

Ngā Tauanga Manapou | Paramedic Statistics

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Manapou | Paramedic registration status

It is important to note that to practise as a paramedic in Aotearoa, a paramedic must hold both registration and a practising certificate with Te Kaunihera Manapou | Paramedic Council. A paramedic may be listed as non-practising for many reasons. This could include, for example, taking a break from paramedic practice, being on parental leave, working abroad, or retirement.

This data represents the number of paramedics who have held registration with Te Kaunihera, and their practising status.

	Registered	Practising	Non-Practising
2026			
16 Āperira April	2,729	2,236 (81.9%)	493 (18.1%)
4 Pēpuere February	2,729	2,291 (83.6%)	438 (16.4%)
2025			
1 Tihema December	2,624	2,199 (83.8%)	425 (16.2%)
16 Oketopa October	2,594	2,173 (83.8%)	421 (16.2%)
1 Hepetema September	2,586	2,164 (83.7%)	422 (16.3%)
31 Hūrae July	2,571	2,150 (83.6%)	421 (16.4%)
3 Hune June	2,553	2,121 (83.1%)	432 (16.9%)
7 Māehe March	2,562	2,214 (86.4%)	348 (13.6%)
2024			
4 Tihema December	2,507	2,164 (86.3%)	343 (13.7%)
1 Oketopa October	2,466	2,122 (86.1%)	344 (13.9%)
1 Ākuhata August	2,435	2,088 (85.7%)	347 (14.3%)
4 Hūrae July	2,417	2,062 (85.3%)	355 (14.7%)
19 Āperira April	2,349	1,976 (84.1%)	373 (15.9%)
1 Pēpuere February	2,313	2,015 (87.1%)	298 (12.9%)
2023			
13 Noema November	2,201	1,923 (87.4%)	278 (12.6%)

	Registered	Practising	Non-Practising
2023 continued			
27 Hepetema September	2,165	1,893 (87.4%)	272 (12.6%)
1 Ākuhata August	2,135	1,874 (87.8%)	261 (12.2%)
6 Hune June	2,093	1,822 (87.1%)	271 (12.9%)
10 Āperira April	2,054	1,764 (85.9%)	290 (14.1%)
10 Pēpuere February	2,024	1,817 (89.8%)	207 (10.2%)
2022			
15 Noema November	1,938	1,744 (90.0%)	194 (10.0%)
20 Hepetema September	1,900	1,702 (89.6%)	198 (10.4%)
1 Ākuhata August	1,877	1,667 (88.8%)	210 (11.2%)
1 Hūne June	1,823	1,623 (89.0%)	200 (11.0%)
6 Āperira April	1,792	<i>Data not available</i>	
Pēpuere February	1,733	1,676 (96.7%)	57 (3.3%)
2021			
Noema November	1,682	1,585 (94.2%)	97 (5.8%)
12 Ākuhata August	1,636	1,516 (92.7%)	120 (7.3%)
Hūrae July	1,604	1,477 (92.1%)	127 (7.9%)

He Mātanga Manapou | Specialist Paramedic Practice

Te Kaunihera opened applications for specialist paramedic endorsement in Hune | June 2025. Currently, there are three specialist paramedic practice endorsement areas: critical care paramedic (CCP), extended care paramedic (ECP), and intensive care paramedic (ICP).

By 4 PM, 2 Tihema | December 2026, all paramedic specialists must hold an endorsement to continue working in a specialist role. Applications for specialist endorsement are ongoing. Some paramedics who are currently practising in a specialist role may not yet have been endorsed by Te Kaunihera and will not be included in the numbers below.

The ICP endorsement is a closed endorsement. Meaning that after 2 Tihema | December 2026, no further applications for ICP specialist paramedic practise endorsement will be accepted.

This data represents paramedics who currently hold a specialist paramedic endorsement, and each as a percentage of the total number of registered paramedics, with the understanding that these numbers will increase as more applications are received and processed.

