# NAVIGATING DATA IN IDI TO UNLOCK **REFUGEE SETTLEMENT TRAJECTORIES**

**Insights from population data within the IDI** 

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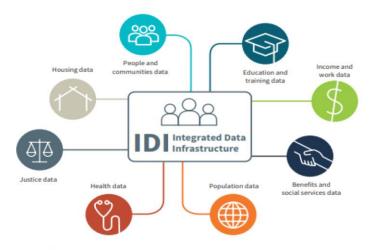
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### WHAT IS IDI AND HOW WE GOT OUR REFUGEE DATA

### Data in the IDI September 2018

Stats NZ's Integrated Data Infrastructure (IDI) is a large research database containing de-identified microdata about people and households.



The IDI contains person-centred microdata from a range of government agencies, Stats NZ surveys including the 2013 Census, and non-government organisations. For more information about data in the IDI, see www.stats.govt.nz/integrated-data/integrated-data-infrastructure

The Longitudinal Business Database (LBD) complements the IDI with microdata about businesses. For more information about data in the LBD, see www.stats.govt.nz/integrated-data/longitudinal-business-database

#### Health data

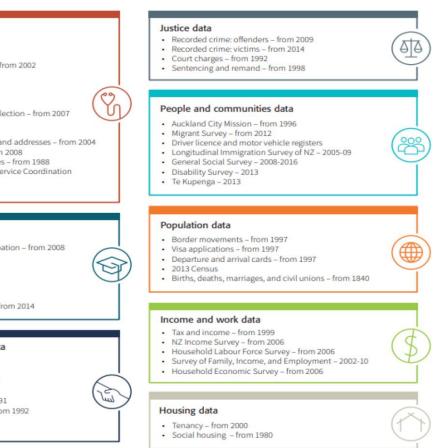
- B4 School Checks from 2011
  Cancer registrations from 1995
- Cancer registrations from 1995
  Chronic conditions from 2007
- Chronic conditions from 2007
  General medical services claims from 2002
- General medical services claims from 2
  Health tracker 2006-13
- Health tracker 2006-13
  Laboratory claims from 2003
- Mortality from 1988
- Immunisation from 2006
- National non-admitted patient collection from 2007
- Pharmaceuticals from 2005
- PHO enrolments from 2003
- · Population cohort demographics and addresses from 2004
- Mental health and addiction from 2008
- Publicly funded hospital discharges from 1988
- National Needs Assessment and Service Coordination Information System (SOCRATES)
- Maternity from 2003

#### Education and training data

- Early childhood education participation from 2008
- Primary education from 2007
- Secondary education from 2004
- Tertiary education from 1994
- Industry training from 2001
- Targeted training from 2001
- Adult competency assessments from 2014

#### Benefits and social services data

- Benefits from 1990
- Youth services from 2004
- Children's Action Plan from 1996
- Working for Families from 2003
- Child, Youth, and Family from 1991
- Student loans and allowances from 1992
- ACC injury claims from 1994
- Family Start from 2008



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### **DEFINING REFUGEE SUB-GROUPS**

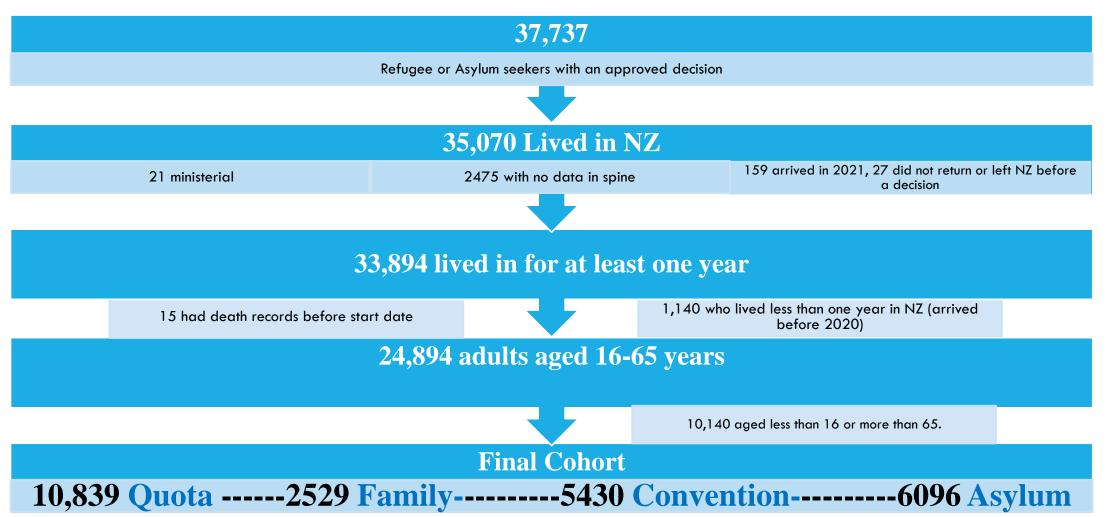
**Quota** refugees Referred by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and subsequently selected by Immigration New Zealand for residence.

**Refugee Family Support Category** -- refugees already in New Zealand can 'sponsor' family members for New Zealand residence through the RFSC.

**Convention** -- Asylum seekers who have been recognised under the Convention as a refugee in New Zealand.

**Asylum seeker --** Unsuccessful convention refugees, accepted decision to be assessed as asylums seekers but eventually did not become convention refugees.

