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Results for January to March Quarter 2016



15% were aware of ACC on an unprompted basis

- Not significantly different to the previous Poll (October to December 2015).
- ◆ The annualised result (based on the April 2015 to March 2016 results combined) is 16 percent.
- Refer to Appendix B for full tabular results.



93% considered themselves to be reasonably knowledgeable about the Corporation

- A similar result to the previous Poll (92 percent in October to December 2015).
- ♦ The annualised result is 90 percent.
- Refer to Appendix B for full tabular results.



64% reported having trust and confidence in ACC

- An increase from the previous Poll (58 percent in October to December 2015), although not statistically significant.
- The annualised result is 61 percent.



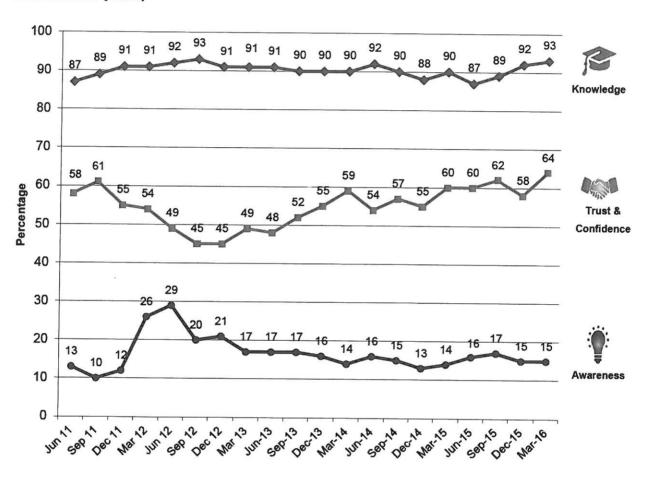
64% felt New Zealanders have trust and confidence in government departments in general

- 30 percent felt New Zealanders did not have trust and confidence in government departments in general.
- ◆ Two-thirds (67 percent) felt trust and confidence in the public sector is about the same now as it was 12 months ago.



Time series for ACC

Figure 1: Awareness, knowledge and trust & confidence in ACC over time (based on the results to each individual quarter)

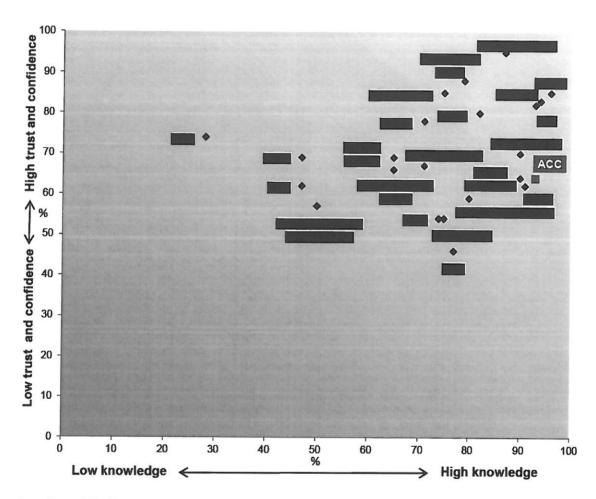


Source: Research New Zealand Public Sector Trust & Confidence Poll. Special Report for ACC (January to march 2016). Please note: Trust and Confidence ra ings are for only those respondents who indicated that they knew at least "a reasonable amount" about what ACC does (for January to March 2016 this represents n=461).



ACC's comparative position

Figure 2: ACC's current position in regard to perceived knowledge and trust & confidence, in relation to other government departments and agencies (based on 12 month rolling average)



Source: Research New Zealand Public Sector Trust & Confidence Poll. Special Report ACC (January to March 2016). Please note: Confidence ratings include only those respondents who indicated that they knew at least "a reasonable amount" about what each public sector organisation does. In the case of ACC, this represents a sample size of n=1819 for the April 2015 to March 2016, and n=461 for the January to March 2016 measure.



Detailed trust and confidence results



64% reported having trust and confidence in ACC

Sixty-four percent of respondents who felt they had a reasonable understanding of ACC (93 percent of the total sample) reported having full trust and confidence in the Corporation (Table 1 overleaf).