	Critical Care Paramedics (CCP)	Extended Care Paramedics (ECP)	Intensive Care Paramedics (ICP)
2026			
16 Āperira April	241 (8.8%)	128 (4.7%)	18 (0.7%)
4 Pēpuere February	220 (8.1%)	110 (4.03%)	10 (0.4%)
2025			
1 Tihema December	197 (7.5%)	95 (3.6%)	9 (0.3%)
16 Oketopa October	177 (6.8%)	87 (3.4%)	7 (0.3%)
1 Hepetema September	133 (5.1%)	78 (3.0%)	2 (0.08%)
31 Hūrae July	68 (2.6%)	56 (2.2%)	0 (0.0%)

Mātāwaka | Ethnicity

At the time of registering with Te Kaunihera, paramedics are asked to report their ethnicity. They can report up to three ethnicities, or they can instead choose not to report their ethnicity. This can be updated by the practitioner at any time by logging into their MyPMC practitioner portal. Ethnicity data is provided to enable reporting on the demographic breakdown of registered paramedics.

This data represents paramedics who have identified as being Māori or Pacific in any of the three ethnicity reporting fields, and each as a percentage of the total number of registered paramedics.

	Māori Paramedics	Pacific Paramedics
2026		
16 Āperira April	175 (6.4%)	58 (2.1%)
4 Pēpuere February	175 (6.4%)	57 (2.1%)
2025		
1 Tihema December	159 (6.1%)	53 (2.0%)
16 Oketopa October	157 (6.1%)	53 (2.0%)
1 Hepetema September	157 (6.1%)	53 (2.0%)
31 Hūrae July	155 (6.0%)	52 (2.0%)
3 Hune June	155 (6.1%)	52 (2.0%)
7 Māehe March	153 (6.0%)	51 (2.0%)
2024		
4 Tihema December	149 (5.9%)	50 (2.0%)
1 Oketopa October	148 (6.0%)	49 (2.0%)
1 Ākuhata August	148 (6.1%)	48 (2.0%)
4 Hūrae July	148 (6.1%)	47 (1.9%)
19 Āperira April	142 (6.0%)	46 (2.0%)
1 Pēpuere February	134 (5.8%)	42 (1.8%)

	Māori Paramedics	Pacific Paramedics
2023		
13 Noema November	128 (5.8%)	41 (1.9%)
27 Hepetema September	120 (5.5%)	40 (1.8%)
1 Ākuhata August	124 (5.8%)	40 (1.9%)
6 Hune June	122 (5.8%)	40 (1.9%)
10 Āperira April	119 (5.8%)	40 (1.9%)
10 Pēpuere February	108 (5.3%)	38 (1.9%)
2022		
15 Noema November	107 (5.5%)	36 (1.9%)
1 Ākuhata August	103 (5.5%)	<i>Data not available</i>
1 Hune June	101 (5.5%)	30 (1.6%)
6 Āperira April	98 (5.5%)	30 (1.7%)

Te ira o ia Manapou | Genders of Paramedics

Gender refers to a person’s social and personal identity as male, female, or another gender or genders that may be non-binary. Gender may include gender identity and/or gender expression. A person’s current gender may differ from the sex recorded at their birth and may differ from what is indicated on their current legal documents. A person’s gender may change over time. Some people may not identify with any gender.

Te Kaunihera acknowledges that gender is a complex area, and paramedics can choose not to disclose this information to Te Kaunihera. A paramedic can update their recorded gender identity at any time by logging in to their MyPMC practitioner portal.

This data represents paramedics who have identified a gender, and each as a percentage of the total number of registered paramedics.