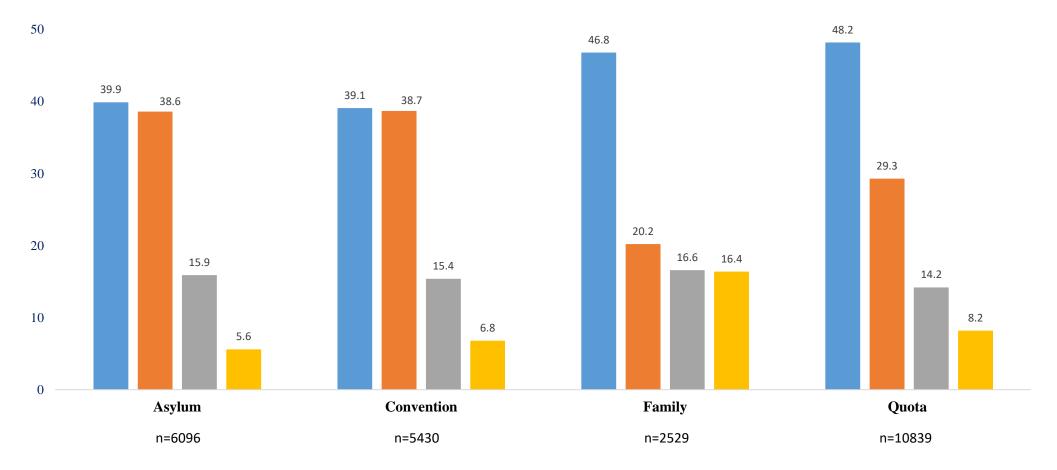
### FLOW CHART OF ADULT REFUGEE COHORT



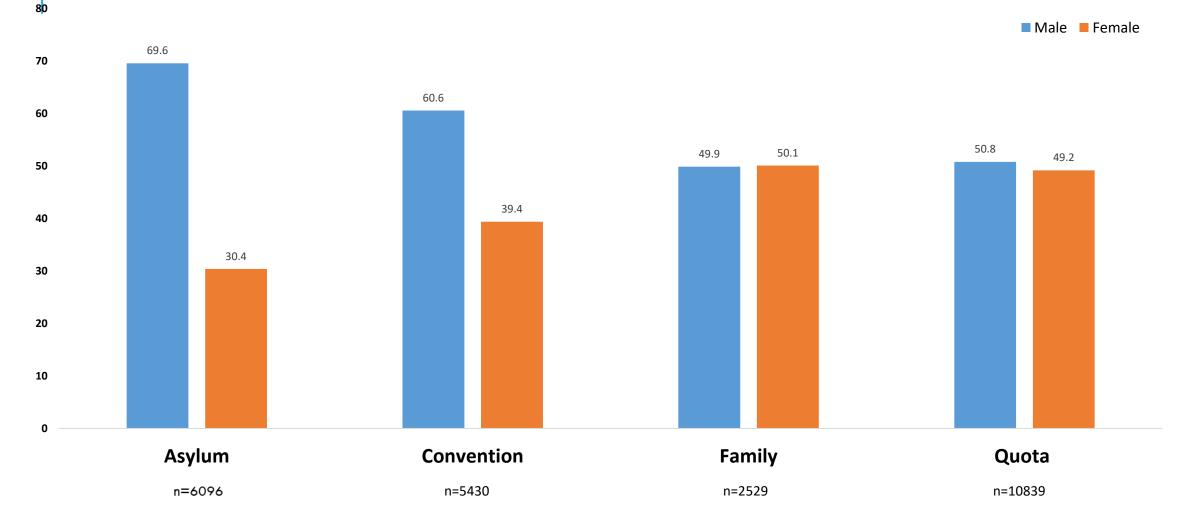
### AGE BY REFUGEE SUB-GROUP

60

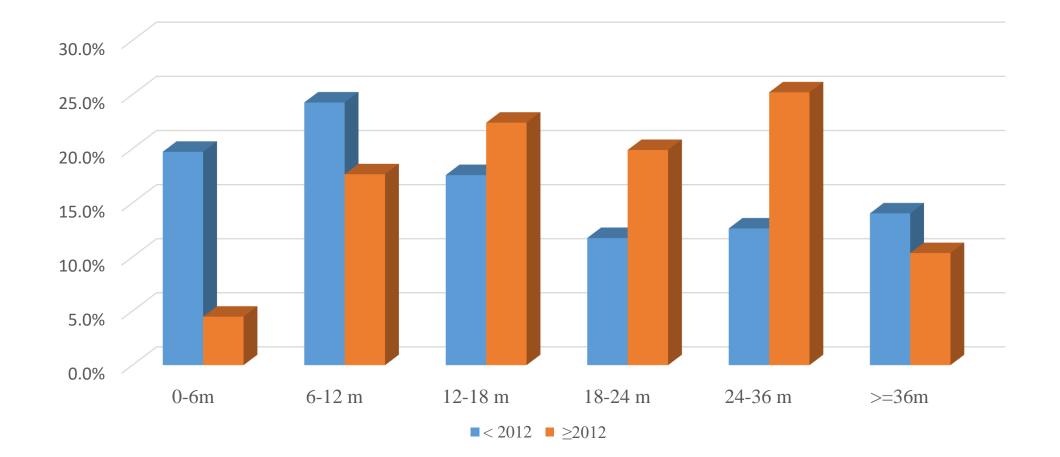
■ 16-30 ■ 30-40 ■ 40-50 ■ >=50

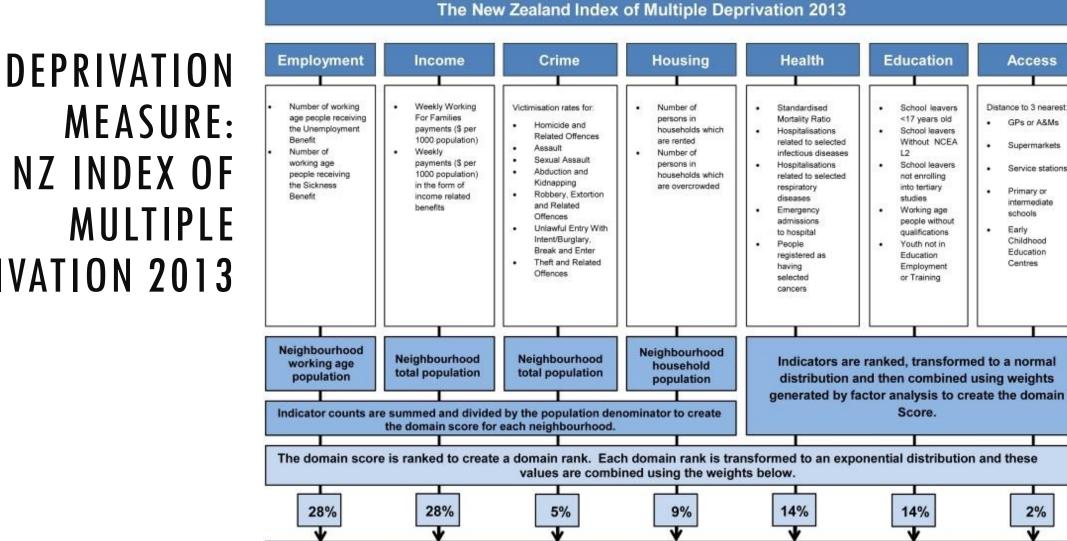


### **GENDER BY REFUGEE SUB-GROUP**



### TIME TO CONVENTION STATUS





This creates the overall IMD score for each neighbourhood, which is ranked to create the overall IMD rank

