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Preface

This is the 13th annual report providing the results of the BRANZ New Dwellings Survey. BRANZ surveys builders of new dwellings on the physical characteristics of their buildings. The purpose is to obtain data on new housing that is not available from official sources. This data includes generic types of materials used by building components as well as design information such as number of floors, prefabrication and efficiency measures. The data is useful for studies in the fields of sustainability, energy efficiency, durability and engineering.

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Abstract

Official data on the characteristics of new housing is very limited. Building consents data held by Stats NZ gives numbers by building type, value and floor area, aggregated into territorial authorities. However, there is no data on materials used or housing characteristics beyond the floor area.

The BRANZ New Dwellings Survey dates to 1998 and is responsible for collecting data on materials used in new housing. We have since compiled a database of approximately 1,200 new houses per year containing information on the materials used by building component and design arrangements.

This report contains the results of those surveys on the materials used in new housing. It updates previous data with the inclusion of the 2023 data set. The aim is to provide information useful to building material manufacturers, retailers/wholesalers, builders, designers, researchers and government officials.

Keywords

Materials, building envelope, claddings, floors, framing, insulation.

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1. Introduction

BRANZ surveys 5,000 new residential buildings per year in the BRANZ New Dwellings Survey. This survey series started in 1998 and collects a variety of data on materials used in new housing.

The survey is a postal survey sent to the builder or designer identified on the building consent application form, and the questions relate to each individual consent. Generally, over 1,200 returns are received each year. An incentive is offered (a Lotto ticket or book voucher) for the return of each survey form.

The consent information is obtained from the Whats On[1] building consent data. BRANZ uses this to determine a sample of new dwellings for each period from 31 territorial authorities. The territorial authorities surveyed are:

Auckland	Christchurch	Dunedin	Franklin
Far North	Gisborne	Hutt City	Hamilton
Invercargill	Kapiti	Manukau	Marlborough
Napier	New Plymouth	North Shore	Porirua
Palmerston North	Queenstown	Rodney	Southland
Tauranga	Thames-Coromandel	Tasman	Waikato
Waipa	Wellington	Western Bay of Plenty	Whangarei
Waitakere			

The survey form is constantly evolving to include new questions as required. However, it is important for BRANZ to keep the survey form as simple, concise and clear as possible. Therefore, BRANZ keeps the survey form to a single page.

BRANZ weights the responses by share of building activity in each territorial authority (as indicated by building consents) in the calculation of the national market share. This prevents some territorial authorities from having a disproportionate share of the total market share should BRANZ receive a larger number of surveys return from one particular area. The results presented are only for new houses (i.e., single detached units). Using the data collected, representative estimates of the incidence and proportions of many different materials can be made. The components analysed are:

- roof claddings
- wall claddings
- wall framing
- number of storeys
- flooring
- floor joists
- insulation.

[1] *Whats On report (Monthly).* BCI New Zealand, Auckland, New Zealand.

A limitation of the survey is that it does not ask why certain materials are selected. This means that the report contains no commentary on why material trends might be changing. It is also subject to sampling noise, which can cause short-term fluctuations that are at variance to long-term trends.

The average floor areas since 2007 are presented in Figure 1 to illustrate any bias that may be present in the results. The sample average floor area for 2023 is much lower than the consent average floor area.

