

CV-19 Related Surveys in New Zealand, early May 2020: Research Note 4

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1 Introduction

The government's Covid-19 pandemic response is a high-trust model, depending on public goodwill and cooperation. As such, public attitudes towards the government's handling of the crisis and their responsiveness to the *Unite Against Covid-19* campaign are important to measure, as is the public's and decision-makers' understanding of the various elements that make up the public health campaign.

This research note compiles existing surveys (and similar data analysis) that deal with:

- Individual views, attitudes and behaviours around the virus itself, and
- Views, attitudes and behaviours about wider aspects such as the effects on families, the economy, and the state.

To prevent it becoming unwieldy, some of the material included in Research Notes 1-3 have not been retained in this research note. Former Research Notes can be found here:

<https://thepolicyobservatory.aut.ac.nz/publications/covid-19-survey-research-notes>.

Several market research firms and research sponsors are in (or have been in) the field. This is a very public-spirited movement. Some report that response-rates are higher with people at home during lockdown. The author welcomes information about research not included in this Research Note.

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This research note endeavours to pull together current programmes to see how they interrelate and indicate future information needs.

Several of these studies have (or intend to have) an over-time element, in particularly comparing the Stage 2 v Stage 4 Levels of response. This means regular updating of this research note is needed. A few surveys enable breakdown of their data by social background characteristics. Many operations are being offered as a public service.

This is also an interesting study into the pattern of survey reactions to disasters and similar events: reporting via the media does not always provide all relevant details.

2 Ministry of Health (MOH) Data:

See MOH website for up to date information. Research Note 3 pp. 3-11.

3 Modelling/Displays/Forthcoming Research

3.1 Modelling

Andrew Sporle has set up a website to assist people wanting to run models.

<http://nzcovid19equity.nectar.auckland.ac.nz/covid19-modelling/>

MOH modelling reports are at: <https://www.health.govt.nz/publication/covid-19-modelling-reports>

Modelling of possible effects on Māori:

<https://www.tepunahamatatini.ac.nz/2020/04/17/estimated-inequities-in-covid-19-infection-fatality-rates-by-ethnicity-for-aotearoa-new-zealand/>

The Spinoff has a monitoring system:

<https://thespinoff.co.nz/covid-19/02-04-2020/siouxie-wiles-one-simple-thing-you-can-do-in-seconds-to-help-make-nz-healthier/>. People sign up online and every week they are sent a short online survey that takes just a few seconds to fill out. Participants are asked if anyone in their household had a fever or cough over the last week. If the answer is yes to any of those questions, they are asked a few more: have they also had a sore throat, taken any time off work, or seen a doctor or other healthcare provider? They will also be asked if anyone was tested for Covid-19, and if anyone has had the flu vaccine.

Market research firm *Perceptive* has set up a do-it-yourself analytical system retrieving information from its surveys: <https://www.perceptive.co.nz/covid-19-new-zealand-insights-tracker>. There are six headings (Emotion, Concern, Impact, Behaviour, Lockdown and To Help) which can be broken down by age, gender, region and business size using the drop-down menus.

3.2 Tracking

3.2.1 The media have reported blow-outs in terms of lockdown violations (Police) and foodbank requirements but better data is required. One useful source are **MSD factsheets**: <https://www.msd.govt.nz/about-msd-and-our-work/publications-resources/statistics/benefit/index.html>

Also **Salvation Army**, Social Impact Report and Dashboard, fortnightly survey

<https://www.salvationarmy.org.nz/research-policy/social-policy-parliamentary-unit/latest-report>

3.2.2 **Harmoni** have nice display of MOH data:

<https://connect.infotoolsonline.com/Sites/Harmoni%20Covid19/index.html#!#nz%20covid%20new%20landing%20page>.

3.2.3 **Eagle** is offering mapping support: <https://covid19.eaglelegis.co.nz/>

3.2.4 Tracking of Consumer Impact:

<https://www.nielsen.com/nz/en/insights/article/2020/covid-19-tracking-the-impact-on-fmcg-and-retail/>

Other statistics about the virus effects are yet to become available, but may well include heightened domestic violence. One measure is number of lockdown breaches. Latest data is since alert level 4 restrictions began, there have been a total of 1784 breaches at 16th April. 1331 of the breaches were under the Health Act and had led to 159 prosecutions, 1143 warnings and 29 youth referrals. The rest were under the Civil Defence Emergency Act, leading 37 prosecutions, 405 warnings and 11 youth referrals.

3.2.5 Google mobility data https://www.gstatic.com/covid19/mobility/2020-03-29_NZ_Mobility_Report_en.pdf

Google released a data set (March 29th) which shows how different countries are locking down, and which NZ regions are most compliant with its lockdown. This has been created using anonymised cellphone location data, and its Maps product to show extent of movements since lockdowns became widespread in March (which is the baseline). Categories of places tracked include retail and recreation, groceries and pharmacies, parks, transit stations, workplaces, and residential. There is a remarkable scale of reduction in usage in New Zealand: especially retail and recreation, parks and even grocery and pharmacy. This suggests most New Zealanders understand the purpose and nature of the stage 4 lockdown. There is an April 11th update:

https://www.gstatic.com/covid19/mobility/2020-04-11_NZ_Mobility_Report_en.pdf

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| Retail and recreation | - 91% |
| Grocery and pharmacy | -54% |
| park usage | - 78% |

3.2.6 Gross National Happiness Index for New Zealand, Australia and South Africa

<http://gnh.today/>

<https://glabor.org/the-coronavirus-crisis-and-happiness-in-real-time-a-research-program-for-australia-new-zealand-and-south-africa-of-talita-greyling-and-stephanie-rossouw-of-glo/>

Will happiness levels return to normal before the end of 2020? Talita Greyling and Stephanie Rossouw of the Global Labor Organization analyse the situation, as it happens – real-time happiness levels and emotions (www.gnh.today) during the evolution of the Coronavirus Crisis. The Gross National Happiness data set used (a real-time Happiness Index) is an ongoing project. The two researchers launched it in April 2019 covering South-Africa, New-Zealand and Australia.

3.2.7 Data Ventures: Understanding Aotearoa and our communities during COVID-19

<https://dataventures.nz/covid-19.html>

Data Ventures (Statistics New Zealand's commercial arm) has been tasked with supplying critical data sets such as Population Density and Spend Density, using telecom company data. They report that New Zealanders were doing well staying home during the first few weeks of COVID-19 Level 4 lockdown, which continued over Easter.

3.2.8 Koi Tū Center for Informed Futures: Our Role in the Response To Covid-19 – Research, Evidence And Insights.

<https://informedfutures.org/wp-content/uploads/Koi-Tu-and-COVID-19-response.pdf>

3.2.9 Statistics New Zealand's COVID-19 data portal

<https://www.stats.govt.nz/experimental/covid-19-data-portal>

Gathers key high-frequency and near real-time economic indicators to help track the impact of COVID-19 on the economy. Updated as frequently as possible, in some cases on a daily or weekly basis. Other time series may have a longer time lag. The data is interactive and users can capture graph images and download selected data series in a CSV file. Time series do vary from indicator to indicator. The functionality, format and range of indicators will be developed in further iterations. Externally-sourced data has not been verified by Statistics New Zealand. External sources of data are clearly identified, with an acknowledgement of the original source on each graph. The data is from well-established and reliable sources, for example sentiment surveys by large New Zealand banks. However, Statistics New Zealand has not attempted to review the methodology of such surveys. Those using the data portal should refer to the original indicator source to understand how the data was collected and issues such as sample error.

3.3 Forthcoming Research

3.31 Institute for Governance and Policy Studies: Life under Lockdown Survey

Authors: Simon Chapple, Michael Fletcher, Conal Smith, Kate Prickett. N=2000. Fieldwork by Colmar-Brunton via Fly Buys members. An IGPS and Roy McKenzie Centre joint project. Results in early May. Main aims:

- to get an idea of the size and impact of the lock down labour market shock. (This focus is particularly important now, given the difficulties that Statistics New Zealand is likely having collecting labour market data, and the long lags between official data collection and provision compared to our data);
- to find out about people's well-being during the lock down;
- finding out about family functioning during the lock down, both of adult couples and adults' relationships with their children.

3.32 Life under Lockdown Survey: London School of Economics

https://lse.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9SsGzCvSagCOhr?fbclid=IwAR1wmZoc53_lZyAzrMhX-f17PCKj42RMNDoRG8WZosYk4WzTus51lqWNGkA

3.33 Covid-19 Study investigates NZ reaction to government's strict laws

<https://www.rnz.co.nz/news/national/414937/covid-19-study-investigates-nz-reaction-to-government-s-strict-laws>

Psychological study of New Zealanders' attitudes towards government authority – “So far about 1000 people have answered their 15-minute questionnaire on lockdown life, which they hope to have collected enough responses for before the move to alert level.”

<https://www.rnz.co.nz/news/national/414937/covid-19-study-investigates-nz-reaction-to-government-s-strict-laws>

3.34: Covid19 student wellbeing survey Education Review Office

Survey of students experiences of learning from home, the support they are receiving from their school and how they are coping being isolated at home. In the field. Survey is a

stratified (by school decile and roll size) random sample of 75 schools with a possible population of around 30,000 students. The survey is online and schools are given access to the results of their own students. Ask Your Team is administering the survey on behalf of ERO.

3.35 Covid19 teacher wellbeing survey Education Review Office

Survey of teacher experiences of teaching remotely, the support they are receiving from their school and how they are coping being isolated at home. On hold while schools move from level 4 to level 3. Survey is a stratified (by school decile and roll size) random sample of 75 schools with a possible population of around 2,500 teachers. The survey is online and schools are given access to the results of their own teachers. Ask Your Team is administering the survey on behalf of ERO.

3.36 COVID-19 Justice and Wellbeing Survey Ministry of Justice

Designed to capture current impacts of the lockdown and ongoing alert levels in areas such as: social connection, perceptions of safety, Alert level 4 awareness, experiencing crime and reporting to Police, perceptions of the criminal justice system and financial stress. Also captures additional demographic information about respondents. In the field. Telephone survey of previous New Zealand Crime and Victim Survey respondents. Continuous survey with 300 respondents per week. Publication of results on Ministry of Justice website from May 7.