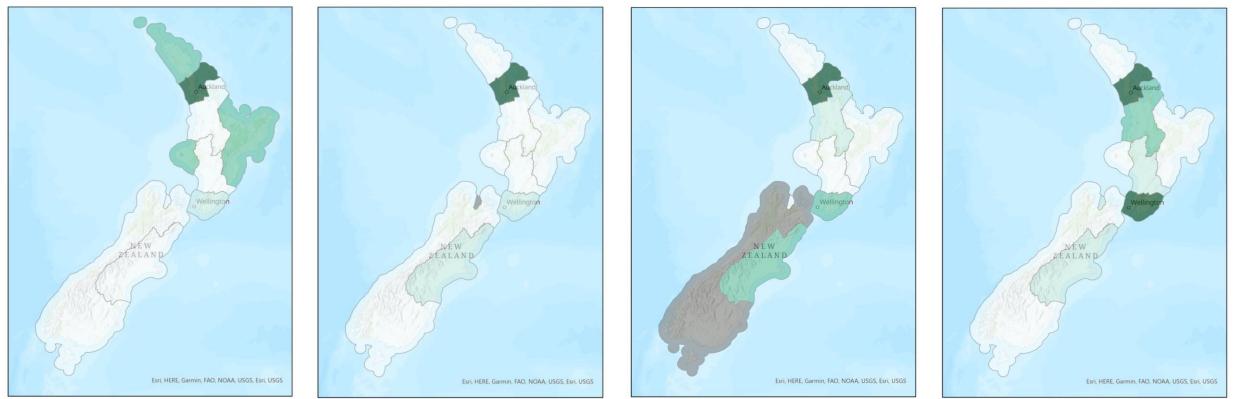
intermediate

2%

schools

### **MEASURE:** NZ INDEX OF MULTIPLE **DEPRIVATION 2013**

# WHERE ARE REFUGEES & ASYLUM SEEKERS RESIDING?



Family

Asylum Seekers



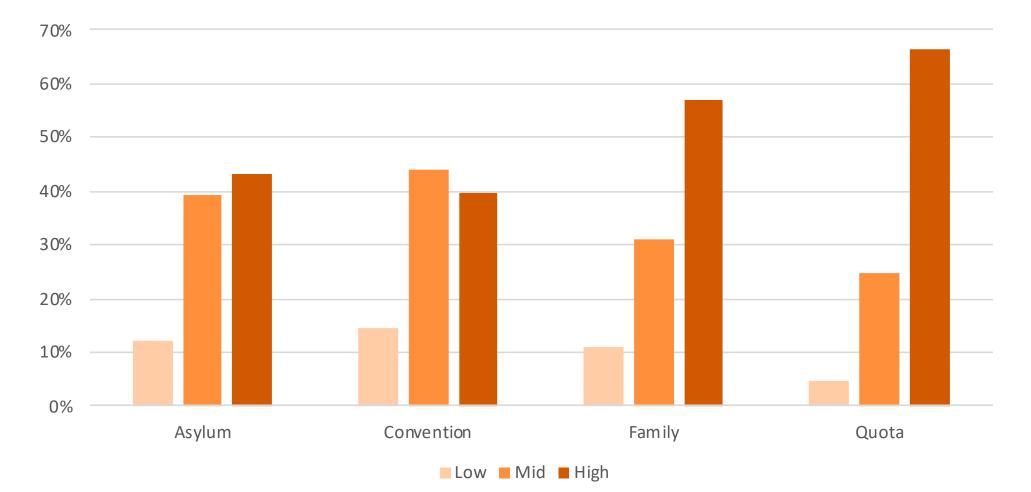
Quota

0% - 5% 5.1% - 10%

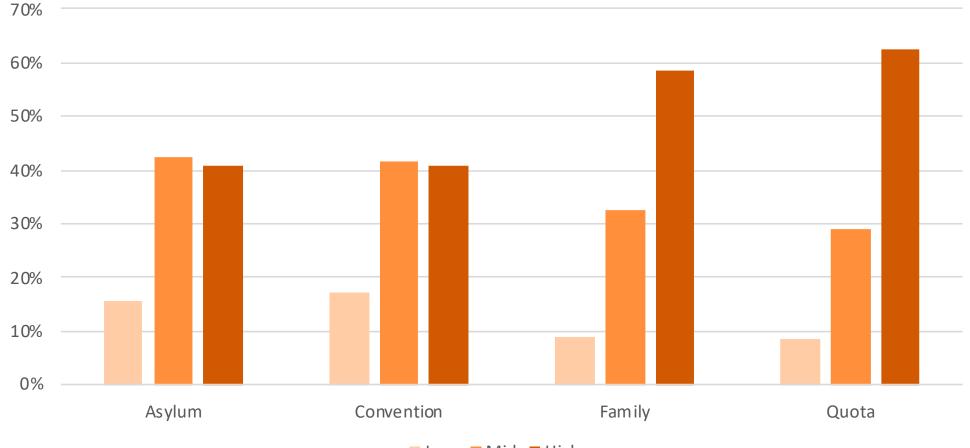
10.1% - 15% 15.1% - 20% 20.1% or more

<out of range>

### **DEPRIVATION LEVEL OF FIRST ADDRESS**

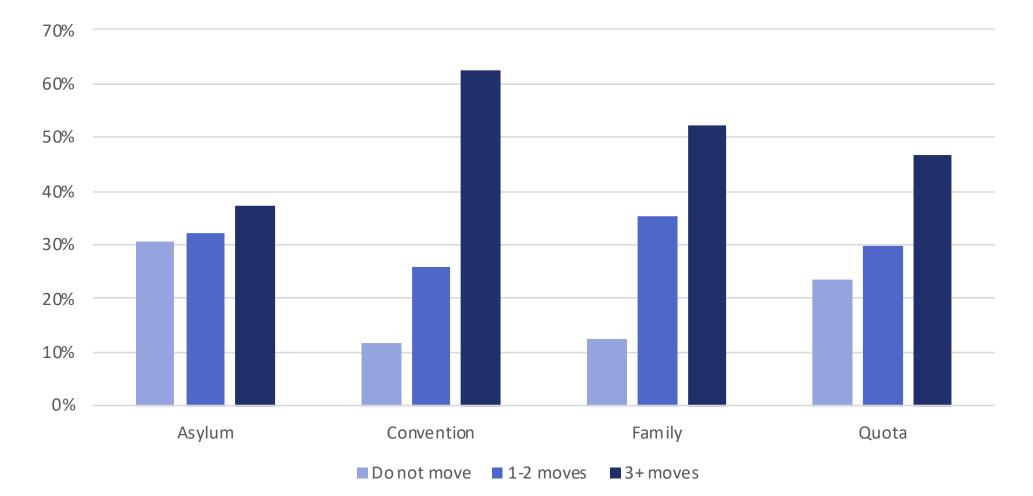


