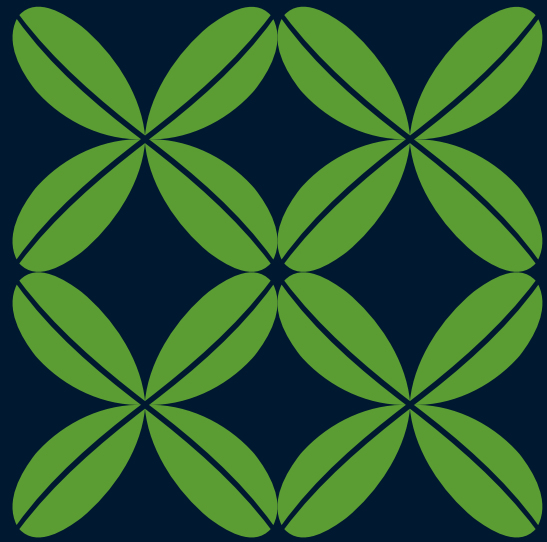
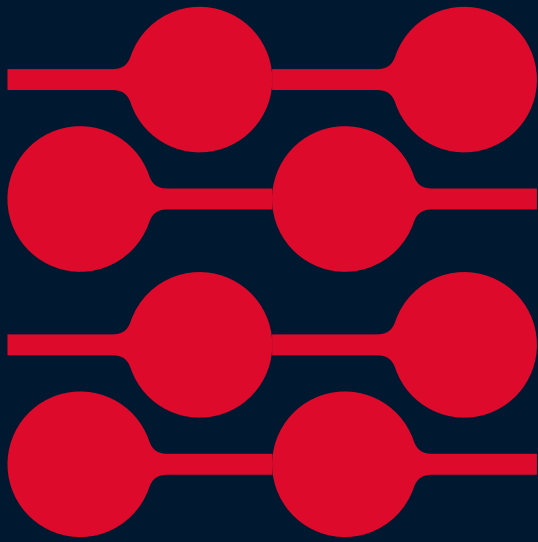




Kaipātiki Local Board Plan 2026 Summary of Feedback





Summary of feedback on the draft Kaipātiki Local Board Plan 2026

Purpose

This report summarises feedback received during the public consultation in June/July to inform the development of the Kaipātiki Local Board Plan. This summary aims to capture themes rather than detail every point of feedback received.

Executive Summary

Local board plans are strategic three-year plans developed in consultation with the community. They set out the direction for the local area reflecting community aspirations and priorities, and guide:

- decisions on local activities, projects, and facilities
- local board input into the council's regional strategies and plans, including the Auckland Plan
- how local boards will work with other agencies, including community groups, central government agencies and council-controlled organisations that play key roles in the area
- funding and investment decisions.

Local board plans focus on the key areas local boards are responsible for and include objectives and some of the key initiatives that will be carried out to achieve them.

Engagement Approach

The draft Kaipātiki Local Board Plan 2026 was developed using feedback received from public engagement carried out between November 2025 and April 2026. Feedback previously heard from the community on a wide range of topics, particularly during the 2026 Annual Budget consultation period, was also considered.

Between 23 June and 23 July 2026, the local board consulted on the draft plan to hear the community's thoughts. Feedback was received through:

- Have Your Say events
- community and partnership events
- written submissions including online and hard copy forms
- emails and letters
- quick poll digital tool
- Buzzy campaign for rangatahi (youth).

Support was provided to submitters including:

- Translated and interpreted summary draft Local Board Plans and feedback forms
- Information at Auckland Council libraries
- Online webinars and information available on the AK Have Your Say hub page.

This report summarises the key activities that took place and the feedback that was heard during both the early engagement and the consultation period.



Māori engagement

Mana whenua

A co-ordinated approach was taken by local boards so that mana whenua were invited to engage with relevant local boards in one hui rather than receiving separate invitations from each local board. For the Kaipātiki Local Board, engagement took place with three mana whenua entities as follows:

- Te Kawerau ā Maki – provided a written letter outlining their priorities
- Ngāti Whātua Ōrakei – Online hui, Monday 16 March 2026
- Ngaati Whanaugna – In person hui, Monday 13 April 2026.

