The National Library of New Zealand
Te Puna Matauranga o Aotearoa







Collect, connect and co-create knowledge to power New Zealand





Key Facts:

Defined by Act of Parliament (in the National Library of New Zealand Te Puna Matauranga o Aotearora Act 2003)

To enrich the cultural and economic life of New Zealand and its interchange with other nations, by:

- 1. Collecting, preserving and protecting documents, particularly those relating to New Zealand, and making them accessible for all the people of New Zealand, in a manner consistent with their status as documentary heritage and taonga;
- 2. Supplementing and furthering the work of other libraries in New Zealand;
- Working collaboratively with other institutions ... including those forming part of the international library community.







Structural organisation

Since 2011 the Library has been part of the **Department of Internal Affairs**, with long term outcomes:

- New Zealand's diverse people and communities/hapu/iwi are resilient & prosperous
- New Zealand is recognised for creating, sharing and using knowledge for social, cultural and economic well-being
- The people of New Zealand have a strong and valued national identity, culture, heritage
- To enhance trust in government and confidence in the performance of public sector organisations

The Library is part of the Information and Knowledge Service branch, comprising

- National Library of New Zealand
- Archives New Zealand
- Government Information Services

Library Divisions:

- Alexander Turnbull Library heritage collections and research services
- Content Services acquisitions, cataloguing, national services, strategies for digital preservation and services to public libraries
- Literacy, Learning & Public Programmes services to schools, exhibitions, learning programmes
- Digital New Zealand digital services and developments





Developments

Completion of National Library building

Total furbishment and modernisation of the National Library's main building, 2010-2012:

- more storage space and better storage conditions
- better access and new services for the public and researchers
- extended exhibition spaces and learning services

Officially reopened the building in November 2012

Current priorities

- Strategic partnership programme with Archives New Zealand
- Working toward achievement of 'Result 10': enabling all citizens to conduct all their transactions with government digitally online.
- Leading the library sector to close the literacy gap in New Zealand
- Builiding a more effective relationhsip with public libraries
- End to end system processes needed for National ibrary to collect, connect and co-create pyhsical and digital content.





