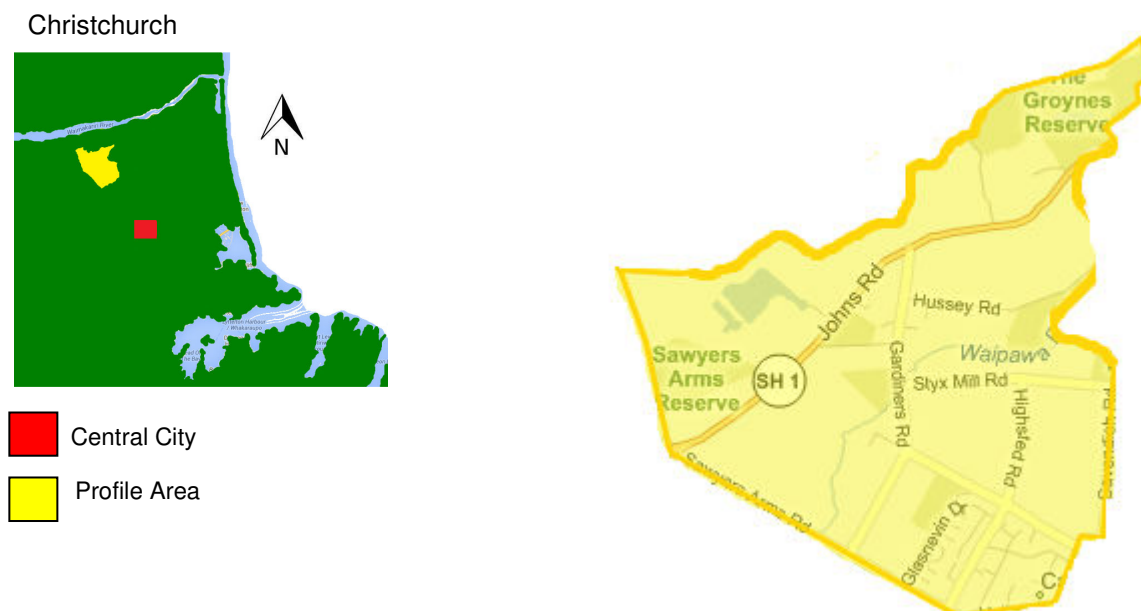


Community profile - November 2014

Sawyers Arms

(Census area unit: Sawyers Arms)



The Sawyers Arms area is bounded by Sawyers Arms Road to the south, Cavendish Road to the east, and extends out beyond The Groynes to the north and Sawyers Arms Reserve to the west. It is situated nine kilometres from the Central Business District (CBD). The area is semi-rural in parts, some of which is earmarked for development. It is characterised by the presence of large parks and reserves areas, the two most well-known being The Groynes and Willowbank Wildlife Reserve. There is a strong recreational focus in the area.

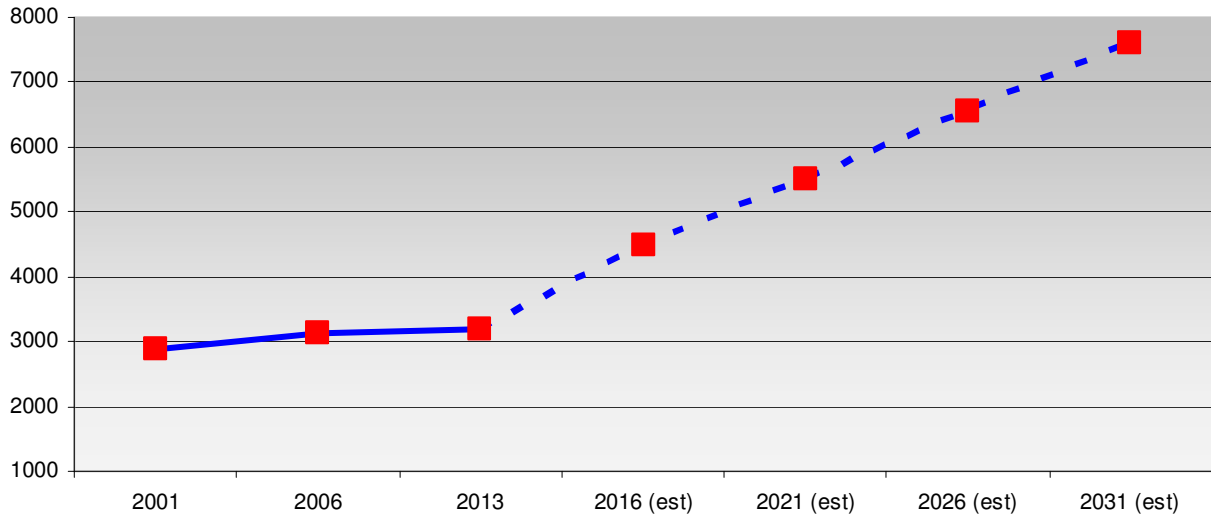
Children from this area are primarily enrolled at Belfast Primary School, Northcote Primary School, Cotswold Primary School, Bishopdale Primary School and Casebrook Intermediate School. The closest high schools are Papanui High School and St Bedes College.

