

Christchurch City Scorecard

		Details	Previous Level	Current Level	Sentiment
Economic Activity September 2016 (Updated Quarterly)					
Key Indicators	Christchurch GDP*	% change annual values. Source: Infometrics Ltd, CDC	0.8%	0.8%	😊
	Real Estate Sales –number	REINZ, 3 mth total, Christchurch	1,926	1,707	😊
	Real Estate Prices	REINZ, 3 mth avg of medians, Christchurch	\$448,333	\$444,083	😊
	Firm Profitability- Past Performance	NZIER, Sth Is, Qtly, net % better than previous 3 months, season adj	-4	0	😊
	Firm Profitability- Future Confidence	NZIER, Sth Is, Qtly, net % believe better in next 3 months, season adj	7	9	😊
	Exports	3 mth total from CHC Ports, commodity	\$1,702 million	\$1,280 million	😊
	Guest Nights	Cant, 3 month total (not seasonally adjusted), previous level = previous year	888,000	913,000	😊
Labour	Employment*	Number, Christchurch, Quarterly	202,800	202,100	😊
	Unemployment*	Rate, Christchurch, Quarterly	4.3%	4.1%	😊
	Participation Rate*	Rate, Christchurch, Quarterly	73.0%	71.9%	😊
	Working Age Population*	>15 years, Christchurch, Qtly	290,200	293,300	😊
	Ease of Finding Skilled Labour	NZIER, Sth Is, Qtly, net % easier than previous 3 months, season adj	-33	-36	😊
	Ease of Finding Unskilled Labour	NZIER, Sth Is, Qtly, net % easier than previous 3 months, season adj	-1	-8	😊
	International Migration	PLT, 3 month total, net Christchurch previous level=previous year	1,593	1,434	😊
	Earnings	Qtly, Cant, Total Avg Weekly- Employees	\$943.25	\$945.09	😊
Sector Performance	Value of Building Activity*	Cant, Quarterly, \$bn, season adj	\$1.108 billion	\$1.181 billion	😊
	Number of Residential Building Consents	3 month total, Christchurch	1,088	805	😊
	Value of Non-Residential Building Consents	3 month total, Christchurch	\$196 million	\$411 million	😊
	Performance of Manufacturing	Business NZ-BNZ, Cant, 3 mth average, >50 = expansion	54.9	53.1	😊
	Performance of Services	Business NZ-BNZ, Cant/Westland, 3 mth average, >50 = expansion	53.1	54.1	😊

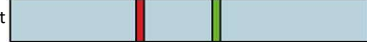
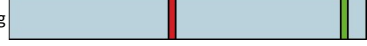












Source: Statistics New Zealand or as listed

*indicators flagged are reported on for the previous quarter.


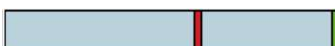

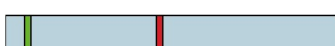




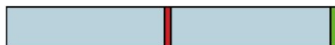
For more details on indicators see the Quarterly Economic Report

😊 Positive sentiment 😊 Neutral sentiment
 😞 Negative sentiment



Source: Statistics New Zealand, Australian Bureau of Statistics unless otherwise listed		Details	Level
			Worst Christchurch Mean Tier 3* Best
Economic Foundations (Updated Annually)			
Macroeconomic Environment	Unemployment	Rate, Christchurch	Gold Coast  Canberra
	Participation	Rate, Christchurch	Wollongong  Wellington
	Population	Canterbury	Greater Hobart  Canterbury
	Working Age Population (15-65 years)	Working Age as a proportion of total population, Christchurch	Sunshine Coast  Canberra
	Total Industry Employment	Employees as a proportion of total population, Christchurch	Wellington  Canberra
Advancement	Tertiary Employees	Employees as a proportion of Total Industry Employment, Christchurch	Gold Coast  Wollongong
	Percentage of people with Post School Qualification	Aged 15 years and over, Education Counts (NZ), Christchurch	Sunshine Coast  Wellington
Microeconomic	Median Weekly Earnings	Aged 15 years and over, all people, Canterbury	Christchurch  Canberra
	Manufacturing Employment	Employees as a proportion of total industry employment, Christchurch	Canberra  Christchurch
	ICT Employment	Employees as a proportion of total industry employment, Christchurch	Newcastle  Wellington
	Professional Services Employment	Employees as a proportion of total industry employment, Christchurch	Wollongong  Wellington
	Agriculture Employment	Employees as a proportion of total industry employment, Christchurch	Wellington  Greater Hobart
	Health Employment	Employees as a proportion of total industry employment, Christchurch	Wellington  Newcastle
	High-value sector Employment	Employees in high value sectors (listed above) as a proportion of total industry employment, Christchurch	Canberra  Christchurch



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Quality of Living (Updated Annually)							
Accessibility	Cost of Living Index	Data sourced from Expatsian.com	Gold Coast		Christchurch		
	Hours worked (Employees)	Per week for employed people	Canberra		Christchurch		
	Airport	CDC Research, Domestic/International/Regional/N/A	4 international, 4 Domestic, 1 local. Christchurch has international				
Arts and Hospitality	Accommodation and Food services Employment	Employees as a proportion of Population	Christchurch & Wellington		Gold Coast		
	Retail Trade Employment	Employees as a proportion of Population	Wellington		Gold Coast		
	Convention Centre	Largest purpose-built facility in the city, CDC Research, Largest operating Christchurch convention centre*	Wollongong		Gold Coast		
	Performance Centre	Largest purpose-built facility in the city, CDC Research, Largest operating Christchurch performance centre*	Wollongong		Wellington		
Recreation	Cinemas	Flicks.co.nz, yourmovies.com.au	Sunshine Coast		Wellington		
	Arts and Recreation Services Employment	Employees as a proportion of Population	Newcastle		Gold Coast		
	Stadium	Largest purpose-built facility in the city, CDC Research, Largest operating Christchurch Stadium*	Sunshine Coast		Wellington		
	Indoor Sports Complex (Hosting Ability)	Largest purpose-built facility in the city, CDC Research	Sunshine Coast		Christchurch		

CDC Economic Foundations and Quality of Living Index

These two indexes have been developed to benchmark Christchurch against comparable sized cities in Australasia, using the Australasian Hierarchy model developed by CDC. The intention is to monitor the progress of our economy, alongside the Quarterly indicators, and identify areas for improvement. The eight tier 3 cities included in the above comparisons are Gold Coast, Wellington (region), Christchurch (or Canterbury), Newcastle, Canberra, Sunshine Coast, Wollongong, and Greater Hobart.

The above charts show how Christchurch (or Canterbury) compares to these cities. The charts indicate Christchurch (Green line) relative to the lowest and highest offerings, and the average across these cities (red line).

*only operating facilities have been included at this time. The successful development of anchor projects, and repair and re-opening of damaged facilities, will improve Christchurch's positioning for some indicators.

For more information on the included cities see the [Australasian City Hierarchy](#)

For more information on this index see the [Benchmarking Index Report](#)

For more information on the quarterly economic activity indicators see the [Quarterly Report](#)

For more information on the CEDS projects see the [CEDS Projects Page](#)