Mana whenua were sent a copy of the draft local board plan in June 2026 and encouraged to provide written feedback through multiple options including through a new iwi feedback form developed specifically for mana whenua to be able to have their say across multiple local boards within their rohe (area of interest). Feedback was received from the following mana whenua entity:

- Ngāti Whātua Ōrakei – Written submission (via email)

Marae and mātāwaka

A regional partnership was formed with Te Kotahi-ā-Tāmaki (marae collective) for the purposes of engaging with marae across Tāmaki Makaurau, supported by online hui to engage with mātāwaka and marae during the early engagement and consultation periods.

Like the new iwi feedback form, a new marae feedback form developed specifically for marae to be able to have their say in a way that reflected their priorities.

Te Kotahi a Tāmaki, Marae Collective provided feedback on the draft Local Board Plan 2026. No other mātāwaka group or marae provided feedback. The Kaipātiki Local Board did host an in-person Māori Hui on 23 July 2026, and received several pieces of feedback from local Māori.

Stakeholder and community engagement

Table 1: Summary of consultation activities during the consultation period

Activity	Description
Have Your Say Event - Highbury Night Market	15 July 2026 - Local Board Members, supported by local board staff, had a stall at the Night Market at Highbury Mall, Birkenhead. Community had the opportunity to speak directly to decision-makers and were provided with large boards where they could record their feedback against the priorities identified in the draft local board plan. There were approximately 75 attendees, and 45 pieces of feedback were captured
Have Your Say Event - Māori focused Hui	23 July 2026 - The Kaipātiki Local Board hosted a Māori focused hui to seek whakaaro, input and feedback into Māori outcomes for the rōhe. Participants were offered the opportunity to whanaungatanga, wānanga, and kōrero. Participants were provided with large boards where they could record their feedback against the priorities identified in the draft local board plan. There were approximately 50 attendees, and 20 pieces of feedback were captured
Advisory Panels: • Diverse Communities • Seniors and Disability	Auckland Council Advisory Panels and Local Board elected members were offered the opportunity to engage in focused discussions on draft Local Board Plans 2026, drawing on lived experience, specialist expertise and community insights. Sessions with the Diverse Communities., Seniors and Disability, and Future Auckland (youth)



Future Auckland (youth)	panels were held on 2 July, 3 July, and 14 July respectively. Feedback was captured in summary reports that were shared with the local board at its 26 August workshop.
Buzzly campaign	We used Buzzly (youth platform) to engage with rangatahi in our local area. We challenged youth to respond to the question: <i>What should be the biggest priority for young people in your local area over the next three years?</i> We received 21 pieces of feedback.
Marae and mātāwaka regional hui on Friday 03 July 2026	Local Board project team, Local Board engagement advisors and members of Te Kotahi-ā-Tāmaki (marae collective) Marae and mātāwaka representatives including: - Te Mahurehure marae (Albert-Eden) - Whaataapaka marae (Franklin) - Mataatua marae (Māngere-Ōtāhuhu) - Te Awamaarahi marae (Port Waikato, closest to Franklin) - and individuals.
Community Partner events – Bluespur consulting (Pasifika)	16 July 2026 –Bluespur consulting facilitated targeted pasifika engagement through culturally responsive consultation, talanoa and relationship-based approaches. Engagement with ANCAD, North Shore Pasifika Forum, North Harbour Sport, and Assembly of God Church was undertaken to mobilise their pasifika communities to participate. There were 79 pieces of feedback captured from this event.
Community Partner – Kaipātiki Community Facilities Trust (Diversity Navigator)	Kaipātiki Community Facility Trust’s Diversity Navigator socialised the local board plan engagement with local ethnic communities. They also provided feedback forms that were translated in Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Korean. We received one submission using the form translated into Simplified Chinese, and eight using the form translated into Korean.

Summary of feedback

General feedback on the draft Kaipātiki Local Board Plan

A total of 358 pieces of stakeholder and community feedback was received on the draft Kaipātiki Local Board Plan. 248 individuals, 24 organisations (nine local, 15 regional), and one Māori entity provided written feedback.