The total population of the area in the 2013 Census data is 3182; there has been an increase of 51 people since the 2006 Census data. The population is expected to grow to 6600 by 2031. 18 per cent of the population is aged over 65 years, which is slightly higher than the regional average of 15 per cent. The median age for the Sawyers Arms area is 43.6 years, compared to the median age across the city of 38.6 years. An increase in population is expected in the near future, with the North-West Area Review project, led by the Christchurch City Council, looking at future land use southeast of Johns Road.

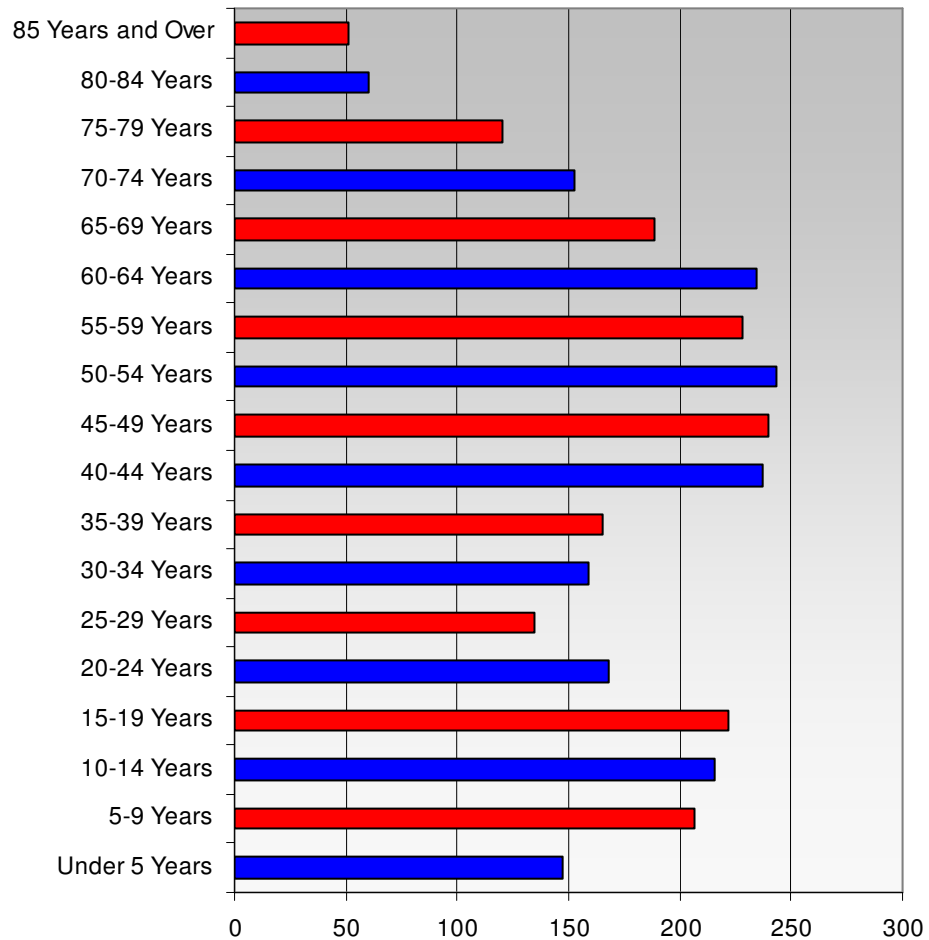


Key demographics