3.37 Public Service Association Experience Under Lockdown Survey

Invitation emailed to n=76k PSA (union) members, n=25k in hand. Formal report to follow.

3.4 2020 COVID-19 New Zealand Rapid Response Research (Request for proposals funded by the Ministry of Health and Health Research Council). Social science projects:

3.41 Ms Lesley Gray, University of Otago

Improving effectiveness and equity in the operation of COVID-19 'self-isolation' \$179,904. Self-isolation and quarantine have become a key part of New Zealand's border controls and containment strategy against COVID-19. However, we have very little information on public understanding of these measures and adherence with these critical interventions. There are also likely to be ethnic and socioeconomic inequalities in the ability of people to follow these guidelines. This research will use mixed-methods to provide a comprehensive picture of the operation of isolation measures in NZ, including a population-based sample of people registered with Healthline for self-isolation to assess knowledge, attitudes and practices regarding isolation measures. This research addresses critical knowledge gaps by identifying actions taken, and factors influencing individuals' understanding of and ability to comply with advice to self-isolate. Findings will be fed back rapidly to the Ministry of Health to support immediate improvements in how self-isolation is managed.

3.42 Dr Marama Muru-Lanning, The University of Auckland

Harirū, hongī and hau in the time of COVID-19 \$101,922.

Kaumātua have important leadership responsibilities and enacting them in the context of COVID-19 will place them at increased risk. For this project, we will initiate an innovative dialogue using digital means with kaumātua and kuia around their concerns and reactions to COVID-19. We aim to discover how older Māori understand the tapu of the body and bodily fluids and how they are navigating the spread of viral transmission, in light of rapidly evolving advice and regulations regarding personal distancing (harirū, hongī and hau), self-isolation, and gatherings. We will use mobile (tablet) technology to communicate on a

regular basis over six weeks with kaumātua in Ngātiwai and Waikato with whom we have well-established links. Discussion of our findings with participants in ongoing dialogue will lead to guidance for policy-makers and public health in supporting Māori communities, and may also chart ways for future kanohi-ki-te-kanohi research.

3.43 Professor Ilan Noy, Research Trust of Victoria University of Wellington

Economic risks from COVID-19 in Pacific Island Countries \$51,436

We measure the overall economic risk that is associated with COVID-19 in Pacific Island Countries (PICs). Based on work developed in Noy et al. (2019) but re-designed to fit the epidemiological details of COVID-19 and the specific circumstances of the Pacific, our approach is to evaluate where the economic risks of COVID-19 are currently concentrated in the different countries, different sectors, and where possible, within countries in the region. We measure the different exposures, vulnerabilities, and resiliences that can be identified in each country. In addition, using a DALY-like index for economic risk presented in UNISDR (2015) and implemented for other risks in the Pacific in Noy (2016b), we also aim to provide a more comprehensive analysis of the risk associated with COVID-19 in the region as measured by lost 'life years', a measure that includes both the public health and the estimated economic consequences of COVID-19.

3.44 Professor Michael Baker, University of Otago

COVID-19 Pandemic in Aotearoa New Zealand: Impact, inequalities & improving our response \$500,000.

The goal of this project is to guide an effective and fair pandemic response in Aotearoa New Zealand. Experience from overseas demonstrates the profound impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on populations. The pandemic has potential to worsen health inequalities because people with existing health conditions (common in Māori and Pasifika) are more likely to become severely ill. However, large-scale measures to control the spread of the virus are likely to have the worst impact on those who can least afford it. To avoid these harms, our team of experts will provide ongoing analysis of information from multiple sources about pandemic impact and the lived experience of those with the infection and their whānau. We will rapidly communicate these insights to decision-makers at the Ministry of Health, service providers, communities, other Pacific nations, and the public in the form of practical recommendations to guide current and future pandemic responses.

3.45 Dr Liangni Liu, Massey University

Social response to COVID-19 in New Zealand: Obligations and stigmatisation \$350,325.

The proposed research will investigate the social response to the presence of COVID-19 in New Zealand. It is two-fold. Firstly, the research will explore the quarantine and isolation practices and experience of individuals and communities at risk to identify the strength and/or vulnerability of NZ when dealing with quarantine and management measures. This phase of the research will provide practical benefits to help establish a robust system to better deal with a possible global infectious disease outbreak in the future. Secondly, the research will focus on disease-related risk perceptions, communication and reactions among identified communities at risk and the NZ general population. This phase of the research will address the social, cultural, political and racial dimensions that shape the NZ public's attitude towards the outbreak of pandemic diseases, which has significant implications for the success of building cultural solidarity to battle severe infectious diseases.

3.46 Professor Colin Simpson, Research Trust of Victoria University of Wellington

Predict and Prevent COVID-19: A data driven innovation project \$533,224.

The study of how infectious diseases like COVID-19 spread and how well public health interventions and therapies work is suboptimal. The main data come from reports about where people with disease are located, when they first became sick, and how many required hospitalisation. Increasingly, viral genetic samples are collected which can help to estimate how fast the virus is spreading and reveal who infected whom. We aim to create technical solutions that will address the challenges with existing methods. Using cutting-edge techniques including machine-learning and improved phylodynamics, we will develop methods to combine modern sources of detailed data. We will create new approaches to use genomic data to understand the spread of this disease through the population and incorporate new data in near real-time.

3.5 Well Being and Covid Survey List, Ministry of Social Development

(Eric.KrassoiPeach005@msd.govt.nz)

MSD is compiling the research that state agencies are under-taking.

3.51 Household Labour Force Survey – Supplementary questionnaire, Statistics New Zealand Contact: Sophie Flynn sophie.flynn@stats.govt.nz

Statistics New Zealand is currently developing a supplementary questionnaire to attach to the HLFS, with collection starting in the current June quarter. The current proposed content is as follows:

- Overall life satisfaction
- Sense of purpose
- Health (general and mental wellbeing – WHO 5)
- Generalised trust
- Institutional trust – police, health system, parliament, media
- Safety – feeling of safety walking alone in neighbourhood after dark
- Experience of discrimination
- Family wellbeing
- Loneliness
- Material hardship – Dep-17 (including use of food banks)
- Perceived income adequacy
- Housing quality
- Housing costs (rent, mortgages, insurance, rates).

3.52 Reassurance visit form (on iPhones) for frontline Police

Police Contact: Christine Jamieson Christine.JAMIESON@police.govt.nz

Police are developing a reassurance / immediate material needs / wellbeing check for frontline Police to conduct in order to:

- Identify people/bubbles/whānau in need,
- proactively enquire about the needs of at risk people and communities,
- broker access at a micro-level for people to the means of survival/services/support,
- analyse, synthesise and simplify evidence (and insights that administrative data cannot provide) for decision-makers, and
- remove barriers to the means of survival/wellbeing.

3.53 Health Care in the Community during the coronavirus pandemic. Research team from Victoria, Otago and Auckland Universities.

Asks about experience of primary health care in New Zealand during the COVID-19 pandemic. Includes questions on:

- Changes experienced when contacting their GP clinic during 'lockdown' (which includes time in Alert Level 3 and Level 4, where primary care has had to implement non face-to-face consultations).
 - What respondents think about these changes,
 - What type of primary care services they would like to see in the future (particularly the non face-to-face interactions) and
 - Whether/why people have delayed seeking health care during lockdown.
- Into the field from 20 April 2020.

3.54 COVID-19 Sentiment Analysis Report - Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment. Part of MBIE's Better for Business collaboration

Contact: betterforbusiness@mbie.govt.nz

Using text analytics, Better for Business (B4B) in conjunction with Text Ferret has undertaken an ongoing and detailed tracker of New Zealand's digital media, social media (and other sources) in the context of businesses and the numerous impacts of Covid-19. Text Ferret is a New Zealand-based text analytics agency which uses Natural Language Processing (NLP) to determine the 'business' sentiment from certain types of text-based data (from abovementioned sources). Better for Business has an existing relationship with Text Ferret. This is distinct from more generalised sentiment tracking, as it is focussed on feedback, stories and comments about businesses and from businesses. As the situation rapidly evolves, we have established a daily update from a variety of sources. The text analytics are able to identify trends in sentiment, as well as quantify the volumes of feedback for each trend – so we can see what is getting bigger/smaller and better/worse by shifts in sentiment.

3.55 Youth pulse survey by the Ministry of Youth Development

Contact: Dibs Patel dibs.patel005@myd.govt.nz

The Ministry of Youth Development - Te Manatū Whakahiato Taiohi (MYD) - has worked in partnership with young people, representatives from the youth sector and government agencies to develop a youth- friendly online survey, to hear directly from young people about:

- their experience of the COVID-19 alert level 4 period
- what support they need as we move down the COVID-19 alert levels
- what support they will need as we enter the post COVID-19 recovery period.

Went live on 16/04/2020. Will be in the field for four weeks.

3.56 Monitoring how life is going for the disability community. Office for Disability Issues

Contact: brian.coffy005@msd.govt.nz

Aim · To understand the issues associated with the COVID-19 emergency being experienced by disabled people, their whānau /families, plus service providers and others in the disability sector. This is a weekly survey. Each week we will close the survey, analyse the results, and report them to government agencies, disability organisations and the Minister for Disability Issues. The survey will then be repeated the next week. Some organisations will be making calls out to their members who may not have computers or access to a computer to assist those people to participate in the survey. After doing the first survey respondents will be able to answer questions on whether the issue has changed since last time. Questions in this survey cover different topics, including information, safety, and how you are going. Went live on Friday 17 April.

3.57 Caregivers pulse survey. Oranga Tamariki

Contact: research@ot.govt.nz

Aim: To hear how respondents, the children they care for, and other caregivers are doing and if they are getting the support they need. Also Oranga Tamariki staff survey.

3.58 How Big is your Bubble? Medical Research Institute of New Zealand (MRINZ) Irene Braithwaite Irene.Braithwaite@mrinz.ac.nz

The demography and behaviour of self-isolating household units (“bubbles”) during the COVID-19. Alert Level 4 period in New Zealand: a Survey of approx. 3,500 responders indicated an interest in participating in more bubble-related research, and we are looking at asking for more detail about essential work and vulnerable people in a second tranche We are also in discussion with overseas institutions about using the open-access database for similar comparative studies overseas. First Tranche Complete, analysis underway.

