

Far North DC Three Waters Programme Survey 2021

Overall

Options	Postal to online (n=169)	Public (n=879)
Option 1: Opt in I think the Council should opt in to the Government's Three Waters Reform Programme.	21%	13%
Option 2: Opt out I think the Council should opt out of the Government's Three Waters Reform Programme.	68%	85%
Option 3: Don't know or undecided I don't have a view on this or don't have enough information to make a decision	11%	3%

Option 1: Opt in

1. The same level of service should be provided across New Zealand	68%	64%
2. Amalgamating three waters services will create efficiencies and reduce costs to households	77%	75%
3. The new entities will be better at meeting challenges, such as higher standards and climate change	74%	76%
4. Other	23%	46%

Option 2: Opt out

1. I am concerned we won't have a strong, democratic say in how three waters services are provided	76%	76%
2. I want our three waters services to be managed, built and operated locally	76%	69%
3. I don't believe the reforms will deliver the efficiencies or lower costs claimed by the Government	82%	80%
4. Other	27%	28%

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Results by demographics

Demographic Group	Postal to online			Public		
	Option 1: Opt in	Option 2: Opt out	Option 3: Don't know	Option 1: Opt in	Option 2: Opt out	Option 3: Don't know
	21%	68%	11%	13%	85%	3%
By age						
18 to 39 years	7%	39%	4%	43%	27%	11%
40 to 59 years	43%	27%	71%	32%	37%	26%
60 years or over	49%	34%	24%	25%	37%	64%
By ethnicity						
Māori	51%	37%	49%	55%	39%	38%
Non-Māori	49%	63%	51%	45%	61%	62%
By gender						
Male	42%	55%	29%	39%	52%	29%
Female	58%	45%	71%	61%	48%	71%
By ward						
Te Hiku Ward	34%	30%	31%	25%	32%	21%
Bay of Islands – Whangaroa Ward	36%	52%	58%	45%	50%	50%
Kaikohe – Hokianga Ward	30%	18%	10%	29%	18%	29%
By status						
Ratepayer	80%	78%	59%	90%	92%	80%
Renter	20%	14%	25%	2%	6%	0%
Both	0%	5%	12%	8%	1%	4%
Don't know	0%	4%	4%	0%	1%	16%
By area						
Urban	31%	26%	20%	41%	27%	21%
Semi-urban	19%	28%	7%	29%	28%	19%
Rural	50%	45%	72%	30%	45%	60%

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Sample profile

Demographic Groups	Postal to online		Public	
	%	Unweighted Count	%	Unweighted Count
By age				
18 to 39 years	28%	51	28%	58
40 to 59 years	36%	37	36%	271
60 years or over	36%	81	36%	550
By ethnicity				
Māori	41%	38	41%	131
Non-Māori	59%	131	59%	748
By gender				
Male	50%	95	50%	494
Female	50%	74	50%	385
By ward				
Te Hiku Ward	31%	44	31%	252
Bay of Islands – Whangaroa Ward	50%	94	50%	532
Kaikohe – Hokianga Ward	19%	31	19%	95
By status				
Ratepayer	76%	135	91%	827
Renter	16%	23	6%	29
Both	5%	5	2%	16
Don't know	3%	5	1%	7
By area				
Urban	27%	42	29%	259
Semi-urban	24%	49	28%	255
Rural	49%	77	44%	365