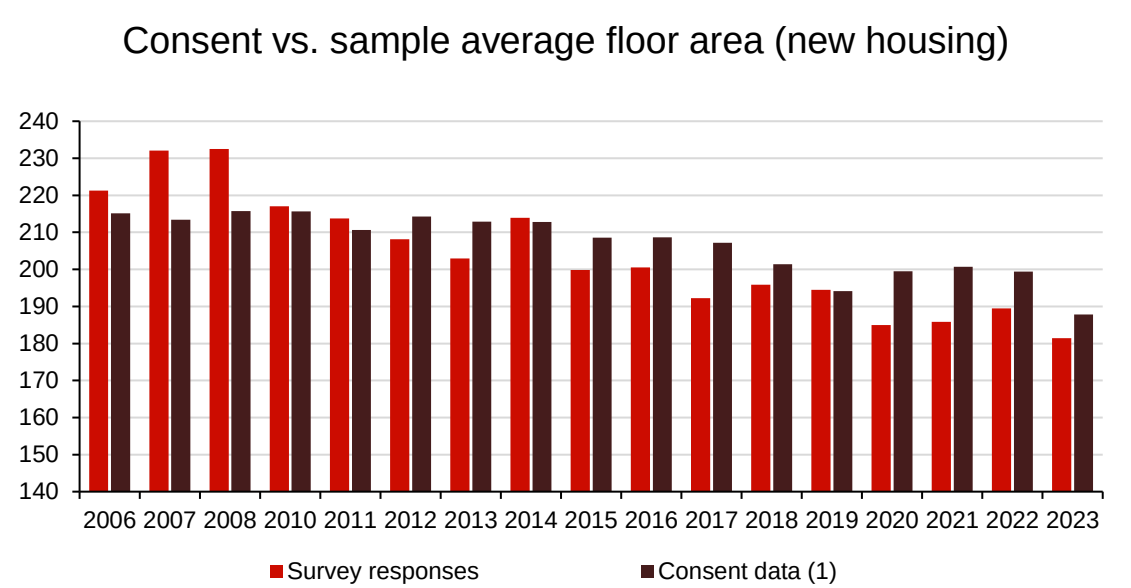

Figure 1. Consent versus sample average floor area.

Some questions change from survey to survey. However, most have remained the same since the start to ensure a consistent data set for comparative purposes.

2. Summary

In general, many of the market shares of materials have been relatively steady over the years surveyed. Notable material trends include the following:

- Steel roofing continues to be the predominant roof cladding option.
- The market share of weatherboard profiles has decreased significantly. Meanwhile, the 'other' category, which consists of metal, non-weatherboard fibre-cement, exterior insulation and finish systems (EIFS) and aerated autoclaved concrete (AAC) cladding options, increased slightly, as did finish bricks (clay and concrete).
- Timber framing continues to hold a high market share despite a decrease in market share.

3. Main results

Key results are shown in the following charts. The data for these charts is in the tables in Appendix B.

3.1 Roof claddings

Sheet metal continues to be the predominant roof cladding material (Figure 2).

The share of tiles (both metal and concrete) has increased in 2023. Meanwhile, the 'other' category has decreased in 2023. The 'other' category mostly consists of shingle and membrane roofing products.

