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# He Whare Rīhi : Older Māori Renters

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# A home for Māori?

## Rental accommodation

- 1986: 41%
- 2013:
  - 77% of Māori
  - 40% Māori 55+

## Landlords

- Private landlords, trusts, businesses



# Māori Case Study

Kaupapa Māori  
methodology

42 older Māori, 55+

- 18 men, 24 women
- 26 aged 55-59 yrs

Te Wairoa to Hastings



# Life in Renting

## Growing up

- Rented (52.4%)
- Owner-Occupiers (66.7%)

## Current accommodation

- <2 to >10 years



# Tamati's story

When he was growing up Tamati said his whānau moved all the time, all over the place. He currently lives in a camping ground after having nowhere else to go when he was released from prison two years ago. He says he had no choice, "it was either this or live under a bridge" ...



# Current Move

## Reasons

- Whānau, necessity
- Affordability, opportunities

## Decision-making

- Whānau

*I made the decision with help from my children and extended whanau. I was unemployed and had nowhere that I would afford to go to. – Hoani, tane, 55-64 years*

- Support staff

Most had no problems



# Big messages

- Most liked their current home
- Over half would not change anything
- Most were not considering moving
- Home ownership was not an option for a third