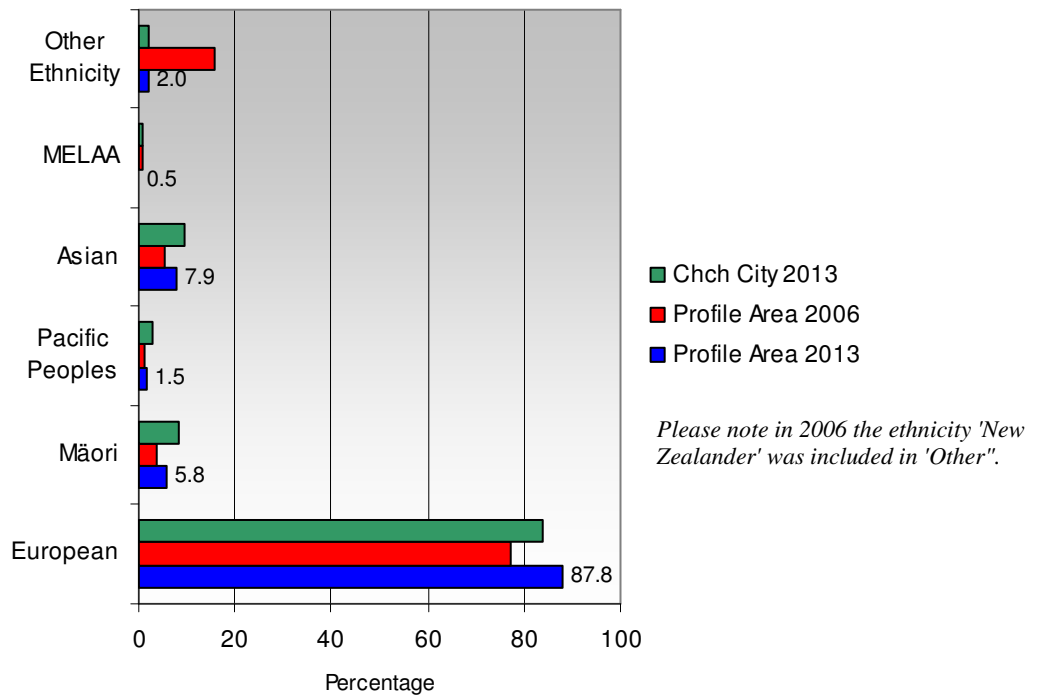
Usually resident population count
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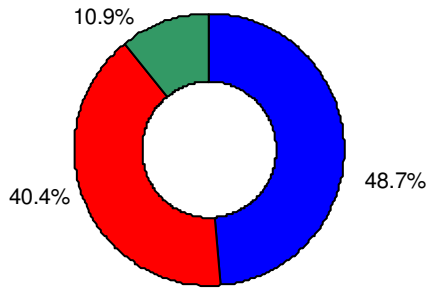
Age for usually resident population (number of people)
(Data from 2013 Census, Statistics NZ)
Profile Area



Ethnicity for usually resident population (%)
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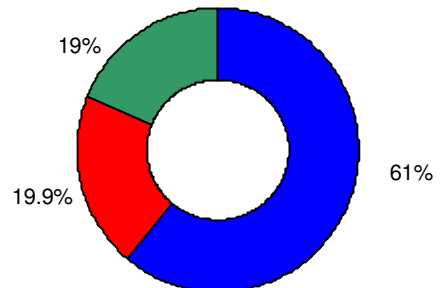


Family type (%)
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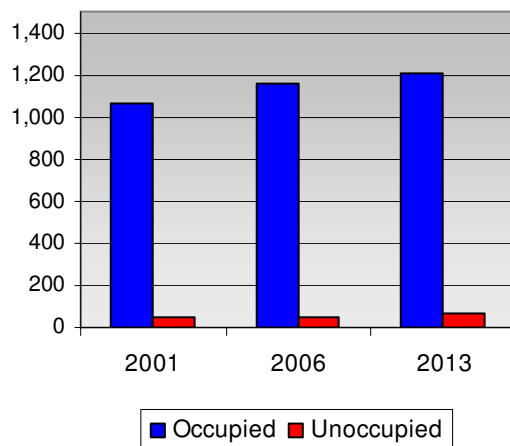
- Couple without children
- Couple with child(ren)
- One parent with child(ren)

Home ownership (%)
(Data from 2013 Census, Statistics NZ)