	Male	Female	Another Gender	Not disclosed / Unknown
2026				
16 Āperira April	1229 (45.0%)	1431 (52.4)	10 (0.4%)	84 (3.1%)
4 Pēpuere February	1,218 (44.6%)	1,392 (51.0%)	8 (0.3%)	111 (4.1%)
2025				
1 Tīhema December	1,181 (45.0%)	1,340 (51.1%)	5 (0.2%)	98 (3.7%)
16 Oketopa October	1,172 (45.2%)	1,321 (50.9%)	5 (0.2%)	96 (3.7%)
1 Hepetema September	1,169 (45.2%)	1,316 (50.9%)	6 (0.2%)	95 (3.7%)
31 Hūrae July	1,164 (45.3%)	1,309 (50.9%)	6 (0.2%)	92 (3.6%)
3 Hune June	1,160 (45.4%)	1,295 (50.7%)	6 (0.2%)	92 (3.6%)
7 Māehe March	1,155 (45.1%)	1,231 (48.0%)	6 (0.2%)	170 (6.6%)
2024				
4 Tīhema December	1,122 (44.8%)	1,157 (46.2%)	7 (0.3%)	221 (8.8%)
1 Oketopa October	1,106 (44.8%)	1,137 (46.1%)	7 (0.3%)	216 (8.8%)
1 Ākuhata August	1,101 (45.2%)	1,123 (46.1%)	7 (0.3%)	204 (8.4%)
4 Hūrae July	1,094 (45.3%)	1,118 (46.3%)	5 (0.2%)	200 (8.3%)
19 Āperira April	1,079 (45.9%)	1,078 (45.9%)	5 (0.2%)	187 (8.0%)

	Male	Female	Another Gender	Not disclosed / Unknown
2024 continued...				
1 Pēpuere February	1,050 (45.4)	1,033 (44.7)	6 (0.3%)	224 (9.7%)
2023				
13 Noema November	1,021 (46.4%)	986 (44.8%)	5 (0.2%)	189 (8.6%)
27 Hepetema September	1,012 (46.7%)	971 (44.8%)	5 (0.2%)	177 (8.2%)
1 Ākuhata August	1,002 (46.9%)	957 (44.8%)	4 (0.2%)	172 (8.1%)
6 Hune June	991 (47.3%)	936 (44.7%)	4 (0.2%)	162 (7.7%)
10 Āperira April	977 (47.6%)	917 (44.6%)	4 (0.2%)	156 (7.6%)
10 Pēpuere February	947 (46.8%)	888 (43.9%)	2 (0.1%)	187 (9.2%)
2022				
15 Noema November	921 (47.5%)	852 (44.0%)	2 (0.1%)	163 (8.4%)
20 Hepetema September	909 (47.8%)	837 (44.1%)	2 (0.1%)	152 (8.0%)
1 Ākuhata August	904 (48.2%)	826 (44.0%)	2 (0.1%)	145 (7.7%)
1 Hune June	886 (48.6%)	804 (44.1%)	2 (0.1%)	131 (7.2%)
6 Āperira April	880 (49.1%)	790 (44.1%)	2 (0.1%)	120 (6.7%)
Pēpuere February	834 (48.1%)	726 (41.9%)	3 (0.2%)	170 (9.8%)

Te pakeke o ia manapou | Ages of paramedics

When applying for registration, paramedics provide their date of birth to Te Kaunihera. This data can be used to provide insights on the workforce.

The date ranges used for statistics changed in Hepetema | September 2022 to align with the [Paramedicine Board of Australia](#), to enable easy comparison between the two jurisdictions.

This data represents the number of paramedics in each age group, and each as a percentage of the total number of registered paramedics.

	Under 25	25 - 29	30 - 34	35 - 39	40 - 44	45 - 49	50 - 54	55 - 59	60 - 64	65 - 69	70 - 74	75 - 79	80 and older
2026													
16 Āperira April	224 (8.2%)	559 (20.5%)	448 (16.4%)	335 (12.3%)	241 (8.8%)	200 (7.3%)	222 (8.1%)	252 (9.2%)	162 (5.9%)	82 (3.0%)	21 (0.8%)	7 (0.3%)	1 (0.04%)
4 Pēpuere February	226 (8.3%)	540 (19.8%)	449 (16.5%)	330 (12.1%)	231 (8.5%)	204 (7.5%)	224 (8.2%)	242 (8.9%)	173 (6.3%)	81 (3.0%)	22 (0.8%)	6 (0.2%)	1 (0.04%)
2025													
1 Tihema December	209 (8.0%)	515 (19.6%)	427 (16.3%)	318 (12.1%)	219 (8.3%)	199 (7.6%)	220 (8.4%)	240 (9.1%)	171 (6.5%)	78 (3.0%)	22 (0.8%)	5 (0.2%)	1 (0.04%)
16 Oketopa October	212 (8.2%)	506 (19.5%)	416 (16.0%)	311 (12.0%)	222 (8.6%)	194 (7.5%)	222 (8.6%)	239 (9.2%)	172 (6.6%)	73 (2.8%)	21 (0.8%)	5 (0.2%)	1 (0.04%)
1 Hepetema September	225 (8.7%)	501 (19.4%)	414 (16.0%)	301 (11.6%)	224 (8.7%)	190 (7.3%)	225 (8.7%)	240 (9.3%)	173 (6.7%)	66 (2.6%)	21 (0.8%)	5 (0.2%)	1 (0.04%)