4 Surveys

Overview Commentary

The following notes begin to bring together some of the patterns found across the various surveys.

4.1 Time Line of Surveys (field work dates where possible)

See Research Note 3, pp. 18-19.

4.1 Ministry of Health: the COVID-Health and Wellbeing Survey

About 300 people (aged 15 years+) interviewed each day who previously took part in the New Zealand Health Survey, and at the time agreed they could be contacted in future for further research. A 10-15 minute phone interview with trained interviewers from CBG Health Research Limited, beginning on 30 March. First week (30 March to 5 April) results: N= 1,580; response rate of 75%. 2nd week, N=1945; 3rd week (13th-19th April), n=2087; 4th week (20-26 April) N=2361. Besides weekly reporting of results, there is to be investigating differences between groups such as ethnic groups, age groups, gender, neighbourhood deprivation, etc., together with the results from more questions from the survey, for example new questions on child wellbeing. The webpage for the survey is here:

<https://www.health.govt.nz/nz-health-statistics/national-collections-and-surveys/surveys/covid-19-health-and-wellbeing-survey>

| | How clear to you are the rules around where you can go and what you can do during the current COVID-19 Alert Level? | How easy are you finding it to follow the rules at the current COVID-19 Alert Level? | | | |
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| | | T1 | T2 | T3 | T4 |
| (Very) clear/easy | 98 | 67 | 98 | 98 | 97 |

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| Have you lost your main source of income as result of COVID-19? For example, by being made redundant, or having to close your business | | | | |
| | T1 | T2 | T3 | T4 |
| Yes | 13 | 9 | 8 | 7 |

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| Applied for Government Wage Support, Yes | 29 | 30 | 30 | 30 |
| Households getting along 'badly', 'very badly' | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Able to support wellbeing of children, 'not well', 'not well at all' | NA | 1 | 1 | 2 |

Over the past 7 days, my household has struggled to pay for basic living costs, such as food or accommodation.

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| Strongly Agree | 5 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
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In general, would you say your health right now is...

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| | NZHS | T1 | T2 | T3 | T4 |
| Excellent | 86 | 91 | 91 | 89 | 89 |

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| T4 Experienced CV19 symptom | 17 |
| T4 V Satisfied/Satisfied with Life | 72 |

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| | T1 | T2 | T3 | T4 |
| Meeting Sleep Duration Recommendations | 66 | 67 | 66 | 65 |
| Depressive, Anxious | 14 | 11 | 11 | 11 |
| Lonely/Isolated | 31 | 33 | 37 | 35 |

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| T1: How often have you been bothered by... | Not at all | Several days | More than half the days | Nearly every day |
| Little interest or pleasure in doing things? | 83 | 9 | 4 | 4 |
| Feeling down, depressed or hopeless? | 84 | 11 | 3 | 2 |
| Feeling nervous, anxious or on edge? | 67 | 23 | 6 | 4 |
| Not being able to stop or control worrying? | 82 | 11 | 4 | 3 |
| Depressive, Anxious | - | 14 | 11 | 11 |

| | T1 | T2 | T3 | T4 |
|--|----|----|----|----|
| Information from main media source made then slightly/very worried | 68 | 59 | 58 | 45 |
| I am nervous when think about current circumstances | 38 | 33 | 32 | 28 |
| I'm calm & relaxed | 80 | 82 | 81 | 92 |
| I'm worried about the risk of getting cv-19 | 40 | 31 | 29 | 29 |
| I'm worried about the health of my family members | 67 | 58 | 59 | 54 |
| I feel stressed about leaving home | 67 | 58 | 59 | 54 |

4.2 Health Promotion Agency The impact of lockdown on health risk behaviours: Results from a survey of alcohol, tobacco and gambling use during the COVID-19 Level 4 lockdown. <https://www.hpa.org.nz/research-library/research-publications/the-impact-of-lockdown-on-health-risk-behaviours>. Report published 17 April.

Results are based on a sample of n=1,190 (unless otherwise stated). This sample contains an over-representation of Māori and Pasifika respondents. Results have been adjusted at the analysis stage by weighting, so that the weighted sample is representative of the New Zealand population aged 18 and over by region, gender and age. The Māori and Pasifika sub-groups have also been weighted to be representative of their respective populations by gender and age, and within the total sample.

Essential service worker

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| Yes, and working outside my home (some or all of the time) | 17% |
| Yes, but only working from home | 11% |
| No | 72% |

HOUSEHOLD SIZE DURING LOCKDOWN

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| Living alone | 20% |
| 2-4 people | 65% |
| 5-6 people | 11% |
| 7+ people | 5% |

Drinking

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| In the last 7 days | 50% |
| In the last 4 weeks but not the last 7 days | 14% |
| In the last 12 months but not the last 4 weeks | 11% |
| In the last 12 months but don't know when | 6% |
| Not in the last year | 9% |
| Never | 11% |

Base: Those who have had a drink in the last 4 weeks (n=728) Q3. Thinking about how often and how much you have been drinking alcohol since the time we have been in Level 4 lockdown.

Approximately half (47%) say they are drinking at the same levels during the lockdown as they usually do, while 34% report drinking **less than usual**:

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| Haven't been able to socialise as much or go out/ visit the pub etc. | 38% |
| Money/ cost reasons | 36% |
| The lockdown period is a good time to reduce how much I drink | 35% |
| It's more difficult to get hold of alcohol with restrictions on going out and shops closed | 28% |
| Physical health reasons (e.g. weight, health condition, to be healthier) | 19% |
| Mental health reasons (e.g. anxiety, depression) | 12% |
| I don't like to drink around family/ children while at home | 11% |
| Family/ relationship reasons | 11% |
| I am living in an alcohol-free household | 9% |
| Someone suggested I should reduce my drinking | 9% |
| Work/ study/ sporting reasons | 8% |
| I've been sick | 3% |
| Other | 8% |

Reasons given for drinking more during lockdown: among those who have had a drink in the last 4 weeks and say they are drinking more:

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| It helps me relax/ switch off | 64% |
| I have been bored | 39% |
| I have been feeling stressed out/ anxious | 38% |
| I have been spending more time drinking socially with people in my household | 31% |
| I don't need to get up for work/ study | 29% |
| More online social occasions (e.g. catching up online over a drink) | 19% |
| People in my household have been encouraging me to drink more | 10% |
| Other | 6% |

Which of the following applies to you?

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| I bought enough supplies before lockdown began and haven't needed to buy any since | 18% |
| I (or someone for me) have started buying alcohol online for the first time (we had never bought alcohol online before lockdown) | 7% |
| I (or someone for me) have continued to buy alcohol online (we had bought alcohol online before) | 7% |
| I (or someone for me) have bought alcohol from a supermarket or dairy | 35% |
| I (or someone for me) have bought alcohol from a liquor store | 12% |
| I have not bought any alcohol over this time | 37% |

Q22. Since Level 4 lockdown, how often, if at all, have you drunk alcohol with other people online (e.g. virtual Friday work drinks, family or friends video calls)?

| | |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| Every day or most days | 5% |
| Three or four days a week | 6% |
| One or two days a week | 13% |
| Less often than once a week | 12% |
| Never | 64% |

| | Less than usual | Same | More than usual |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
| Smokers (n=311) | 31% | 44% | 24% |
| Daily smokers (n=230) | 28% | 44% | 28% |
| Not daily smoker (n=81) | 41% | 45% | 15% |

| Reason for Smoking Less | Those who have been smoking less since lockdown (n=98) |
|--|--|
| Money/ cost reasons | 32% |
| It's more difficult to get hold of cigarettes/ tobacco with restrictions on going out and shops closed | 32% |
| I haven't been able to socialise as much or go out/ visit the pub etc. | 27% |
| I was worried about smoking increasing my risk of Covid-19 | 24% |
| Physical health reasons/ to be healthier | 22% |
| I am living in a smokefree household | 22% |
| I don't like to smoke around family/ children while at home | 21% |
| I thought I was smoking too much | 17% |
| Family/ relationship reasons | 17% |
| Someone suggested I should reduce my smoking | 9% |
| Work/ study/ sporting reasons | 9% |
| Mental health reasons (e.g. anxiety, depression) | 6% |
| I've been sick | 4% |
| Other | 32% |

4.3 Ipsos, New Zealand (Via Research Association)

(<https://www.researchassociation.org.nz/resources/>)

See Research Note 3, pp. 23-24.

4.4 Dynata (via Research Association)

See also

<https://www.dynata.com/dynata-global-trends-report-special-edition-series-covid-19>

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| How long do you think NZ will be in lockdown for? | |
| 4 weeks | 15% |
| 5-8 weeks | 54% |
| 9-12 weeks | 20% |
| DK | 11% |
| What will you miss during the lockdown period? | |
| Socialising with friends | 59% |
| Getting takeaways | 37% |
| Retail shopping | 32% |
| Going to restaurants/bars | 32% |

Added 20th April:

Who are you most concerned about being impacted by COVID-19?

| | |
|-------------|-----|
| Myself | 8% |
| Family | 47% |
| Friends | 2% |
| Community | 4% |
| New Zealand | 17% |
| The World | 22% |

How have each of these changed in the past few weeks?

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| Watching more TV news | 66% |
| Listening more to Radio news | 37% |
| Reading the newspaper more | 23% |
| Eating healthier food options | 30% |
| Taking more vitamins or supplements | 25% |

What have you been doing during lockdown?

