Decisions heard by a Benefits Review Committee (BRC), and top ten percentile

Financial year	Number of BRC hearings held	Average time to resolve (working days)	Median time to resolve (working days)	Top 10 percentile (working days)
2021/22	1,085	203	151	22.6
2022/23	997	240	183	29.6
2022/24	1,484	254	167	37.5

Notes:

- The data in the table represents cases resolved in each financial year from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2024.
- The data includes cases that were put on hold due to court proceedings and were subsequently progressed and resolved, within the specified period.
- These are average processing times, by working day, during each financial year.

WPQ 62440 (2024) Table Three: A breakdown of decisions upheld by a Benefits Review Committee, by financial year and assistance type

Assistance reviewed	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Accommodation Supplement	44	53	53
Advance Payments	157	139	215
Care Supplement	0		
Child Disability Allowance	9	5	4
Childcare Subsidy	42	31	28
Community Services Card	5	6	10
Covid-19 Bubble Stranded Overseas > 26 weeks	13	12	4
COVID-19 Emergency Benefit	1		
COVID-19 Income Relief Payment Programme	15	0	
COVID-19 New Zealanders Stranded Overseas Support Programme	10	0	
Covid-19 Stranded Overseas > 26 weeks	36	25	15
Disability Allowance	43	30	36
DPB Sole Parent	8	7	4
Emergency Benefit	15	7	7
Emergency Maintenance Allowance		0	
Employment and Work Readiness Assistance Programme	6	15	14
EW RAP - additional costs - employment study employment relate		0	0
EW RAP - education and employment-related training	0		0
EW RAP - extra / specialist assistance people with sickness	0		
EW RAP - job search assistance employment placement in-work s	3	0	10
EW RAP - self-employment	4	0	0
EW RAP - transition into employment	0	4	20
EW RAP - wage subsidies	0		
EW RAP - work confidence and motivation assistance			0
Funeral Grant	20	16	19
Homehelp		3	
Housing	37	38	71
Housing - Support Products	5	5	14
Invalids Benefit	0		
Jobseeker Support Deferred	13	22	22
Jobseeker Support Full Time Work Obligations	50	85	69
Jobseeker Support Part Time Work Obligations	4	5	3
Jobseeker Support Student Hardship	0	0	0
Living Alone Payment	4	5	0
New Employment Transition Grant			0
New Zealand Super	136	120	267
Non-Beneficiary	6		7
Oscar Subsidy	8	5	11
Other	14	9	22
Recoverable Assistance Payment	14	18	14
Residential Care Subsidy	6	11	13
Residential Support Services			0
Seasonal Work Assistance	0		

Sickness Benefit	0	0	
Sole Parent Support	28	9	22
Sole Parent Support Part Time Work Obligations	3	0	5
Sole Parent Support Work Preparation	0	0	0
Special Benefit	0		0
Special Needs Grant	57	52	116
Supported Living Payment	24	38	38
Supported Living Payment Caring For	6	5	5
Temporary Additional Support	26	32	36
Training Incentive Allowance	4	10	11
Transition to work payment	4	6	3
Unemployment Benefit			0
Unsupported Childs Benefit	11	16	11
Veterans Pension	0		3
Winter Energy Payment	4	0	7
Work Start Grant	0	0	9
Young Parent Payment	0		
Youth Payment	4	6	12
Total	916	870	1,249

Notes:

- Any values under three are rounded to zero.
- The impact of applying random rounding is that columns may not add exactly to the given column totals.
- EWRAP refers to the Employment and Work Readiness Assistance Programme.