

# New Zealand Refugee Resettlement Strategy: Success Indicators and Measures

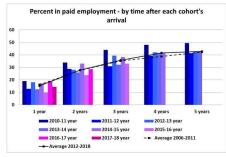
## Outcomes update for 2019/20

### Outcome 1: Self-sufficiency

All working-age refugees (18 - 64 years) are in paid work or supported by a family member in paid work

### Success Indicator

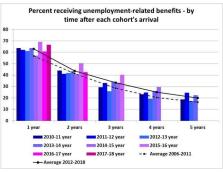
Increased proportion in paid employment



- · Employment among former quota refugees steadily increases over time in New Zealand.
- The 2017-18 cohort had an employment rate of 15% one year after arrival.
- · There is little difference in average employment rates between the cohorts arriving 2006-11, and the cohorts arriving 2012-2018.

### Success Indicator

Decreased proportion receiving unemploymentrelated benefits



Source: IDI Datalab - Stats NZ

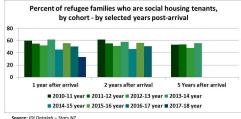
- · The proportion receiving unemployment-related benefits steadily decreases over time.
- Two-thirds of working-age adults in the 2017-18 cohort (67%) were receiving an unemploymentrelated benefit one year after arrival.

### **Outcome 2: Housing**

Refugees live independently of government housing assistance in homes that are safe, healthy and affordable

#### Success Indicator

Decreased proportion of refugees receiving housing assistance after two years and five years in New Zealand



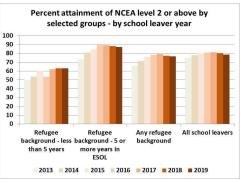
- A third (32%) of the 2017-18 cohort were in social housing at one year. This is the lowest use among the cohorts included here.
- The other major form of housing assistance available is the Accommodation Supplement. Cohorts with low levels of social tenancy tend to have a high level of this alternative type of support.
- For the cohorts present in NZ between 2013/14 to 2017/18, the average use of either social housing or Accommodation Supplement declined from 82% at one year post-arrival, to 71% at four years post-arrival.

### **Outcome 3: Education**

Refugees achieve educational and vocational qualifications

#### **Success Indicator**

Proportion of refugee school leavers attaining NCEA Level 2, after 5 years or more in the New Zealand education



Source: Schooling Analysis Unit. Ministry of Education

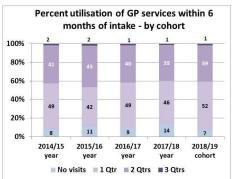
• In 2019, 87% of students with a refugee background had attained NCEA level 2 or above after five or more years in ESOL. This figure is well above the 79% achieved by school leavers in New Zealand as a whole the same year.

## **Outcome 4: Health and Well-being**

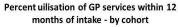
Refugees and their families enjoy healthy, safe and independent lives

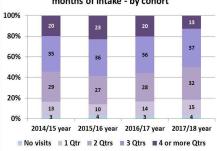
### Success Indicator

Utilisation of GP services



Source: Primary Health Organisation Enrolment, Ministry of Health



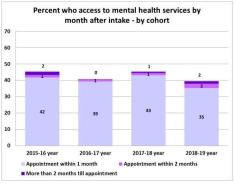


Note: This does not reflect the number of times an individual visited a GP within a quarter – instead it represents the number of quarters during which a GP visit was recorded for each person

- · The majority of refugees visit a GP within 6 months of intake. Among the 2018/19 cohort, 7% had not visited their GP within this time period.
- Within 12 months of arrival, only 4% of the 2017/18 cohort had still not visited a GP.

### **Success Indicator**

Access to mental health services (at least one face-face visit)

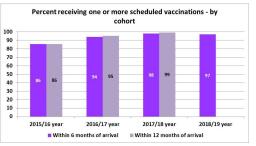


Source: PRIMHD, Ministry of Health

• 40% of the 2018/19 cohort had attended a mental health-related appointment in their first 12 months in New Zealand, and 35% of the cohort had attended a first appointment within a month of intake

#### Success Indicator

Proportion of quota refugee children receiving ageappropriate vaccinations (within 6 and 12 months of intake)



Source: National Immunisation Register, Ministry of Health

- · There was a high level of immunisation by the six-month post-arrival milestone (97%) among former quota refugees aged under 17 years who arrived in 2018/19.
- While the proportion receiving immunisation in 2018/19 is slightly lower than 2017/18, it is much higher than other previous cohorts, for example 2015/16 (86%).