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|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Reading books | 42% |
| Reading magazines | 13% |
| Drinking alcohol | 16% |
| Playing video games | 21% |
| Using social media | 61% |
| Talking to friends & family by phone | 59% |
| Talking to family in person. | 20% |
| Messaging friends & family | 61% |
| Watching broadcast TV | 56% |
| Watching streamed TV or films | 49% |
| Listening to music you own | 30% |
| Listening to streamed music | 24% |
| Listening to the radio | 28% |
| What do you miss most in lockdown? | |
| Going into a workplace | 25% |

| | |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Socialising with friends | 59% |
| Going to the gym | 12% |
| Going to restaurants/bars | 32% |
| Getting takeaway | 37% |
| Going on holiday | 29% |
| Retail shopping | 32% |
| Nothing | 11% |

When do you think the COVID-19 outbreak will be over and life will return to normal?

| | |
|--------|-----|
| 1month | 4% |
| 2m | 14% |
| 3m | 22% |
| 6m | 28% |
| 1yr | 33% |

When things are back to normal, what do you think people will be doing?

| | |
|---|-----|
| Working from home | 46% |
| Stockpiling | 23% |
| Career changes | 39% |
| Focus on saving | 56% |
| Focus on investment risk/kiwisaver fund | 33% |
| Fewer holidays/overseas trips | 53% |

The way New Zealand is dealing with COVID-19 makes me feel... more proud to be a NZer

| | |
|-------------------|-----|
| Strongly Disagree | 3% |
| Disagree | 2% |
| Neutral | 27% |
| Agree | 40% |
| Strongly Agree | 28% |

4.5 Research New Zealand: <https://www.researchnz.com/>

Between Thursday 19 and Sunday 22 March 2020 (T1), and again 26-29 March (T2), online surveys (n=1000) of a nationally representative sample of New Zealanders, 18 years of age and over were undertaken. A third survey was done on 3rd April (T3), a 4th on 10th April and a 5th (T4) and from 20th April (T5).

Based on what you have seen internationally, how long do you think it will last in NZ before everything goes back to normal?

| | Time 1 |
|--------------------|--------|
| Within 1 month | 5% |
| Less than 3 months | 15% |
| 6 months | 23% |
| Longer | 42% |
| Never | *%. |

| <i>Concerns (% Agreeing):</i> | Time 1 | Time 2 | Time 3 | Time 4 |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| The chances of you/someone close to you becoming seriously ill from the virus | 86% | 92% | | 89% |
| The chances of you getting the virus | 80% | 92 | 90 | |
| Not being able to pay your mortgage/rent | 64% | 57% | 64% | 60% |
| How you would manage if you/someone in your household had to self-isolate for 14 days | 63% | | | |
| That your household might run short of food/other grocery items | 62% | 52% | 35% | 29% |
| Losing your job | 9% | 57% | 67% | 67% |
| There is a sufficient supply of PPE for front-line staff | | | | 78% |
| There is a sufficient supply of medical testing equipment | | | | 71% |
| | | | | |
| Lockdown (Staying in bubble) will be challenging | | 44% | | 42% |
| Have a plan to keep occupied during lockdown | | 90% | | |
| Concerned about the impact of COVID-19 on their children | | 86% | | 81% |
| Businesses being able to get Government CV-19 services (e.g. wage subsidies) | | 70% | | |
| People being able to get Government CV-19 services (e.g. pension, benefits) | | 66% | 72% | |
| NZers are acting on Government information and limiting their contact with others (agree) | | 87% | 79% | 87% |
| Wearing of Face Masks in Public should be mandatory | | | | 48% |

| <i>Concerns (% Agreeing):</i> | Time 1 | Time 2 | Time 3 |
|---|--------|--------|--------|
| The chances of you/someone close to you becoming seriously ill from the virus | 86% | 92% | |
| The chances of you getting the virus | 80% | 92 | 90 |
| Not being able to pay your mortgage/rent | 64% | 57% | 64% |
| How you would manage if you/someone in your household had to self-isolate for 14 days | 63% | | |
| That your household might run short of food/other grocery items | 62% | 52% | |
| Losing your job | 9% | 57% | 67% |
| | | | |
| Lockdown will be challenging | | 44% | |
| Have a plan to keep occupied during lockdown | | 90% | |
| Concerned about the impact of COVID-19 on their children | | 86% | |

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|---|-----|-----|
| Businesses being able to get Government CV-19 services (e.g. wage subsidies) | 70% | |
| People being able to get Government CV-19 services (e.g. pension, benefits) | 66% | 72% |
| NZers are acting on Government information and limiting their contact with others (agree) | 87% | 79% |
| The lockdown should be extended for another 2 weeks at least | | 60% |
| The Police should get tougher with people who ignore the movement restrictions | | 85% |
| A 10pm curfew should be introduced to control unnecessary movement | | 72% |

T4: How Keeping Occupied:

| | |
|--|-----|
| Regular contact with friends/family though online/mobile phone/chat groups | 74% |
| Watched old movies | 58% |
| Shared recipes | 28% |
| Had virtual drinks with friends & family | 20% |
| Started vegie garden | 7% |
| Made online dance/song/skit with people in bubble | 7% |
| Attended a virtual concert/play/performance | 7% |

4.6 Stickybeak (For *The Spinoff*)

See Research Note 3, pp. 28-29

4.7 UMR: Covid-19 survey report

See Research Note 3, pp. 29-30

4.8 Colmar Brunton survey of New Zealanders' support for government response

See Research Note 3, pp. 30-31

4.9 Stuff Facebook poll

See Research Note 3, p. 31

4.10 Opinion Compare survey March and early April

Opinion Compare surveys of New Zealanders, as reported in the *New Zealand Herald*.

https://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/news/article.cfm?c_id=1&objectid=12322059

See Research Note 3, p. 32

4.11 Utting Research/Stuff

See Research Note 3, pp. 32-33

4.12 Forward Wellbeing Survey

<https://www.researchassociation.org.nz/resources/Documents/FORWARD%20NZ%20Wellbeing%20Tracking%20Report-%20Week%201%20and%202%2010-4-20.pdf>

Measures of Wellbeing: Overall satisfaction of life, Physical health, Emotions, mood and mindset, Daily activities, Community engagement and financial stress. N=300+ per week across New Zealand representative. Supported on this tracking project by leading market research technology platform, Cint, who have sourced sample from their Insights Exchange. Covers Weeks 1-3 of lockdown.

| | Week 1 of lockdown | Week 2 of lockdown | Week 3 of lockdown |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Safe | 44 | 40 | 50 |
| Bored | 31 | 36 | 32 |
| Isolated | 28 | 35 | 27 |
| Calm | 33 | 31 | 39 |
| Healthy | 35 | 31 | 42 |
| Worried | 32 | 27 | 20 |
| Happy | 32 | 26 | 32 |
| Stressed | 23 | 24 | 20 |
| Hopeful | 32 | 24 | 33 |
| Content | 21 | 21 | |
| Frustrated | 19 | 21 | |
| Sensible | 29 | 21 | |
| More bonded with my family | 27 | 21 | |
| Lazy | 20 | 21 | |
| Entertained | 19 | 19 | |
| Kind | 26 | 19 | |
| Lonely | 10 | 16 | |
| Annoyed | 12 | 15 | |
| Strong | 14 | 10 | |
| Grumpy | 11 | 15 | |
| Overwhelmed | 13 | 12 | |
| Proud of our community | 16 | 12 | |
| Motivated | 16 | 11 | |
| Exhausted | 15 | 11 | |
| Humbled | 10 | 7 | |

| | Week 1 of lockdown | Week 2 of lockdown | Week 3 of lockdown |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Overall Satisfaction with Life | | | |
| 7+ on 10 point scale | 71 (81 benchmark) | 67 | 67 |
| The city/region you live in is a place where neighbours help one another | | | |
| 0 to 6 | 46 | 62 | |

| | | | |
|---|-----|-----|--|
| 7 to 8 | 38 | 27 | |
| 9 to 10 | 16 | 11 | |
| I feel connected to and involved in my community | | | |
| 0 to 6 | 56 | 75 | |
| 7 to 8 | 35 | 20 | |
| 9 to 10 | 9 | 6 | |
| How much control do you feel you have over the way your life turns out? | | | |
| 0 to 6 | 44% | 46% | |
| 7 to 8 | 42% | 37% | |
| 9 to 10 | 14% | 17% | |
| Interference of emotional problems with your regular activities | | | |
| All of the time | 4 | 1 | |
| Most of the time | 9 | 9 | |
| Some of the time | 18 | 19 | |
| A little of the time | 28 | 26 | |
| None of the time | 40 | 44 | |
| Don't know / Don't want to say | 1 | 2 | |
| How closely has Covid19 come to you? Thinking about your social circle, friends and Whānau? | | | |
| I don't know anyone with Covid-19, colds or flu symptoms | 72 | 77 | |
| I know people with cold and flu symptoms | 15 | 13 | |
| I know at least one suspected case of Covid-19 | 4 | 5 | |
| I know at least one person who has a confirmed case of Covid-19 | 7 | 4 | |
| There is a confirmed case of Covid-19 in my household | 1 | 1 | |
| Don't know/Don't want to say | 2 | 1 | |

| | | | |
|-----------------------------------|----|----|------|
| Physical health perception | | | |
| Worse than last week | 5 | 6 | |
| The same as last week / no change | 85 | 84 | 93 |
| Better than last week | 10 | 9 | (93) |

| | | | |
|--|----|----|----|
| Money situation | | | |
| Worse than last week | 29 | 29 | |
| The same as last week / no change | 63 | 60 | |
| Better than last week | 7 | 9 | |
| Has any of the following happened to you in the last few days? | | | |
| Felt unsure about my financial future | 36 | NA | 29 |
| Received negative financial news | 20 | | 9 |
| Have salary cut | 11 | | 10 |
| Received negative news from work | 9 | | 8 |
| Lost my job | 5 | | |
| Unable to pay rent | 4 | | |
| Unable to pay mortgage | 2 | | |
| None of the above | 46 | | |

Which of these have you been able to do in the last couple of days?

| | | | |
|--|-----|-----|----|
| Keep entertained with movies, board and video games, reading | 67% | 61% | |
| Eat enjoyable meals | 67% | 60% | 71 |
| Found ways to relax | 46% | 47% | |
| Have a good laugh | 47% | 47% | |
| Get outside and enjoy nature | 52% | 43% | 55 |
| Video-chat with friends or family* | | 42% | 52 |
| Garden | 38% | 38% | |
| Exercise or play sport | 35% | 36% | |
| Working from home* | | 30% | |
| Some DIY i.e. make or mend something | 25% | 25% | |
| Engage with others outside my bubble through dedicated apps... | | 22% | |
| Something creative like painting, writing, photography or crafts | 14% | 17% | |
| Helping kids with homework* | 6% | 14% | 10 |
| Access library services | | 7% | |
| Take a class to learn something new | 4% | 6% | |
| Volunteer, donate, help out others | 9% | 4% | |
| Practice any performing arts, kapa haka, dance or music | 7% | 4% | |

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|--|----|----|--|
| See some live music or performing arts | 2% | 3% | |
|--|----|----|--|

All the types of transport you have used today or yesterday

| | | |
|---------------------------------|-----|-----|
| Walking | 77% | 72% |
| Car | 39% | 48% |
| Cycling | 9% | 11% |
| Rollers skates | 4% | 5% |
| Bus | 4% | 3% |
| Motor cycles | 1% | 2% |
| Scooter | 1% | 1% |
| Skateboards | 1% | 1% |
| Mobility scooter or wheel chair | 0% | 1% |
| None* | | 22% |

| | | |
|--|-----|-----|
| In what ways have you been in contact with friends and family who don't live with you? | | |
| Emails, letters, texts | 68% | 65% |
| Voice calls | 72% | 63% |
| Video calls | 63% | 60% |
| Dedicated apps* | | 29% |
| In person | 8% | 8% |
| None | 1% | 2% |

4.13 Kudos Organisational Dynamics Ltd: Life after Lockdown

How NZ's Covid-19 lockdown has changed our lives, as reported on the Stuff website.

