

WPQ 54706 tables**Table 1: Number of clients granted an Advance Payment of Benefit and number of Advance Payments of Benefit granted from 1 July 2025 to 31 October 2025 by quarter and need type.**

Need type	September 2025		December 2025 (up to 31 October 2025)	
	Number of clients	Number of grants	Number of clients	Number of grants
Ambulance Subscription Fee	33	33	9	9
Appliances	5,364	5,949	1,524	1,605
Attendance at funeral or tangihanga	2,430	2,619	756	795
Bedding Advance	5,946	6,216	1,602	1,644
Bedding SNG	0	0	S	S
Beds	8,403	9,111	2,739	2,895
Burglary Loss	24	27	6	9
Car Repairs	10,689	12,468	3,597	3,987
Chairs	168	174	54	54
Child Car Seat - Purchase	783	810	258	264
Child Car Seat - attachment to fit car seat	9	9	S	S
Clothing	13,512	14,649	4,146	4,395
Contact Lenses	S	S	S	S
Cycle Helmet	S	S	S	S
Dental Treatment Advance	9,927	10,560	3,279	3,369
Dental Treatment SNG	S	S	0	0
Dentures	3,561	3,756	1,188	1,212
Electricity Assistance	9,015	9,573	2,886	2,928
Essential Home Repairs	429	477	159	174
Fire Loss	21	30	S	6
Fridge/Freezer	4,320	4,431	1,575	1,662
Furniture	4,032	4,581	1,257	1,386
Gas Assistance	345	363	108	111
Glasses	8,058	9,111	2,592	2,829
Hearing Aids	954	999	309	318
Other Emergency Payment	24,585	29,865	8,709	9,846
Safety Footwear	6	6	S	S
School Fees - Exam	S	S	0	0
School Fees - Other	81	84	33	39
School Stationery	420	459	102	108
School Uniforms	2,271	2,625	768	864
Stranded Travel - Petrol	2,118	2,361	747	801
Stranded travel - Other	288	327	102	108
Tables	249	255	78	81
Telephone Installation	15	15	S	S
Tenancy Tribunal fees	0	0	S	S

Washing Machine	4,956	5,070	1,605	1,677
Water Assistance	534	552	183	183
Total	84,159	137,571	31,596	43,371

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Table 2: Number of clients granted an Advance Payment of Benefit and number of Advance Payments of Benefit granted from 1 July 2025 to 31 October 2025 by quarter and gender

Quarter ending	Female		Gender Diverse		Male		Total	
	Number of clients	Number of grants	Number of clients	Number of grants	Number of clients	Number of grants	Number of clients	Number of grants
September 2025	49,980	82,869	249	408	33,933	54,294	84,159	137,571
December 2025 (up to October 2025)	18,819	25,833	78	111	12,699	17,424	31,596	43,371

Notes:

- 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.
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Table 3: Number of Advance Payments of Benefit granted from 1 July 2025 to 31 October 2025 by quarter and ethnicity

Quarter ending	Māori	European	Pacific Peoples	Asian	MELAA	Other	Unknown	Total grants
September 2025	72,510	54,276	19,173	3,033	1,722	2,679	5,622	137,571
December 2025 (up to October 2025)	22,710	17,292	5,925	969	561	879	1,800	43,371

Notes:

- This is a count of Advance Payment of Benefit grants, not clients. A client can have more than one grant in each time period.
- 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.
- MELAA refers to Middle Eastern, Latin American, and African.
- 'Unknown' is where ethnicity is not recorded. 'Other' is where ethnicities fall outside the reported ethnicities.
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Table 4: Number of clients granted an Advance Payment of Benefit and number of Advance Payments of Benefit granted from 1 July 2025 to 31 October 2025 by quarter and Work and Income office

Work and Income office	September 2025		December 2025 (up to October 2025)	
	Number of clients	Number of grants	Number of clients	Number of grants
Albany	333	531	126	180
Alexandra	63	72	30	30
Ashburton	192	267	81	93
Avondale	387	639	189	273
Balclutha	123	147	60	78
Blenheim	297	390	108	135
CS Hawkes Bay Unit	555	747	177	222
CS Whanganui Unit	231	303	78	108
Cambridge	174	222	72	96
Central Processing Unit	618	702	270	300
Centralised Unit Housing	57	57	6	9
Christchurch Contact Centre	6,657	7,803	2,286	2,607
Clendon	672	1,056	246	351
Dannevirke	258	336	81	93
Dargaville	222	306	96	129
Dinsdale	471	624	165	201
Due Paid Assessment Team	3	3	0	0
Dunedin Central	474	774	180	240
Dunedin Contact Centre	3,777	4,296	1,032	1,179
Ellerslie Contact Centre	4,503	5,013	1,389	1,509
Feilding	165	228	75	84
Five Cross Roads	930	1,320	306	396
Flaxmere	243	351	81	105
Foxton	117	144	66	81
Gisborne	1,167	1,854	357	447
Glenfield	294	408	93	108
Glenmall	351	459	114	123
Gore	174	264	66	84
Greerton	459	591	192	243
Greymouth	177	249	81	105
Hamilton Contact Centre	8,211	9,744	2,313	2,694
Hamilton East	447	579	165	201
Hastings Community Link	1,071	1,602	336	441
Hawera	342	456	108	138
Helensville	183	243	51	60
Highland Park	327	483	42	60
Hornby	411	528	153	192