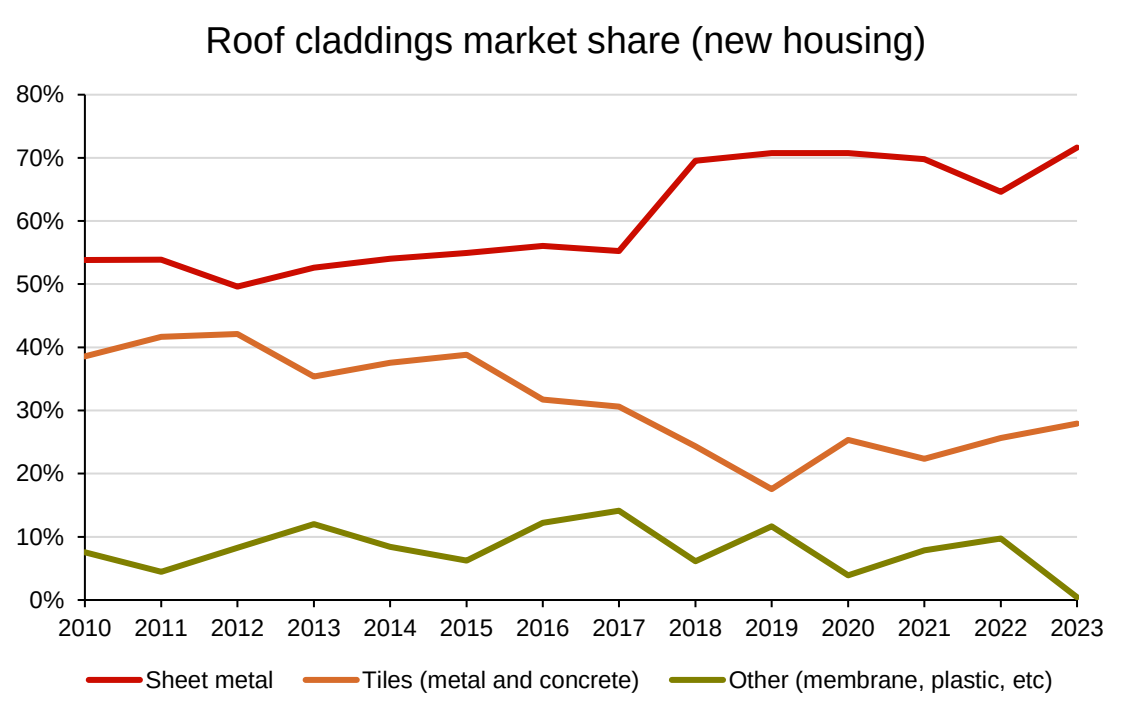

Figure 2. Roof claddings market share.

3.2 Wall claddings

The market share of finish bricks (both clay and concrete) increased slightly in 2023 (Figure 3).

The use of weatherboard profiles has decreased from 44% in 2022 to 38% in 2023 (Figure 3). Timber makes up just under half of the surveyed weatherboard profiles while the remainder consist of fibre-cement and uPVC.

Major constituents of the 'other' category are metal, non-weatherboard fibre-cement, EIFS and AAC.

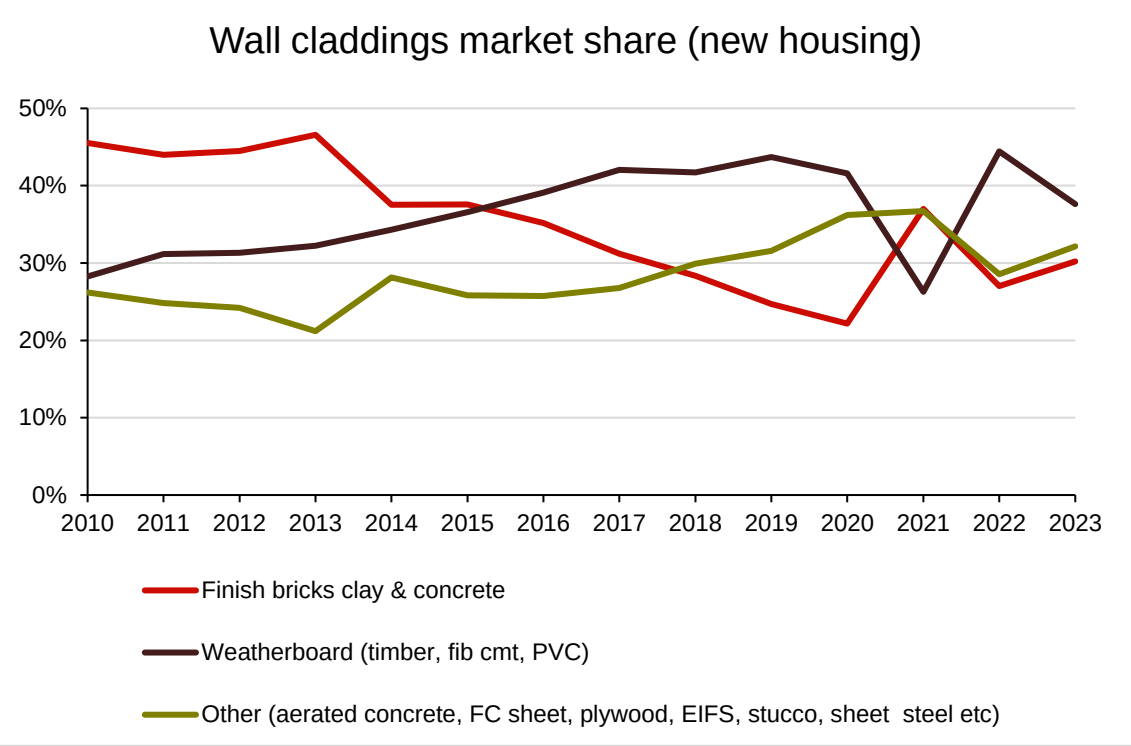

Figure 3. Wall claddings market share.

3.3 Wall framing

Timber framing remains the predominant structural material in new housing, with a historical market share of around 90% (Figure 4). The market share of timber framing decreased in 2023 to 83% from 91% the year prior. LVL only made 2% of timber framing.