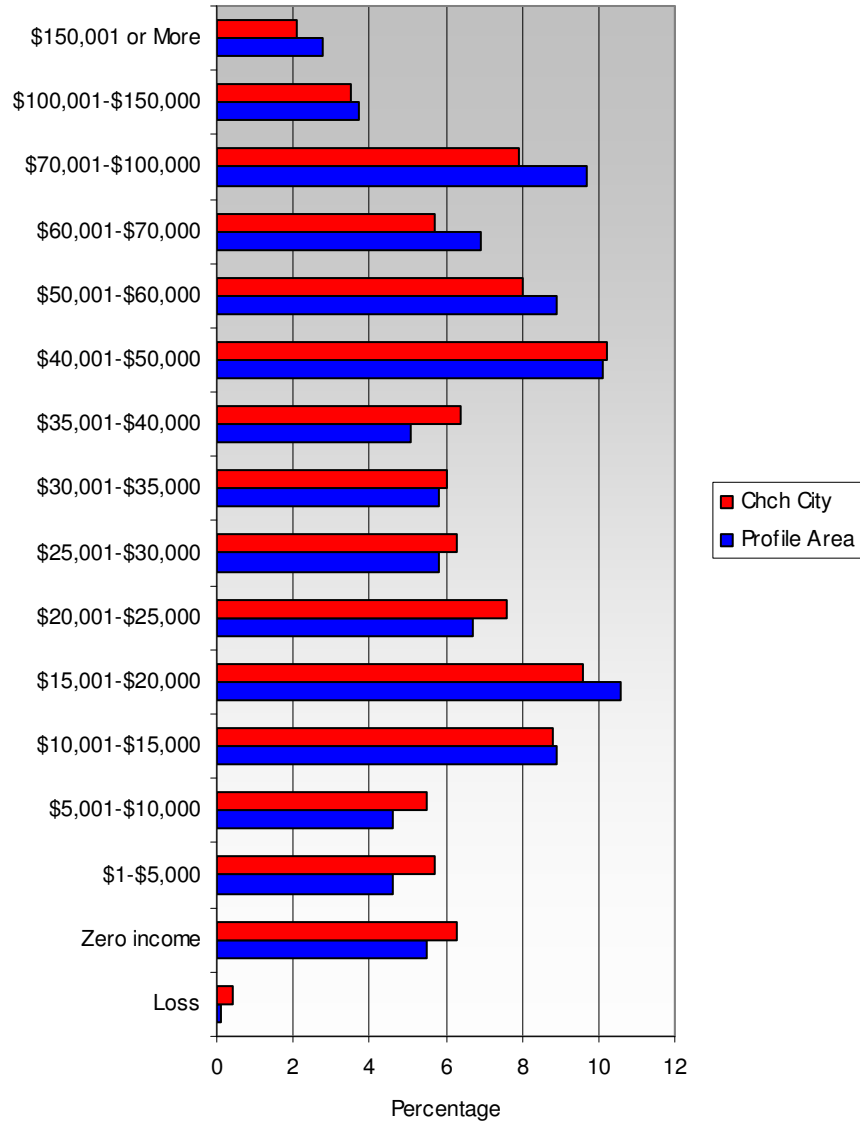


- Dwelling owned or partly owned
- Dwelling not owned and not held in a family trust
- Dwelling held in a family trust