The local board received the following feedback through various channels:

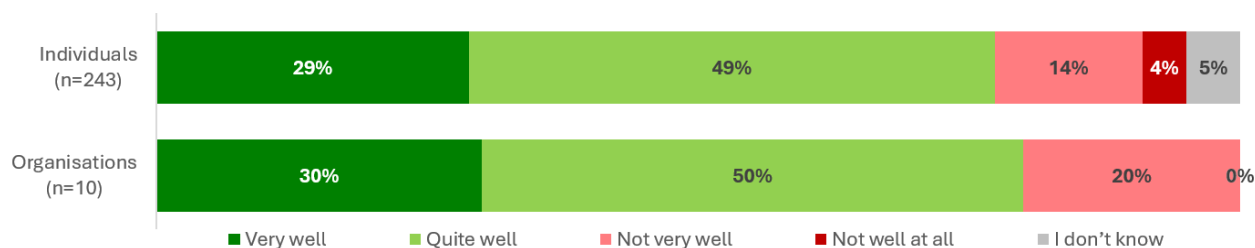
- 272 hard copy and online feedback form submissions
- 65 pieces of feedback via Have Your Say events
- 29 pieces of feedback through digital tools
- 21 pieces of feedback through the Buzzly challenge
- 79 pieces of feedback through Bluespur Consulting LTD.

Community

Objectives

- Our people and communities feel connected, safe and well.
- Kaipātiki reflects Māori identity and culture through active partnership with mana whenua and Māori.
- Our diversity is celebrated and supported.
- Our parks and community facilities are well maintained, well managed and meet community needs.
- Opportunities to take part in sport and recreation are available and easy for everyone to access and enjoy.
- Opportunities to celebrate creativity in the arts are available and accessible to all.
- Our people are informed and have a say in the decisions that affect them.

Q1. How well do you think we captured the needs and priorities of our Community?



78 per cent of individuals and 80 per cent of organisations think the needs and priorities of this focus area are captured well.

Key themes from the feedback included:

- Strong support for parks, libraries, sports facilities and community spaces
- Requests for improved maintenance, safety, lighting, CCTV and cleanliness
- Desire for greater inclusion of youth, families, disabled people and diverse communities
- Mixed views on Māori outcomes and cultural recognition





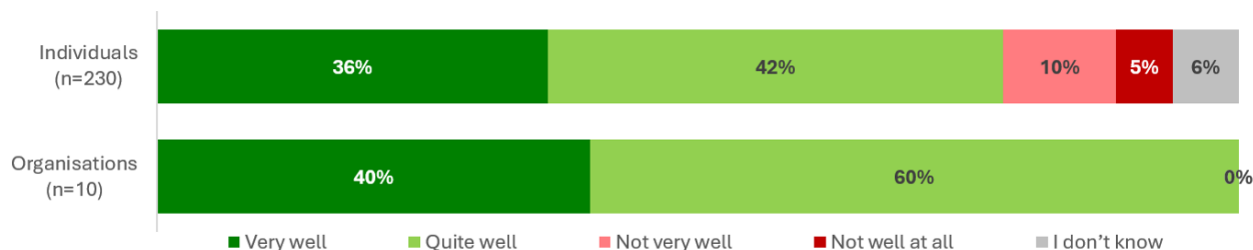
- Calls for more community events, arts, recreation and social connection opportunities.

Natural Environment

Objectives

- We are guided by a Māori world view to protect and care for our natural environment
- Our parks, waterways and forests are protected and enhanced so birds and other native wildlife can thrive.
- Our urban development minimises impacts on the natural environment.
- Our people are environmentally aware and live sustainably.
- Our community is prepared for the impacts of a changing climate.

Q2. How well do you think we captured the needs and priorities of our Natural Environment?



78 per cent of individuals and 100 per cent of organisations think the needs and priorities of this focus area are captured well.

Key themes from the feedback included:

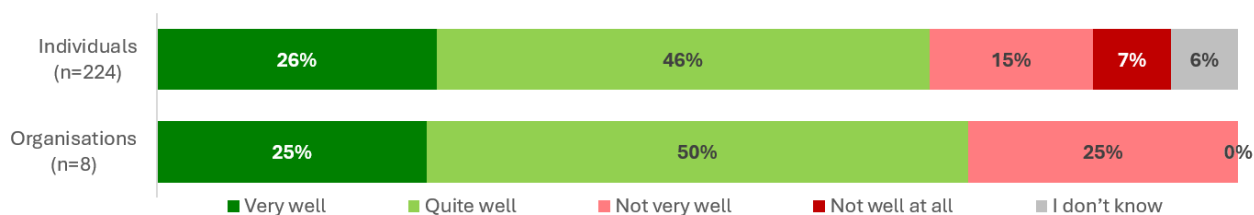
- Strong support for native planting, biodiversity and waterway protection
- Concerns about tree loss from housing intensification and development
- Support for climate resilience, flood mitigation and environmental restoration
- Requests for stronger pest, weed and stormwater management
- Mixed views regarding climate change initiatives and Māori environmental frameworks.