	Under 25	25 - 29	30 - 34	35 - 39	40 - 44	45 - 49	50 - 54	55 - 59	60 - 64	65 - 69	70 - 74	75 - 79	80 and older
2025 continued													
31 Hūrae July	226 (8.8%)	500 (19.4%)	406 (15.8%)	299 (11.6%)	224 (8.7%)	189 (7.4%)	228 (8.9%)	236 (9.2%)	172 (6.7%)	65 (2.5%)	20 (0.8%)	5 (0.2%)	1 (0.04%)
3 Hune June	236 (9.2%)	487 (19.1%)	407 (15.9%)	288 (11.3%)	221 (8.7%)	190 (7.4%)	229 (9.0%)	233 (9.1%)	173 (6.8%)	65 (2.5%)	19 (0.7%)	4 (0.2%)	1 (0.04%)
2024													
7 Māehe March	244 (9.5%)	481 (18.8%)	406 (15.8%)	286 (11.2%)	211 (8.2%)	190 (7.4%)	235 (9.2%)	235 (9.2%)	167 (6.5%)	76 (3.0%)	25 (1.0%)	5 (0.2%)	1 (0.04%)
4 Tīhema December	234 (9.3%)	468 (18.7%)	394 (15.7%)	273 (10.9%)	215 (8.6%)	181 (7.2%)	244 (9.7%)	233 (9.3%)	158 (6.3%)	77 (3.1%)	25 (1.0%)	4 (0.2%)	1 (0.04%)
1 Oketopa October	239 (9.7%)	447 (18.1%)	383 (15.5%)	270 (10.9%)	216 (8.8%)	178 (7.2%)	242 (9.8%)	234 (9.5%)	153 (6.2%)	76 (3.1%)	23 (0.9%)	4 (0.2%)	1 (0.04%)
1 Ākuhata August	240 (9.9%)	442 (18.2%)	367 (15.1%)	273 (11.2%)	209 (8.6%)	180 (7.4%)	243 (10.0%)	230 (9.4%)	149 (6.1%)	75 (3.1%)	23 (0.9%)	3 (0.1%)	1 (0.04%)
4 Hūrae July	234 (9.7%)	441 (18.2%)	366 (15.1%)	267 (11.0%)	209 (8.6%)	185 (7.7%)	238 (9.8%)	227 (9.4%)	153 (6.3%)	71 (2.9%)	22 (0.9%)	3 (0.1%)	1 (0.04%)
19 Āperira April	218 (9.3%)	419 (17.8%)	361 (15.4%)	258 (11.0%)	209 (8.9%)	183 (7.8%)	234 (10.0%)	223 (9.5%)	146 (6.2%)	73 (3.1%)	21 (0.9%)	3 (0.1%)	1 (0.04%)
1 Pēpuere February	207 (8.9%)	402 (17.4%)	356 (15.4%)	261 (11.3%)	210 (9.1%)	183 (7.9%)	230 (9.9%)	219 (9.5%)	145 (6.3%)	74 (3.2%)	23 (1.0%)	2 (0.1%)	1 (0.04%)