### **DEPRIVATION LEVEL OF LAST ADDRESS**

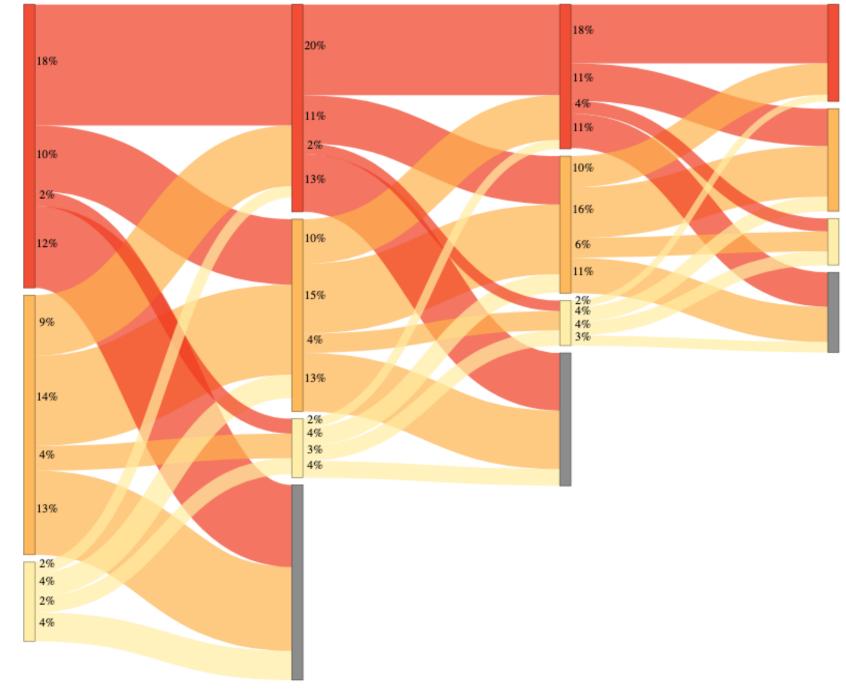


Low Mid High

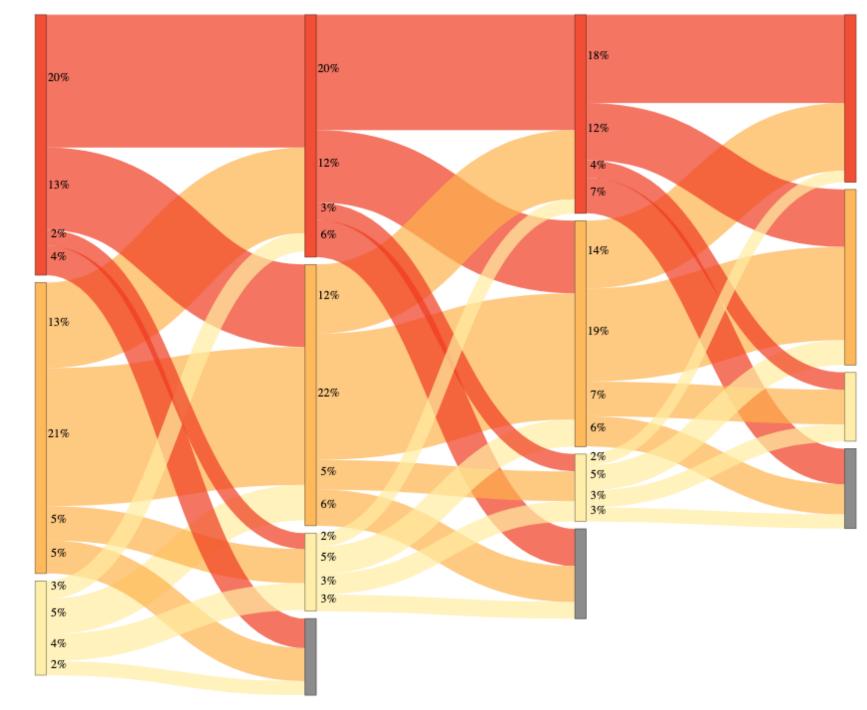
### NUMBER OF MOVES



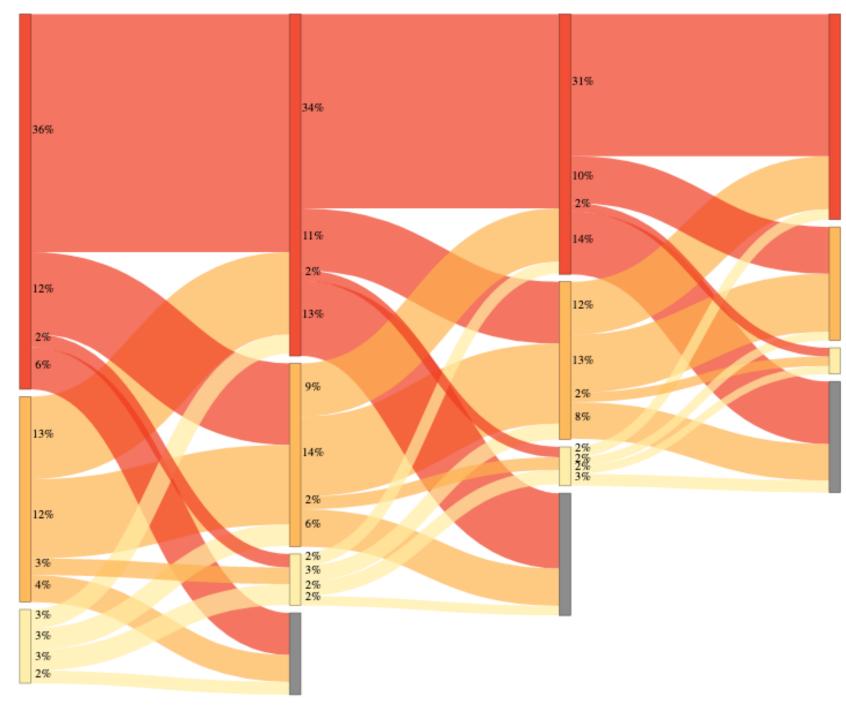
### MOVEMENTS: ASYLUM



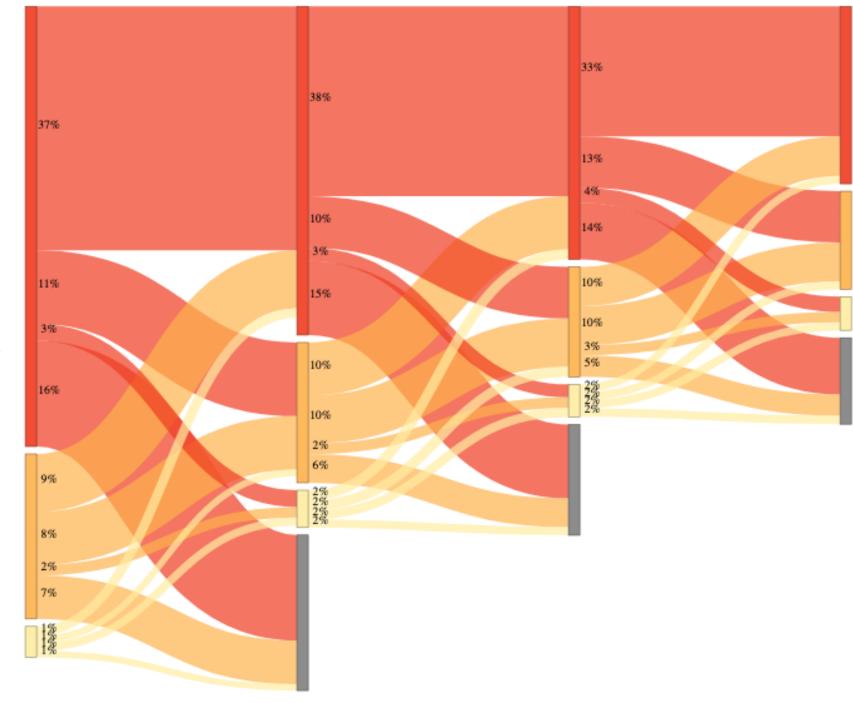
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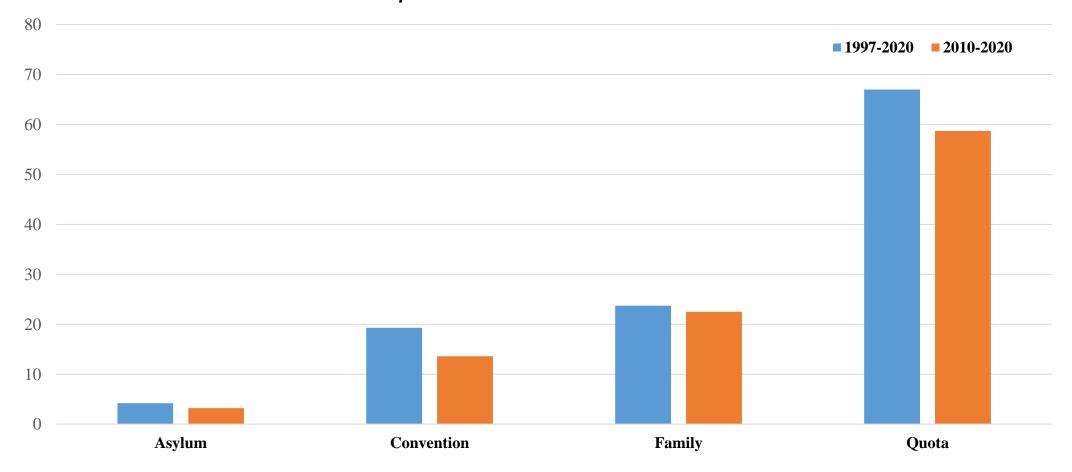
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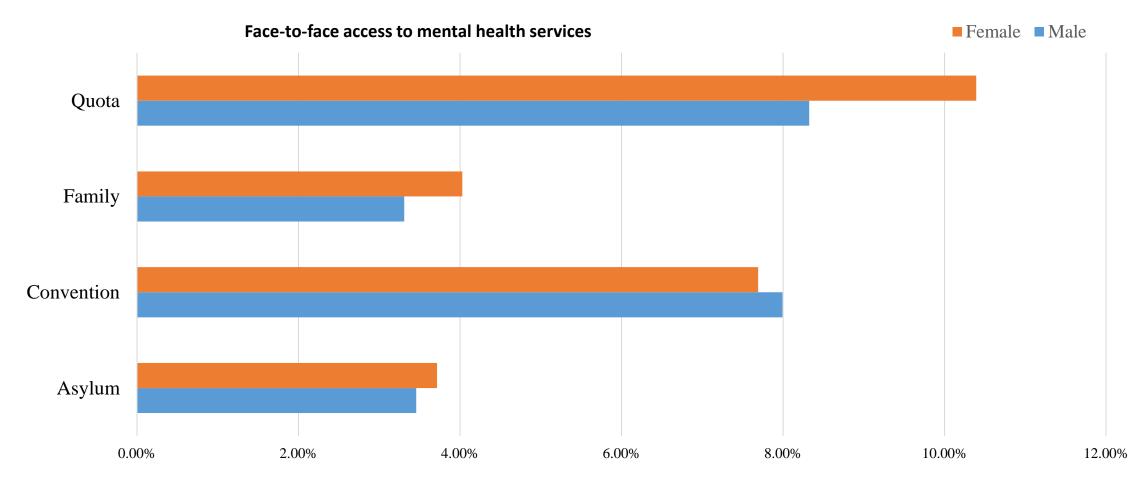
### MOVEMENTS: QUOTA



