

WPQ 49130 (2025): Number of contractors employed from 30 September 2024 to 30 September 2025

Ministry of Education

As at date	Number of contractors
30 September 2024	392
31 December 2024	334
31 March 2025	275
30 June 2025	355
30 September 2025	364*

*One contractor was a former employee who lost their role or had resigned after 1 October 2024.

Please note, approximately 90 records were removed from the Ministry's 'contractor' category following application of revised definitions of external service types after the introduction of a new contractor management system in November 2024.

Education New Zealand (ENZ)

As at date	Number of contractors		
	ENZ	Manaaki	Total
30 September 2024	4	3	7
31 March 2025	3	4	7
30 June 2025	4	5	9
30 September 2025	5*	8*	13*
31 December 2024	2	3	5

*No former employees

Please note:

- Contractors working on the Manaaki New Zealand Scholarship Programme (MNZSP) have been separated from the number of ENZ contractors. While MNZSP is run by ENZ, it is funded by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade.
- The MNZSP contractor numbers have increased as of 1 October 2025, due to engaging contractors with the specialist skills required for the roll out of the Future State technology solution.

New Zealand Qualification Authority (NZQA)

As at date	Number of contractors
30 September 2024	38
31 December 2024	35
31 March 2025	36
30 June 2025	37
30 Sept 2025	31*

*No former employees

Please note:

- Engagements costing less than \$5,000 have been excluded.
- Engagements costing more than \$50,000 must be made with approved suppliers listed under the All-of-Government Talent Acquisition Services contract, administered by the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, or under the Department of Internal Affairs.

Education review office (ERO)

As at date	Number of contractors
30 September 2024	2
31 December 2024	2
31 March 2025	5
30 June 2025	4
30 September 2025	3*

* No former employees