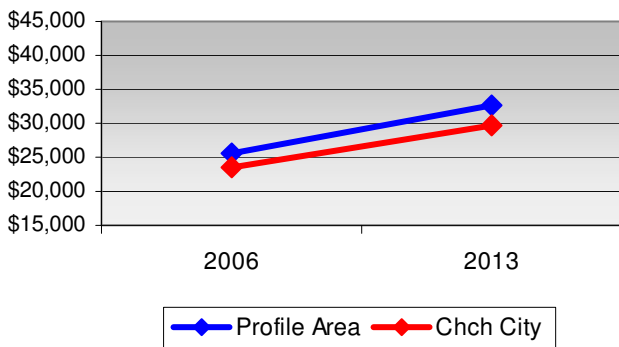
Occupied and Unoccupied Dwellings
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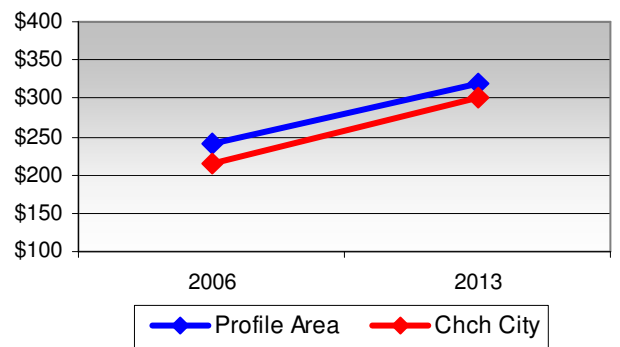
Personal income for Profile Area compared to Christchurch City
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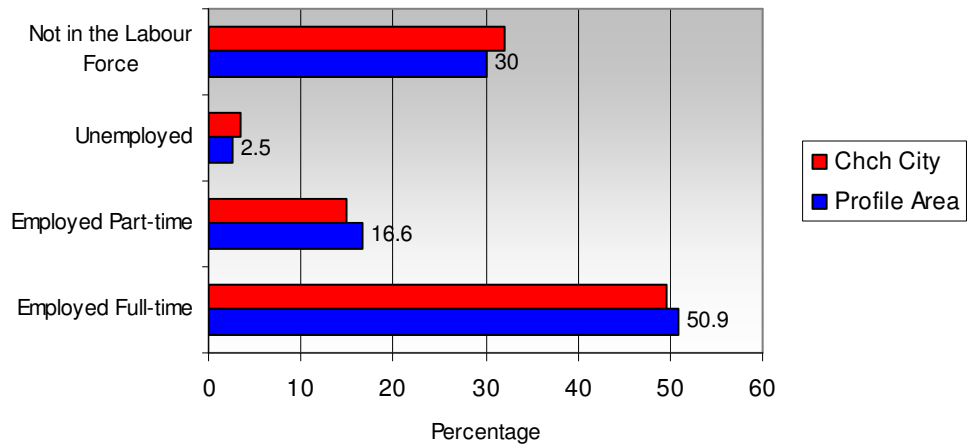
Median Personal Income for Profile Area compared to Christchurch City
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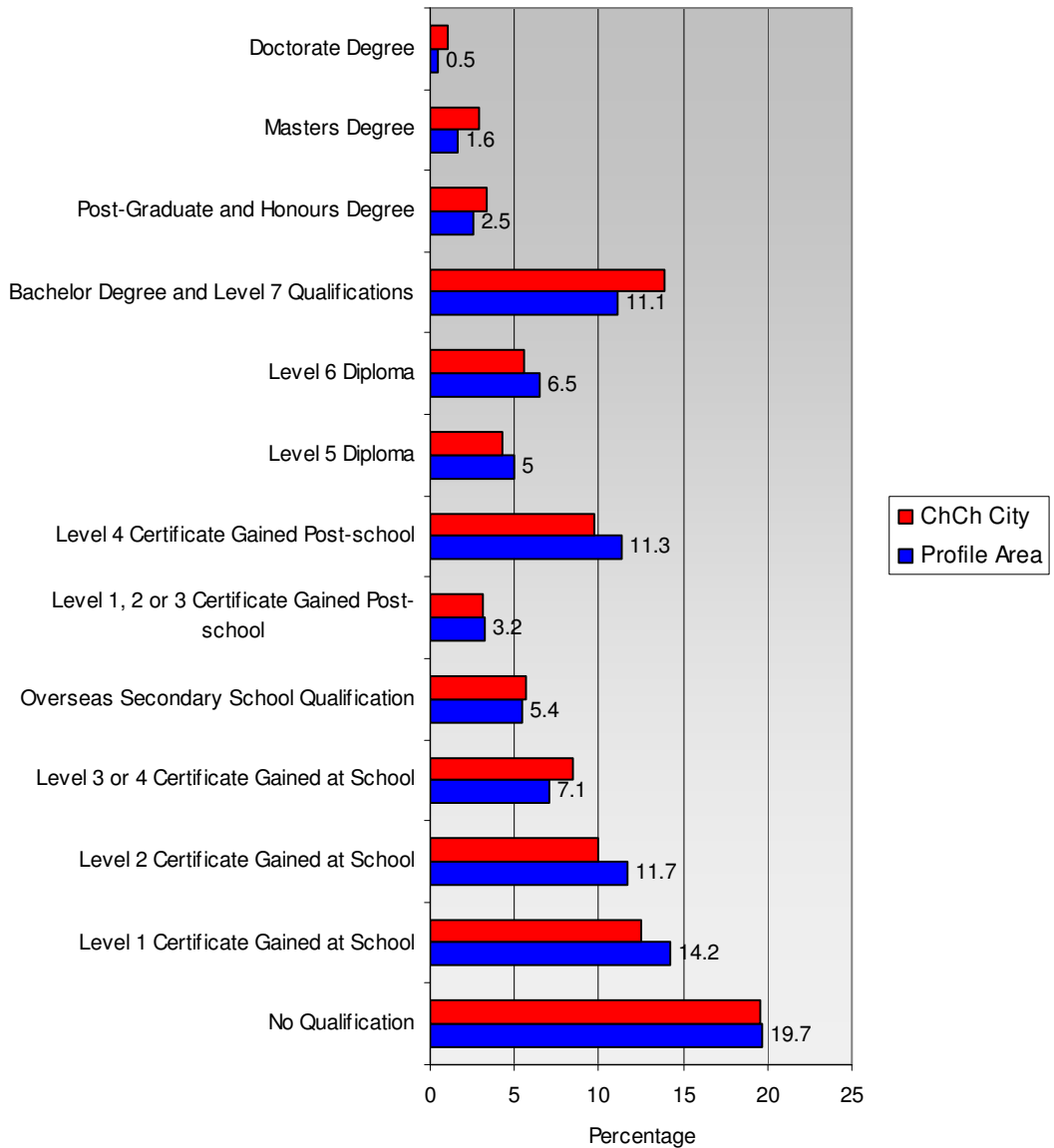
Median Weekly Rent for rented households, in private occupied dwellings
(Data from 2013 Census, Statistics NZ)