	Under 25	25 - 29	30 - 34	35 - 39	40 - 44	45 - 49	50 - 54	55 - 59	60 - 64	65 - 69	70 - 74	75 - 79	80 and older
2023													
13 Noema November	171 (7.8%)	376 (17.1%)	344 (15.6%)	244 (11.1%)	206 (9.4%)	180 (8.2%)	233 (10.6%)	217 (9.9%)	135 (6.1%)	72 (3.3%)	21 (1.0%)	1 (0.05%)	1 (0.05%)
27 Hepetema September	163 (7.5%)	370 (17.1%)	328 (15.2%)	248 (11.5%)	203 (9.4%)	179 (8.3%)	235 (10.9%)	212 (9.8%)	140 (6.5%)	64 (3.0%)	22 (1.0%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (0.05%)
1 Ākuhata August	151 (7.1%)	343 (16.1%)	328 (15.4%)	248 (11.6%)	202 (9.5%)	179 (8.4%)	229 (10.7%)	217 (10.2%)	140 (6.6%)	74 (3.5%)	22 (1.0%)	1 (0.05%)	1 (0.05%)
6 Hune June	139 (6.6%)	329 (15.7%)	322 (15.4%)	244 (11.7%)	200 (9.6%)	177 (8.5%)	226 (10.8%)	217 (10.4%)	141 (6.7%)	74 (3.5%)	22 (1.1%)	1 (0.05%)	1 (0.05%)
10 Āperira April	127 (6.2%)	314 (15.3%)	318 (15.5%)	240 (11.7%)	197 (9.6%)	178 (8.7%)	223 (10.9%)	218 (10.6%)	142 (6.9%)	73 (3.6%)	22 (1.1%)	1 (0.05%)	1 (0.05%)
10 Pēpuere February	121 (6.0%)	299 (14.8%)	312 (15.4%)	237 (11.7%)	195 (9.6%)	178 (8.8%)	222 (11.0%)	219 (10.8%)	142 (7.0%)	75 (3.7%)	22 (1.1%)	1 (0.05%)	1 (0.05%)
2022													
15 Noema November	139 (7.2%)	305 (15.7%)	271 (14.0%)	227 (11.7%)	185 (9.5%)	180 (9.3%)	224 (11.6%)	211 (10.9%)	123 (6.3%)	55 (2.8%)	17 (0.9%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (0.05%)
20 Hepetema September	120 (6.3%)	292 (15.4%)	272 (14.3%)	224 (11.8%)	186 (9.8%)	175 (9.2%)	222 (11.7%)	208 (10.9%)	126 (6.6%)	56 (2.9%)	18 (0.9%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (0.05%)
1 Ākuhata August	110 (5.9%)		555 (29.6%)		408 (21.7%)		395 (21.0%)		333 (17.7%)		76 (4.0%)		

	Under 25	25 - 29	30 - 34	35 - 39	40 - 44	45 - 49	50 - 54	55 - 59	60 - 64	65 - 69	70 - 74	75 - 79	80 and older
2022 continued...													
Pēpuere February <i>Note: 3 paramedics did not list their age so are not recorded in this statistic</i>	296 (17.1%)	464 (26.8%)	348 (20.1%)	422 (24.4%)	180 (10.4%)	20 (1.2%)							

Ngā Huarahi Rēhita | Pathways to registration

There are different ways in which a paramedic can be registered:

- Completing a prescribed (approved) Aotearoa New Zealand qualification (PQ)
- Applying for an assessment of their overseas qualification (ONPQ)
- Mutual recognition of their Australian registration (TTMR)

When registration first opened, there were also two grandparenting pathways:

- Recognition of an Authority to Practise with an approved employer (ATP)
- An assessment of their Aotearoa New Zealand practice experience (EXP)

The two grandparenting pathways officially closed in Ākuhata | August 2021 for working paramedics, and in Mei | May 2022 for those who were not working, for example on parental or extended leave.

In Ākuhata | August 2023, the pathway for overseas qualified paramedics was introduced.

This data provides the pathways used by paramedics to gain registration with Te Kaunihera, and each as a percentage of the total number of registered paramedics.

