

Daily Intelligence Briefing

Issued: 1030hrs 06 Oct 2023 Authorised by: - Watch Leader Next update: 1030hrs 07 Oct 2023

Executive Summary

- A strong wind watch is in force for Fiordland and Southland today.
- The NZ DART Buoy network is experiencing degradation in NZA, NZC, NZE and NZH.

NEMA Operational Status

Operational activity

NCC is at Mode 1 (MAR Centre Monitoring).

On-call roster

Response Manager	
Activation Coordinator	

PIM	
REMA North	
REMA South	

Response Activity

Nothing to report.

Weather and Climate



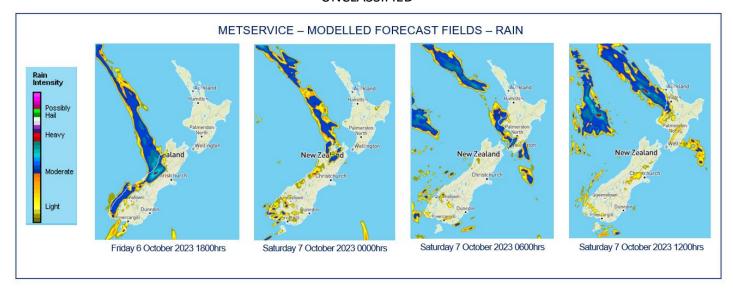
Current Weather

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There is a road snowfall warning in force for Milford Road (SH94) from 1500hrs until 1800hrs Saturday, 7 October.

Accurate from MetService as at 1000hrs today

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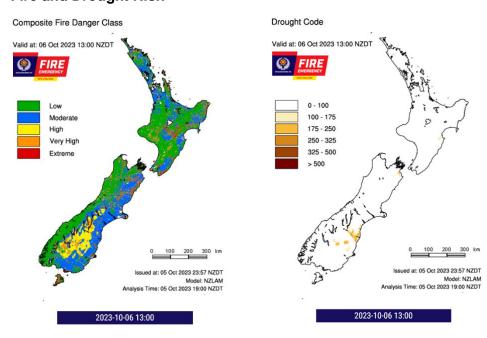


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Severe Weather Outlook

A couple of fronts are expected to move across the North Island during the weekend, with a low developing over or near the northern North Island late Saturday or Sunday. At this stage there is quite a lot of uncertainty regarding the development of this low, but it may bring some heavy rain and/or strong winds to parts of the North Island.

Fire and Drought Risk



Geological

Volcanic Activity (Level 1 and above)

Volcano	Level	Volcanic Activity	Aviation Code
Whakaari/ White Island	2	Moderate to heightened volcanic unrest	Yellow
Ruapehu	1	Minor volcanic unrest	Green
Taupō	1	Minor volcanic unrest	Green

GNS Alert Levels guide visit: https://www.geonet.org.nz/about/volcano/val GNS Aviation Colour Codes visit: https://www.geonet.org.nz/volcano/acc

Other Events

NZ DART Network Degradation

A recent update from GNS Science advised that DART Buoy NZC is no longer operational while NZA, NZE and NZH are operating in degraded states.

Despite this degradation in the network, coverage in all regions is still considered good. NZA, NZC and NZE are set to be serviced this December, while NZH is slated to be serviced in July 2024.

Other Events

Himalayan glacial lake flooding kills 14 in India

A further 102 people are also missing after heavy rains caused a Himalayan glacial lake in northeast India to burst its banks.

Newshub

Warmest September on record as 'gobsmacking' data shocks scientists

The world's September temperatures were the warmest on record, breaking the previous high by a huge margin, according to the EU climate service.

BBC News

06/10/2023 – Situation Report Week 4

As at 11.56am 06/10/2023 prepared by Crispian

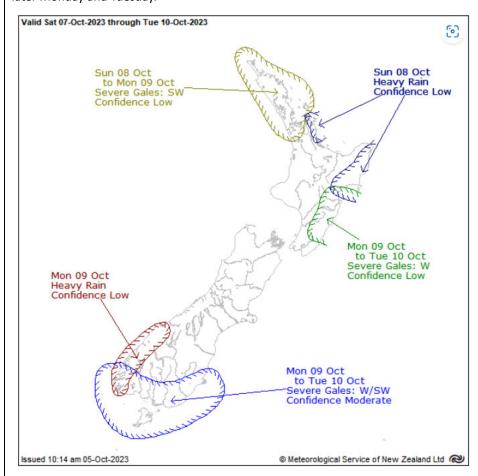
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Legal & Policy	GENERAL UPDATE/ISSUES						
208		eing heard at 2.15pm this afternoon	in Wellington				
Strategic	GENERAL UPDATE:						
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	Papakura situation.						
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Interagency Update	Nothing to report.						
Security &	GENERAL UPDATE:						
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MetService Extended Forecast 5 -6 October

Friday

North Island: Fine in the east, but cloud increasing elsewhere, with late rain in the south. South Island: Rain developing in the west with possibly heavy falls. Cloud increasing elsewhere, with scattered rain developing in the south.

