The current population of Auckland is 1.65 million. Over the next decade, Auckland is projected to receive at least 55% of New Zealand’s total growth and will reach two million people by 2028, adding another 45,000 people to the city each year.

By 2028, 18% of Auckland’s population will be aged between 0-14 years old, with a further 6% aged between 15-19 years old. Of the Māori population in Auckland, one-third are aged between 0-14 years.

Auckland’s education region has the largest student population, with over 275,000 students. In the 12 months to July 2018, the addition of 3,500 students continued to put pressure on Auckland’s school network.

Of the 100,000 new student places forecast in the NEGP as being needed in high growth areas nationally by 2030, 60,000 of these are forecast as being needed in Auckland.