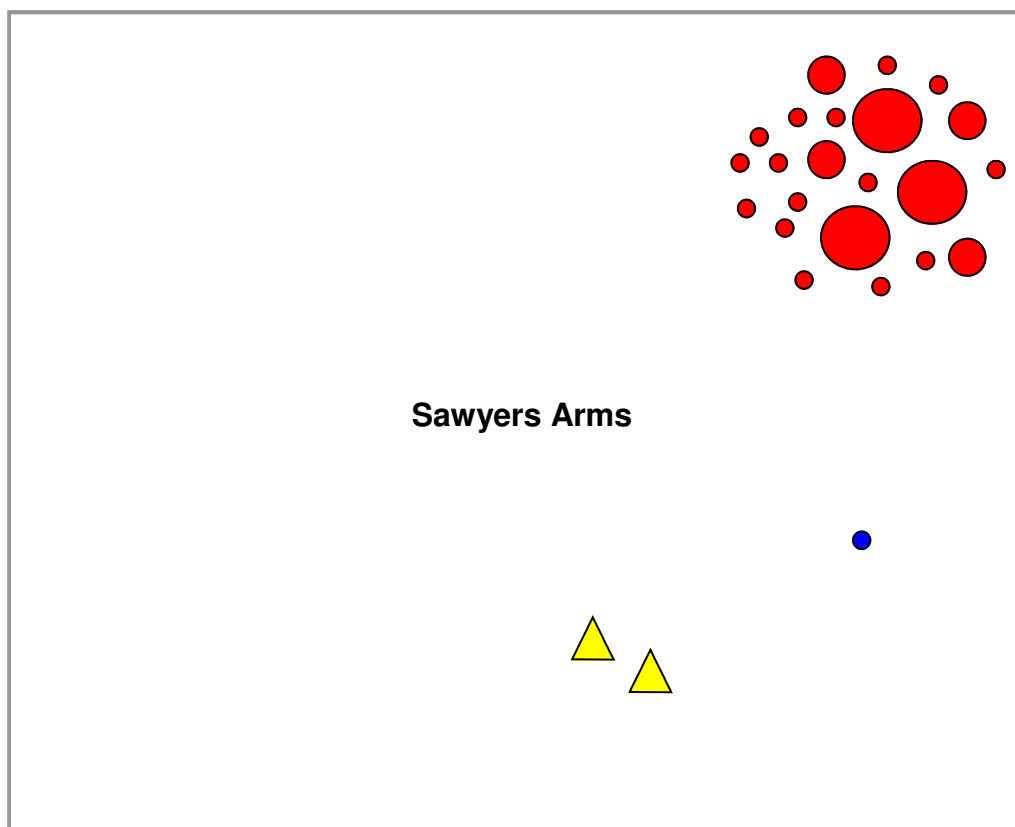
Work and Labour Force status (%)
(Data from 2013 Census, Statistics NZ)










Highest Educational Qualification for the census usually resident population, aged 15 years and over
(Data from 2013 Census, Statistics NZ)



Community infrastructure mapping



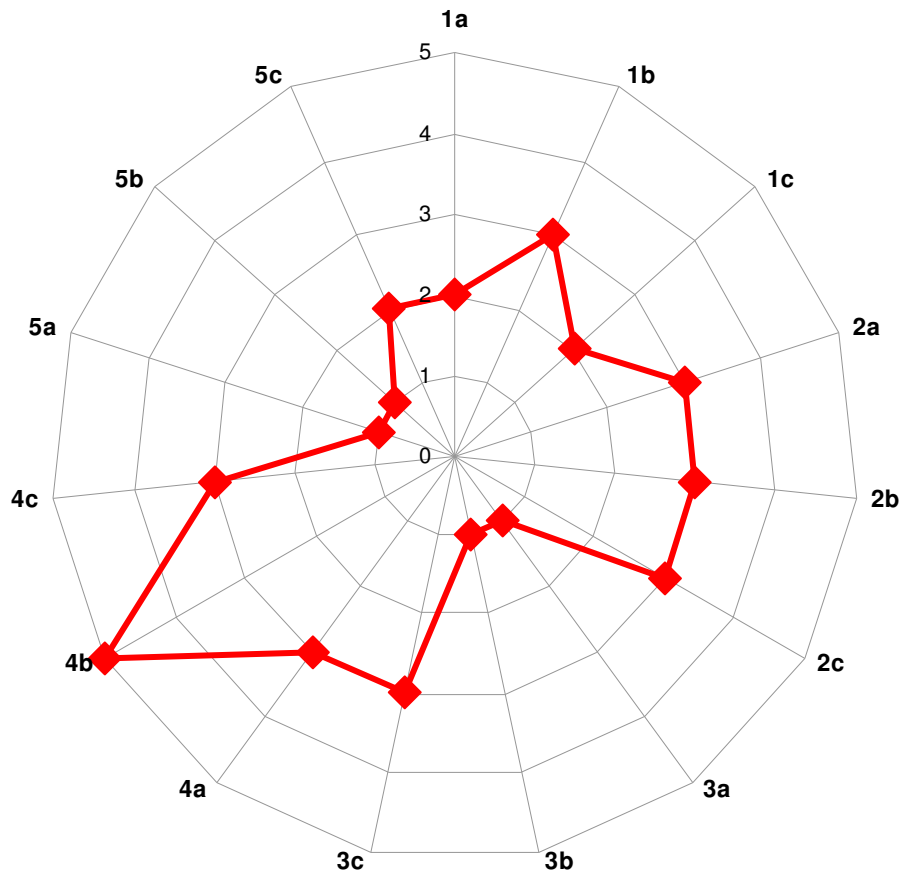
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|  Community development/support organisations |  Schools |
|  Sport/recreation/leisure groups |  Community facilities (Council-owned) |
|  Faith-based organisations |  Libraries (Council-owned) |
|  Residents'/business associations | |

