

NEW ZEALAND



- **Capital City:** Wellington
- **Official Language:** English (de facto), Māori, New Zealand Sign Language

1) Geographical Features:

- Area: 267,710 sq km
- Geographical Coordinates: 41 00 S, 174 00 E
- Climate: temperate with sharp regional contrasts
- Topography Type: predominately mountainous with some large coastal plains

2) Political Features:

- Government Type: parliamentary democracy and a Commonwealth realm
- Head of State: Queen Elizabeth II (since 6 February 1952)
- Head of Government: Prime Minister Jacinda Arden (since October 26, 2017)

3) Economic Features:

- Total GDP: \$201.4 billion (2017 est.)
- GDP Growth Rate: 3% (2017)
- GDP per Capita: \$ 39,000 (2017 est.)
- GDP (PPP): \$189 billion (2017 est.)
- Sectoral Composition of Economy (2017 est.):
 - » Agriculture: 5.7%
 - » Industry: 21.5%
 - » Services: 72.8%
- Currency and Exchange Rate: New Zealand dollars (NZD) per US dollar - 1.416 (2017 est.)
- Exports: \$40.21 billion (2014 est.)
- Biggest Exporting Partners: China 22.4%, Australia 16.4%, US 9.9%, Japan 6.1% (2017)
- Imports: \$39.74 billion (2017 est.)
- Biggest Importing Partners: China 19%, Australia 12.1%, US 10.5%, Japan 7.3%, Germany 5.3%, Thailand 4.6% (2017)

4) Social and Demographic Features:

- Population Size: 4,545,627 (2018 est.)
- Main Languages Spoken: English (de facto official) 89.8%, Maori (de jure official) 3.5%, Samoan 2%, Hindi 1.6%, French 1.2%, Northern Chinese 1.2%, Yue 1%, Other or not stated 20.5%, New Zealand Sign Language (de jure official) (2013 est.)
- Main Religions Followed: Christian 44.3% (Catholic 11.6%, Anglican 10.8%, Presbyterian and Congregational 7.8%, Methodist, 2.4%, Pentecostal 1.8%, other 9.9%, Hindu 2.1%, Buddhist 1.4%, Maori Christian 1.3%, Islam 1.1%, other religion 1.4% (includes Judaism, Spiritualism and New Age religions, Baha'i, Asian religions other than

Buddhism), no religion 38.5%, not stated or unidentified 8.2%, objected to answering 4.1% (2013 est.)

- Biggest Ethnic Groups: European 71.2%, Maori 14.1%, Asian 11.3%, Pacific peoples 7.6%, Middle Eastern, Latin American, African 1.1%, other 1.6%, not stated or unidentified 5.4% (2013 est.)
- Total Employment (millions; ages 15+): 2.5 (2016)
- Sex Ratio: 0.99 male(s)/female (2018 est.)

5) Military and Defense:

- Total Defense Expenditure: \$2307m (2018)
- Defense Expenditure as a % of GDP: 1.2% (2018)
- Military Obligation: None
- Military Strength (Active Manpower): 9000 (2018)

6) Important Rankings:

- GDP Ranking (Nominal): 52 (2018)
- HDI Ranking: 16 (2018)
- Global Peace Index: 2 (2018)
- KOF Globalization Index: 39 (2018)
- Military Strength Ranking: 87 (2018)
- Where-to-be-born Index: 7 (2013)