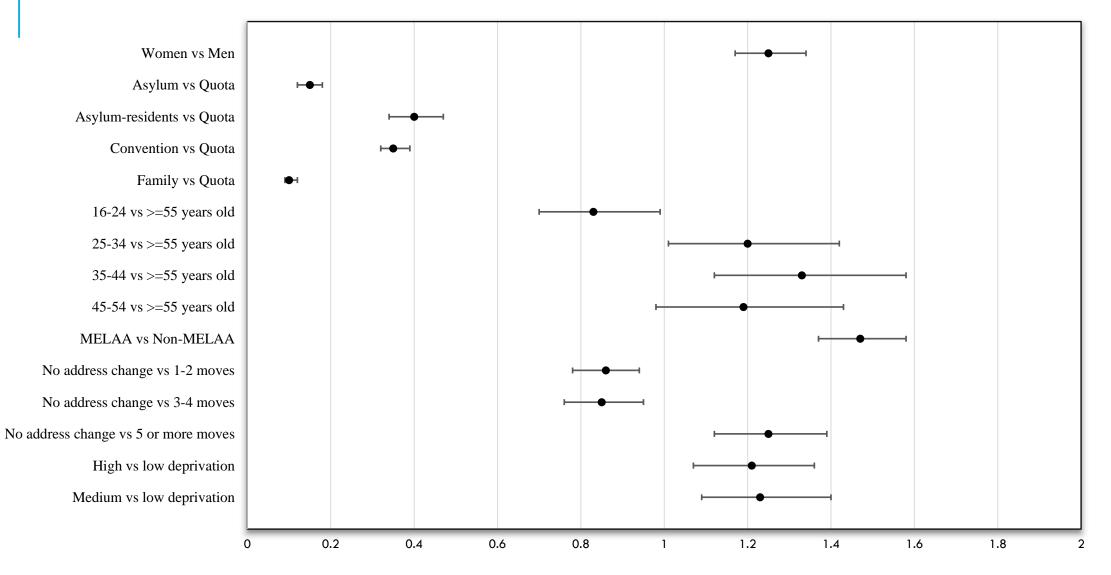
### ACCESS TO PUBLIC/STATE HOUSING

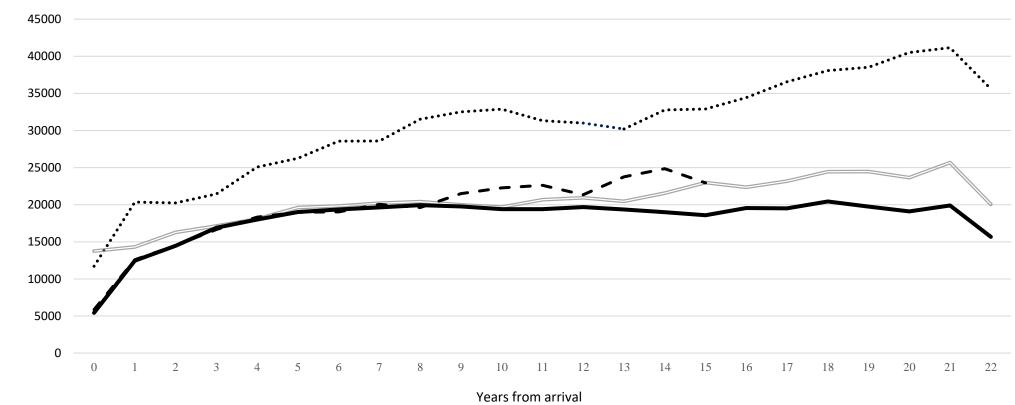


# ACCESS TO SPECIALIST MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES (MID 2008-2019)



# FACTORS AFFECTED EVER ACCESSING MENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST SERVICES



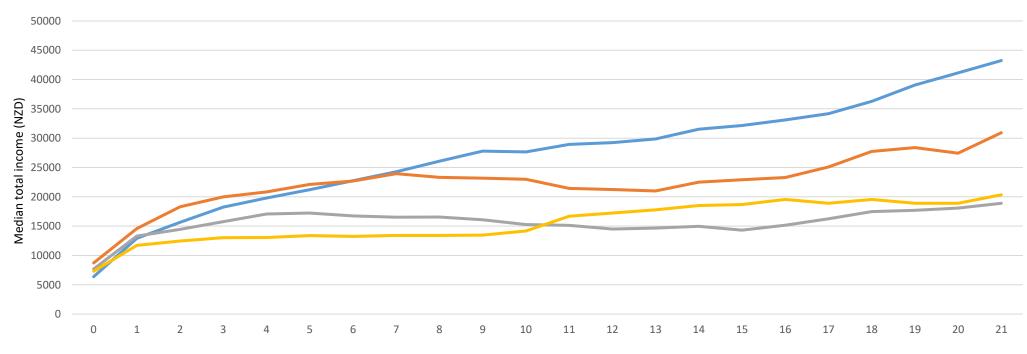


•••••• Asylum Convention – – Family – Quota

### MEDIAN TOTAL INCOME FROM ARRIVAL

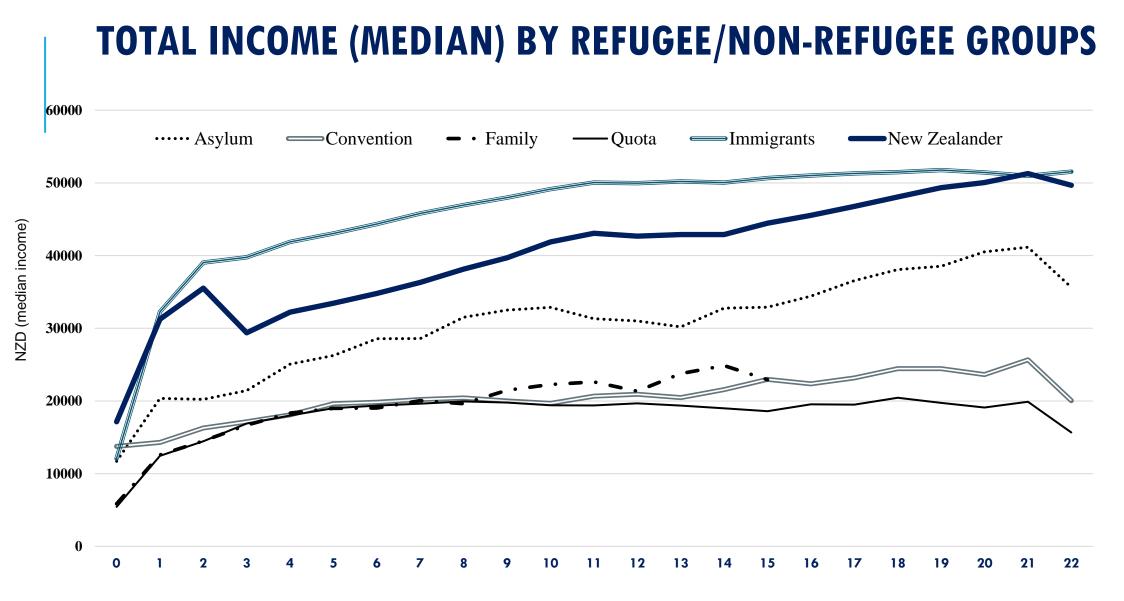
Median income (NZD)

### MEDIAN TOTAL INCOME BY AGE GROUP



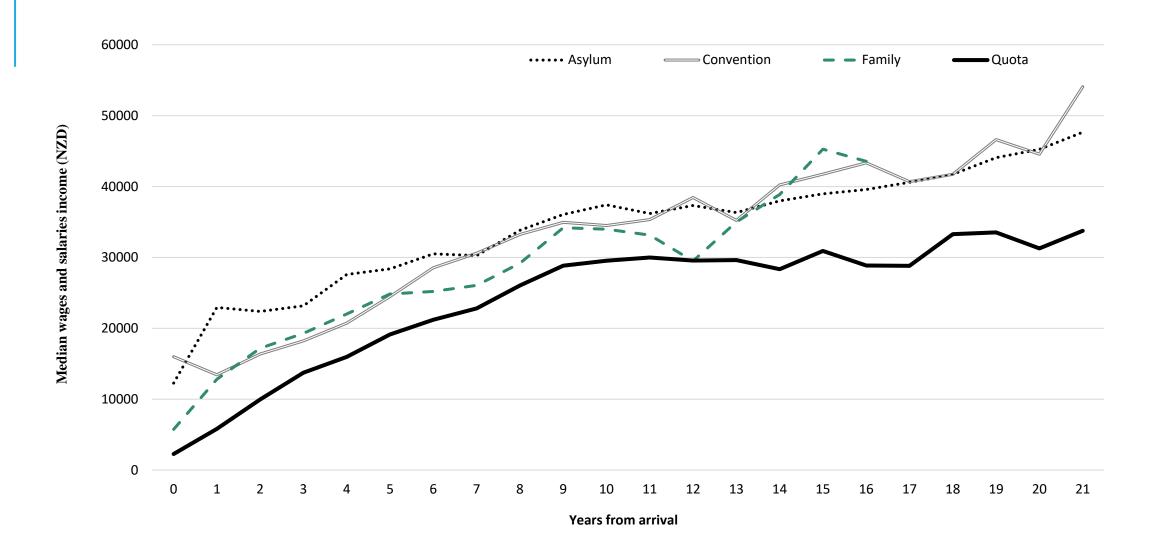
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Years from arrival

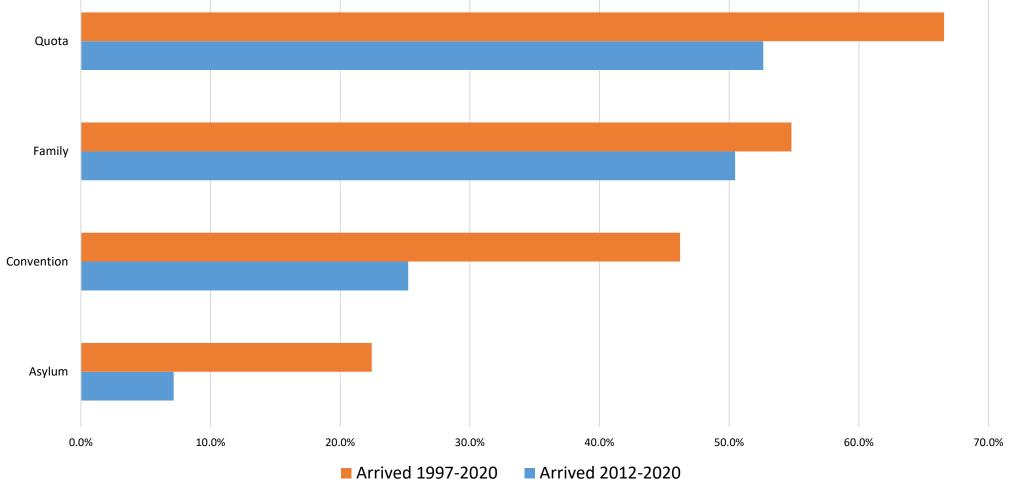


Years from arrival for refugees and immigrants and years from 1997 for New Zealanders

