

WPQ 22818 Table: Number of clients receiving a reduced rate of benefit due to being in hospital for over 13 weeks, as at the end of each month from 1 January 2025 to 30 April 2025, by month ending and total response ethnicity:

As at the end of	Māori	European	Pacific Peoples	Asian	MELAA	Other	Unknown	Total
January 2025	180	204	60	15	6	18	30	462
February 2025	180	207	60	15	6	15	30	465
March 2025	177	198	60	15	3	18	30	453
April 2025	183	201	66	15	3	15	27	456

Notes:

- This includes clients of all ages.
- This excludes Veteran's Pension and Non-Beneficiary assistance clients.
- A client can appear multiple times across different reporting periods.
- This is a count of distinct clients at each point in time.
- The criteria for the benefit reduced rate and the 13-week period are determined by the presence of specific rate codes applied during that period.
- These include rate code 036 (hospital rate for clients hospitalised longer than 13 weeks), rate code 048 (NZS hospital rate), and the non-standard rate code 004 (increased hospital rate while hospitalised).
- 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.
- To protect confidentiality the Ministry of Social Development uses processes to make it difficult to identify an individual person or entity from published data.
- These data tables have had random rounding to base three applied to all cell counts in the table.
- The impact of applying random rounding is that columns and rows may not add exactly to the given column or row totals.
- The published counts will never differ by more than two counts.