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Saturday

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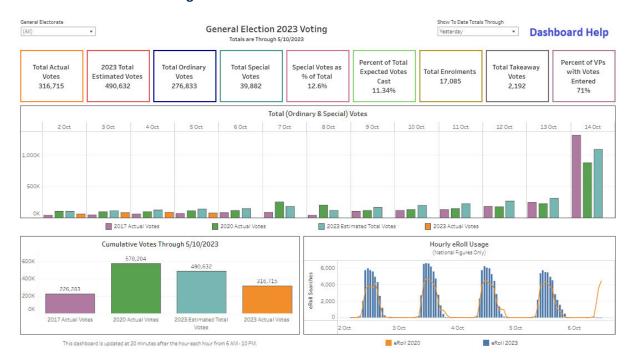
Chatham Islands

A few showers on Thursday with westerlies, then cloudy periods on Friday and Saturday with winds turning northerly.

ACTION REGISTER LOG

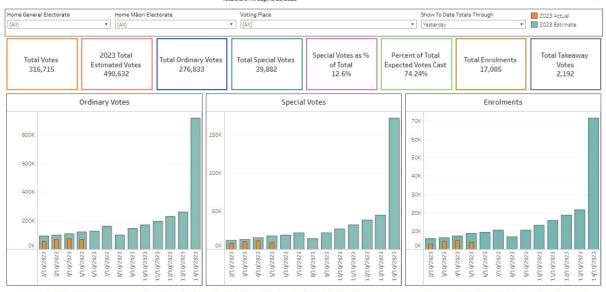
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General Election 2023 Voting



Estimates and Actuals by Voting Place and Day

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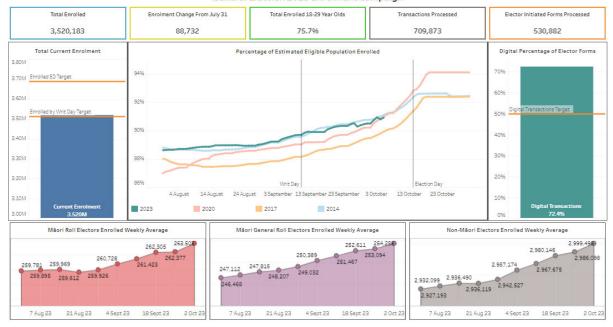


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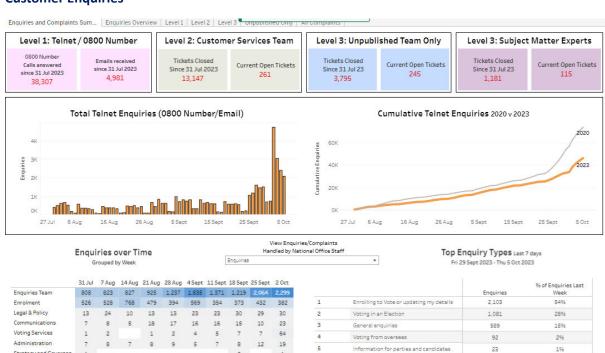
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General Election 2023 Enrolment Campaign



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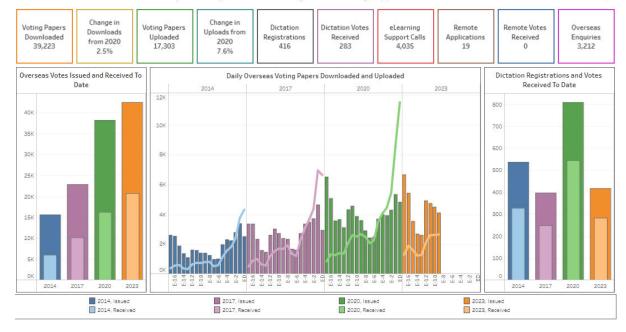


