

6.0 Regional Community Outcomes and Possible Indicators

The Regional Community Outcomes identified in this report, are an expression of what Northlanders value and what they would like their region to be like in the future. In order for Northland communities to gauge what progress is being made in achieving these outcomes, it is necessary to develop indicators so that progress can be reported over time.

Internal and external documents have been reviewed to investigate ways in which progress could meaningfully be reported on, and to identify possible partners who may work together on achieving community outcomes and provide ongoing information on progress.

The following table provides examples of at least two possible indicators for each community outcome, and identifies potential partners who may be capable of influencing the achievement of each outcome. The results column shows the status quo for each indicator, both for the Northland region and each district where that information is available. The data source indicates where the results were obtained. These results will provide a baseline against which future progress towards achieving community outcomes may be measured.

To reflect the differences in the communities of each district, it is anticipated that each district will have a unique set of indicators appropriate to the priorities in their area that may or may not include the examples illustrated in this report.

The indicators that each Council will use to measure their communities progress towards achieving community outcomes, will be included in each council's respective Long Term Council Community Plans.

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Table 1: Northland residents are safe and healthy

Indicator	Progress Measure	Results	Possible Partners	Data Source
Life expectancy	Life expectancy at birth indicates the total number of years a person could expect to live, based on the mortality rates of the population at each age in a given year.	<p>Northland overall Male 74 yrs, Female 80.1 yrs</p> <p>Far North Male 73.3 yrs, Female 80.2 yrs</p> <p>Whangarei Male 74.8 yrs, Female 80.3 yrs</p> <p>Kaipara * Sample size too small to be statistically valid.</p>	Ministry of Health Ministry of Social Development	<p>Statistics NZ – NZ Life Tables 2002.</p> <p>“Northland region indicators-Social Report 2005 “Ministry of Social Development www.socialreport.msd.govt.nz Reference period 2000-2002)</p>
Crime rates	Number of recorded offences per 10,000 people in the 2004/2005 year.	<p>Northland overall 999.7</p> <p>Far North 954.6</p> <p>Whangarei 1029.1</p> <p>Kaipara * Not available on district boundary</p>	NZ Police Youth support agencies	Northland District Crime Statistics 2004/05
Household crowding	The proportion of people in 2001 living in a house that required an additional two bedrooms.	<p>Northland overall 3.7%</p> <p>Far North 5.7%</p> <p>Whangarei 2.7%</p> <p>Kaipara 2.0%</p>	Housing NZ Corporation. Work and Income.	“Northland region indicators-Social Report 2005 “Ministry of Social Development Census 2001.

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Table 2: Northland’s infrastructure is developed in a sustainable way

Indicator	Progress Measure	Results	Possible Partners	Data Source
Road casualties	The number of people killed or injured in motor vehicle crashes as a proportion (per 100,000) of the total population	Northland overall 503.8 Far North 643.1 Whangarei 396.5 Kaipara 486.9	Land Transport NZ Police Transit NZ	“Northland region indicators – Social Report 2005” Ministry of Social Development Land Transport NZ 2005
Type of road surface	The proportion of sealed roads as compared to unsealed roads	Northland overall Sealed 1968 km (34%) Unsealed 3802 km (66%) Far North Sealed 704 km (28%) Unsealed 1811 km (72%) Whangarei Sealed 911 km (53%) Unsealed 808 km (47%) Kaipara Sealed 353 km (23%) Unsealed 1183 km (77%)	Transit NZ Councils	Northland Integrated Transport Study March 2002

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Table 3: Northland’s natural environment is sustainably managed

Indicator	Progress Measure	Results	Possible Partners	Data Source
Environmental Health	<p>The number of drinking water supplies that meet the national standards.</p> <p>The number of key beach bathing sites that meet the national standards</p> <p>The number of rivers in the Regional Water Quality Network with improving water quality.</p> <p>The number of households in Northland on reticulated sewerage systems.</p> <p>The number of environmental incidents reported to the Northland Regional Council Environmental Hotline.</p>	Not yet available.	<p>Northland Regional Council</p> <p>District Councils</p> <p>Northland Health</p> <p>Te Puni Kokiri</p> <p>DOC</p> <p>Housing NZ</p> <p>Ministry of Health</p> <p>Research Organisations</p> <p>Crown Research Institutes</p> <p>Metservice</p>	<p>Regional Council State of the Environment Monitoring data.</p> <p>Other data sources from external providers (e.g. GIS data)</p> <p>Northland Health.</p>

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Table 4: Northland is prosperous