The majority (91%) of wall framing is precut or prenailed, which was a slight decrease from the year prior.

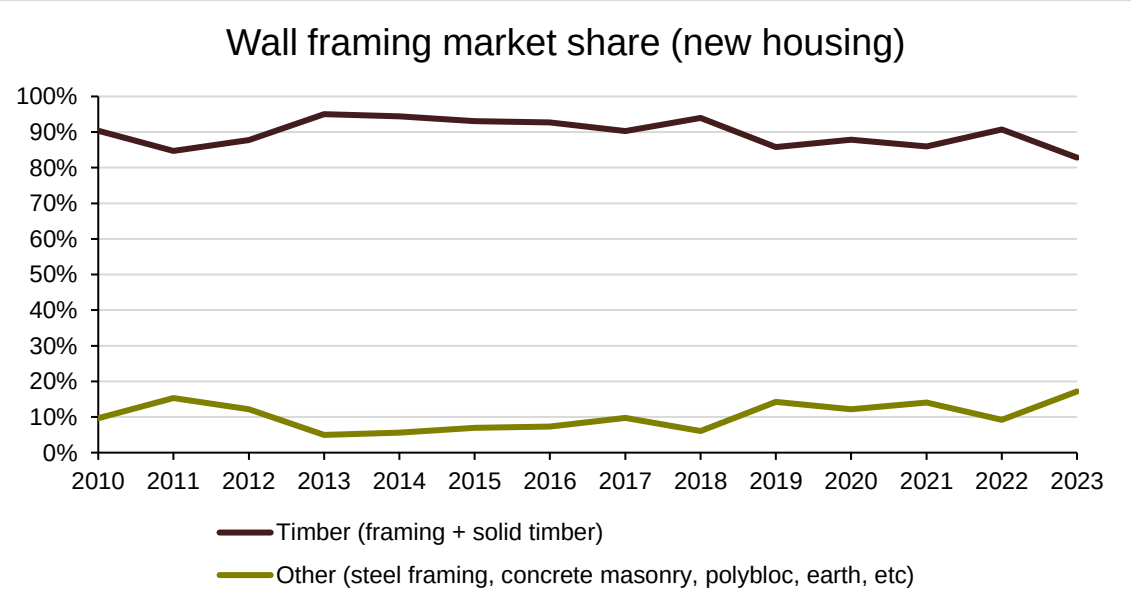

Figure 4. Wall framing market share.

3.4 Number of storeys

Figure 5 shows the proportion of new houses that were single storey, 2 storey or 3 or more storeys. Analysis was restricted to the 29 territorial authorities where we received four or more responses. The number in brackets beside the name of the territorial authority is the number of responses received. Notably, the greatest proportion of new houses built with 2 or more storeys were generally reported in areas with the higher land prices such as Central Auckland and Wellington. This reflects that higher land prices encourage greater intensity of development. Steeper terrain may also encourage multi-storey development – for example, in the case of Wellington.

