

WPQ 19738 (2026) Table

How many learners received the fees free scheme between 2020 and 2026, listed by ethnicity?

First-year Fees Free learners by Ethnicity and calendar year:

Ethnicity	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Māori	11,165	8,905	7,635	11,595	12,665	2,055
Pacific	6,730	5,850	5,210	6,750	7,280	925
Asian	7,315	7,300	7,225	8,750	8,760	920
MELAA	1,540	1,440	1,355	2,030	2,195	335
European	41,280	34,225	30,520	46,235	45,760	7,480
Other	1,040	860	690	1,010	1,090	160
Unknown	100	45	50	140	150	35
Total	58,285	48,475	43,285	62,345	64,770	10,270

Final-year Fees Free learners by Ethnicity and calendar year:

Ethnicity	2025	2026 (YTD)
Māori	265	10
Pacific	135	5
Asian	145	10
MELAA	35	5
European	1060	60
Other	30	S
Unknown	5	-
Total	1475	85