<https://www.stuff.co.nz/national/health/coronavirus/121087682/coronavirus-revealed--how-lockdown-has-changed-our-lives>

1000 respondents who were surveyed online between April 10 and April 13. Respondents were asked about their view of the government's response to the coronavirus pandemic, the challenges they experienced during the lockdown and their expectations of Kiwi life post-Covid-19. Underwritten by the Gareth Morgan Foundation, which had no input into the questions.

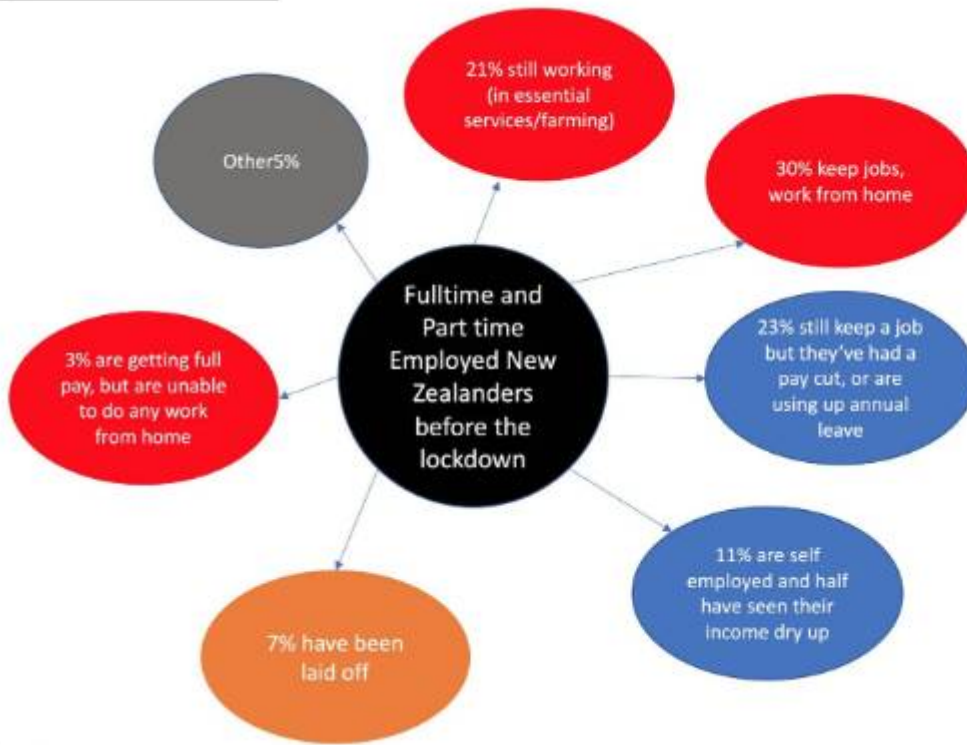
“After four weeks in lockdown we have been most impressed by the kindness of others - and that we are most looking forward to seeing family when the lockdown ends, followed by the opportunity to travel again and go to the beach”.

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| Still employed on the same pay and conditions as before the lockdown | 54% |
| Have taken a pay cut, temporary redundancy or are using up annual leave to get by | c23% |
| Able to keep their jobs, but had to take a pay cut or use up annual leave | 23% |
| Had been laid off | 7% |
| Self-employed- work has dried up | c50% |
| Government has done an outstanding job of handling the crisis in New Zealand | 83% |
| Felt the dangers of the coronavirus pandemic were somewhat exaggerated | 14% |
| Thought going into lockdown was unnecessary | 5% |

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|---|-----|
| Overall 36 per cent of respondents | |
| Felt the environment should enjoy priority over economic growth | 36% |
| Economic growth should be prioritised | 21% |

“Younger people under 30 years seem to be taking the coronavirus pandemic less seriously - 21 per cent said the dangers of the pandemic have been exaggerated while 6 per cent thought going into lockdown was a mistake. Younger respondents also showed slightly less belief in science. Seventy-four per cent of the under-30 age group were glad to have good scientists on board, compared to 88 per cent of respondents over 65 years of age. Interestingly political allegiance did not seem to have much influence when it came to people's perception of the Covid-19 response”.

OBS



We tracked where Fulltime and Part Time Employed workers (before the closedown) went as a result of the lockdown.

54% stayed on at their regular pay though a small group of those workers are being paid even though they cannot work from home. Almost a quarter of workers have taken a pay cut, a temporary redundancy or are using up annual leave to get by.

Half of self-employed people say work has dried up.

SLIDE 12

More politicisation relates to whether climate change is a bigger issue than the coronavirus pandemic, 52 per cent of Greens agreed or strongly agreed that it was. By comparison 18 per cent of National Party voters, 25 per cent of Labour supporters and 24 per cent of NZ First supporters agreed that climate change was the bigger issue between the two. When asked if New Zealand should do everything it can to make the environment a priority even if it means less economic growth, 28 per cent of National Party supporters agreed with this statement. More than a third (38 per cent) of Labour supporters agreed with the statement, while 55 per cent of Greens felt environmental sustainability should be prioritised over economic growth.

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| The coronavirus pandemic will leave behind a society that has learned good lessons about "being in it together and being kind" | 81% |
| This sense of community is likely to continue or grow after the lockdown | 88% |

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|---|-----|
| Expect social issues such as domestic violence and drug and alcohol abuse are likely to get worse | 77% |
| Expect the widening gap between rich and poor to continue or grow after lockdown | 73% |
| Rising house values is likely to continue or grow in the future | 58% |
| Think main street shopping is under serious threat after lockdown | 40% |

4.14 Te Pūtahitangi te Waipounamu survey of South Island Māori

See Research Note 3, p.38

4.15 Horizon

19 Apr 20 <https://www.horizonpoll.co.nz/page/573/a-price-of->

22 Apr 20. 56% of adults – including a million workers – want to stay in isolation Who supports and trusts the COVID-19 policy. April 7-12, 2020, survey of 1,267, the survey sample is weighted by age, gender, employment status, educational level and personal income to ensure a representative sample of the adult population at the 2018 census. At a 95% confidence level, the maximum margin of error is +/- 2.8%.

Degree of loneliness and isolation

| | |
|-----------------------|-----|
| Rate between 1 and 5 | 71% |
| Rate between 6 and 10 | 28% |

(Where 0 = not isolated and lonely at all 10 = very lonely and isolated).

“Among 18-24-year-olds 66% say they’ve felt this. Those least likely to have felt this way are those aged 65+. By household type, those who say they have felt very isolated and lonely (score 10 out of 10) are those in single parent households with three or more children at home (18% of these households), and those with a single parent and one or two children at home (16%). One in 10 of those flatting and boarding also felt it keenly (10%). By personal income, maximum levels of loneliness and isolation are felt by those with personal incomes of \$20,000 a year or less”

Involvement in 47 Activities was covered:

| Category | During lockdown | | In 6 months after lockdown lifted | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| | % | Estimated No. | % | Estimated No. |
| RETAIL | | | | |
| Supermarkets | 86% | 3,099,100 | 89% | 3,196,200 |
| Petrol stations | 43% | 1,553,200 | 82% | 2,930,100 |
| Hardware stores | 4% | 151,000 | 52% | 1,876,700 |
| Gardening centres | 3% | 100,700 | 44% | 1,578,300 |
| Dairies | 36% | 1,279,900 | 59% | 2,135,600 |
| Fast food outlets | 3% | 100,700 | 57% | 2,034,900 |
| Cafes | 2% | 79,100 | 51% | 1,837,200 |
| Other retail stores | 4% | 140,200 | 46% | 1,657,400 |
| Local bakery | 4% | 147,400 | 45% | 1,607,100 |
| Restaurants | 2% | 61,100 | 43% | 1,531,600 |
| Local greengrocer | 7% | 237,300 | 39% | 1,412,900 |
| Liquor stores | 5% | 172,600 | 38% | 1,369,800 |
| Local butcher | 5% | 165,400 | 35% | 1,240,400 |
| Electronics stores - in person | 2% | 53,900 | 25% | 898,800 |
| Electronics stores - online | 6% | 230,100 | 21% | 744,200 |
| Appliance stores | 3% | 100,700 | 22% | 780,200 |
| Furnishing stores | 1% | 25,200 | 13% | 449,400 |

| Category | During lockdown | | In 6 months after lockdown lifted | |
|---|-----------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| | % | Estimated No. | % | Estimated No. |
| POST AND COURIERS | | | | |
| NZ Post | 20% | 726,200 | 58% | 2,088,800 |
| Couriers for non-essential items - non-commercial | 7% | 258,900 | 43% | 1,528,000 |
| Couriers for essential items - non-commercial | 22% | 780,200 | 40% | 1,420,100 |
| Couriers for essential items - commercial | 12% | 431,400 | 19% | 690,300 |
| Couriers for non-essential items - commercial | 3% | 122,200 | 18% | 636,400 |
| TRAVEL | | | | |
| Airlines (domestic) | 1% | 43,100 | 19% | 697,500 |
| Airlines (international) | 1% | 21,600 | 9% | 327,200 |
| Hotels | 0% | 14,400 | 8% | 276,800 |
| Motels | 1% | 21,600 | 11% | 388,300 |
| Airbnb/ holiday baches | 0% | 7,200 | 8% | 298,400 |
| NZ road trips | 3% | 89,900 | 33% | 1,175,700 |
| NZ Rail trips | 0% | 10,800 | 5% | 169,000 |
| NZ bus trips | 1% | 39,500 | 8% | 280,400 |
| Domestic holidays | 2% | 57,500 | 29% | 1,053,400 |
| International holidays | 0% | 14,400 | 8% | 284,000 |

| Category | During lockdown | | In the 6 months after lockdown lifted | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| | % | Estimated No. | % | Estimated No. |
| <u>EVENTS AND PASTIMES</u> | | | | |
| Attend sports events | 1% | 25,200 | 17% | 596,800 |
| Attend funerals | 1% | 50,300 | 23% | 830,500 |
| Attend weddings | 1% | 43,100 | 16% | 586,000 |
| Events | 1% | 32,400 | 23% | 834,100 |
| Gym/ exercise facility | 1% | 36,000 | 14% | 517,700 |
| Bars | 1% | 21,600 | 27% | 967,100 |
| Movies | 2% | 64,700 | 31% | 1,110,900 |

