

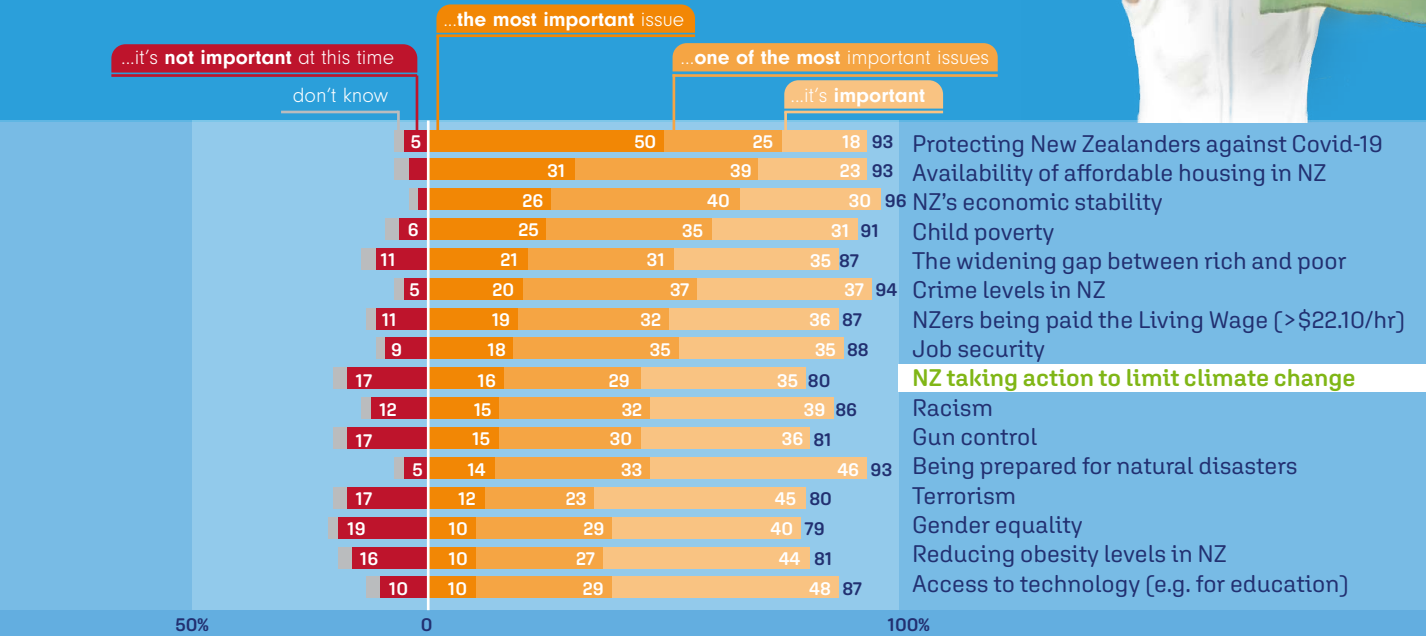


OUR FUTURE, ON THE LINE...

What New Zealanders think about climate change and what we're doing about it



We asked how important New Zealand taking action to limit climate change is, compared to other current issues.



Females at 85%, were more likely to have reported that NZ taking action to limit climate change is important, compared to males at 75%.

We also asked, with respect to climate change, what actions New Zealanders are currently doing or planning to do.



Overall, younger people were more likely to have stated that New Zealand taking action to limit climate change is important, at 83% of 18 to 34 year olds compared to 76% of those aged 55 or older. However, it is the older 55+ age group who were significantly more likely (than those aged under 35) to actually be currently **doing** many of the recommended lifestyle choices that assist (if even in a small way) with limiting climate change. This includes recycling (95% vs 71%), line-drying (93% vs 71%), cold water clothes washing (80% vs 60%), eating local (73% vs 40%) and home-grown food (55% vs 36%), limiting waste (73% vs 44%), using renewable energy (41% vs 29%), energy efficient light bulbs (83% vs 46%) and appliances (65% vs 32%).

These results are based on our survey of 1,005 respondents between 18 and 22 February, 2021, aged 18 years and over, each sourced from Dynata, and conducted online. The maximum margin of error is +/- 3.1% (at the 95% confidence level). The samples have been weighted by gender and age to ensure the results are representative of the population 18 years and over. The survey was not undertaken on behalf of any organisation, but as part of Research New Zealand's social polling of New Zealanders' opinions about current issues.