	Aotearoa-Approved	Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition	Overseas-qualified paramedic	Recognition of an Authority to Practise	Assessment of Aotearoa practice experience
2026					
16 Āperira April	1866 (68.4%)	233 (8.5%)	142 (5.2%)	490 (18.0%)	22 (0.8%)
4 Pēpuere February	1,839 (67.4%)	229 (8.4%)	140 (5.1%)	499 (18.3%)	22 (0.8%)
2025					
1 Tihema December	1,752 (66.8%)	213 (8.1%)	137 (5.2%)	500 (19.1%)	22 (0.8%)

	Aotearoa-Approved	Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition	Overseas-qualified paramedic	Recognition of an Authority to Practise	Assessment of Aotearoa practice experience
2025 continued					
16 Oketopa October	1,724 (66.5%)	211 (8.1%)	136 (5.2%)	501 (19.3%)	22 (0.8%)
1 Hepetema September	1,719 (66.5%)	209 (8.1%)	134 (5.2%)	502 (19.4%)	22 (0.9%)
31 Hūrae July	1,709 (66.5%)	206 (8.0%)	132 (5.1%)	502 (19.5%)	22 (0.9%)
3 Hune June	1,694 (66.4%)	204 (8.0%)	129 (5.1%)	504 (19.7%)	22 (0.9%)
7 Māehe March	1,676 (65.4%)	210 (8.2%)	124 (4.8%)	530 (20.7%)	22 (0.9%)
2024					
4 Tīhema December	1,624 (64.8%)	203 (8.1%)	122 (4.9%)	536 (21.4%)	22 (0.9%)
1 Oketopa October	1,589 (64.4%)	199 (8.1%)	120 (4.9%)	536 (21.7%)	22 (0.9%)
1 Ākuhata August	1,567 (64.4%)	194 (8.0%)	116 (4.8%)	536 (22.0%)	22 (0.9%)
4 Hūrae July	1,552 (64.2%)	191 (7.9%)	116 (4.8%)	536 (22.2%)	22 (0.9%)
19 Āperira April	1,502 (63.9%)	183 (7.8%)	102 (4.3%)	540 (23.0%)	22 (0.9%)
1 Pēpuere February	1,480 (64.0%)	169 (7.3%)	94 (4.1%)	548 (23.7%)	22 (1.0%)
2023					
13 Noema November	1,409 (64.0%)	138 (6.3%)	84 (3.8%)	548 (24.9%)	22 (1.0%)
27 Hepetema September	1,394 (64.4%)	135 (6.2%)	67 (3.1%)	548 (25.3%)	22 (1.0%)

	Aotearoa-Approved	Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition	Overseas-qualified paramedic	Recognition of an Authority to Practise	Assessment of Aotearoa practice experience
2023 continued					
1 Ākuhata August	1,384 (64.8%)	130 (6.1%)	51 (2.4%)	548 (25.7%)	22 (1.0%)
6 Hune June	1,362 (65.1%)	123 (5.9%)	37 (1.8%)	548 (26.2%)	23 (1.1%)
10 Āperira April	1,347 (65.6%)	113 (5.5%)	23 (1.1%)	548 (26.7%)	23 (1.1%)
10 Pēpuere February	1,331 (65.8%)	103 (5.1%)	13 (0.6%)	554 (27.4%)	23 (1.1%)
2022					
15 Noema November	1,261 (65.1%)	92 (4.7%)	8 (0.4%)	554 (28.6%)	23 (1.2%)
20 Hepetema September	1,242 (65.4%)	83 (4.4%)	0 (0.0%)	554 (29.2%)	21 (1.1%)
1 Ākuhata August	1,223 (65.2%)	78 (4.2%)	0 (0.0%)	555 (29.6%)	21 (1.1%)
1 Hune June	1,186 (65.1%)	65 (3.6%)	0 (0.0%)	555 (30.4%)	17 (0.9%)
6 Āperira April	1,158 (64.6%)	62 (3.5%)	0 (0.0%)	557 (31.1%)	15 (0.8%)
Pēpuere February	1105 (63.8%)	58 (3.3%)	0 (0.0%)	557 (32.1%)	13 (0.8%)
2021					
Nōema November	1,058 (62.9%)	54 (3.2%)	0 (0.0%)	557 (33.1%)	13 (0.8%)
Hūrae July	1,007 (62.8%)	47 (2.9%)	0 (0.0%)	541 (33.7%)	9 (0.6%)

*Mā te kimi ka kite, Mā te kite ka mōhio, Mā te mōhio ka Mārama |
Seek and discover. Discover and know. Know and become enlightened.*