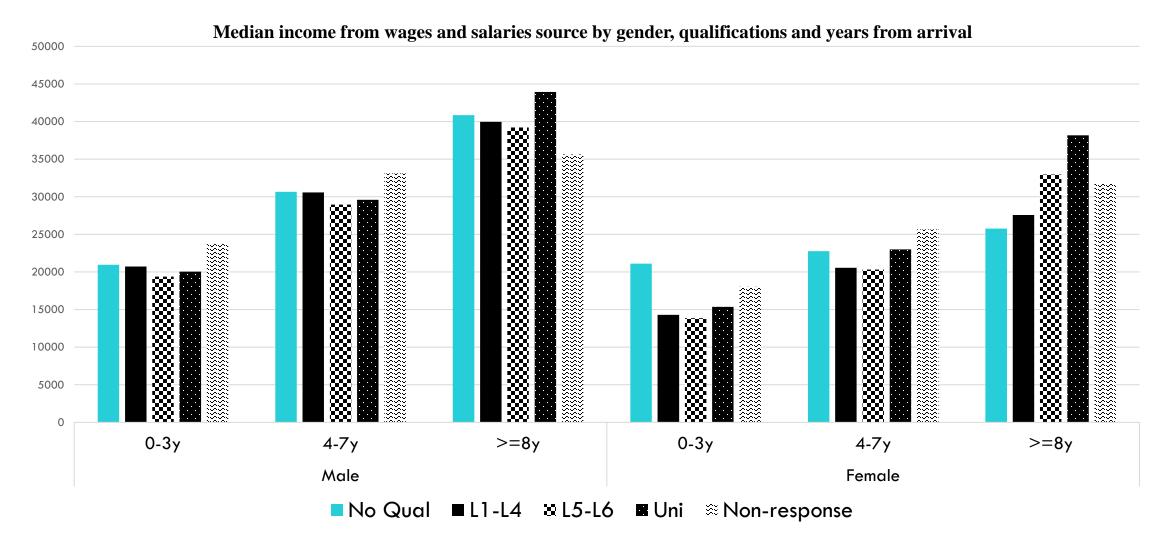
### **MEDIAN INCOME FROM WAGES AND SALARIES**



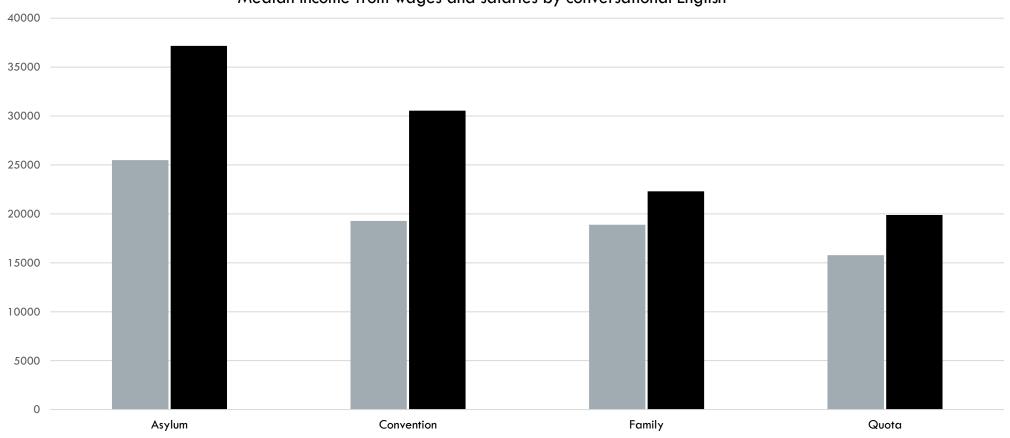
### **REGISTERED WITH MINISTRY OF EDUCATION**



# REFUGEES' INCOME BY GENDER, EDUCATION, YEARS ARRIVED



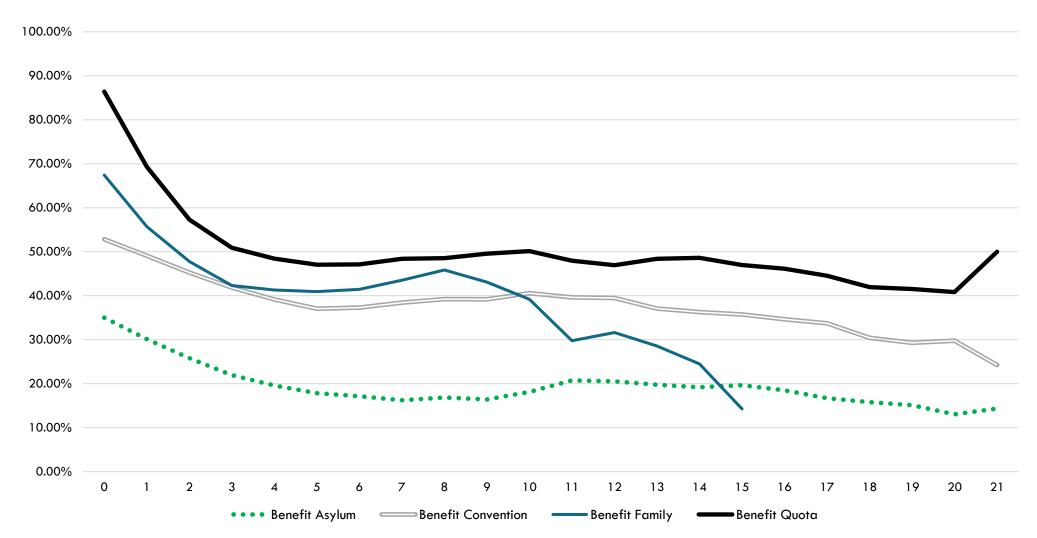
### **REFUGEES' WAGES AND SALARIES INCOME BY CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH**



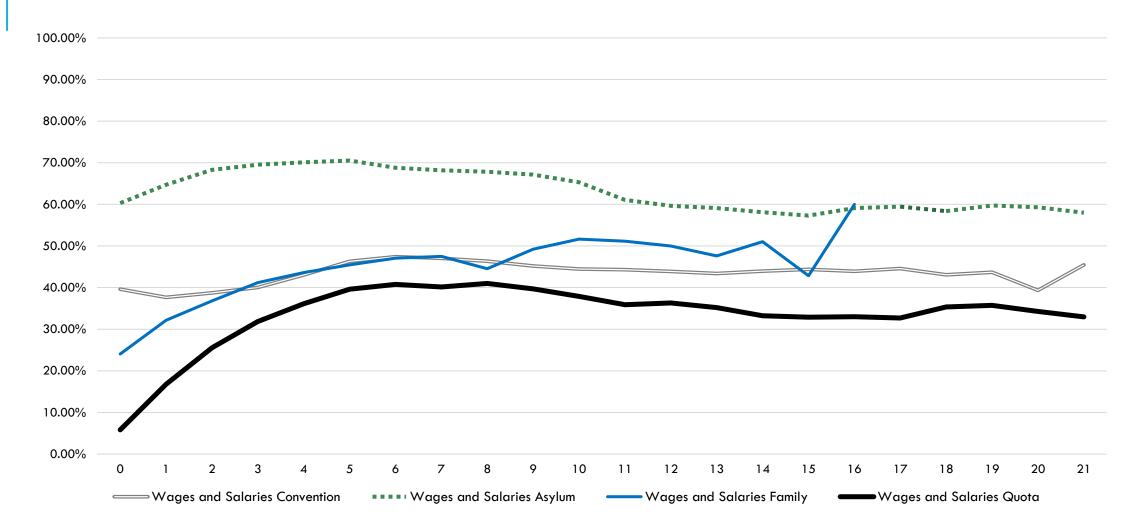
Median income from wages and salaries by conversational English

