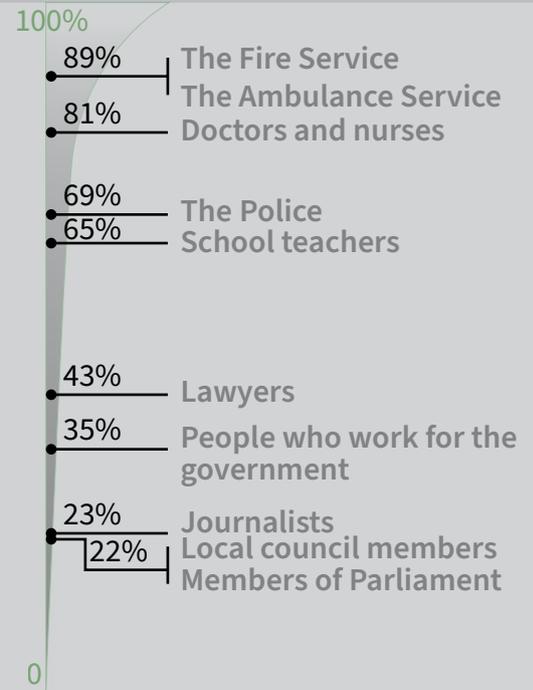


# Who do we trust? Who do we rate?

We asked the general public to rate their level of trust and confidence in their parliamentary representatives compared with a range of other professions and occupations.

## Trust and confidence in general

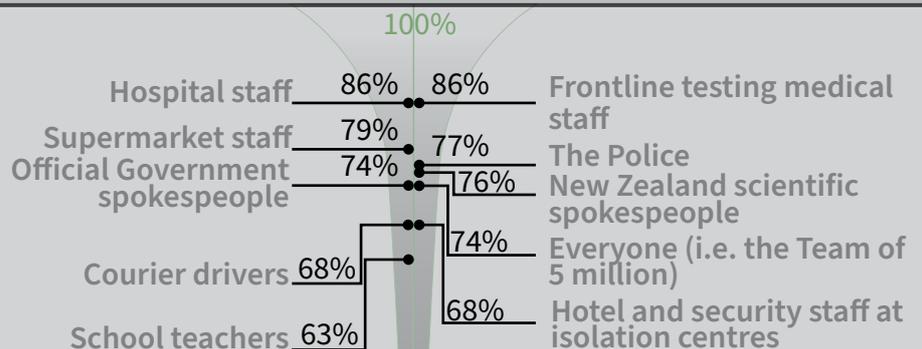
Respondents were considered to have trust and confidence in a profession/occupation, if they rated it between 7 and 10 on the 11-point trust and confidence scale.



The three professions/occupations which recorded the highest trust and confidence were the 'emergency' professions/occupations; that is, doctors and nurses (81%), the Ambulance Service (89%) and the Fire Service (89%). Three specific professions/occupations were rated particularly poorly; Members of Parliament (22%), local council members (22%) and journalists (23%).

## Contributing to the Covid infection rate being low

We asked the general public to rate occupational groups on whether they had made a *significant contribution* to keeping the Covid infection rate low (i.e. if respondents rated it between 7 and 10 on the 11-point contribution scale).



All occupations were rated as having made a significant contribution by 50% or more of respondents. A large majority (i.e. 75% or more of New Zealanders) felt hospital staff, frontline testing medical staff, supermarket workers and Police had made a significant contribution. The Team of 5 million had a contribution result of 74% and, despite media coverage about isolation centres escapes, hotel and security staff had a somewhat surprising result of 68%.