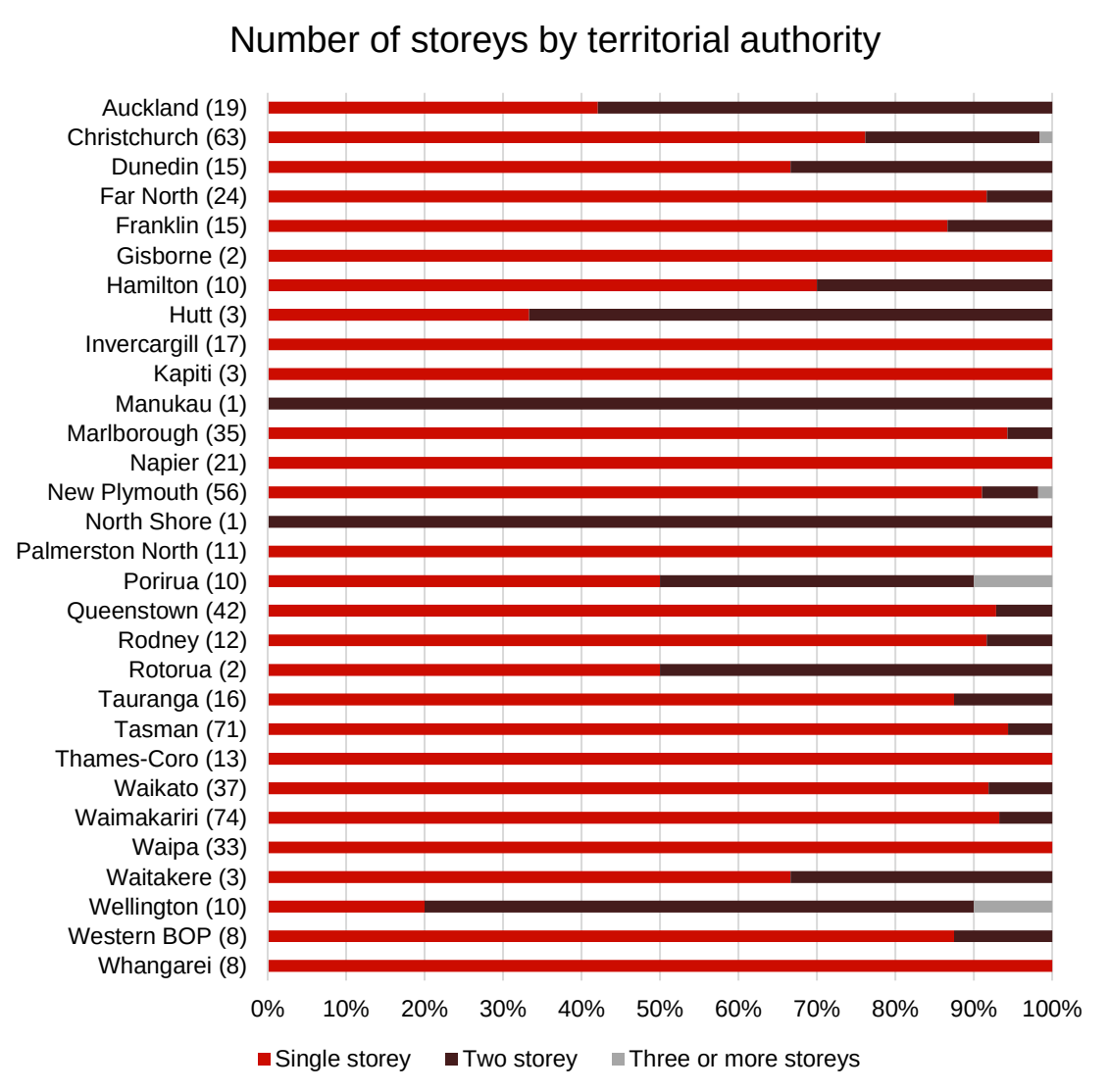

Figure 5. Number of storeys by territorial authority.

3.5 Flooring

Concrete flooring increased significantly, going from 64% in 2022 to 78% in 2023. Meanwhile, the market share of 'all other flooring' decreased significantly going from 36% in 2022 to 22% in 2023 (Figure 6). 'All other flooring' consists mostly of particleboard and strand board. The percentages include upper floors (usually wood based) so are impacted by the trend towards multi-storey buildings, which made up 14% of new housing in 2023.

