

Goal 2: Enriching Aotearoa through Prosperous Pacific Peoples

The Pacific work force

Annual trends (Dec 2020)



Over the last 7 years, since the 2013 Census (until December 2020), Pacific people's employment rate has been steadily increasing annually.

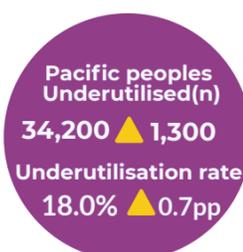
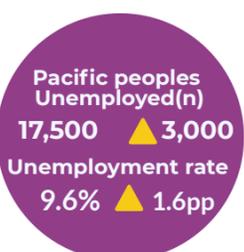


The annual unemployment figures for Pacific peoples has a positive downward trend from 2013, where it has decreased from 14.4 percent to 8 percent in 2020.



The trend over the least three years has been less steady, indicating a large proportion of Pacific peoples in and out of work - most likely to be casual or temporary in nature.

Quarterly trends (Dec 2020)



Pacific working-age population
274,200 ▲ 1,300

Total labour force
181,800 ▲ 1,600

Not in the labour force
92,400 ▼ 200

Pacific peoples 45 - 54 years
had the highest
Labour force
participation
rate
81.5%

Pacific peoples 65+ years
had the lowest
Labour force
participation
rate
20.3%

Occupations of Pacific people

19.9%
Labourers

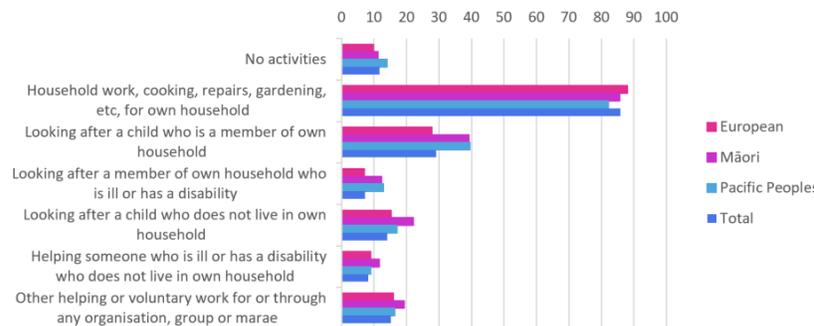
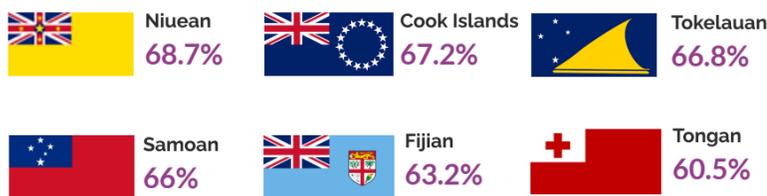
13.8%
Professionals

12.6%
Machine operators
and drivers

Pacific volunteer contribution

More Niueans are engaging in unpaid or voluntary work.

Unpaid activities, ethnic comparisons, 2018



Overall, about 65 percent of Pacific peoples engage in unpaid or voluntary activities. Majority of the unpaid work is for household work, cooking, repairs, gardening.

Pacific-owned businesses

Pacific people contribute
\$8 BILLION
to the New Zealand
GDP

1.5% of Pacific people are working proprietors
8% of all NZers are working proprietors

0.9% of Pacific women own businesses
2% of Pacific men own businesses

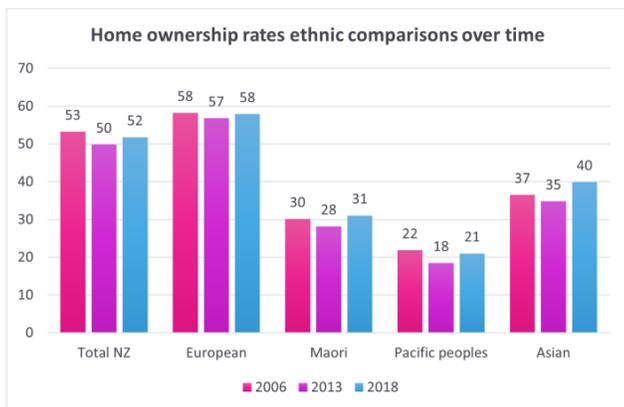
There are more Fijian business owners per population

