

Subject: QWA 14467 (2007) – Wilkinson Kate

Question: How many Judges are employed on a part time basis, on a full time basis and on a relieving basis, in each court?

Portfolio: Courts

Table 1: The number of resident Higher Court Judges by location

Court Location	Number of Judges	Number of Associate Judges
	Full time	Full time
Supreme Court	6 *	-
Court of Appeal	9	-
High Court		
Auckland	19	4
Wellington	8	1
Christchurch	4	1

* Includes Chief Justice and one Acting Judge who sits when a permanent judge is unavailable.

Table 2: The number of resident District Court Judges by location

Court Location	Number of resident Judges	
	Full time	Part time
Auckland	23	1
Christchurch	15	1 *
Dunedin	4	-
Hamilton	12	-
Invercargill	2	-
Manukau	12	-
Napier	3	1
Nelson	2	-
New Plymouth	2	-
North Shore	4	1
Palmerston North	5	-
Rotorua	5	-
Tauranga	6	-
Waitakere	4	-
Wanganui	3	-
Wellington	17	2
Whangarei	4	-

* works 20% of his time in the District Court, and 80% in the Employment Court

Notes re: District Court Judges

There are a further 34 Judges who hold an acting warrant, and sit on a relieving basis around New Zealand as directed by the Chief District Judge in terms of the provisions of the District Courts Act (1947). There are 4 Judges who hold an acting warrant who sit on the Parole Board.

The Chief District Court Judge, the Principal Family Court Judge, and the Principal Youth Court Judge work from the Chief Judge's chambers in Wellington.

Table 3: Number of judges resident in other courts

Court Location	Number of resident Judges	
	Full time	Part time
Māori Land Court		
Gisborne	2	-
Hamilton	1	-
Rotorua	2	-
Whangarei	2	-
Wellington	2	-
Employment Court		
Auckland / Wellington	5	