Built Environment

Objectives

- Our town centres are vibrant, safe hubs that meet the needs of our people.
- Our urban development is high quality and sustainable and creates inclusive, safe spaces with low climate impact.

Q3. How well do you think we captured the needs and priorities of our Built Environment?



72 per cent of individuals and 75 per cent of organisations think the needs and priorities of this focus area are captured well.

Key themes from the feedback included:

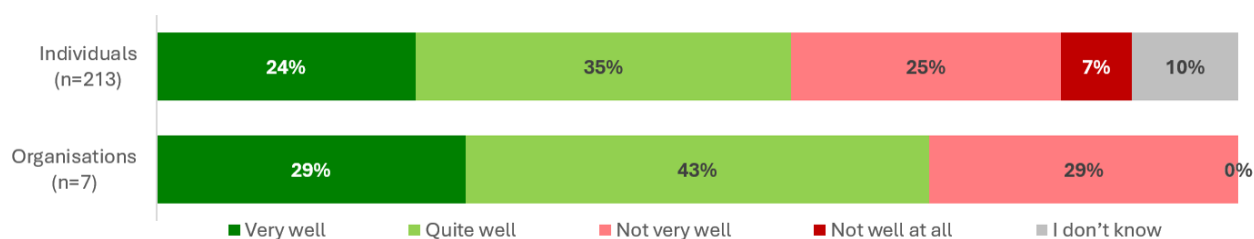
- Major concern about housing intensification, parking shortages and infrastructure pressure
- Requests for higher quality urban design and protection of neighbourhood character
- Need for more green space, safer streets and town centre improvements
- Support for regeneration projects but concern about development impacts.

Economic Development

Objectives

- Our town centres and business areas provide opportunities for people to work locally.
- Local and international visitors are attracted to our area.
- Our young people are ready for the workforce.
- Our business community supports local sustainable business practices and initiatives.
- Māori businesses are supported to grow.

Q4. How well do you think we captured the needs and priorities of our Economic Development?



59 per cent of individuals and 72 per cent of organisations think the needs and priorities of this focus area are captured well.

Key themes from the feedback included:

- Support for vibrant town centres and local businesses
- Need for youth employment pathways, skills training and local jobs
- Requests for better support of business districts, especially Glenfield and Northcote
- Some submitters questioned tourism as a priority.

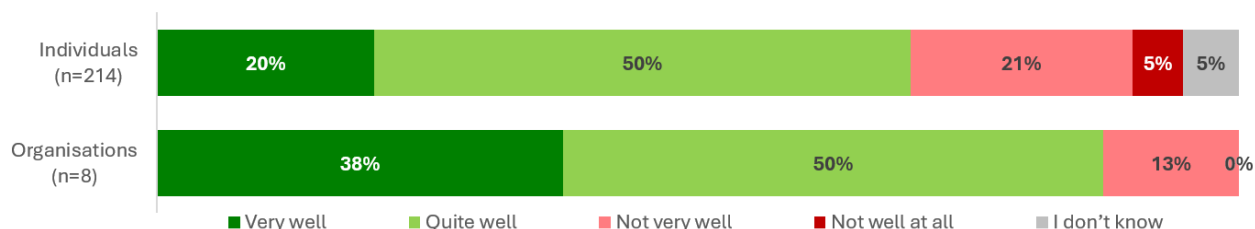
Transport



Priorities

- People have more travel choices to get to work, school or to go about their daily lives.
- Our Roads are safe and well maintained.
- The Kaipātiki Connections Network Plan delivers walking and cycling links for commuters and recreational use.

Q5. How well do you think we captured the needs and priorities of our Transport?



70 per cent of individuals and 88 per cent of organisations think the needs and priorities of this focus area are captured well.