A higher rate of Pacific working proprietors is middle-aged aged between 40 and 65 years

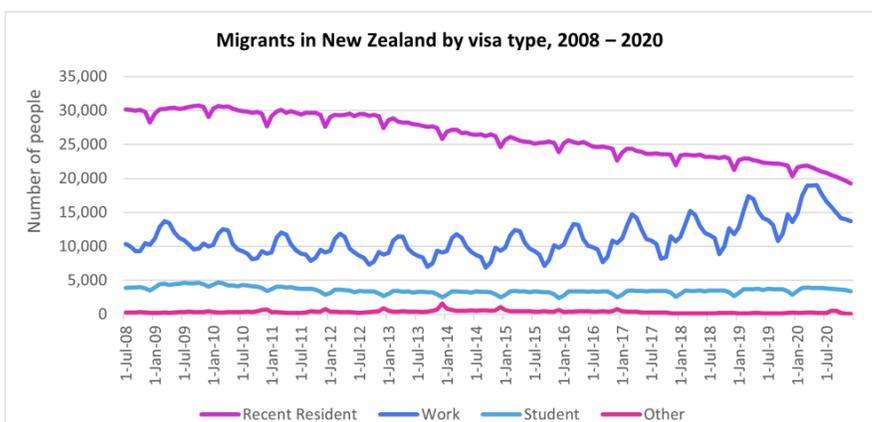
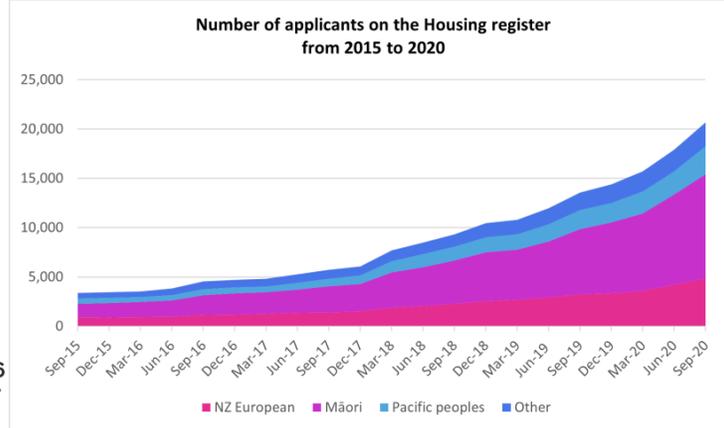
Just over half of business owners (57 percent) are born in New Zealand.
52% of Pacific working proprietors have a certificate

Housing and Immigration

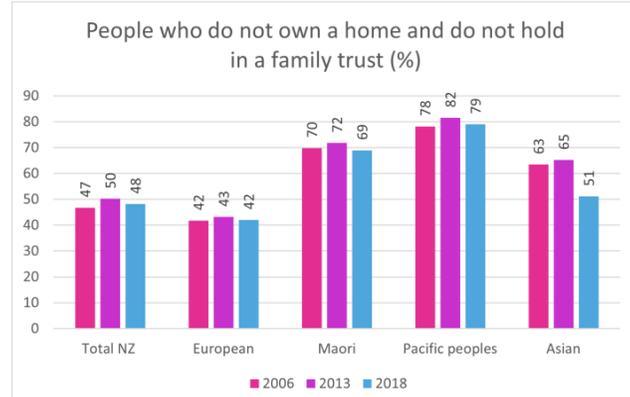
21% of Pacific people own or partly own a home
(Up from 18% in 2013)



26% Live in social housing
One in four Pacific people's (or 26 percent) are in social housing (or Housing New Zealand tenancy)



Migration from the Pacific has been declining over the last 10 years. Most recent data shows that 19,242 Pacific people in total were granted residency.



Sources: Stats NZ Census data, Customised data, Integrated Data Infrastructure, Immigration New Zealand administrative data, MSD data