After Alert Level 4 restrictions are lifted:

| | | | | | |
|--|------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Would definitely stay in isolation 12% | 427,800 | 131,200 | 44,700 | | |
| Would most likely stay in isolation 45% | 1,603,500 | 639,300 [44%] | 281,300 (45%). | | |
| Unlikely to stay in isolation 34% | 1,222,400 | 599,000 (38%) | 227,700 (29%). | | |
| %s | Definitely | Most likely | Most likely not | Definitely not | Not sure yet |
| All: | 12 | 45 | 26 | 8 | 10 |
| Essential workers | 9 | 44 | 29 | 9 | 9 |
| Employed FT | 7 | 45 | 30 | 6 | 12 |
| Employed PT: | 7 | 32 | 23 | 21 | 16 |
| Not currently employed: | 18 | 46 | 21 | 8 | 8 |
| No. of people (000s) | 427.8 | 1603.5 | 1222.4 | | |

4.16 Sibley et al Short-term effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and a nationwide lockdown on institutional trust, attitudes to government, health and wellbeing. Pre-Publication Copy.

<https://psyarxiv.com/cx6qa>

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Investigates the secondary effects of Alert Level 4 on wellbeing, business outlook, and trust in public Institutions, by comparing responses collected from the New Zealand Attitudes and Values Study at two time periods:

1.Pre-Pandemic: Data collected between October 1-December 31, 2019 (1,003 people)

2.Post-Alert Level 4: Data collected between March 26-April 12, 2020 (1,003 people).

The available baseline and propensity assignment of cases from it allows rigorous investigation of stability and change between the two periods.

KEY FINDINGS:

- We observe a small increase in people’s sense of community.
- We observe a small increase in trust in science.
- We observe substantial increases in trust in public institutions, such as politicians, police, and increased satisfaction with government.

These effects might arise from a general tendency for people to “rally around the flag” during the initial phases of national adversity.

- We detect an increase in anxiety/depression post-lockdown. Despite general stability in subjective wellbeing, the short-term shift in anxiety/depression hints at longer-term challenges to mental health, a matter for future research.

- We do not observe reliable shifts in subjective wellbeing.

This implies general resilience in wellbeing in the preliminary stages of Alert Level 4.

- We do not observe reliable shifts in business outlook. However, there is indication of a marginal downward trend.

4.17 Perceptive surveys

Perceptive COVID-19 insights tracker: Personal and business surveys. (Data in this research note reproduced with permission.)

https://www.perceptive.co.nz/covid-19-new-zealand-insights-tracker?_ga=2.27522868.961548850.1586205366-366033772.1585964207. Also via Research Association.

Sample of ~n=1000 New Zealanders over 18 years old; weighted to be nationally represented (Age, Gender, Location). 5-10 minute survey. Fieldwork timing:

- T1: 19-23 March (Alert Level 2) n=1041,
- T2 26 March (Alert Level 4) n=966,
- T3: 31 March n=1000
- T4: 7 April n=1010
- T5: 14 April n=1026
- T6: 21st April n=1069
- T7: 29th April n=1014.

Q Thinking back over the last week, how often did you feel (Often + Very Often)

| Feeling | T1 | T2 | T3 | T4 | T5 | T6 | T7 |
|----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Loving | 54 | 54 | 53 | 52 | 53 | 51 | 51 |
| Happy | 50 | 51 | 44 | 49 | 49 | 53 | 52 |
| Positive | 49 | 49 | 47 | 48 | 48 | 37 | 49 |
| Content | 42 | 44 | 40 | 43 | 43 | 52 | 48 |
| Stressed | 37 | 36 | 33 | 30 | 26 | 46 | 26 |
| Joyful | 35 | 36 | 30 | 33 | 31 | 27 | 34 |
| Scared | 21 | 16 | 20 | 18 | 14 | 12 | 10 |
| Sad | 21 | 22 | 19 | 19 | 17 | 18 | 16 |
| Negative | 19 | 22 | 18 | 18 | 17 | 17 | 16 |
| Angry | 13 | 16 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 12 | 13 |

Concern...

| ...High concern | T1 | T2 | T3 | T4 | T5 | T6 | T7 |
|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| With CV-19 | 44 | 52 | 53 | 48 | 43 | | 35 |
| Impact On..... | | | | | | | |
| Other NZers | 81 | 81 | 76 | 75 | 73 | 70 | 71 |
| Globally | 86 | 88 | 85 | 87 | 84 | 85 | 85 |
| International businesses | 88 | 90 | 90 | 90 | 91 | 89 | 88 |
| Local businesses | 88 | 92 | 90 | 91 | 90 | 89 | 90 |
| My children's education | 25 | 22 | 22 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 20 |
| My friends/families health | 66 | 60 | 59 | 56 | 50 | 50 | 48 |
| My friends/families mental health | 47 | 62 | 56 | 54 | 52 | 50 | 50 |
| My health | 58 | 51 | 48 | 45 | 43 | 42 | 39 |
| My mental health | 38 | 50 | 46 | 43 | 43 | 41 | 41 |
| My/your family's financial situation | 66 | 63 | 62 | 58 | 43 | 55 | 50 |
| The global economy | 90 | 92 | 92 | 92 | 92 | 93 | 90 |
| NZ economy | 90 | 92 | 91 | 91 | 90 | 89 | 88 |
| NZ healthcare system | 85 | 58 | 82 | 78 | 72 | 66 | 67 |
| Information from Government | | | | | | | |
| I receive a lot but necessary | 66 | 75 | 75 | 77 | 79 | 79 | 76 |
| I receive a lot of information & am overwhelmed | 19 | 18 | 18 | 16 | 15 | 27 | 30 |
| I feel I'm not getting enough information and want more | 14 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 4 |
| I am not getting any and prefer in this way | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Information from media | | | | | | | |
| I receive a lot of information but necessary | 51 | 61 | 60 | 65 | 64 | 68 | 64 |
| I feel I'm not getting enough information and want more | 42 | 34 | 35 | 29 | 30 | 27 | 30 |
| I am not getting any and prefer in this way | 6 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 |
| I receive a lot of information & am overwhelmed | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Is Government doing enough | | | | | | | |
| Yes doing as much as they can | 55 | 76 | 67 | 66 | 74 | 79 | 75 |
| They are, but should be doing more | 31 | 18 | 24 | 27 | 19 | 15 | 18 |
| They aren't doing enough | 13 | 3 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 5 |

Q Given the recent change in New Zealand to Alert Level 4, how are you feeling about the government imposed 4-week lockdown?

| | T1+T2 |
|---|-------|
| I am positive about the situation and feel this is a good opportunity to spend time with loved ones | 28% |
| I am trying to be positive about the situation but am taking each day as it comes | 46% |
| I am not too bothered by the 4-week lockdown | 18% |
| I am very worried | 4% |
| Other | 4% |

| And what are you planning to do while the country is on lockdown? Average of 4 activities while on lockdown | T1+t2 |
|---|-------|
| Watch TV/Movies | 71% |
| Do work around the house (i.e. painting/fixing things/building things) | 57% |
| Read books | 56% |
| Personal development – physical activities i.e. exercise | 49% |
| Work from home | 34% |
| Play board games | 28% |
| Personal development – mental activities i.e. meditation | 24% |
| Play with the children | 24% |
| Learn a new skill i.e. a language, play an instrument etc. | 14% |
| Take up a new hobby Other (Please specify) | 9% |
| Not sure | 17% |

How would you rate the following industries based on how they are responding to the COVID-19 crisis?

| Positive | T1 | T2 | T3 | T4 | T5 | T6 | T7 |
|--------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Energy/Power | 39 | 38 | 36 | 35 | 35 | 31 | 35 |
| Supermarket | 81 | 72 | 77 | 78 | 78 | 77 | 76 |
| Healthcare | 75 | 80 | 76 | 78 | 78 | 74 | 73 |
| Banking | 54 | 47 | 48 | 45 | 45 | 44 | 42 |
| Broadband | 49 | 51 | 48 | 46 | 46 | 44 | 45 |
| Retail | 46 | 37 | 37 | 37 | 37 | 33 | 41 |
| Insurance | 25 | 24 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 21 | 23 |

Perceptive 24 April n=1064

What are you looking forward to most about L4 lockdown being lifted:

| | |
|---|----|
| Reconnecting with family & friends | 49 |
| Just getting back to normal | 39 |
| Shopping normally | 27 |
| Eating out | 26 |
| Being more active | 25 |
| Socialising | 21 |
| Traveling | 18 |
| Getting back to work/ seeing colleagues | 16 |
| None of above | 10 |
| Not looking forward to L4 being lifted | 9 |
| Other | 9 |

Concerned about (multiple response):

| | |
|--|----|
| Resurgence of virus | 64 |
| Exposure to more people (and increased risk) | 48 |
| Leaving lockdown too early | 47 |
| My health & WB | 22 |
| Unemployment/finding work | 17 |

Have your holiday plans been impacted by travel restrictions of L3 lockdown?

| | |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Cancel | over 1/3 rd |
| planning within NZ travel | 1/3 rd |

T6:

| | |
|---|-----|
| More likely to use technology than before the lockdown | 58% |
| Will continue to cook their own meals on an ongoing basis | 54% |
| Will be less likely to order takeaways | 49% |
| Will be less likely to use cleaning services | 42% |
| Likely to attend social gatherings | 63% |
| Less likely to visit family and friends at this point in time | 54% |

4.18 AUT Survey Kiwis carry on calmly during COVID-19.

28 April 2020.

AUT Professor of Management Jarrod Haar and Massey University's Dr David Brougham

As part of an ongoing research project (not specifically COVID-19 related), Professor Haar sampled 628 New Zealand employees in paid work (57% female, average age 40 years, working 36-40 hours/week). The cohort comprised 317 employees surveyed before the lockdown notification (the control group), 311 employees surveyed after the lockdown notification, and 224 (of the 311) who responded to the survey while in lockdown. The survey of this latter group ended about a week into lockdown. Regardless of their groups, the responses of all those surveyed were identical. All reported similar levels of well-being (across job stress, work-life balance, anxiety, depression, sleep-related issues, and life satisfaction) and work outcomes (job insecurity, job satisfaction, career satisfaction, turnover intentions, and work engagement).