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Overseas, Dictation

Overseas, Dictation, and Remote Voting and e-Learning Support

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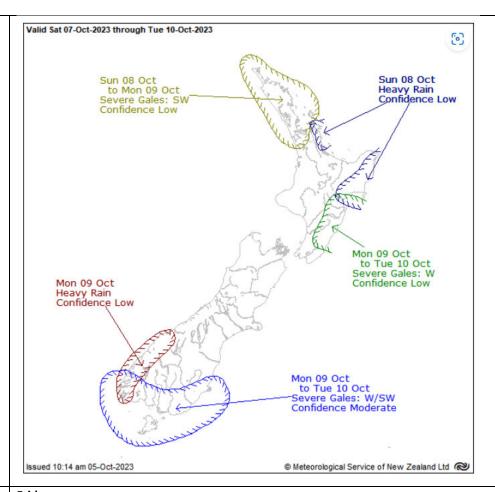
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Services	 Since yesterday, the team had 658 tickets resolved, received 112 phone calls and made 11 outbound calls. 88% of tickets were resolved in one-touch. Telnet received 1,929 calls and 147 emails yesterday. The top enquiry was about 'Where to Vote' (17%), followed by Updating details (15%) and EasyVote questions (11%). The main reason for triggering the contact with us was by Word of mouth (27%) and our website (21%).
	 There are 38 complaints on hand across the business units. No significant risk or issue to raise.
	10 new approved responses have been added in the last 24 hours for emerging questions, covering EasyVote pack, 'I voted' stickers, receiving mail from the Commission and enrolment-related knowledge. The Control of the Control
	• The Customer Service Team will continue supporting the public enquiries between 8.30am and 6.30pm on Saturday and Sunday.
Communications	GENERAL UPDATE:
and Education	 EasyVote enquiries have subsided across media and social media Media themes – responding to a wide range of enquiries including questions about rules for advertising. RNZ story about locations and opening hours of rural voting places
	Social media
	A recurring theme of voter fraud amongst a small number of online users who question the fact that ID is not required to vote in NZ. Social parts planned for this weekend, weting places onen this weekend, permanent resident.
	 Social posts planned for this weekend – voting places open this weekend; permanent resident eligibility explainer; reminder on overseas voting.
	Daily metrics
	 17 media enquiries 245 enquiries and comments on social media in the last 24 hours 101,407 visitors to vote.nz
Legal & Policy	GENERAL UPDATE/ISSUES
	NZ Loyal High Court case is being heard at 2.15pm this afternoon in Wellington
Strategic	GENERAL UPDATE:
Engagement and Partnership	 Noted posts circulating online regarding photos in voting places and an uptick in queries regarding what is permissible.
	Have reached out to contacts regarding en masse voting by gang members in various locations (Papakura Marae and Ōpōtiki identified, also potential for Rotorua). Suggestions have been provided

	through the taskforce to region	nal teams around interactions with	these groups.					
Security &	GENERAL UPDATE:							
Integrity	Field security incident reports received 5 October 2023							
	Туре	Type Reported Resolved						
	Voting Place Disruption	3	3					
	Place. • Westfield Albany – Non er							
	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		eld staff to help manage scrutineers ne process					
	ACTION							
	 Regional Managers to remind local police station number. 	Voting Place staff to ring 111 in eme	ergency situations rather than the					
People and	GENERAL UPDATE:							
Culture (P&C)	few more employees On Call fo	ra. We are supporting with finding or or Election Day. paid earlier. Working this through w						
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Emerging events	School students asked to isolate as	new measles case confirmed, indiv	idual flew from Wellington to					
across the	Auckland Stuff.co.nz							
country	Police respond to bomb alert at Qu	eenstown Airport Stuff.co.nz						
Severe Weather Outlook	western Bay of Plenty, on Sunday. I severe gale about parts of Northlar Monday.	ern North Island late Saturday or Suivelopment of this low, but it may br There is low confidence that rainfal and northern Hawke's Bay, and poss There is also low confidence that so and, Auckland and the Hauraki Gulf fo	nday. At this stage there is quite a ing some heavy rain and/or strong I amounts may reach warning sibly also Coromandel Peninsula and uthwesterly winds could reach or a time on Sunday and/or					
	Another front moves over the sout embedded in a strong west to sout winds could reach severe gale about (especially near the coast) for a time winds could reach severe gale about later Monday and Tuesday.	hwest flow. There is moderate conf it parts of southern Otago, Southlan ie on Monday and early Tuesday, ar	idence that west or southwest and and southern Fiordland and also low confidence that westerly					



MetService Extended Forecast 5 -6 October

Friday

North Island: Fine in the east, but cloud increasing elsewhere, with late rain in the south. South Island: Rain developing in the west with possibly heavy falls. Cloud increasing elsewhere, with scattered rain developing in the south.

Northwest gales are expected in the lower South Island this morning and afternoon. There is a watch in place for the possibility of severe gales briefly affecting exposed parts of Fiordland, Southland, and Stewart Island from 0800hrs to 1700hrs today.

There is a road snowfall warning in force for Milford Road (SH94) from 1500hrs until 1800hrs Saturday, 7 October.

Saturday

North Island: Occasional rain developing. South Island: Occasional rain or showers for most.

Chatham Islands

A few showers on Thursday with westerlies, then cloudy periods on Friday and Saturday with winds turning northerly.

ACTION REGISTER LOG

		OPEN						
Unit	Issue Severity	ACTION	DATE RAISED ~	wно <u></u>	DUE DAT ~	IMPACT ~	UPDATE/OUTCOME	DATE CLOSED ~
VS	HIGH	Issues with EASYVOTE for: 1. Mt Albert- and Epsom voting place 2. Te Tai Hauðuru candidate sheet found in Ikaroa-Rāwhiti electorate packs 3. Unsalvageable Te Atatū packs approx 700	29/09/23	Adele PA VS		Reputational - high impact on all these 3 electorates as it will delay EAsyVotes cards to electors.	Ongoing progress to identify issues across all three electorates	



DAILY INTERAGENCY REPORT TO **GEDT**

Submitted daily not later than 11am.

Date: 6 October 2023

DPMC:
NSTR
NZ Police:
Awaiting report
NEMA (Daily Intelligence Briefing attached):
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GCSB:
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NZSIS:
Reporting via the JIG
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