

WAIKATO DISTRICT

Sport and Active Recreation

PARTICIPATION PROFILE
ADULTS 18+

Physical activity makes a positive contribution to health and wellbeing.

WHAT WE DO

59% do more than 150 minutes¹ a week of physical activity – enough to positively impact their health

INDICATIVE PROFILE ONLY

WHERE WE PARTICIPATE

TOP 5 PLACES TO BE PHYSICALLY ACTIVE²



54%
On the road or footpath



47%
Private property, home, garden or pool



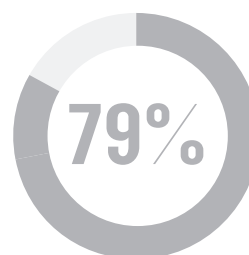
28%
On, in or beside the sea or coast



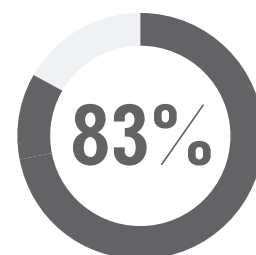
23%
Walkway



23%
Public park, field, playground, skate park or BMX track



want to do more physical activity
(VS 73% REGIONALLY)



feel being physically active in the great outdoors is an important part of New Zealanders lives

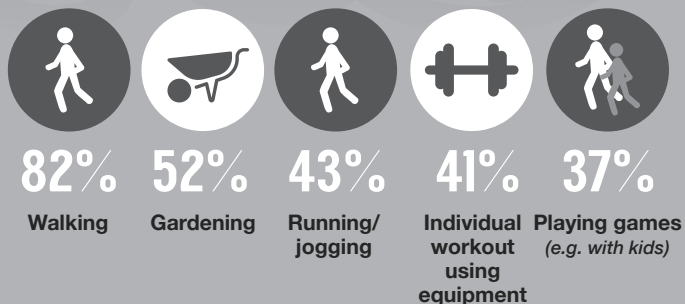
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Due to a small sample size, all results in this profile are indicative only. ¹Moderate to vigorous physical activity for sport, exercise and recreation. Activity causes a slight, but noticeable, increase in breath and heart rate, or is intense enough to make you out of breath. ²Responses from those that indicated they have done physical activity in the last 7 days (participants).

HOW WE PARTICIPATE

PARTICIPATION VARIES BY GENDER, AGE AND ETHNICITY

TOP 5 ACTIVITIES OVER LAST 7 DAYS



TOP 10 SPORTS WHERE ADULTS ARE ACTIVE (OVER THE LAST 7 DAYS)

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|----------------|---------------------------|
| 1 Golf | 6 Football/soccer |
| 2 Tennis | 7 Cricket |
| 3 Touch | 8 Horse riding/equestrian |
| 4 Netball | 9 Badminton |
| 5 Table tennis | 10 Volleyball |

GYM OR FITNESS CENTRE

16%

belong to a gym or fitness centre

Of those that belong to a gym or fitness centre, 29% have not visited the gym in the last 7 days

33%

EVENTS
have participated in events in last 12 months
(MORE THAN REGIONALLY)

20% have continued doing the activity after the event

36%

COMPETITION OR TRAINING
have been competitive or part of organised training

CLUB 23%

belong to a sport or recreation club
(LESS THAN REGIONALLY)

TOP 5 ACTIVITIES FOR EVENTS ARE

- Running/walking events
- Sports tournament
- Fishing tournament or event
- Biking events
- Endurance running/walking events

QUALITY EXPERIENCES ARE DEFINED BY:

Societal change means the landscape for delivery of sport is changing. For sport and active recreation providers it will be critical to understand these changes and what can be done to keep people engaged.

DRIVERS FOR A GOOD SPORTS CLUB EXPERIENCE ARE³:

- Social environment
- Fulfilling potential
- Quality of coaches
- Being friendly & welcoming
- Fair & equal opportunities
- Providing information when needed
- Professional & well managed
- Clean & well maintained facilities

COACHING AND INSTRUCTION⁴

TOP 3

reasons to receive coaching

- To improve skills
- To keep them motivated or focused
- To improve performance

18%

have received coaching in last 7 days

21%

have used technology over last 7 days to receive instruction

³Source: Sport New Zealand. Voice of participant survey 2017.

⁴Responses from those that indicated they have done physical activity in the last 7 days (participants).

WHY WE PARTICIPATE

AND HOW WE FEEL ABOUT IT

78% of adults see physical activity as an essential part of their life

82% are satisfied with their life

SCREEN TIME **58%** say they would be lost without their mobile phone

TURN IT OFF TO BE ACTIVE AND CONNECT WITH YOURSELF AND OTHERS

WELLBEING
84% recognise that being physically active is important for their mental health and wellbeing

60%
state sport and physical activity gives them motivation and a sense of purpose

55%
say they find it easier to concentrate after physical activity

REASONS FOR BEING ACTIVE:

Adults are motivated by maintaining physical health, mental emotional wellbeing and having fun.

