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# Fewer people in emergency housing

75% fewer households in emergency housing.

**LEAD MINISTER**

**Hon Tama Potaka**, Associate Minister of Housing

**LEAD AGENCIES**

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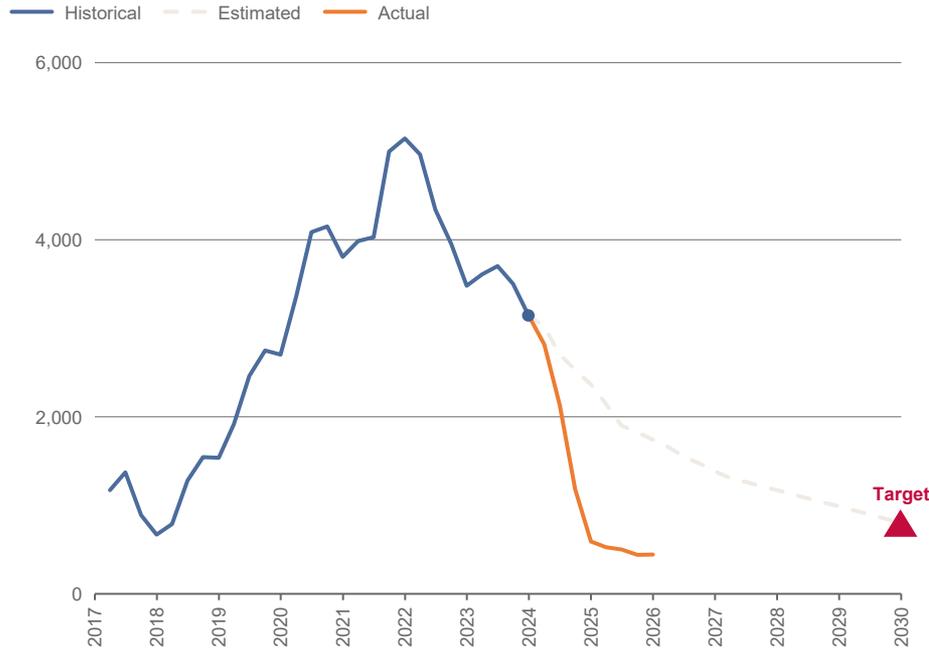
**Ministry of Social Development**, Secretary for Social Development, Debbie Power

**TARGET DELIVERY PERFORMANCE - QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 2025**

Target	Baseline (December 2023)	Current (December 2025)	Status
75% reduction (<800 households)	3,141	444	On Track

**PROGRESS TOWARDS TARGET**

Households in emergency housing at the end of each month



**TARGET DELIVERY ACTIONS**

The Target was met in December 2024, with the Government now having achieved an 86% reduction from baseline.

The Government remains focused on:

- **Improving pathways out of emergency housing, including appropriate supports to ensure exits into stable housing.**
  - The Priority One Fast Track established in April 2024 is working, getting more families with children out of emergency housing and into social housing. As of December, 1,095 households (with 2,340 children) have been housed in a social housing tenancy.
  - Social outcomes contracting trials are progressing well - both Wellington and Waikato have 30 households in service and 36 households have been stably housed throughout the trial so far.
  - Over 80% of households exiting emergency housing can be identified as going into some form of social, transitional or private housing as of September 2025.
  - All contracted emergency housing motels in Rotorua were exited by December 2025.
- **Reducing demand and ensuring emergency housing is only used when necessary.** More than half a billion spent annually on a range of homelessness support programmes including transitional housing, Housing First, and Rapid Rehousing.
- **Increasing the supply of suitable housing and maximising the impact of existing supply.** This includes 1,500 social housing places of which, 1,541 places have been committed, approved or delivered as of December 2025.
- **Going for Housing Growth programme and reform of the Resource Management Act** to address the underlying causes of the housing supply shortage.

The Government will continue to monitor and track the target to ensure results are sustained.

**HOW TO FIND OUT MORE**

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