■No ■Yes

# **REFUGEES' MAIN SOURCE OF INCOME FROM**<u>BENEFIT</u>

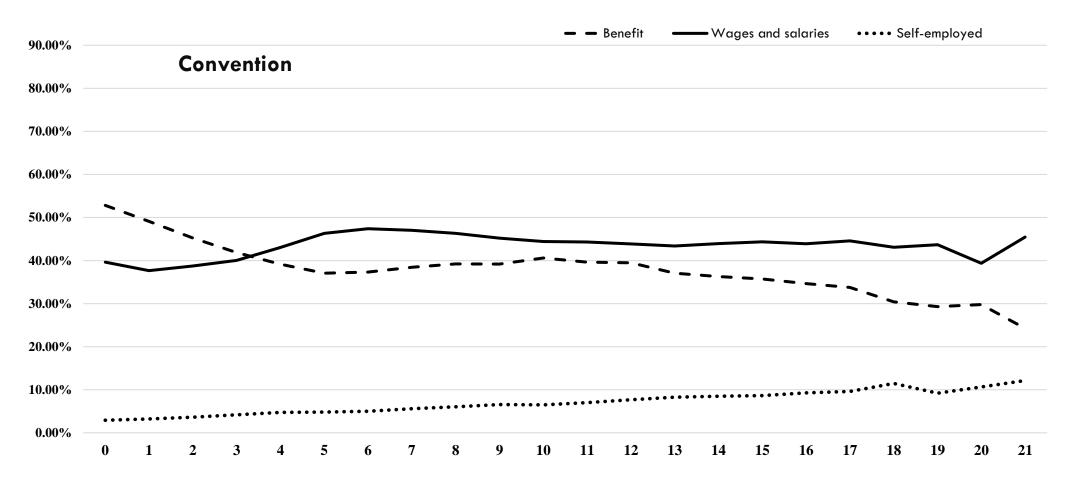


### REFUGEES' MAIN SOURCE OF INCOME FROM WAGES AND SALARIES

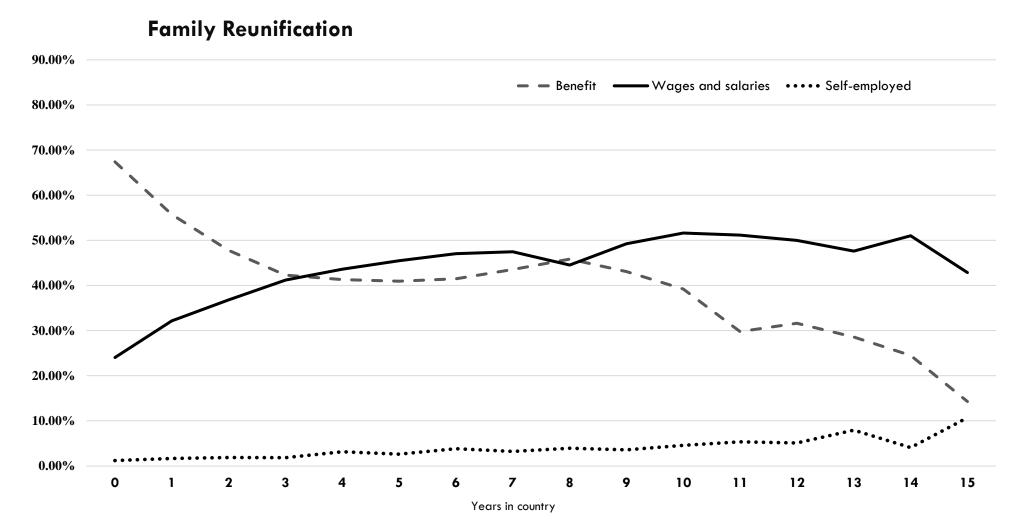


### **REFUGEES' MAIN SOURCE OF INCOME**

### - CONVENTION

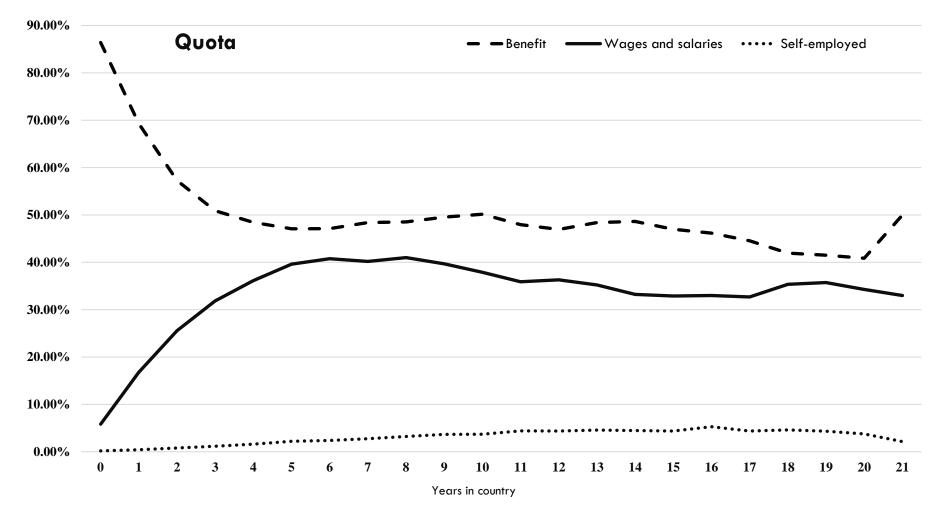


### REFUGEES' MAIN SOURCE OF INCOME - <u>FAMILY</u>

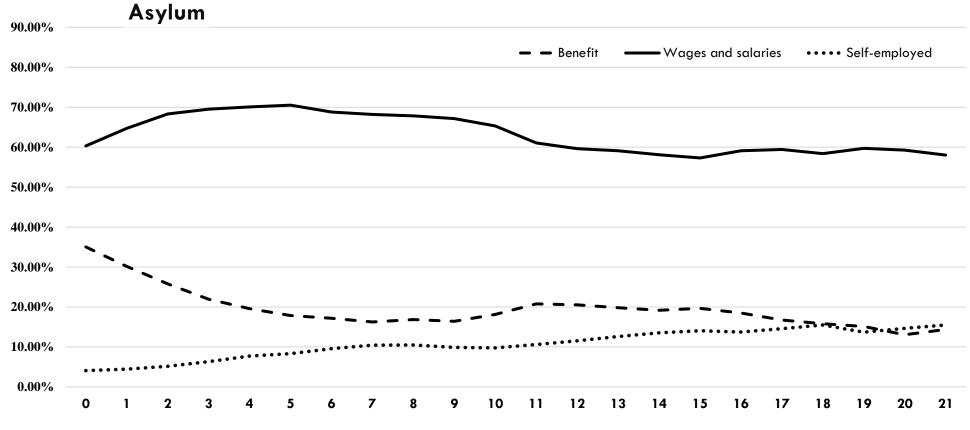


### **REFUGEES' MAIN SOURCE OF INCOME**

### - QUOTA

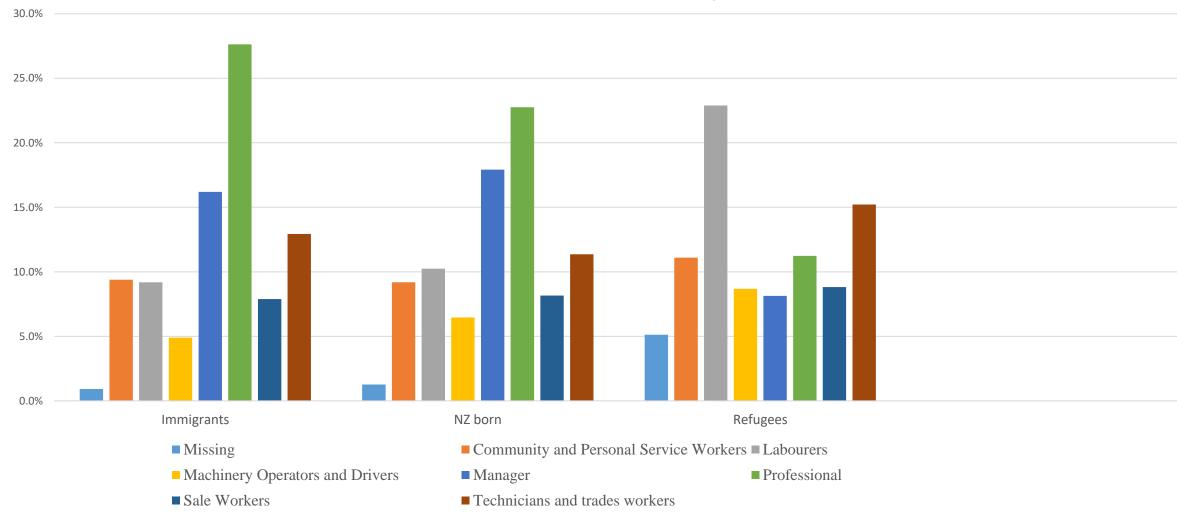


### **REFUGEES' MAIN SOURCE OF INCOME** <u>ASYLUM</u>

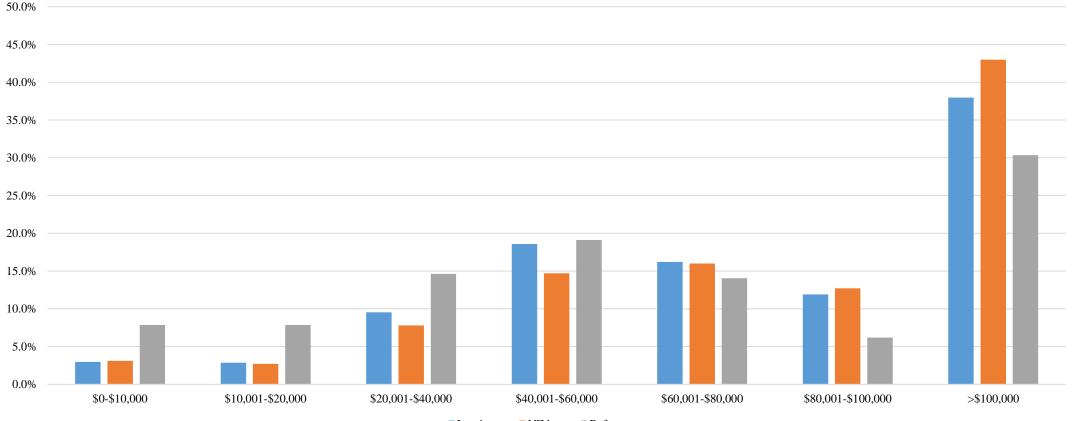


Years in country

### MAJOR JOB CATEGORIES OF REFUGEES/NON-REFUGEES

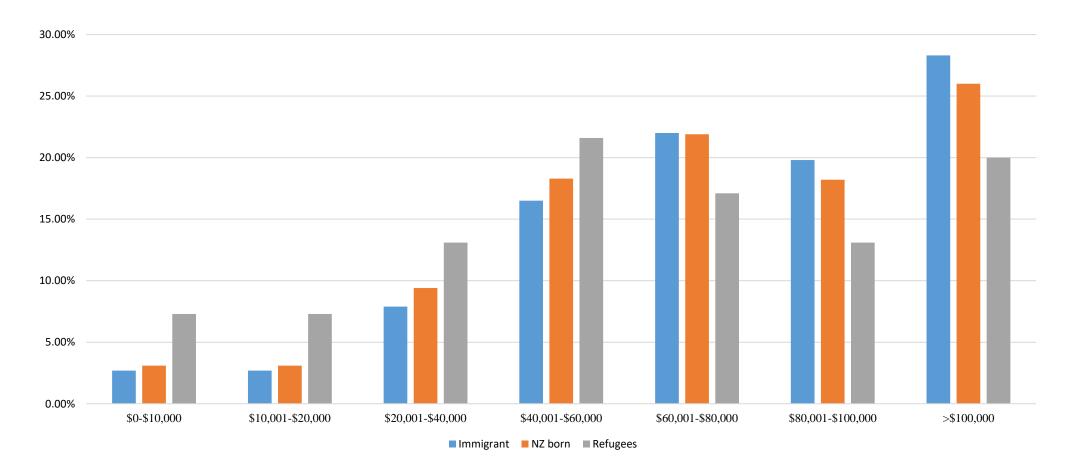


# WAGES AND SALARY FOR <u>MANAGERIAL</u> ROLES BY POPULATION SUB-GROUP

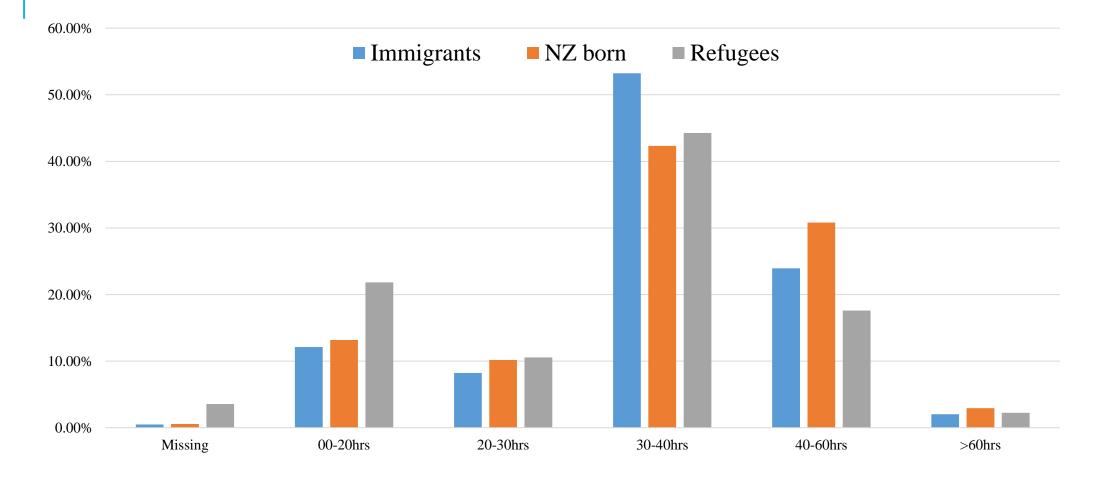