- Although not statistically significant, the current result indicates a positive recovery from the previous Quarter (currently 64 percent, compared with 58 percent in October-December 2015).
- On an annualised basis, trust and confidence in ACC is 61 percent.

	en compared with trust and confidence ratings for other government departments and agencies Quarter, ACC's result is most similar to the (64 percent), (64 percent), (65 percent) and (65 percent).
	er Departments and agencies also recorded positive improvements with regard to trust and fidence this Quarter. The following were statistically significant:
•	(currently at 74 percent, trust and confidence in had dropped to 67 percent in October-December 2015).
•	in October-December 2015).
*	(currently at 59 percent, up from 49 percent in October-December 2015)
•	(currently at 46 percent, up from 39 percent in October-December 2015).



Table 1: Trust and confidence in government departments and agencies (based on a four Quarter rolling average)

And would you say you have full trust and confidence in ...?

		12 month rolling average	Jan-Mar 2016	Oct - Dec 2015	Jul - Sep 2015	Apr - Jun 2015
	Base =	2,003	502	500	501	500
		%	%	%	%	%
		96	95	95	>94	98
		86	88	85	85	85
		84	85	85	83	84
		86	85	84	86	89
		83	83	84	81	83
		80	82	79	77	82
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		76	78	77	74	76
		71	≻74	≻67	73	70
		71	70	69	73	73
		65	≻69	62	66	≻63
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		66	67	65	64	70
		63	66	64	62	≻61
		63	64	59	65	64
ACC		61	64	58	62	60
		64	62	62	63	≻68
		62	62	59	61	64
		54	≻ 59	49	≻46	64
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		53	54	56	52	53
		54	54	50	51	≻43
		42	≻ 46	39	>37	47

The base numbers shown are unweighted counts.

> Denotes a statistically significant difference between the current results and that of he previous polls.

Note: "Trust and confidence ratings include only those respondents who indicated that they knew at least "a reasonable amount" about what each public sector organisa ion does. In the case of ACC, this represents a sample size of n=1819 for the April 2015 to March 2016 period, and n=461 for the January to March 2016 measure.



Table 2 profiles those who reported having trust and confidence in ACC against those who did not.

Respondents who said they have trust and confidence in ACC were more likely to be have a younger age profile (26 percent were aged 18 to 34 years, compared with 11 percent of those who did not have trust and confidence).

There were no significant differences when measured by ethnicity, location or income.

Table 2: Profile of respondents who do and do not have trust and confidence in ACC

Base =	Total 502	Have trust and confidence in ACC 279	Do not have trust and confidence in ACC 172	Don't know/No knowledge of ACC* 51
	%	%	%	%
Gender				
Male	48	51	46	29
Female	52	49	54	71
Age				
18-24	10	14	4	4
25-34	10	12	7	0
35-44	27	29	26	19
45-54	16	12	22	16
55-64	19	17	19	28
65-74	11	8	15	16
75 years and over	8	7	7	18
Ethnicity				
New Zealand European (or Pakeha)	84	85	83	83
Māori	9	7	11	12
Pacific	2	1	2	3
Asian	2	2	2	0
Other	10	10	10	8
Location				
Upper North Island	41	40	40	49
Central/Lower North Island	27	30	20	34
South Island	32	30	40	17
Income				
Under \$40,000	29	27	30	38
40,000 - \$79,999	27	25	28	29
\$80,000 plus	38	43	35	20
Don't know/Refused	6	5	7	12

The base numbers shown are unweighted counts. Total may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

* 'No knowledge of ACC' is based on respondents who said they did not have a reasonable understanding of what ACC does or gave a 'don't know' response to the perceived knowledge question and therefore were not asked to rate their trust and confidence in ACC.



64% felt New Zealanders have trust and confidence in government departments in general

All respondents were asked if they felt New Zealanders in general have trust and confidence in government departments, and in their local or regional councils. This is on the basis that opinions about the public sector per se might influence opinions about individual departments and agencies, and vice versa.

In order to ensure respondents were not confused or did not misunderstand what was meant by 'government departments', they were told that by this we meant 'the departments that provide public services such as those we have been talking about'.