The above ratings have been based on reach, diversity and participation. For example, bigger circles tend to be groups that provide a wider range of services, or have large numbers of participants. They also tend to be groups that are well-networked within the community.

Of the identified groups across the social infrastructure, sectors that are not represented are residents' groups and business associations. The make-up of identified social infrastructure is as follows: There are no community organisations based in Sawyers Arms. There are nine sports organisations, 13 recreation/leisure groups, one faith-based organisation and two schools.

Sports organisations and community organisations that are based outside of this profile area have the highest impact and reach across the zone. The recreation/leisure groups that exist in this zone can be considered to be interest-based groups serving specific areas of interest which are unlikely to have large participation from the population. However, if thought of as a sector group, they represent significant social and recreational activity across the community.

Community resilience mapping



Scale: 1 = Low 5 = High

15 measures of resilience

<p>Community Support Organisations (rating)</p> <p>1a # of organisations (2)</p> <p>1b strength of organisations (3)</p> <p>1c community development principles (2)</p>	<p>Volunteering (rating)</p> <p>2a investment in volunteers (3)</p> <p>2b # of volunteer hours from Fundforce (3)</p> <p>2c # of volunteer hours from Census (3)</p>
<p>Connectedness (rating)</p> <p>3a # of Neighbourhood Support groups (1)</p> <p>3b # of residents' associations (1)</p> <p>3c access to networking groups/forums (3)</p>	<p>Participation (rating)</p> <p>4a community events (3)</p> <p>4b Fundforce participation rates (5)</p> <p>4c club membership #s (3)</p>
<p>Preparedness (rating)</p> <p>5a # of Neighbourhood Support groups (1)</p> <p>5b # households in Neighbourhood Support (1)</p> <p>5c capability of groups to lead local response (2)</p>	

Note: **2b, 4b** - These ratings only take into account figures from community projects funded by Council.
2c - These figures are based on 2006 Census data as this information is not yet available for 2013.
3a, 5a, 5b - These ratings are based on groups and households registered with Christchurch Gets Ready as at November 2013.

Community environment

Social environment

In the Shirley–Papanui ward, Sawyers Arms is home to the majority of large park spaces; these include The Groynes, Willowbank Wildlife Reserve and Roto Kohatu which attract patronage from across the city. In contrast to this, there are few community development-focused organisations compared to nearby areas. Papanui and Belfast do, however, have a number of programmes and services that are offered to the residents within the Sawyers Arms profile area.

The Papanui Club is a well-utilised venue for the majority of social groups to meet but unfortunately it is currently having earthquake repairs completed on the building, which is going to take some time. Therefore, the majority of social groups that were meeting in the Sawyers Arms area are currently meeting elsewhere round the ward. Key local church groups provide activities and support to locals and are well-connected to community networks in the larger areas of Papanui, Belfast, and Redwood.

Built environment

Sawyers Arms has State Highway One (Johns Road) bordering the outskirts of the profile area. Johns Road has undergone major change over the last year and the new four-lane motorway is moving traffic around the outskirts of Christchurch faster than before. The Johns Road improvement should be completed in 2014 and will form part of the Northern Arterial Motorway expansion to accommodate for the amount of residents now living in the north but commuting daily.

Sawyers Arms has a mixture of high-end residential properties, including Clearwater, to the west, and more medium- to lower-priced homes to the east. The 155 hectares of land east of Johns Road, between Sawyers Arms Road and the residential area to the north of Wilkinsons Road, is earmarked for future development potential.

