

Māori Land Update – Ngā Āhuatanga o te whenua

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Māori Customary Land Titles:

Rohe	#	Area (ha)
Taitokerau	5	38.5573
Waikato-Maniapoto	13	48.2919
Waiariki	2	453.2479
Tairāwhiti	2	4.8688
Tākitimu	1	0.2124
Aotea	15	659.1240
Te Waipounamu	0	0.000
Total	38	1204.3023

Māori Freehold Land Titles:

Rohe	#	Area (ha)
Taitokerau	5,430	147,854.7675
Waikato-Maniapoto	3,739	124,123.2482
Waiariki	5,137	305,247.5648
Tairāwhiti	5,344	269,243.6316
Tākitimu	1,379	87,978.1099
Aotea	4,043	412,685.8471
Te Waipounamu	2,363	66,571.1427
Total	27,435	1,413,704.3118

Management Structures

(Note: This includes all types of management structure, including Ahu Whenua Trusts, Whenua Tōpū Trusts, Pūtea Trusts, Māori Incorporations and non-Māori Land Court created structures or organisations but it does not include agencies or agents)

Rohe	# Structures	# Blks with Structures	# Blks without Structures	Area vested (ha)	Area not vested (ha)
Taitokerau	1,122	1,510	3,925	88,812.2909 (60%)	59,081.0339 (40%)
Waikato-Maniapoto	1,309	1,673	2,079	95,535.8555 (77%)	28,635.6846 (23%)
Waiariki	2,204	2,475	2,664	272,632.2831 (89%)	33,068.5296 (11%)
Tairāwhiti	1,327	1,693	3,653	217,882.3601 (81%)	51,366.1403 (19%)
Tākitimu	519	594	786	69,883.7498 (79%)	18,094.5725 (21%)
Aotea	1,243	2,144	1,944	370,911.4132 (90%)	42,433.5579 (10%)
Te Waipounamu	598	1,393	970	42,516.1066 (64%)	24,055.0361 (36%)
Total	8,322	11,452	16,021	1,158,174.0592 (82%)	256,734.5549 (18%)

Other Statistics

Blocks without trusts have an average size of 16ha and average 28 owners;
Blocks with a trust have an average size of 101ha and average 202 owners;

Overall an average Māori land block has a size of 52ha and 100 owners; and

The total number of ownership records recorded in all blocks is 3,106,250

Notes:

Management Structure Details

Rohe	Total	Māori Incorporations	Ahu Whenua Trusts	Māori Reservations	Whenua Tōpū Trusts	Pūtea Trusts	Other Trusts
Taitokerau	1,122	15	510	582	1	0	14
Waikato-Maniapoto	1,309	16	971	291	4	0	27
Waiariki	2,204	28	1,565	548	8	1	54
Tairāwhiti	1,327	63	968	262	5	0	29
Tākitimu	519	5	389	109	4	0	12
Aotea	1,243	23	826	364	10	0	20
Te Waipounamu	598	10	428	132	2	0	26
Total	8,322	160	5,653	2,288	34	1	182

The total number of Whānau Trusts nationally is 9,553

The total number of Kaitiaki Trusts nationally is 1,528

Exclusion List

The following land types have been excluded from this update:

- Crown Land, Crown Land Reserved for Māori, Other, General Land owned by Māori (a total of 434 blocks covering an area of 23,875.2038ha); and
- Blocks pending internal review and investigation (a total of 176 blocks covering an area of 2,615.6244ha)

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