As shown in Table 3, 64 percent of respondents felt that New Zealanders do have trust and confidence in the public sector, while 30 percent did not. These results are not significantly different to the previous three Polls.

Table 3: Trust and confidence in government departments in general

Do you feel New Zealanders, in general, have trust and confidence in New Zealand's government departments?

Base =	12 month rolling average 2,003	Jan-Mar 2016 502	Oct - Dec 2015 500	Jul - Sep 2015 501	Apr - Jun 2015 500
Yes	62	<u>%</u> 64	% 62	<u>%</u> 59	% 64
No	31	30	33	31	30
Don't know/Refused	7	6	5	10	6
Total	100	100	100	100	100

The base numbers shown are unweighted counts. Total may not sum to 100% due to rounding.



23% felt trust and confidence in government departments in general has become worse

Two-thirds (67 percent) of respondents felt that New Zealanders' level of trust and confidence in the public sector is about the same now as it was 12 months ago, while 23 percent felt it had become worse and five percent felt it had improved (Table 4).

These results are comparable to the previous Quarter.

Table 4: Perceptions of change in the extent to which New Zealanders have trust and confidence in government departments in general

Do you believe New Zealanders' trust and confidence in the New Zealand public sector is better, worse or about the same as it was 12 months ago?

	12 month rolling average	Jan-Mar 2016	Oct - Dec 2015	Jul - Sep 2015	Apr - Jun 2015
Base =	2,003	502	500	501	500
	%	%	%	%	%
Better	7	5	7	6	9
Worse	25	23	22	28	26
About the same	63	67	66	59	59
Don't know	6	5	5	7	6
Total	100	100	100	100	100

The base numbers shown are unweighted counts.

Total may not sum to 100% due to rounding.





50% felt New Zealanders do have trust and confidence in local government

Respondents were also asked if they felt New Zealanders have trust and confidence in local government (i.e. local or regional councils). One-half of all respondents (50 percent) felt New Zealanders do have trust and confidence in their local or regional councils, while 44 percent felt New Zealanders do not. These results are similar to those from the previous three Polls. (Table 5).

Respondents who had positive views about the public sector per se were also more likely to feel that New Zealanders have trust and confidence in their local/regional council (58 percent, compared with 31 percent of respondents who felt New Zealanders do not have trust and confidence in the public sector) (Table 6).

Table 5: Trust and confidence in local or regional councils

Do you feel New Zealanders in general have trust and confidence in their local or regional council?

	12 month rolling average	Jan-Mar 2016	Oct - Dec 2015	Jul - Sep 2015	Apr - Jun 2015
Base		502	500	501	500
	%	%	%	%	%
Yes, trust and confidence in local/regional councils	49	50	48	47	51
No trust and confidence in local/regional councils	43	44	42	43	41
Don't know	9	6	10	10	8
Total	100	100	100	100	100

The base numbers shown are unweighted counts. Total may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Table 6: Trust and confidence in local or regional councils by trust and confidence in government departments in general

Do you feel New Zealanders in general have trust and confidence in their local or regional council?

E	Base =	Total 502 %	Feel NZ'ers do have trust and confidence in the public sector 320 %	Do not feel NZ'ers have trust and confidence in the public sector 147 %	Don't know/ Refused 35 %
Yes, trust and confidence in local/regional councils		50	58	31	50
No trust and confidence in					
local/regional councils		44	36	64	31
Don't know		6	5	6	19
Total .		100	100	100	100

The base numbers shown are unweighted counts. Total may not sum to 100% due to rounding.





50% regarded their current personal financial situation as 'good/very good'

One-half of all respondents felt their personal financial situation was currently 'good/very good'. One-third provided a neutral rating, while 16 percent considered their current financial situation to be 'bad/very bad' (Table 7).

Respondents' views on their personal financial situation clearly influences their views on the New Zealand economy in general. Sixty-four percent of respondents who felt their personal situation was 'bad/very bad' also felt the same way about the economy. Similarly, 63 percent of those who were happy with their personal situation, had a positive view of the economy.

Table 7: Personal financial situation

How would you rate your own financial situation at the moment?

