

# The New Zealand Treasury's Living Standards Framework: how it relates to wellbeing in the workplace

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## The importance of human capital



# Why wellbeing matters



## What is the Living Standards Framework?

#### Distribution

Place

Time, generations

Our work is focussed on promoting higher living standards and greater intergenerational wellbeing for New Zealanders.

These require the country's Four Capitals - human, social, natural and financial/physical - to each be strong in their own right and to work well together.

#### The Four Capitals (natural, human, social, and financial and physical) are the assets that generate wellbeing now and into the future

Looking after intergenerational wellbeing means maintaining, nourishing, and growing the capitals



#### Natural Capital



All aspects of the natural environment that support life and human activity. Includes land, soil, water, plants and animals, minerals and energy resources.



#### Social Capital



The norms, rules and institutions that influence the way in which people live and work together and experience a sense of belonging. Includes trust, reciprocity, the rule of law, cultural and community identity, traditions and customs, common values and interests.



### 🌃 Human Capital 🐇

The capabilities and capacities of people to engage in work, study, recreation, and social activities. Includes skills. knowledge, physical and mental health.



#### Financial and Physical Capital 1



Financial and human-made (produced) physical assets, usually closely associated with supporting material living conditions. Includes factories, equipment, houses, roads, buildings, hospitals, financial securities.

#### The 12 Domains of current wellbeing

reflect our current understanding of the things that contribute to how New Zealanders experience wellbeing



Civic engagement and governance



Cultural identity



Environment



Health



Housing



Income and consumption



Jobs and earnings



Knowledge and skills



Time use



Safety and security



Social connections



Subjective wellbeing

#### Resilience

prompts us to consider how resilient the Four Capitals are in the face of change, shocks, and unexpected events

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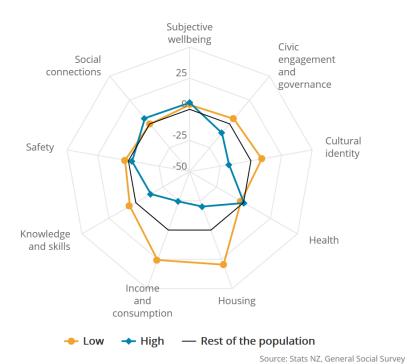
## Living standards - LSF Dashboard

#### Population group

Pacific ethnicity

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Survey Year: Combined years Unit: Percentage point difference

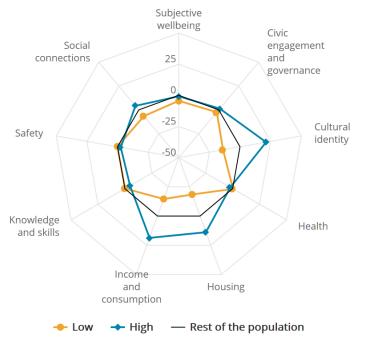


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Source: Stats NZ, General Social Survey

## Wellbeing – it's not just about the money



#### **BUDGET 2019 OVERVIEW**

NEW SPENDING IN BUDGET 2019 Net new operating expenditure in Budget 2019

\$3.8b a year or \$15.2b over the forecast period Net new capital expenditure in Budget 2019 \$10.4b total

TAKING MENTAL HEALTH SERIOUSLY A new frontline service for mental health with a \$455m programme providing access for 325,000 people by 2023/24

Suicide prevention services get a \$40m boost



Specialist services as part of a \$320m package to address family and sexual violence Taking financial pressure off parents by increasing funding to decile 1-7 schools so they don't need to ask for donations

SUPPORTING MĀORI AND PASIFIKA ASPIRATIONS

Major boost for Whānau Ora, including a focus on health and reducing reoffending An additional 2,200 young people in the Pacific Employment Support Service



Bridging the venture capital gap, with a \$300m fund so startups can grow and succeed Opportunities for apprenticeships for nearly 2,000 young people through Mana in Mahi