“Ultimately, our survey shows that New Zealand employees remained calm across this time and did not appear to react with greater anxiety or stress around their job. This is likely due to several factors, but key will be the consistent and calm messaging from leaders at this time of crisis. A current follow-up study is being conducted to determine whether these effects remain after the four weeks of lockdown.”

4.19 Youthline COVID-19 Research

975 respondents - Survey ran from April 11 – 24. Responses were collected digitally and the survey was advertised on Facebook. Open ended questions were analysed using emergent thematic coding.

“Overwhelmingly, respondents told us the overall impact of COVID-19 and the Lockdown on their life was negative. 58.6% of response said it has had a negative impact on their life. Of note, young people under 25 were more likely to say it has had a negative impact on their life. Despite this, most respondents were able to identify positive impacts COVID-19 and the Lockdown has had on their life, including important protective factors, like connecting with important people and self-care activities. The mental health of young people is a key concern for Youthline during this time. In the open-ended questions 24% of young people who responded named mental health issues as a negative impact of the Lockdown (feeling anxious, depressed and coping poorly). Simultaneously, they are feeling isolated and are missing face-to-face contact. For young people, mental, emotional and social concerns outweigh the material concerns of financial hardship at this time - this was reflected in the quant and qual responses. 72.7% of all respondents agreed that COVID-19 and the Lockdown has had an impact on their mental health. Young people under 25 were more likely to agree with this statement than older age groups”

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Lockdown has had an impact on their mental health | 5.1 (1-7 Scale) |
| COVID-19 has had an impact on me/my family's economic situation | 4.5 |
| I'm getting my social needs met during this lockdown | 3.4 |
| I'm getting my emotional needs met during this lockdown | 4 |

Positive themes:

| <i>Themes in Open-ended Answers</i> | <i>Under 25</i> | <i>Adult</i> |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Positive | | |
| Reconnecting | 38 | 51 |
| Engaging in self care | 42 | 27 |
| Slowing down | 20 | 19 |
| Keeping busy | 20 | 16 |
| Feeling secure | 3 | 7 |
| Benefitting nature | 2 | 4 |
| Negative | | |
| Distressed, mental wellbeing | 47 | 41 |
| Physical separation | 46 | 32 |
| Disrupted life/education | 36 | 22 |
| Job/financial insecurity | 15 | 25 |
| Accessibility/wellbeing of others | 9 | 17 |
| Toxic environments | 10 | 6 |

4.20 Kantar Covid-19 Surveys

April 28 survey on mostly consumer spending trends, n=750.

| | Previous Week | This week |
|--|---------------|-----------|
| Concerned that other people weren't following the lockdown or social distancing | c50% | c40%. |
| How many people outside your own bubble Kiwis you had been within two metres of, for 10 minutes or more in the past 24 hours (average) | 1.4 | |
| In the last week, were you in a gathering of 10 or more people outside their bubble | 4% | |
| Needed to switch brands for some products because their preferred brand is out of stock | 45 | 30 |

Increased spend (Apr 24-27)

| | |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| Personal hygiene | 20% |
| Home cleaning | 20% |
| Fruits and vegetables | 19% |
| Beverages | 18% |
| Alcohol | 16% |
| Dishwashing | 15% |
| Telecommunications services | 14% |
| Meat and seafood | 14% |
| Dairy products | 14% |
| Laundry | 13% |
| Health and nutrition | 12% |

Increased usage (Apr 24-27)

| | |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| Instant messaging systems / apps | 44% |
| Social network | 42% |
| News websites | 42% |
| Online videos | 38% |
| Paid media subscriptions | 34% |
| Searching for information | 34% |
| Searching for products online | 33% |
| TV (traditional / offline) | 32% |
| E-mail | 31% |

Kantar May 4 update

| <i>Advertising</i> | April 3-5 | May 1-3 |
|---|-----------|---------|
| Should change advertising to reflect current situation | 73 | 63 |
| Should continue to advertise as usual | 16 | 21 |
| Not sure | 11 | 16 |
| <i>Humour</i> | | |
| Should use more humour to provide relief from current situation | 55 | 61 |
| Should use less humour to reflect current situation | 20 | 18 |
| Not sure | 26 | 24 |
| <i>Biggest Concern</i> | | |
| Impact on NZ economy | 64 | 60 |
| Other people not following lockdown/ social distancing | 52 | 39 |
| Physical health Self/family | 48 | 41 |
| Staying in touch with friends, family., community | 47 | 43 |
| Job security for self/family | 41 | 35 |
| Wellbeing of people in family vulnerable to CV19 | 45 | 41 |
| <i>Shopping</i> | | |
| Shopping frequency at online websites | 44 | 37 |
| Shopping spend at online websites | 40 | 33 |
| Shopping frequency at physical outlets | 23 | 18 |
| Shopping spend at physical outlets | 28 | 23 |

4.21 Global attitudes to COVID19 pandemic and response

Australia Institute: International & Security Affairs Program (Bill Brownee)

<https://www.tai.org.au/sites/default/files/April%202020%20-%20Global%20attitudes%20to%20COVID-19%20pandemic%20and%20response%20%5BWEB%5D.pdf>

Nationally representative samples of people in Australia, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, the United States, Italy and South Korea about the COVID-19 pandemic, in April.

“The government and friends and family are the most trusted sources of advice about the COVID-19 pandemic, and the more trusted a government the higher its response to the pandemic is rated. In most countries, government and friends and family are the most trusted sources of advice about the COVID-19 pandemic. There is a close relationship between how trusted a government’s advice is and how good their COVID-19 response is rated.

Trust in government is highest in New Zealand (89%) and Australia (78%) The United States has the lowest trust in government (57%).

83% of New Zealanders rate the government’s overall response to the COVID19 pandemic good, the highest of any country. 71% of Australians rate the federal government’s overall response good. The lowest rating is the United States (49% rate good).

Fewer than half of those in work are confident they will keep their job. Australians are least confident they will keep their jobs and hours, with only one in three confident (34%). Australian and United States residents are equally likely to have already lost their job (both 16%). People want their governments to take the lead in sustaining the economy.

Australian and UK residents were most likely to say that the government should take the lead (both 64%), followed by NZ (62%). Only in the United States did fewer than half say that the government should take the lead (43%).

Respondents were asked to what extent they trust seven sources to give clear and accurate advice on the COVID-19 pandemic. In general the government and friends and family were the two sources most trusted to give clear and accurate advice, followed by the media. Information shared/found on social media was the least trusted. Not only is government as trusted as friends and family, it is significantly more likely to be highly trusted (33% vs 24%). Government is significantly better trusted than other traditional sources of authority, like the media, business leaders and trade unions.

Respondents were also asked two questions about how they would rate the national government’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic: first, how they would rate the overall response and then how they would rate the economic response. In five of the six countries, a majority of respondents rated their government’s overall response as good or better. Four in five New Zealanders (83%) rated the Ardern government’s overall response as good or better. Seven in 10 Australians (71%) rated the Morrison government’s overall response as good or better. Around two in three South Korean (67%), United Kingdom (63%) and Italian (62%) residents rated their governments’ response as good or better. Half of United States residents (49%) rated the Trump government’s response as good or better.

Respondents were asked which out of five groups they think should take the lead in sustaining the economy. Overall, government was selected by three in five respondents (59%) and was twice as likely to be selected as the other four groups put together. Australian and UK residents were most likely to say that the government should take the lead (both 64%), followed by Italy (63%) and NZ (62%). Only in the United States did fewer than half say that the government should take the lead (43%).

Respondents were asked which best describes the circumstances of their job: Those who did not have a job even before the COVID-19 pandemic were excluded and the results re-weighted to ensure that comparisons across countries were only of the employed. One in three Australians are confident they will keep their current jobs and hours (34%). This is the lowest rate of confidence in any country. Confidence is highest in the United Kingdom (43%) and New Zealand (41%).