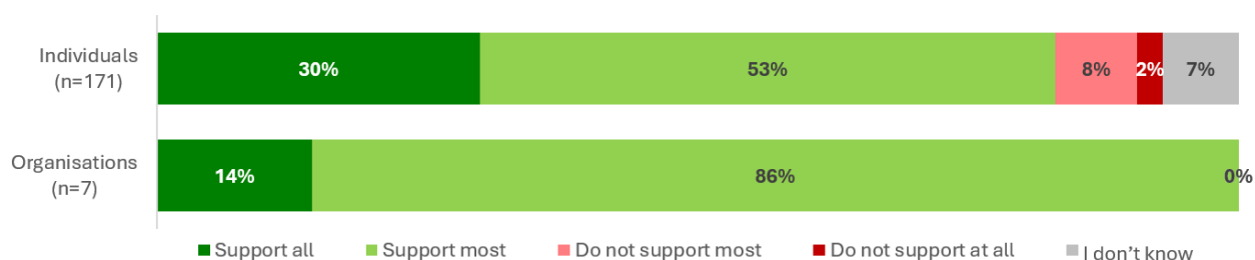
Key themes from the feedback included:

- Most common issue was congestion, parking and road maintenance
- Strong demand for better public transport frequency, reliability and connections
- Widespread support for safer walking and cycling infrastructure
- Requests for improved ferries, park and ride facilities and safer school travel.

Other questions asked

As part of the draft local board plan consultation, the following additional questions were asked.

Q6. Overall, what is your opinion of the draft Kaipātiki Local Board Plan 2026?



83 per cent of individuals and 100 per cent of organisations support all or most of the draft local board plan overall.

Key themes from the feedback included:

- General support for the draft plan and its community focus
- Supporters valued climate action, wellbeing, parks and environmental outcomes
- Common concern that objectives were aspirational without enough detail on delivery
- Some opposition to Māori-focused objectives and perceived consultation bias
- Strong expectation for prudent financial management and value for rates.

Q7. To ensure our community facilities network is sustainable over the long term, the local board may need to review how assets are used, including whether some may no longer be fit for purpose.

Key themes from the feedback included:

- Maintain and upgrade existing facilities before building new ones
- Libraries, pools, sports facilities and community centres were consistently prioritised
- Decisions should consider usage, accessibility, community value and long-term sustainability
- Strong preference for consultation before closure or repurposing of assets.

Q8. How could the Kaipātiki Local Board improve the way it engages with you about local decisions, projects and priorities?

Key themes from the feedback included:

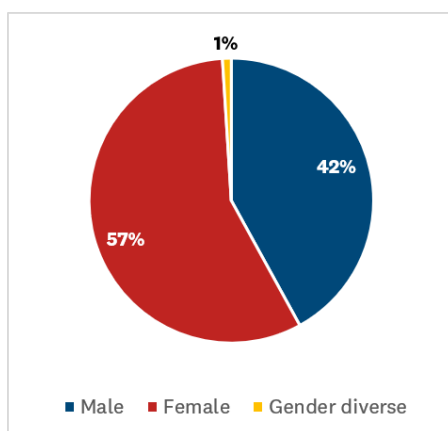
- More communication through email, social media, newsletters and community meetings
- Desire for simpler consultation material and clearer reporting back on outcomes
- Requests for earlier engagement and more face-to-face opportunities
- Many submitters want evidence their feedback influences decisions.