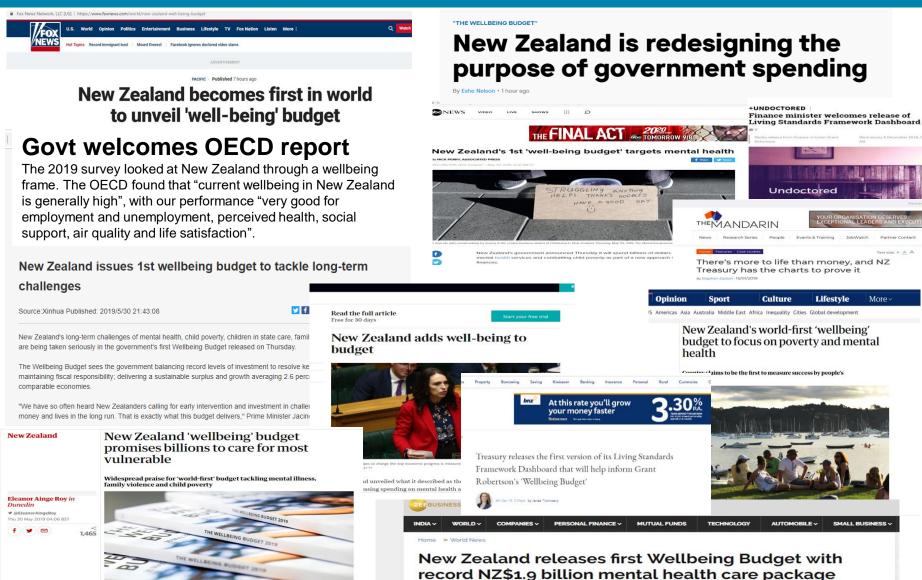


Over \$1b boost in funding for KiwiRail Helping farmers with the climate change challenge by investing in scientific research

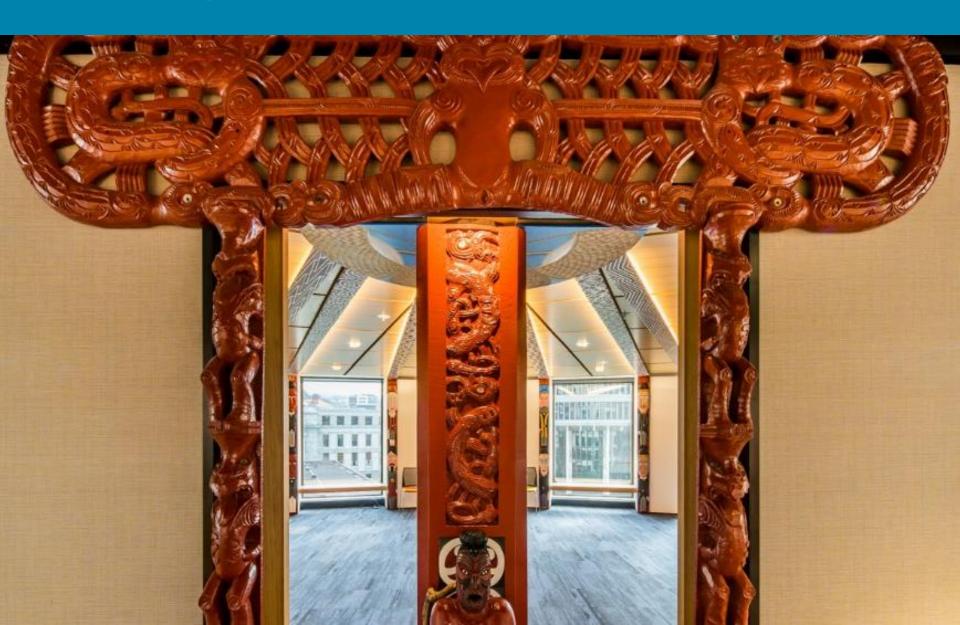
## Our successes

Wellbeing Budget and the use of LSF to drive priorities seen as world leading and received national and international recognition.

OECD's 2019 Survey of New Zealand looked at NZ through a wellbeing frame.



## Wellbeing in the workplace – Tāne Whakapiri



## **Diversity and inclusiveness**



## **Higher living standards**