■ Immigrant ■ NZ born ■ Refugees

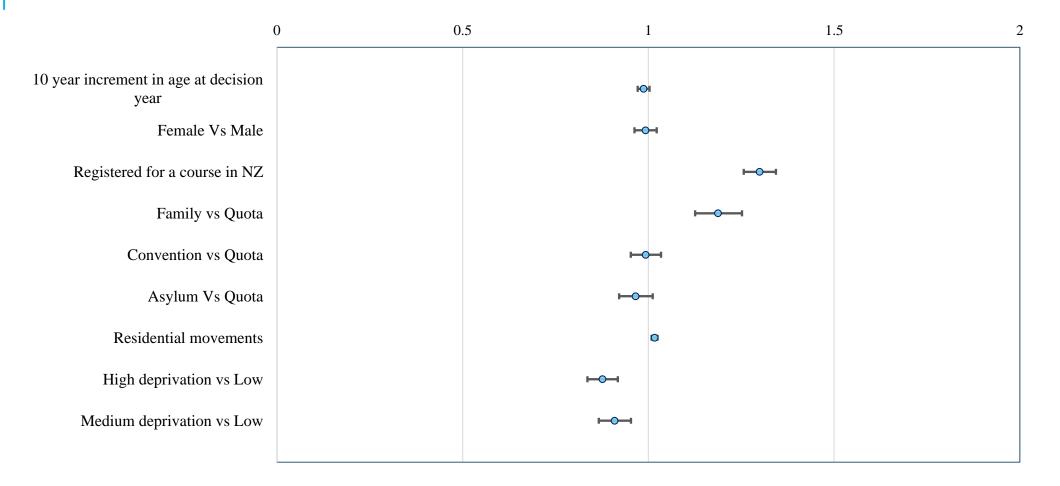
# WAGES AND SALARIES OF <u>Professionals</u> by population sub-group



### HOURS WORKED PER WEEK



### FACTORS IMPACTING LENGTH OF EMPLOYMENT (CONTROLLED BY YEARS IN NZ)



### IN SUMMARY

- Refugee sub-groups are substantially different.
- \* Resettlement journeys vary in terms of income, employment, mobility, and education.
- Overall, for those who are in work, there are income improvements but mainly in the first 4–5 years, only slight improvements afterwards.
- \* There is an income gap between refugees and the general population, even after 15 years.
- \* Much to learn from administrative data, more to learn from real voices.

What are the policy implication of these results ?



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