

New Zealand's Cities: Wellington & Auckland — Knowledge Organiser

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Key facts

- Auckland, on the North Island, is New Zealand's largest city.
- Wellington, also on the North Island, is the capital, where parliament sits.
- Christchurch is the largest city on the South Island.
- Most New Zealanders live in cities, many of them near the coast.

Key vocabulary

- Capital city — where the government is based (Wellington).
- Harbour — a sheltered place where ships can stay safely.
- Population — the number of people living somewhere.
- Urban — to do with towns and cities.

Two important cities

Auckland is the biggest and busiest city, built around harbours and often called the 'City of Sails'. Wellington, the windy capital, sits between hills and the sea and is home to New Zealand's parliament.

Did you know?

Wellington, not the larger Auckland, is the capital — and it is one of the windiest cities in the world!