54% Improve skills or performance

54% To lose or control weight

53% Challenging yourself and trying to win

39% Being physically active with others

36% Wanting to look good

TOP 5 BARRIERS ARE:

When adults would rather spend time doing other activities, spending time with the family takes precedence over physical activity.

73% know they should do more physical activity

63%

Other commitments are taking priority (e.g. work, family)

23%

I struggle to motivate myself

23%

I am too tired or don't have the energy

20%

I have got out of the habit

18%

I already do a good amount of physical activity

When adults do not want to do more physical activity the most common reason is that they feel they already do enough through sport, exercise and recreation and secondly through work.

SPORT AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY ENABLES HAPPIER AND HEALTHIER PEOPLE AND BETTER CONNECTED COMMUNITIES⁵

- reduces rates of non-communicable disease (cancer, heart disease, type 2 diabetes and obesity) and improves life expectancy
- reduces rates of mental health conditions such as depression and anxiety
- participation early in life is positively associated with maintaining active and healthy behaviours later in life
- participation is positively associated with better cognitive function and academic achievement
- participation can help develop important life skills including teamwork, self-confidence and leadership
- participation has the potential to strengthen social networks and build a sense of belonging for participants
- participation has the potential to bring communities together, contributing to community identity and reducing antisocial behaviour

⁵Source: Sport New Zealand Value of Sport 2018.

VOLUNTEERING

VOLUNTEERS MAKE SPORT HAPPEN. THEY ARE THE HEART OF SPORT AND RECREATION

26%

HAVE
VOLUNTEERED
IN LAST 12
MONTHS

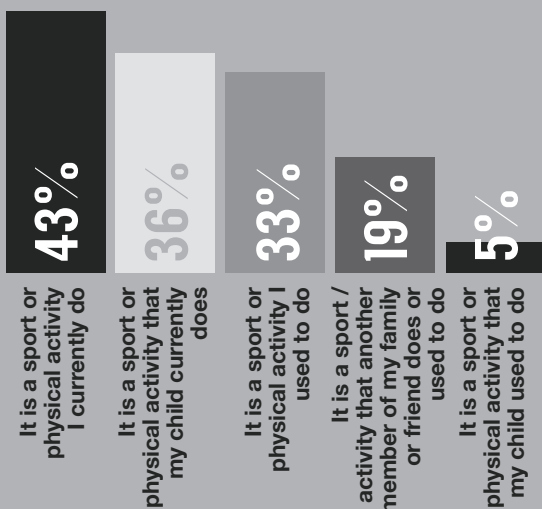
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CONSIDER THEY
MAY VOLUNTEER
IN THE NEXT 12
MONTHS

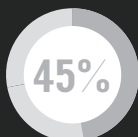
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AVERAGE
HOURS⁶
VOLUNTEERING
IN LAST 7 DAYS

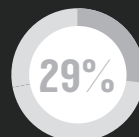
INVOLVEMENT IN VOLUNTEERING WAS MOTIVATED BY⁶:



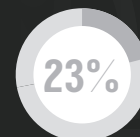
OF THOSE THAT DID VOLUNTEER OVER THE LAST 12 MONTHS⁶



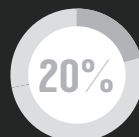
Coached or
instructed a team
or group



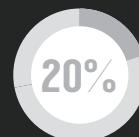
Helper for a team,
club or group (e.g.
on call contact, group
leader, guide)



Event assistance
(e.g. race marshal)



Club
administration



Team
manager

Waikato district has the highest percentage of volunteers that coach.

IMPLICATIONS FOR PROVIDERS

WHAT TO CONSIDER:

- Make it more than just sport
- Provide inclusive offers
- Cater for differences in gender, ethnicity and age
- Think beyond competitive sport
- Consider the barriers and how to overcome them
- Cater for the diverse range of motivations
- Find creative ways to re-engage the disengaged
- Make it fun!

METHODOLOGY

Active NZ survey replaces the previous Active NZ survey series (last conducted 2013/14) and the inaugural Young People survey (2011) conducted by Sport New Zealand. The survey uses a sequential mixed methodology and a continuous survey approach. The results in this report are based on data collected through the Active NZ survey between 5 January 2017 and 4 January 2018 from 1,137 young people (aged 5–17) and 5,563 adults (aged 18+) in the Waikato Region, across 10 Territorial Authorities. For more information refer to the Sport New Zealand Active NZ 2017 Participation Report. Data presented is based on all respondents and inclusive of 7 days and 12 months unless otherwise specified. *Rounding differences between Sport Waikato's modelled results and Sport New Zealand's data may mean some percentages are different by 1-2%.

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⁶Can select more than one volunteer activity - therefore percentages do not add up to 100%.

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