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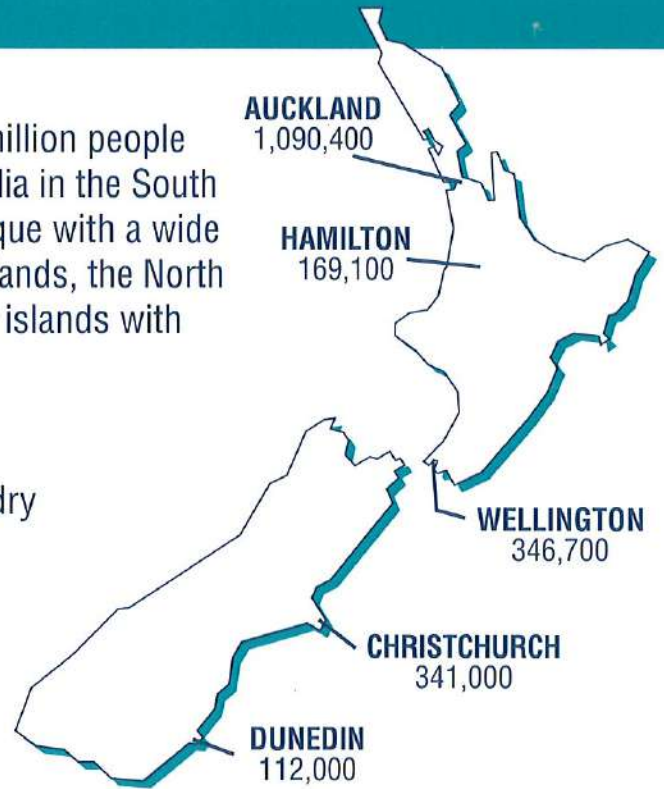
INFORMATION FORM

New Zealand

New Zealand has a population of almost 4 million people and is located 1600 km to the east of Australia in the South Pacific Ocean. The country is very picturesque with a wide variety of landscapes. There are two main islands, the North and South Islands, and a number of smaller islands with a total land area of 270,000 sqkm.

- **Climate**

The climate is very temperate with warm dry summer months from December to February and the rainy winter from June to August. Average daily temperatures in Auckland range from 24°C in summer to 14°C in winter and in Dunedin the range is from 19°C down to 10°C in winter.



- **Government**

New Zealand's constitutional history began in 1840 when the Treaty of Waitangi was signed and New Zealand became a British colony. In 1947 New Zealand became an independent country within the British Commonwealth. New Zealand Governments are elected democratically every 3 years under the MMP system with a Parliament of 120 elected members.

- **Economy**

The New Zealand economy continues to move away from its historical dependency on agriculture and now forestry, horticulture, fishing, education, wine, manufacturing and tourism are the new growth industries. The main trading partners are Australia, USA, Japan, UK, Korea and China.

- **Education**

The New Zealand education system is British based and recognised throughout the world for its high quality, innovative and progressive teaching methods. There are eight universities and many polytechnics also offering degree programmes.

- **Information**

For new, relevant and interesting information on New Zealand visit the company website which contains extensive links to websites of interest to prospective immigrants.

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New Zealand Immigration Policy

Prospective migrants are presently considered for residence in New Zealand under several major categories.

- **General Skills Category**

This category is based on a points system. Points are awarded under various criteria eg. Qualifications, Work Experience, Age, Settlement Funds, Employment Offer. Applicants aged over 55 years cannot apply under this category.

- **Family Category**

For applicants who wish to migrate to New Zealand because they have a close and genuine relationship to a New Zealand citizen or resident eg. Marriage/de facto relationships, parents, unmarried children.

- **Humanitarian Category**

For applicants who have close family in New Zealand and whose circumstances are causing serious emotional or medical harm which can only be resolved or reduced by being granted residence in New Zealand.

- **Investor Category**

Applicants applying under the Investor Category are also assessed on a points system with points awarded for age, business experience and the level of investment funds that can be transferred to New Zealand.

- **Long Term Business Visa**

This is not a residence category but can provide a pathway to residence in the future. The LTBV is for business people interested in establishing a business in New Zealand. Applicants must provide a detailed, well-researched and viable business plan and prove they have the experience and financial resources to succeed with their planned business. Successful applicants will be issued with a three year work visa to enable the business to be established. It may be possible to extend the visa at the end of three years. When a business has been successfully established for two years applicants can apply for residence under the Entrepreneur Category.

- **Entrepreneur Category**

Applicants who have successfully established their own business and been actively involved in the management of the business for two years may apply for residence under the Entrepreneur Category. Applicants are also required to prove the business is benefiting New Zealand in some way.

Applicants may be required to have an acceptable level of English depending on which category they apply under. The company also processes student, work and visitor visas for entry to New Zealand.

The Procedure

- Complete and return this information form.
- The company will promptly complete an honest and detailed assessment of your immigration prospects based on the information provided and current immigration policies. This assessment is free of charge.
- Should the assessment confirm an immigration application can be successful, the company will include with the assessment a proposal to prepare and manage the application. The proposal will include details of fees payable and the fee refund policy.
- On acceptance of the proposal an initial instruction fee is payable. An individual application preparation package is then finalised with detailed instructions on how to proceed. Company staff continue to assist and advise the applicant until all requirements are satisfied.
- The company will carefully complete and lodge the application with the New Zealand Immigration Service and cooperate with the immigration officer over the processing of the application until an acceptable decision is made. Following the decision the company will continue to liaise with the Immigration Service and applicant until all approval conditions are satisfied and the Visa issued.

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