5.1 Perceptive, Business decision-makers' survey:

Further surveys were carried out 23 March with business decision makers; n=275 & 26 March n=183.

| In what way is your business being impacted? | 1 - Sole Trader (N=53) | 2-9 FTE (n=68) | 10-49 FTE (n=33) | 50+ FTE (n=29*) |
|--|------------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Less customers, sales and/or demand | 34% | 43% | 43% | 55% |
| Work projects/events being postponed/cancelled | 39% | 33% | 27% | 47% |
| Clients closing business/stopping projects | 21% | 33% | 25% | 38% |
| Low profitability, revenue or ROI | 25% | 32% | 31% | 26% |
| Salary reductions/leave without pay | 10% | 32% | 21% | 21% |
| Employee well-being | 8% | 21% | 33% | 33% |
| Employee's working from home | 10% | 13% | 26% | 55% |
| Budget cuts | 3% | 15% | 11% | 35% |
| International markets down | 7% | 6% | 25% | 6% |
| Cannot import or export resource | 3% | 11% | 10% | 4% |
| Employee's being let go | 2% | 8% | 11% | 10% |
| Over-capacity/over-worked | 6% | 3% | 12% | 9% |
| Other (please specify) | 12% | 15% | 1% | 2% |
| It has not been affected yet | 2% | 3% | 2% | 2% |
| My business won't be affected by this | 12% | 0% | 0% | 0% |

| What do you think could be done to help ease some of that impact? | 1 - Sole Trader (N=53) | 2-9 FTE (n=68) | 10-49 FTE (n=33) | 50+ FTE (n=29*) |
|---|------------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Government aid/funding | 43% | 48% | 31% | 49% |
| Payments put on hold/rent holiday | 22% | 48% | 11% | 23% |
| Cut costs where I can | 25% | 33% | 18% | 38% |
| Working from home/reduced hours | 12% | 16% | 28% | 50% |
| Utilise technology | 22% | 21% | 27% | 16% |
| Find other revenue streams | 18% | 23% | 14% | 8% |
| Contingency planning/adapt strategy | 10% | 24% | 12% | 16% |
| Reduced hours/leave without pay/staff take annual leave | 9% | 19% | 17% | 17% |
| Increase communication | 8% | 11% | 7% | 16% |
| Carry on business as usual | 8% | 13% | 11% | 2% |
| Closing of the business | 1% | 10% | 7% | 12% |
| Lay off staff | 0% | 11% | 3% | 16% |
| Other (please specify) | 3% | 2% | 0% | 0% |
| Nothing - wait for this to stop | 31% | 9% | 17% | 20% |

Q Do you think the government is doing enough in response to Coronavirus/COVID-19?

| | | |
|--|-----|-----|
| Yes they are doing as much as they can | 75% | 54% |
| They are, however I think they could be doing more | 18% | 30% |
| No they aren't doing enough | 4% | 13% |
| Prefer not to answer | 3% | 2% |

| | Q How do you feel about the amount of Coronavirus/COVID-19 information you are receiving at the moment from the media? | | Q How do you feel about the amount of Coronavirus/COVID-19 information you are receiving at the moment from the New Zealand government? | |
|---|--|------|---|------|
| | 26th | 23rd | 26th | 23rd |
| I receive a lot of information but I feel this is necessary | 61% | 50% | 75% | 63% |
| I receive a lot of information and I am getting overwhelmed | 34% | 42% | 18% | 21% |
| I feel that I am not getting enough and want more information | 4% | 7% | 6% | 14% |
| I am not getting any and prefer it this way | 1% | 2% | 2% | 2% |

T1+T2

Q Given the dynamic situation, how important do you feel it is that businesses continue to survey New Zealanders like you for your opinions? 93%

Q What ways would you prefer to participate in research activities at this time?

Online surveys 90%

T4: Easing restrictions on businesses has seen NZ businesses overall starting to gear up.

- Half of NZ businesses (51) are preparing to resume normal trading after the lockdown period.
- 37 are preparing and planning future work.
- 21 are keeping in touch with clients and continuing to build relationships

5.2 House-Buying: OneRoof survey of real estate agents and property experts.

<https://www.oneroof.co.nz/news/nzs-lockdown-housing-market-whos-buying-whos-biding-their-time-37783>

Published 6th April. See Research Note 3, p. 45.

5.3 Renters Survey

<https://www.tvnz.co.nz/one-news/new-zealand/majority-renters-in-financial-hardship-despite-government-support-according-survey>

Majority of renters in financial hardship despite Government support according to survey.

1983 people surveyed by Renters United between April 10 and 20.

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| In private rental housing | 94%. |
| Income drop by more than a third | 2/3 rd |
| Worse off despite Government support | over half |

| | |
|--|--------|
| Felt their circumstances warranted a rent reduction | 69% |
| Received one | 2.1 |
| Received a rent deferral | 2.1 |
| Before lockdown, had been paying unaffordable rents at more than 30 per cent of their income | 80% |
| Feeling worried or scared for their financial future | 2/3rds |

5.4 Finder survey on broadband issues

Reported in the *New Zealand Herald*: 6th April

https://www.nzherald.co.nz/business/news/article.cfm?c_id=3&objectid=12322657

A Finder survey of 2142 respondents found an increase in network traffic has led to a "surge in buffering issues." Finder extrapolates its results to say 68 per cent of Kiwis are experiencing dropouts when watching video content, while a third (32 per cent) face the buffering wheel at least once per week when streaming. It says 15 per cent are experiencing video streaming problems daily. The survey was demographically weighted, and carried out by global research house Qualtrics during March.

5.5 Business surveys

- Auckland Chamber of Commerce survey of (mostly) Auckland businesses. As reported on TVNZ's One News.
<https://www.tvnz.co.nz/content/tvz/onenews/story/2020/04/05/third-of-businesses-fear-permanent-closure-during-covid-19-crisi.html>
- Wellington Chamber of Commerce and Business Central survey of businesses' contingency planning, as reported in the *New Zealand Herald*.
https://www.nzherald.co.nz/business/news/article.cfm?c_id=3&objectid=12322094
- Waikato Chamber of Commerce survey of businesses' contingency planning, as reported on the Stuff website. <https://www.stuff.co.nz/business/120905845/coronavirus-waikato-chamber-of-commerce-covid19-confidence-poll-mostly-positive-but-negative-accentuated>

A survey (n=437) was conducted by Wellington Regional Chamber of Commerce and Business Central during the 15-day period before the Government moved to alerts levels 3 and 4.

| | |
|---|-----|
| Having no contingency planning in place | 17% |
| Business expectations: Expect the economy to be worse in 12 months' time | 60% |
| Businesses' confidence in their own prospects | 13% |
| Businesses' confidence in the regional economy | 45% |

An Auckland Chamber of Commerce survey (n=1000) found that one-third of businesses were facing closure: <https://www.newshub.co.nz/home/money/2020/04/coronavirus-we-won-t-survive-covid-19-view-of-30-percent-of-auckland-businesses-surveyed.htm>

| | |
|---|-----|
| Had spoken to their landlord about rent relief | 47% |
| Had applied for the wage subsidy | 80% |
| Were still operating during lockdown | 47% |
| Had made staff redundant | 9% |
| Think that Government support would help them during lockdown | 77% |
| Confident their business will survive the pandemic | 70% |
| Facing closure | 30% |

A Waikato Chamber of Commerce business confidence survey carried out 4th April (8 Apr: Hamilton News) and is to be repeated fortnightly. <https://www.stuff.co.nz/business/120905845/coronavirus-waikato-chamber-of-commerce-covid19-confidence-poll-mostly-positive-but-negative-accentuated>

| | |
|---|------|
| They'd never close their business in the current situation | 40% |
| Will close if the lockdown extends beyond eight weeks | 17%. |
| Will close if the lockdown continues past eight weeks | |
| Believe the Government is doing a good job managing the current situation | 67% |
| How are you handling the current situation from a mental stress perspective? It's tough | 40% |

Majority of Southland businesses can operate at 100 per cent capacity under Alert Level 3: Survey <https://www.stuff.co.nz/national/121390110/majority-of-southland-businesses-can-operate-at-100-per-cent-capacity-under-alert-level-3-survey>.

The survey, initiated from the chamber's Auckland branch, asks businesses in each region what their operating capacity is under Alert Level 3, whether their landlords have offered acceptable discounts for the lockdown period, and whether businesses have the capacity to operate online. Four Chamber of Commerce regions have so far provided results – Southland (n=100), Queenstown, Auckland and Hawkes Bay.

| Under Alert Level 3 | Can operate at 100 per cent capacity | Cannot | Believed landlords offered acceptable discount for lockdown period |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|--------|--|
| Southland | 57% | 10% | 43% |
| Auckland | 24% | 19% | 37% |
| Queenstown | 21% | 41% | 67% |
| Hawkes Bay | 36%. | 7% | 41% |

5.5 United Way: Survey of Charities (9 April)

200 charities across New Zealand were surveyed: “Kiwi charities are under increasing pressure, managing a surge in demand with fewer resources during the Covid-19 lockdown” and require extra assistance, to continue to provide New Zealanders in need with the same support available prior to the pandemic

| | |
|---|-----|
| Directly affected by Covid-19 | 95% |
| Require additional funding | 74% |
| Require additional staff and volunteers | 41% |
| Require additional resources | 27% |

5.6 Survey of GPs

See Research Note 3 p. 47

5.7 New Zealand Pandemic Business Response Pulse Surveys

https://www.strategicpay.co.nz/News/x_post/

A weekly surveys of c250 responding firms, across Private, Public and Not-for-profit sectors, on issues related to pay.

“The length of the lockdown and nature of any economic pickup remain difficult to plan for. We do not see survey respondents opting for the more optimistic opinions. The Public Sector remains more insulated from the immediate effects with, not surprisingly, few taking up the offer of wage subsidies (many of the survey respondents are of course outside the size eligibility range)”.

| | Overall | NFP | Pub | Private |
|---|---------|-----|-----|---------|
| 1st Wave: 2 nd April N=249 | | | | |
| Recruitment freeze | 59 | 54 | 45 | 67 |
| Salary Increases: cancelled | 28 | | | |
| Bonus Payments: cancelling | 18 | | | |
| 2 nd Wave: 9 th April | | | | |
| Reducing exec pay (usually 20%) | 31 | | | |
| Considering plans to reduce board fees based on longer term impacts | | | | 20 |
| Reducing exec pay (usually 20%) | 31 | | | |
| Considering plans to reduce board fees based on longer term impacts | 20 | | | |
| Pay at 100% using wage subsidy | | 29 | 9 | 37 |
| Pay at under 100 (usually 80%) | | | 20 | |
| Do not have plans to pay incentives for employees required to work on-site during the pandemic lockdown | 81 | | | |
| Continue to pay at 100% | | 37 | | |
| At under 100 (usually 80%) | | 26 | 20 | |
| Do not have plans to pay incentives for employees required to work on-site during the pandemic lockdown | | 81 | | |
| 3 rd wave: 17 th April (n=259) | | | | |
| Have had to make redundancies | 20 | | 20 | |
| Have staff unable to work due to the Pandemic | 58 | 42 | | 61 |
| Continuing to Pay staff unable to work | 78 | | | |
| Have had to make redundancies | 20 | | | |
| 4 th Wave (n=202) | | | | |
| Prime HR Challenge Support wellbeing/stress levels of employees | | | | 45 |
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