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Main benefits population percentage

11.8%

of the estimated working-age population received a main benefit as at January 2024.

Main benefits recipients (Graph 1)

1,587 decrease

when comparing January 2024 (377,124) with December 2023 (378,711).

Main benefits cancels into work (Graph 5)

↑ **1,878** increase

when comparing January 2024 (5,940) with December 2023 (4,062).

Jobseeker Support - Work Ready recipients (Graph 10)

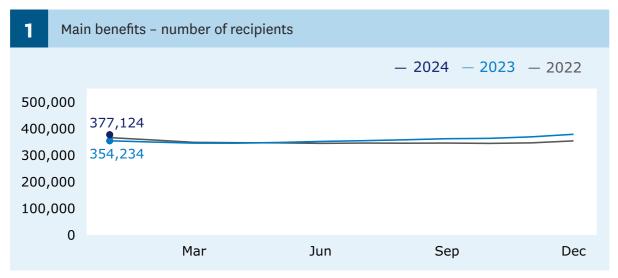
↑ **1,521** increase

when comparing January 2024 (111,219) with December 2023 (109,698).

* Ethnicity is reported using 'total response' methodology. MELAA refers to Middle Eastern, Latin American, and African. For more information, please go to: www.msd.govt.nz/about-msd-and-our-work/tools/how-we-report-ethnicity.html.

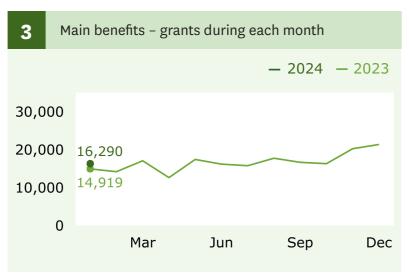
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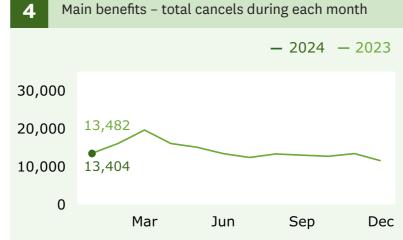
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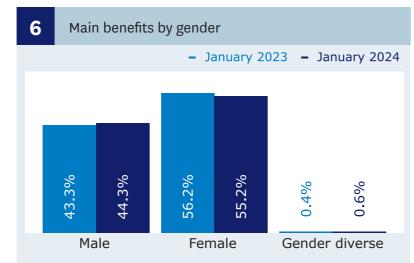
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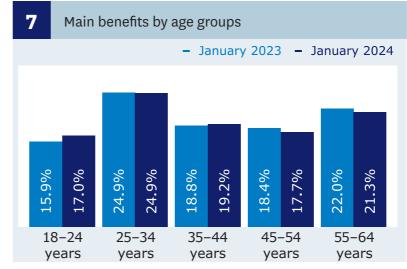


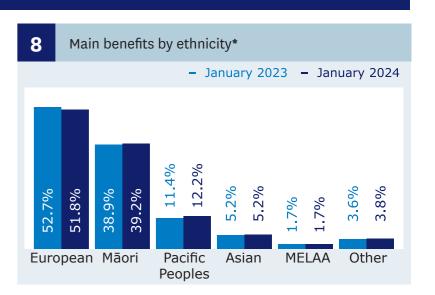




Main benefits demographics







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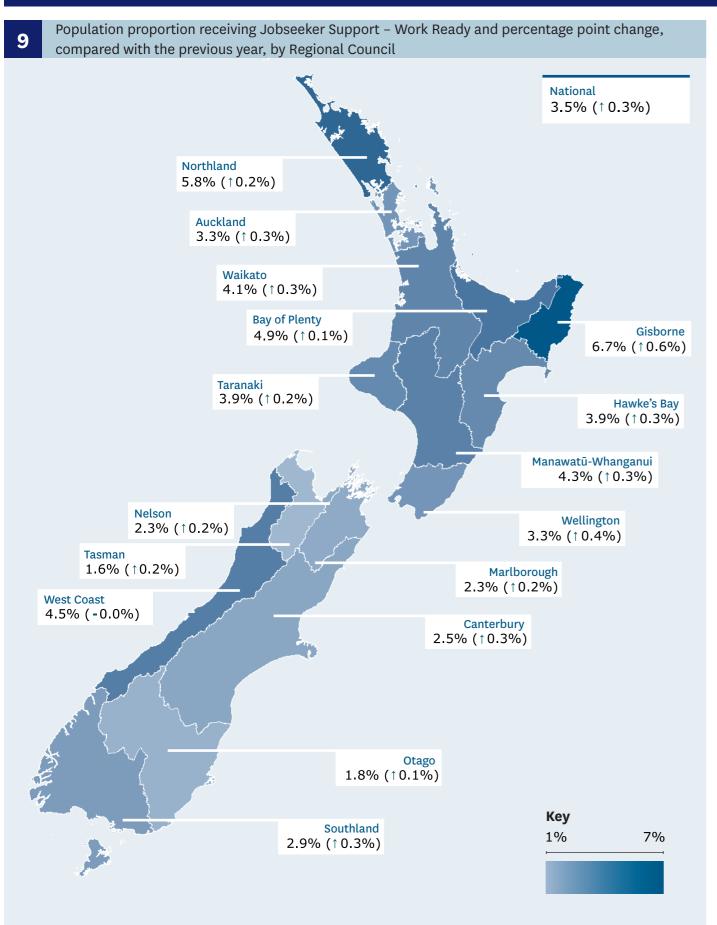


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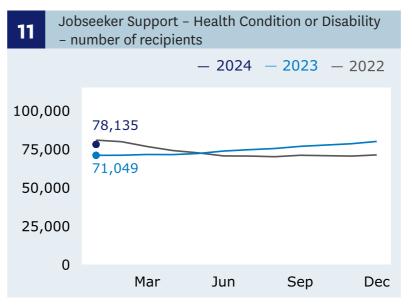
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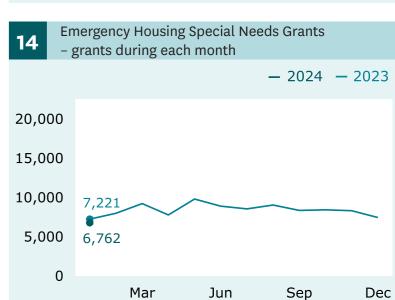
Dec

Jobseeker Support









Jun

Hardship assistance

124,713

121,305

Mar

160,000

120,000

80,000

40,000

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Food Special Needs Grants

- grants during each month