Economic environment

According to the Real Estate Institute of New Zealand, 53 dwellings were sold in the REINZ Northern Inner area (this also includes Belfast, Papanui, Redwood and Bishopdale). The median price rose from \$289,000 for the year ending September 2012 to \$420,000 for 2013. This is greater than the 13 per cent increase reported by Quotable Value for house values in 2013.

The area is typical of outer urban locations. Agriculture and horticulture are the predominant land uses for the outskirts of the Sawyers Arms area. Urban activities, including the airport and business development, lifestyle living and small amounts of commercial activity have started to influence the character of the area.

In 2006, within the Sawyers Arms profile area there were 309 businesses with 920 employees. This is compared to 2013 where within the profile area there are 325 businesses supporting 880 people with employment.

Access to local services is very limited in Sawyers Arms as residents will travel to either Belfast or Papanui to meet their individual needs and for the variety offered in surrounding areas.

Natural environment

The Groynes is a park for gatherings for all ages. Within The Groynes there are many recreational choices including walking tracks, picnic areas, canoeing, fishing and a dog exercise park. The Groynes derives its name from large blocks, made from concrete-filled woollies, jutting into the Otukaikino Creek. The Otukaikino creek, once the south branch of the Waimakariri River, was separated from the main branch during the course of major works in the 1930s. The Groynes is a popular park to visit for Christchurch residents and sections of the park can be booked for different occasions.

Lake Roto Kohatu Reserve is located at the end of Sawyers Arms Road and comprises the old Waimairi Landfill site plus the two lakes formed by the extraction of shingle by Ashby Concrete, which was later gifted to the Christchurch City Council by Bitumix Ltd. The reserve is very popular for water sports in the warmer months and for walking all year round.

Sawyers Arms has a number of natural rivers and creeks which mainly feed into either The Groynes or Lake Roto Kohatu, which then feed out into the south branch of the Waimakiri River.

Land condition

Technical category 2 (TC2) – Minor to moderate land damage from liquefaction is possible in future significant earthquakes. Repair/rebuild process can begin.

Technical category 3 (TC3) – Moderate to significant land damage from liquefaction is possible in future significant earthquakes. Repair/rebuild process can begin on buildings that do not require foundation repair or rebuild. Site-specific investigation is required for those that do.

Following the land announcements on 28 October 2011, the new Department of Building and Housing (DBH) Technical Classifications classified some residential properties as 'yellow' (TC2) and 'blue' (TC3). The majority of this zone is classified as 'Unzoned – Rural Unmapped', with the majority of residential areas defined as TC2.

A small area classified as TC3 is found in the southeast region of the zone, around the northern end of Grampian Street, Claridges Road and Cavendish Road.

Key issues identified

Issue	Progress to date / outcomes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a pronounced opportunity to strengthen the social impact by increasing the variance of groups which have greater reach and impact across the sectors. 	<p><u>November 2012</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure groups are kept up-to-date with local activities and events via the Papanui liaison meeting. <p><u>November 2013</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local groups are still attending the Papanui liaison meeting to be updated as to what is happening in the surrounding areas. <p><u>November 2014</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local groups from Redwood, Belfast and Papanui continue to support Sawyers Arms area through programs offered to the wider communities. Attendance at the Papanui liaison meeting is still constant.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A future library is planned for the Belfast area. 	<p><u>November 2012</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is anticipated that residents will also benefit from this development. Opportunities for public consultation will be available in the coming year. <p><u>November 2013</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public consultation still has not occurred, but it is hoped this will occur in 2014. <p><u>November 2014</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Library is planned for Belfast but the community consultation process still needs to be undertaken.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The four-laning of Johns Road threatens a more pronounced split within the zone, further reducing a sense of community. 	<p><u>November 2012</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The North-West Review Area Plan recognises the need for a managed approach as the area becomes a strategic corridor and entrance into the city. <p><u>November 2013</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There have been no major issues reported concerning the four-laning corridor at this stage, but it is very early days and it is still not completed. <p><u>November 2014</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are still no major concerns that have emerged from the four-laning, The Sawyers Arms area will be affected by future road changes but most residents tend to be positive about the changes.

Issue	Progress to date / outcomes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As a distinct area, Sawyers Arms lacks a strong community focal point or identity. 	<p><u>November 2012</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It will be increasingly more important to ensure community needs are taken into account as the area diversifies. <p><u>November 2013</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is hoped that with the revitalisation of the Papanui Club social groups/clubs will return to this site after the work is completed and the improved venue will attract more residents to congregate at the facility. <p><u>November 2014</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Papanui Club is still under repair and should be complete by 2015. The club have big plans for the site which are taking into consideration the large carpark area.