

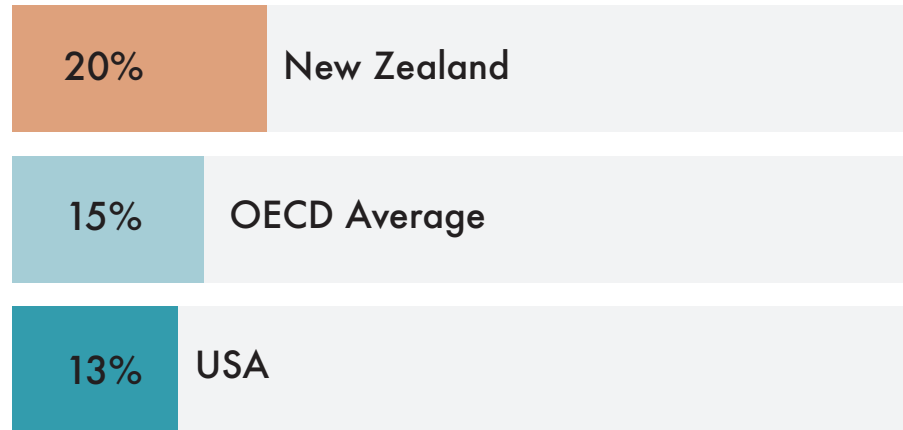
New Zealand Education at a Glance

Stronger student performance at lower cost than in the U.S.

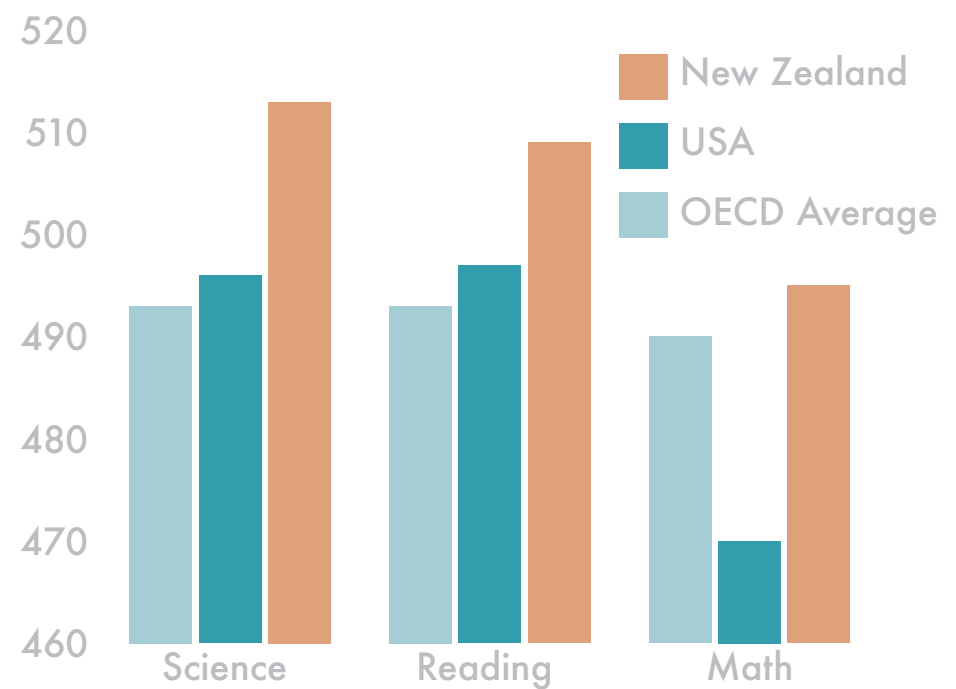
Top-Performing Students

On PISA 2015, among **72** participating countries and economies, New Zealand's average scores put it among the **top ten** countries which participated, and New Zealand had one of the highest proportions of top-performing students.

Students scoring at top levels on at least one subject on PISA 2015



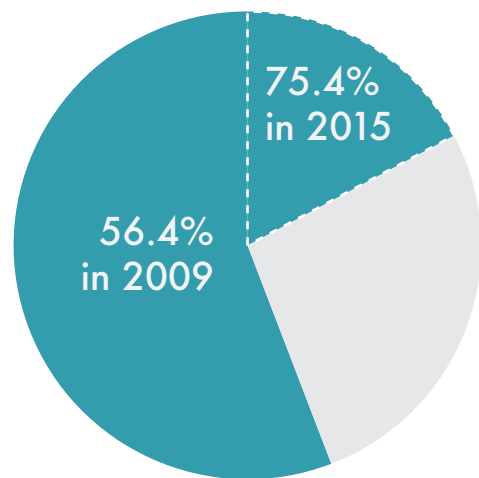
Mean Scores on PISA 2015



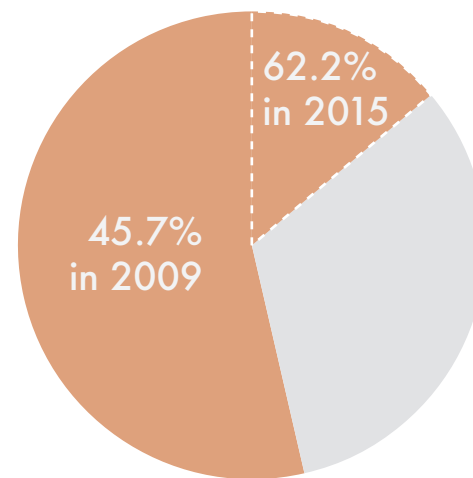
Improving Equity

Since 2009, high school graduation rates* among New Zealand's two most challenged minority groups have improved significantly.

Pasifika Students +17%




Maori Students +16.5%



* Students attaining at least NCEA Level 2

Demographic Data

 **787,960**

Total students in New Zealand primary and secondary schools, similar to the U.S. state of Alabama's 746,204 students

 **16:1**

Student:teacher ratio, similar to the U.S. ratio of 15:1

 **\$11,328**

Yearly spending per secondary student, less than the U.S.'s \$13,587 per student per year

New Zealand is once again a top-performing country on PISA 2015. Follow CIEB for further analysis and profiling of this education system during the coming year. To learn more about this world-class education system see [Marc Tucker's Interview with Minister of Education Hekia Parata](#).

Source: [OECD PISA 2015](#) and [Education Counts, New Zealand](#)