Indicator	Progress Measure	Results	Possible Partners	Data Source
Income Level	The proportion of Northland families in 2001, living with a gross income less than 60% of the national median income.	Northland overall 27.9% Far North 33.1% Whangarei 24.8% Kaipara 25.7%	Work and Income. Enterprise Northland. Industry. Education providers.	NZIER estimates from Census 2001.
Unemployment rate	The number of people aged 15 years and over who are not employed and who are actively seeking and are available for paid work, expressed as a % of the total workforce.	Northland overall 4.5% * Information not available on a district level at this time.	Work and Income. Enterprise Northland. Industry. Education providers.	"Northland region indicators – Social Report 2005" Ministry of Social Development. Ref December 2004, annual average.
Number of businesses and number of employees	The number of businesses and the number of people employed in them within the Northland region in 2004.	Northland overall Businesses 11,536 Employees 44,240	Work and Income. Enterprise Northland. Industry. Education providers.	Northland State of the Economy Report 2004/05.

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Table 5: Northland residents are educated and skilled

Indicator	Progress Measure	Results	Possible Partners	Data Source
Educational attainment of the adult population	The proportion of 25 to 64 year olds with at least an upper secondary school education.	Northland overall 72.2% Far North 71.9% Whangarei 73.3% Kaipara 68.3%	Ministry of Education. Education and Training Providers. Industry.	"Northland region indicators-Social Report 2005 "Ministry of Social Development. Reference period March 2001.
Formal qualifications	The proportion of people over the age of 15 years with no formal qualifications.	Northland overall 37.2% Far North 37.4% Whangarei 32.3% Kaipara 39.3%	Secondary Schools. Training providers.	Census 2001.
Employment rate	The number of Northlanders employed per 1,000 of the working age population in 2005.	Northland overall 715	Ministry of Education. Education and Training Providers. Industry.	Enterprise Northland "State of the Economy Report 2005".

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Table 6: Northland has cohesive communities

Indicator	Progress Measure	Results	Possible Partners	Data Source
Telephone Access and Internet Access	The proportion of the Northland population who have access to the telephone and internet in their place of residence.	<u>Telephone</u> Northland overall 93.3% Far North 89.9% Whangarei 95.4% Kaipara 95.3% <u>Internet</u> Northland overall 32.1% Far North 28.3% Whangarei 35.7% Kaipara 29.2%	Communication service providers.	Census 2001.
Community Spirit	The proportion of residents who rate the community spirit in their community as very good or good.	Far North * Relevant comparative data not available Whangarei 73% Kaipara 80%	Community organisations. Councils.	District Council Community Surveys.
Contact between young people and their parents	The proportion of secondary school students aged 12 to 18 years, who reported that most weeks, they spent enough time with their parents.	Northland overall Male 60.7% Female 56.7%		"Northland region indicators- Social Report 05. MSD. Ref period 2001.

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Table 7: Northland retains and enhances its regional identity

Indicator	Progress Measure	Results	Possible Partners	Data Source
Voter turn out	The proportion of all enrolled electors (both resident and ratepayer), who cast a vote in the 2004 local body elections.	Northland overall 62.2% Far North 45.3% Whangarei 66.8% Kaipara 51.8%	District Councils District Health Boards Northland Regional Council	“Northland region indicators- Social Report 2005 “Ministry of Social Development.
Quality of life	The proportion of residents who rate the quality of life in their district as either very good or good. The proportion of residents who think that the Far North District is a better place to live than it was three years ago.	Whangarei 86% Kaipara 86% Far North 34%	Councils	District Council Communitrak Surveys.

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Table 8: Northland residents have access to recreational and leisure opportunities

Indicator	Progress Measure	Results	Possible Partners	Data Source
Participation in sport and leisure activities	The proportion of young people aged 5 to 17 years, and adults aged 18 years and over, who engaged in at least 2.5 hours of sport and/or leisure time physical activity in the preceding 7 days.	<p>Northland overall</p> <p>5 to 17 years of age - 67%</p> <p>17 years and over - 69%</p> <p>* Relevant comparative data not available on a district basis.</p>	Ministry of Social Development. Sport Northland. SPARC.	“People Data for Northland” Ministry of Social Development
Satisfaction with Parks and / or reserves	The proportion of residents who are either very satisfied or satisfied with the parks and / or reserves in their district.	<p>Whangarei 97%</p> <p>Kaipara 81%</p> <p>Far North * Relevant comparative data not available.</p>	Councils	District Council Communitrak Surveys.