

SNAPSHOT OF THE CITY



	Wellington City Now	Wellington City Then	Did you know?
POPULATION	Wellington city has a population of 179,466. Wellington city makes up 40.0% of the region's total population.	In 2001, our city had a population of 167,187. Wellington city made up 39.1% of the region's total population.	Our population is expected to increase to 201,100 by 2021.
POPULATION DENSITY	Wellington city has an estimated 620.9 people per square kilometre.	In 2001, our city had an estimated 576.5 people per square kilometre.	Wellington city residents have access to 34.7 square kilometres of Town Belt, park and reserve land.
EMPLOYMENT	Employment continues to grow, with 132,720 people being employed in Wellington city in 2006.	In 2001, 108,910 people were employed in Wellington city.	The property and business services industry employs more Wellingtonians than any other industry (approximately 20%).
AVERAGE EARNINGS	Wellington city employees earn an average of \$28.33 per hour (March quarter 2007)	In 2004, the average employee earned \$25.93 per hour (March quarter 2005).	Wellington city employees have the highest average hourly earnings of all major cities in New Zealand.
TRAVEL TO CENTRAL WELLINGTON	34% of Wellingtonians who travel into central Wellington on a weekday use public transport, 45% use a car and 10% walk.	In 2001, 30% of people used public transport, 52% drove and 14% walked.	Wellington city has the largest proportion of residents who use public transport of all major cities in New Zealand.
AVERAGE SALE PRICE FOR DWELLINGS	In Wellington, the average home now costs \$411,000 (March quarter 2007).	In 2004, the average home cost \$315,800 (March quarter 2005).	Wellington city average home prices are the second most expensive in New Zealand, behind Auckland.