Horowhenua	636	966	252	345
Huntly	339	492	159	198
Integrity Intervention Centre	3	3	0	0
Invercargill	810	1,083	261	318
Johnsonville	174	255	42	48
Kaikohe	351	453	114	132
Kaitaia	399	543	123	150
Kamo	423	600	120	147
Kapiti	378	522	159	213
Kawakawa	231	333	78	96
Kawerau	342	468	105	126
Kerikeri	288	375	102	129
Kirikiroa	1,230	2,142	468	753
Linwood	732	999	282	372
Lower Hutt	576	963	240	360
Mangere	1,515	2,604	516	822
Manukau District	645	1,074	246	402
Manurewa	1,431	2,574	501	876
Marton	195	252	72	93
Matamata	249	375	99	132
Morrinsville	108	132	54	57
Mosgiel	201	279	72	96
Motueka	243	324	90	105
Mount Maunganui	318	432	120	156
Mt Albert	438	621	153	243
Mt Eden	333	492	138	183
Naenae	549	816	273	384
Napier	1,179	1,728	441	594
National Office	24	33	9	9
Nelson	354	495	102	153
New Brighton	546	741	195	255
New Lynn	615	927	198	267
New Plymouth	735	1,080	288	354
Newtown	492	723	183	237
Ngaruawahia	246	330	72	81
Oamaru	105	129	42	48
Onehunga	645	1,065	189	291
Opotiki	339	474	129	156
Orewa	312	429	90	102
Otahuhu	537	900	195	300
Otaki	114	165	42	54
Otara	423	627	108	156
Paeroa	111	150	51	57
Palmerston North	957	1,266	366	459

Papakura	1,209	1,869	378	546
Papanui	642	918	258	321
Papatoetoe	903	1,413	303	432
Porirua	498	666	222	264
Pukekohe	774	1,254	252	348
Queen Street	951	1,425	297	390
Queenstown	18	21	9	15
Rangiora	339	486	123	162
Remote Client Unit	33	78	12	21
Riccarton	417	549	147	186
Richmond	243	348	81	93
Rotorua	1,992	3,843	747	1,116
Ruatoria	66	81	21	27
Seniors Support Centre	6,609	7,791	2,430	2,757
Shirley	312	423	111	129
Specialised Processing Srv WLG	198	228	42	45
Specialised Processing Srv WRE	0	0	3	3
Staff Assistance Unit	9	18	3	3
Stratford	249	315	84	96
StudyLink Processing Centre	2,928	3,255	909	987
Sydenham	630	984	282	450
Taihape	150	210	66	81
Takapuna	279	405	96	135
Tamaki	741	1,071	240	303
Taumarunui	324	456	84	108
Taupo	474	642	162	198
Tauranga	315	417	78	93
Te Awamutu	258	342	81	108
Te Kaika	327	462	147	183
Te Kuiti	201	306	93	117
Te Puke	252	336	90	108
Thames	147	165	39	42
Three Kings	591	975	189	264
Timaru	438	636	168	189
Tokoroa	561	852	225	294
Upper Hutt	471	717	174	243
Waihi	96	114	27	36
Wainuiomata	198	261	69	90
Waipukurau	114	159	48	60
Wairarapa	702	1,053	240	324
Wairoa	210	297	84	111
Waitakere	1,275	2,094	471	648
Waitakere Contact Centre	8,370	10,011	2,487	2,865

Waitara	243	309	69	78
Waiuku	144	192	66	78
Warkworth	237	348	87	129
Wellington	447	630	117	141
Wellington Contact Centre	6,174	7,245	1,974	2,268
Westgate	414	573	132	150
Westport	204	261	60	69
Whakatane	450	675	159	192
Whanganui	771	1,059	270	339
Whangarei Central	1,449	2,259	549	780
Youth Service Support Unit	507	870	180	276
Total	84,159	137,571	31,596	43,371

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