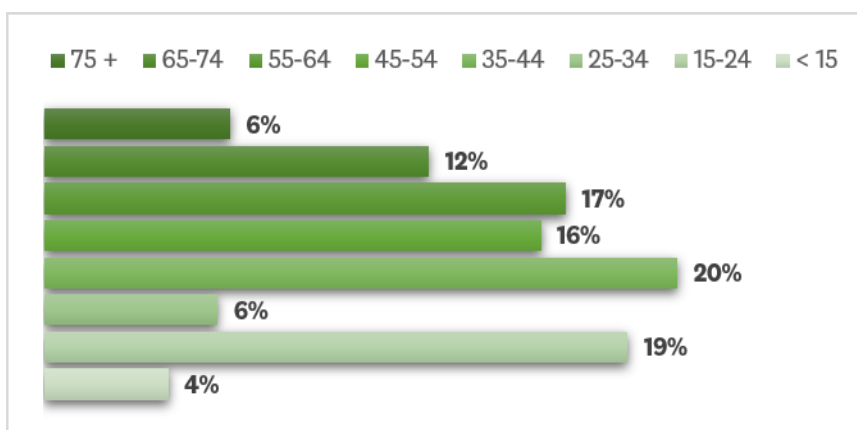


Who we heard from

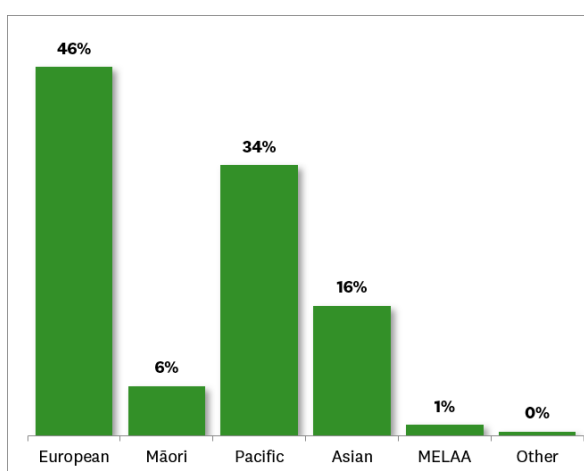
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Female	143
Another gender	2
Total	250



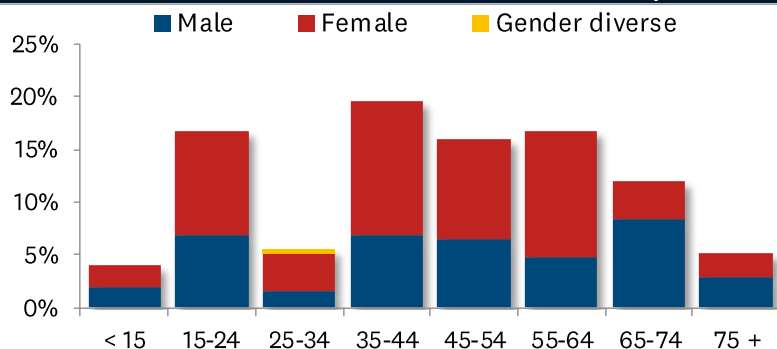
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25-34	14
35-44	51
45-54	40
55-64	42
65-74	31
75+	15
Total	250



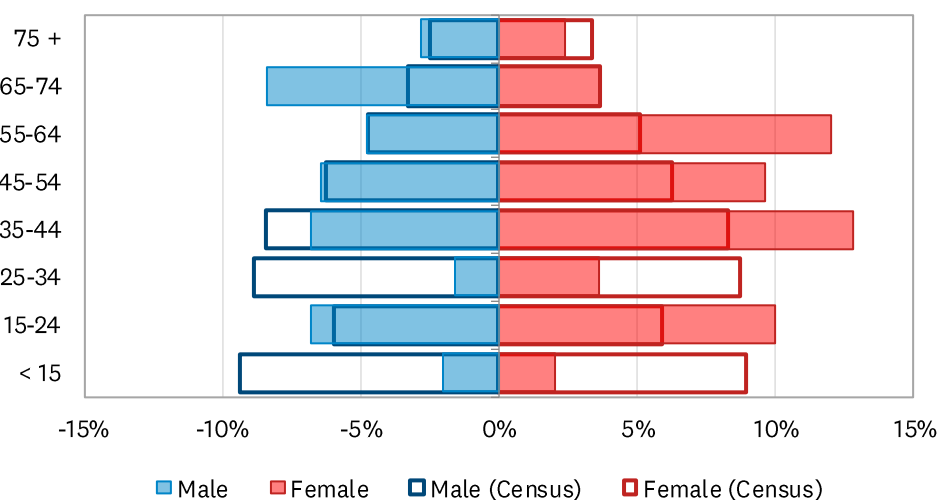
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European	105
Pākehā/NZ Europe	95
Other European	12
Māori	14
Pasifika	77
Samoan	68
Cook Islands Māori	1
Tongan	3
Other Pasifika	8
Asian	37
Chinese	7
Indian	13
Filipino	0
Southeast Asian	6
Korean	9
Other Asian	2
African/Middle Eastern/Lati	3
Other	1
Total	228



DEMOGRAPHICS: TOTAL = Submission data + Buzzly + Event



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