	Personal financial situation	State of NZ economy
Base =	502	502
	%	%
Very bad	3	6
Bad	13	28
Neutral	33	18
Good	38	40
Very good	12	5
Don't know	0	4
Total	100	100

The base numbers shown are unweighted counts. Total may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Table 8: Trust and confidence in the public sector by views on the state of New Zealand's economy

Would you say the New Zealand economy is in a good or bad state at the moment?

Base =	Total 502 %	Personal financial situation is 'bad/very bad' 75 %	Neutral view on personal financial situation 151 %	Personal financial situation is 'good/very good' 272 %	Don't know/ Refused 4***
NZ economy is in a bad state NZ economy is in a neutral	34	64	41	18	50
state	18	21	18	16	25
NZ economy is in a good state	45	8	37	63	0
Don't know	4	7	4	2	25
Total	100	100	100	100	100

The base numbers shown are unweighted counts.

Total may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

^{**}Caution, results are indicative due to low base number.



Respondents with a more positive view of their current financial situation also had a more positive outlook on the public sector. Three-quarters (74 percent) of those who were happy with their personal financial situation had trust and confidence in the public sector, compared with 36 percent of those who felt their current financial situation was' bad/yery bad' (Table 9).

Although less pronounced, a similar pattern is noted with regard to respondents' views about the state of New Zealand's economy (74 percent of respondents who felt the economy was in a 'good/very good' state believed New Zealanders had trust and confidence in the public sector, compared with 52 percent of respondents who felt the economy was in a bad state) (Table 10).

Table 9: Trust and confidence in the public sector by views on their personal financial situation

Do you feel New Zealanders in general have trust and confidence in New Zealand's Government departments?

Base =	Total 502 %	Personal financial situation is 'bad/very bad' 75 %	Neutral view on personal financial situation 151 %	Personal financial situation is 'good/very good' 272 %	Don't know/ Refused 4***
Yes, trust and confidence in the public sector	64	36	64	74	50
No trust and confidence in the public sector	30	59	27	21	0
Don't know	6	5	9	4	50
Total	100	100	100	100	100

The base numbers shown are unweighted counts

Table 10: Trust and confidence in the public sector by views on the state of New Zealand's economy

Do you feel New Zealanders in general have trust and confidence in New Zealand's Government departments?

	Feel NZ economy is in a 'bad/very Total bad' state		Neutral view on NZ's economy	Feel NZ economy is in a 'good/very good' state	Don't know/ Refused
Base =	502	162	86	239	15**
	%	%	%	%	%
Yes, trust and confidence in the public sector	64	52	61	74	68
No trust and confidence in the public sector	30	40	31	21	21
Don't know	6	7	8	5	10
Total	100	100	100	100	100

The base numbers shown are unweighted counts.

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Despite impacting respondents' views of the public sector in general, respondents' personal financial situation appears to have less of an impact on their views of individual government departments (Table 11).

For example, 57 percent of respondents who considered themselves to be in a 'bad/very bad' financial situation reported having trust and confidence in ACC, compared with 69 percent of respondents in a more positive financial situation. However, this difference is not statistically significant.

In fact, the only statistically significant differences were noted in regard to the following agencies:

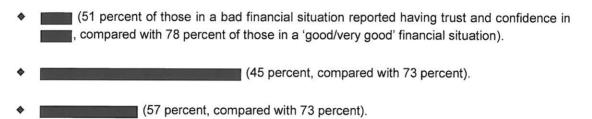




Table 11: Trust and confidence in government departments and agencies (based on current Quarter)

And would you say you have full trust and confidence in ...?

		Total	Personal financial situation is 'bad/very bad'	Neutral view on personal financial situation 151	situation is 'good/very good'	Refused
	Base =	502 %	75 %	%	272 %	4** %
		95	96	94	96	100
		88	84	87	90	100
		85	78	85	87	100
		85	84	83	86	0
		83	88	76	86	100
		82	71	86	83	33
		80	69	84	82	0
Manage Control		78	83	77	78	100
		74	69	74	78	0
		70	57	71	73	66
		69	60	65	74	29
		69	51	62	78	100
		67	59	64	71	71
		66	45	64	73	29
ACC		64	57	60	69	100
		64	56	64	66	0
TO STANFALL SERVICES		62	47	66	64	0
		62	54	63	63	33
		59	52	5	61	0
		57	50	61	56	0
		54	46	53	57	29
		54	47	53	56	43
		46	49	45	45	0

The base numbers shown are unweighted counts.

