



Tatauranga Aotearoa

# Ward 2022 Clipped (generalised)

## Metadata

### Language

Language Code

eng

### Character Set

Character Set Code

utf8

### Hierarchy Level

Scope Code

dataset

### Hierarchy Level Name

dataset

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Role

Role Code

custodian

## Date Stamp

Date

2021-11-29

Metadata Standard Name

**Metadata Standard Version**

2007

**Spatial Representation Info****Vector Spatial Representation****Topology Level Code**

geometryOnly

**Geometric Object Type Code**

composite

**Integer**

239

**Reference System Info****Reference System****Reference System Identifier****Identifier****Code**

2193

**Code Space**

EPSG

**Version**

7.9.4(9.0.0)

**Identification Info****Data Identification****Citation****Citation****Title**

GMS\_Core.DBO.WARD2022\_V1\_00\_Clipped

**Date****Presentation Form****Presentation Form Code**

mapDigital

**Abstract**

This dataset is the definitive set of ward boundaries for 2022 as defined by the territorial authorities and/or Local Government Commission, but maintained by Stats NZ (the custodian). This clipped version has been created for map creation/cartographic purposes and so does not fully represent the official full extent boundaries. Wards were originally set up within any territorial authority with a population of at least 20,000. Wards are defined under the Local Electoral Act 2001 and result from dividing a territorial authority for electoral purposes. The ward system was designed to allow for the recognition of communities within a territorial authority and to increase community involvement in the local government system. Territorial authorities can now choose whether they would like to maintain electoral wards. As a result, the number of wards has steadily decreased since they were first created in 1989. Ward boundaries are reviewed in the year before the three-yearly local government elections. Wards are numbered based on their corresponding territorial authority. Each ward has a unique five-digit number. The first three digits represent the territorial authority that the ward lies within. The following two digits are sequential and represent the number of wards within a territorial authority. For example, Westland District (057) has three wards, which are coded 05701, 05702, and 05703. Several territorial authorities do not use wards. In the data, these territorial authorities use "99" at the end of the ward code, and the

descriptor "Area Outside Ward". In 2022, the following territorial authorities do not use wards: TA code Territorial authority name Ward code 024 Rotorua District 02499026 Kawerau District 02699037 Whanganui District 03799040 Palmerston North City 04099045 Upper Hutt City 04599048 Masterton District 04899049 Carterton District 04999052 Nelson City 05299054 Kaikoura District 05499067 Chatham Islands Territory 06799071 Dunedin City 07199075 Invercargill City 07599 Ward boundaries are defined at meshblock level but do not align to SA1 or SA2 boundaries. Names are provided with and without tohūtō/macrons. The column name for those without macrons is suffixed 'ascii'. Digital boundary data became freely available on 1 July 2007.

## Purpose

This dataset contains the annually released ward boundaries as at 1 January 2022, as defined by the territorial authorities and Local Government Commission and maintained by Stats NZ (the custodian), clipped to the coastline. This clipped version has been created for map creation/cartographic purposes and so does not fully represent the official full extent boundaries. This version contains 226 wards, excluding area outside ward.

## Credit

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## Descriptive Keywords

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Downloadable Data

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## Resource Constraints

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#### Use Limitation

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## Spatial Representation Type Code

vector

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utf8

## Topic Category Code

boundaries

Version 6.2 (Build 9200) ; Esri ArcGIS 10.8.1.14362

## Extent

### EX\_Extent

#### Geographic Element

#### EX\_Geographic Bounding Box

#### Extent Type Code

#### Boolean

true

-180180-47.421563-33.773403

## Distribution Info

### Distribution

#### Distribution Format

#### Format

#### Name

SDE Feature Class

## Data Quality Info

### DQ\_Data Quality

#### Scope

#### DQ\_Scope

#### Level

#### Scope Code

dataset

## Lineage

### LI\_Lineage

#### Statement

Wards are based on the meshblock pattern. Non-alignment of meshblock and cadastral boundaries are one of a number of reasons for meshblock boundary adjustments. Other reasons include requests from local authorities, Local Government Commission, Electoral Representation Commission and to make census enumeration processes easier. From the meshblock pattern, higher geographies, including the 2022 ward pattern, were dissolved using the dissolve tool in the Arc GIS suite. To derive the ward boundaries clipped to the coastline, meshblock polygons were dissolved to exclude meshblocks with a land/water attribute of Inlet or Oceanic.