Our commitment: To foster a culture of diversity, equity and inclusion where everyone feels respected, valued and empowered. We believe that embracing diverse perspectives strengthens our organisation and delivers meaningful progress.

Public service context

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Goals 2025-2026

- 1. Increase diversity at all levels, to reflect a workforce that is more representative of society
- 2. Make substantial progress towards closing gender, Māori, Pacific, and ethnic pay gaps
- 3. Accelerate progress for wahine Maori, Pacific women, and women from ethnic communities
- 4. Create fairer workplaces for all, including disabled people and members of rainbow communities
- 5. Strengthen inclusion so that everyone feels respected, valued and able to achieve their potential

About Manapou ki te Ao

Who are we?

We are a Crown Agency responsible for international education, whose purpose is to take New Zealand's education experiences to the world for enduring economic, social, and cultural benefits. We work with partners in New Zealand and offshore to achieve our goal of more than doubling the export value of international education by 2027.

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Our intentions to deliver on Diversity and Inclusion, Kia Toipoto and Papa Pounamu commitments are included in this plan.

Our people

As at 30 April 2025 we have 80 permanent and fixed term employees. Our workforce profile shows:

- Our employees are 72% women and 28% men
- We have 10 women leaders in Tier 2 and 3
- Our people comprise 27 different nationalities

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Our values underpin this plan and are aligned with the commitments made and to guide our approach.



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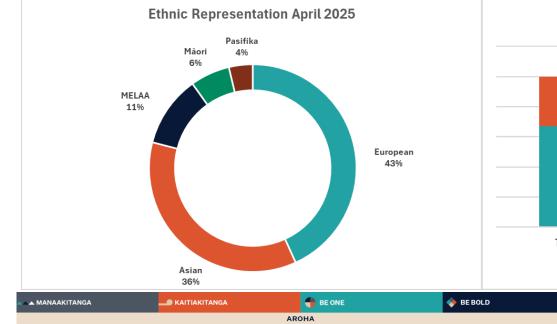
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Understanding our organisation

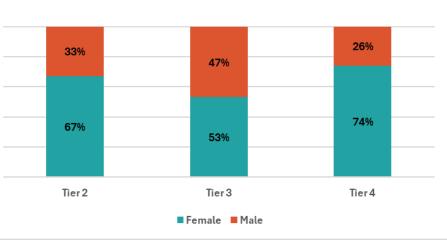
Our size means we do not meet the threshold for statistically robust data as advised by Statistics NZ and Te Kawa Mataaho and small changes in our staffing can impact significantly on our statistics. We use other information including our workforce profile, people data and recruitment statistics to help indicate our progress.

Looking at our information we can see:

- We have eliminated our gender pay gap.
- We have achieved pay equity in like for like roles.
- We have eliminated our Māori pay gap and continue to work on closing other ethnic pay gaps.
- We have more women than men in our workforce and more women than men at Leadership Team level.
- We continue to have a good gender spread across all quartiles.









Gender Representation April 2025

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Focus area	Current approach	How we'll embed and build on this focus area	What we have achieved
 Leadership and representation Commit to a workforce that is more representative of society Know our workforce, identify where representation can be strengthened 	 We have maintained Māori representation on our Leadership Team. More than 50% of our leadership team are women. We have maintained our Pasifika workforce in the previous 12 months. 	 We will continue to evolve our people practices to foster diversity, inclusion and belonging. We will continue to identify where representation can be strengthened. We will continue our commitment to attracting more Māori and Pasifika staff. 	 We have maintained a gender balance on our Leadership Team. We have maintained our Māori workforce over the past 12 months.
 Flexible working Equitable access to flexible working and to ensure it does not undermine career progression or pay. 	 All ENZ employees have access to flexible working options. More emphasis on the ability to vary work patterns to encourage work / life balance. 	 We will continue to monitor the effectiveness of our Flexible Working Policy. We will work to ensure that employees on formal flexible arrangements have access to development opportunities and are paid equitably. 	 Pulse Survey results continue to indicate people feel supported if they choose to make use of flexible work options. Flexible Working policy has been updated to clarify flexible working expectations.
Equity. Pay gaps and average p	ay for different groups, equitable pa	y (starting salaries and pay in the sa	me or similar roles)
 Equitable pay outcomes Ensure starting salaries are not influenced by bias Maintain salary transparency Monitor starting salaries for inequities 	 ENZ is committed to equitable pay outcomes and has achieved pay equity in like for like roles Our recruitment process includes best practice techniques to avoid unconscious bias. We publish the salary band for any advertised roles. We review salaries within the same pay bands and starting salaries to identify any pay gaps and make corrections to address any gaps. 	 We will continue to focus on maintaining pay equity in like for like roles. We will continue to publish salary band on any advertised roles. We will continue to monitor starting salaries within the same bands to identify any pay gaps. 	 Eliminated our gender pay gap Eliminated our Māori pay gap. Pay equity has been achieved.

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What we have achieved How we'll embed and build on Current approach Focus area this focus area Eliminating all forms of bias and We continue to review our people We will continue to review policies • Māori representation has been policies and practices for bias and and practices for bias and maintained. discrimination Te Ao Maori capability is included on discrimination, including discrimination. Remuneration and people policies and remuneration, recruitment and • We will frame our expectations on te all position descriptions. practices designed to remove all forms of • We have refreshed our Code of leave policies. Ao Māori and capability in our bias and discrimination. Te Reo lessons are available for all position descriptions and recruitment Conduct to reflect our Ngā Manapou • ٠ Ensure leaders and employees learn about leaders and employees. advertising. (values). and demonstrate cultural competence. Continuing to weave Te Tiriti into ٠ We will continue to provide the way we work. opportunities for all our people to build cultural capability. Inclusion. The extent to which all employees feel respected and valued and able to achieve their potential • Each employee has a plan for their We are committed to investing in We will continue to invest in **Inclusive culture** professional development. capability building and capability building. Ensure policies and processes for career strengthening our performance. • Our employee-led networks will Internal development opportunities progression, training and development Established employee-led network; continue to work together and with are offered to all employees. opportunities are transparent, inclusive Safety & Wellbeing Committee, Employee-led networks continue to be our people to contribute to a culture • and promote participation. Waiata group, Ministry of Fun. of inclusion and belonging. well supported and are seen as an Promote and encourage participation in • We run twice yearly Pulse Surveys • We will continue to monitor pulse important driver to an inclusive culture employee-led networks Woven 5C's into monthly Korero ki te open to all permanent and fixed survey comments to gain insights into • Seek employee feedback on organisation term employees focus areas that foster and improve Ao. culture • We use the 5C's as a way of being our culture. 5C's (Communication, Collaboration, more purposeful about the culture We will continue to embed the 5C's, Community, Curiosity and Courage) we want to nurture. along with Ngā Manapou. • We are focused on identifying and 2 day extended leadership workshop We will continue to develop our **Entity leadership** supporting opportunities to build a entity leadership by building held in May. Strengthen our leadership and high-performing leadership cohort. collective accountability and People Leader Hub developed to management effectiveness We are committed to developing capability. provide resources to coach and Encourage and support people leaders to ٠ our people leaders to use Ngā • Questions on leadership included in support people leaders. model Ngā Manapou Manapou as a guide to inclusive 2025 Pulse Surveys to gauge insights and effective leadership. and progress.

Equity. Pay gaps and average pay for different groups, equitable pay (starting salaries and pay in the same or similar roles)

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