Note: "Trust and confidence ratings include only those respondents who indicated that they knew at least "a reasonable amount" about what each public sector organisa ion does. In the case of ACC, his represents a sample size of n=461 for the January to March 2016 measure.



Appendix A: Methodology

For this survey, a nationally representative sample of n=502 adult New Zealanders, 18 years of age and over, was interviewed between 17 March and 05 April 2016. The relevant section of the questionnaire is included in Appendix C. A profile of the respondents interviewed for this survey is included in Appendix D.

The data presented in this report has been weighted by gender and age to ensure that the results are truly representative of the New Zealand population. The weighting parameters were sourced from Statistics New Zealand and are based on the 2013 Census of Population and Dwellings.

Results based on the (weighted) total sample are subject to a maximum margin of error of +/- 5.0 percent (at the 95 percent confidence level)¹. This means, for example, that if 50 percent of respondents were aware of ACC, we could be 95 percent sure of getting the same result, plus or minus 5.0 percent, had we interviewed everyone in the population.

Higher margins of error apply in the case of sub-samples. For example, ACC's trust and confidence result for January to March 2016 is based on the sub-sample of n=461 respondents who felt 'reasonably knowledgeable' about ACC. The maximum margin of error associated with the sub-sample size of n=461 is +/- 5.2 percent.

¹ The margin of error is slightly higher than the conventional margin of error calculation as it takes into account the fact that the data has been weighted.



Appendix B: Awareness and knowledge results

Table 12: Levels of unprompted awareness of government departments and agencies (based on a four Quarter rolling average)

Can you tell me the names of all the government departments and agencies you are aware of? [Total mentioned]

Base =	A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR	Jan-Mar 2016 502	Oct - Dec 2015 500	Jul - Sep 2015 501	Apr - Jun 2015 500
	%	%	%	%	%
	47	50	48	47	>42
	41	41	41	37	39
	30	30	29	≻27	>34
	27	>30	23	25	>>30
33 - 6	22	21	23	24	22
ALL SECTION SHOW SHOW SHOW SHOW	16	16	16	16	15
ACC	16	15	15	17	16
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	13	15	14	12	12
	15	14	16	≻18	11
	8	12	8	7	7
	10	10	9	11	9
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	6	5	5	6	6
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	3	5	3	2	3
	2	3	2	2	1
	1	2	1	0	2
	1	1	1	1	2
	1	1	1	1	1
	1	1	1	0	1

The base numbers shown are unweighted counts.

> Denotes a statistically significant difference between the current results and that of the previous poll.



Table 13: Levels of perceived knowledge of government departments and agencies (based on a four quarter rolling average).

I'm now going to read a list of government departments and agencies. For each, please tell me whether you feel you know a reasonable amount about what they do.

	12 month rolling average	Jan-Mar 2016	Oct - Dec 2015	Jul - Sep 2015	Apr - Jun 2015
Bas	e = 2,003	502	500	501	500
	%	%	%	%	%
	95	96	96	95	94
	91	94	91	90	89
	92	93	94	92	88
ACC	90	93	92	89	87
	88	≻91	86	>-90	84
	88	90	89	87	85
	86	90	87	83	85
	88	87	90	≫90	84
	81	82	84	82	77
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	76	79	79	≻78	70
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	73	75	72	75	69
	68	≻ 75	68	64	64
	69	≻74	67	68	67
	70	71	74	70	67
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	57	≻65	58	53	53
	48	50	51	48	44
	46	47	50	44	44
	40	>47	39	38	35
	25	28	25	21	26

The base numbers shown are unweighted counts.

> Denotes a statistically significant difference between the current results and that of he previous polls.



Appendix C: Questionnaire

Now I'd now like to ask you some questions about government departments and agencies. You may not have had any direct dealings with them. It's your opinions and views that we're <u>most</u> interested in.

First of all, can you tell me the names of all the government departments and agencies you are aware of? Code first mentioned

Any others? Code many

	First mentioned	Others mentioned
ACC	1	1
	2	2
	3	3
	4	4
	5	5
	6	6
	7	7
	8	8
	9	9
	10	10
	11	11
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	13	13
	14	14
	15	15
	23	23
	16	16
	17	17
	18	18
	19	19
	20	20
	21	21
	22	22
	96	96
Don't know	98	98; E
None	97	97; E



I'm now going to read you a list of particular government departments and agencies. For each, please tell me whether you feel you know a reasonable amount about what they do. Read RND

	Yes	No	Don't Know
ACC	1	2	98
	1	2	98
	1	2	98
	1	2	98
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	1	2	98
	1	2	98
	1	2	98
	1	2	98
	1	2	98



FOR ALL 1's ABOVE ASK: Thinking about government departments again, would you say you have full trust and confidence in these *particular* departments and agencies? Just give me a 'yes' or a 'no'.

Read

	Yes	No	Don't Know
ACC	1	2	98
	1	2	98
	1	2	98
	1	2	98
	1	2	98
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	1	2	98
	1	2	98



Do you feel New Zealanders in general, have trust and confidence in the New Zealand's government departments? If necessary: By this we mean the departments that provide public services such as those we have been talking about.

- 1.....Yes
- 2....No
- 98 ... Don't know

Do you believe New Zealanders trust and confidence in the New Zealand public sector is better, worse or about the same as it was 12 months ago?

- 1....Better
- 2.....Worse
- 3 About the same
- 98 Don't know

Do you feel New Zealanders in general, have trust and confidence in their local or regional council?

- 1.....Yes
- 2....No
- 98 ... Don't know

On a slightly different topic, in your personal opinion, would you say the New Zealand economy is in a good or bad state at the moment?

Probe Is that very [good/bad] or just [good/bad]?

- 1Very bad
- 2Bad
- 3 Neutral
- 4Good
- 5Very good
- 98 ... Don't know
- 99 ... Refused

And how would you rate your own financial situation at the moment? Would you say it was.. Read

- 1.....Very bad
- 2Bad
- 3 Neutral
- 4Good
- 5Very good
- 98 ... Don't know Do not read
- 99 ... Refused Do not read



Appendix D: Respondent profile

The following tables profile the sample that was interviewed for this survey. It is important to note that the weighting procedure referred to earlier in this report corrects for any demographic imbalances. Results quoted in this report are based on the weighted, <u>not</u> the unweighted sample.

Table 14: Gender

	Weighted Total	Unweighted Total
Base =	502	502
	%	%
Male	48	48
Female	52	52

The base numbers shown are unweighted counts. Total may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Table 15: Age

		Weighted Total	Unweighted Total
	Base =	502	502
		%	%
18 to 24		10	5
25 to 34		10	5
35 to 44		27	16
45 to 54		16	19
55 to 64		19	23
65-74		11	19
75+		8	13

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Table 16: Ethnicity

		Weighted Total	Unweighted Total
В	ase =	502	502
		%	%
NZ European		84	84
Maori		9	7
Pacific		2	2
Asian		2	1
Other		9	10

The base numbers shown are unweighted counts. Total may not exceed 100% due multiple responses.



Table 17: Income

	Weighted Total	Unweighted Total
Base =	502	502
	%	%
Under \$40,000	29	30
40,000 - \$79,999	27	26
\$80,000 plus	38	37
Don't know/refused	6	7

The base numbers shown are unweighted counts. Total may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Table 18: Location

	Weighted	Unweighted
	Total	Total
Base =	502	502
	%	%
Northland	6	6
Auckland	20	20
Waikato	8	9
Bay of Plenty	6	6
Gisborne	1	1
Hawkes Bay	6	6
Taranaki	3	3
Manawatu-Wanganui	5	5
Wellington-Wairarapa	13	14
Tasman	2	2
Nelson	1	2
Marlborough	1	1
West Coast	2	2
Canterbury	15	14
Otago	7	7
Southland	4	3

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