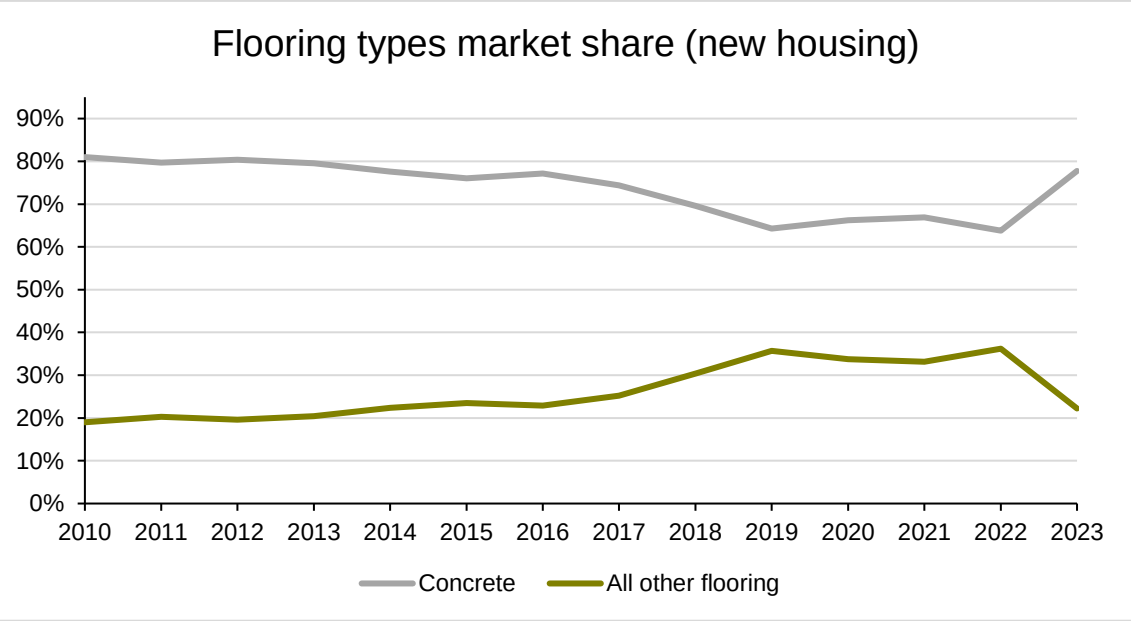

Figure 6. Flooring types market share.

3.6 Floor joists

The market share of solid timber floor joists decreased slightly, going from 70% in 2022 to 67% in 2023. The market share of the 'other' category increased slightly (Figure 7). The 'other' category primarily consists of various proprietary wood and steel composite joists and traditional heavy-gauge steel joists.

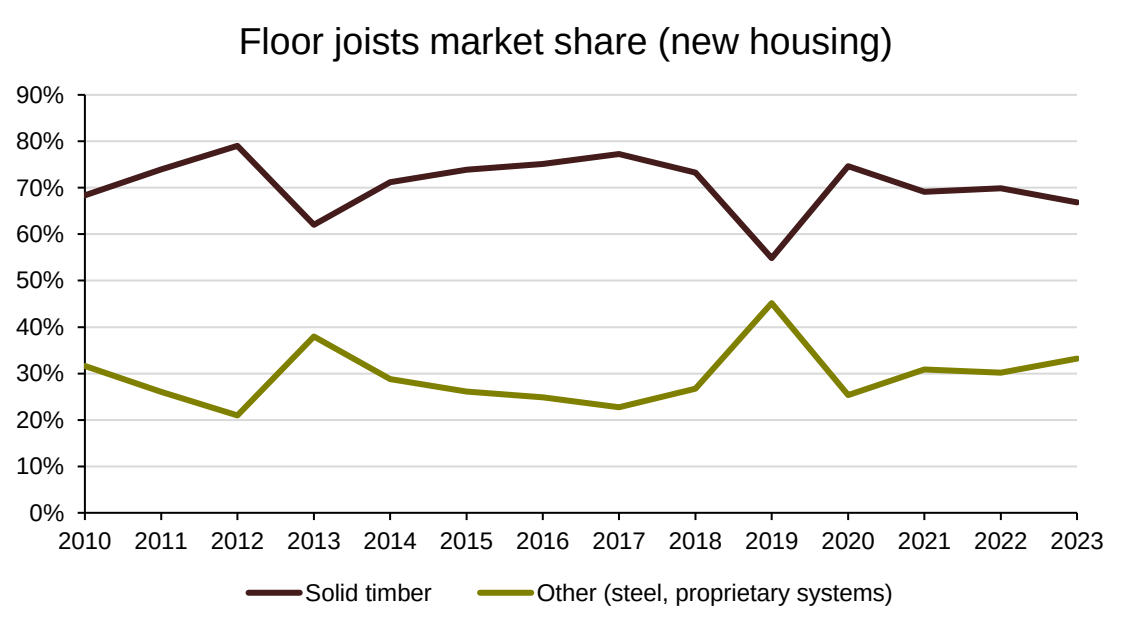

Figure 7. Floor joists market share.

3.7 Insulation

Wall insulation, ceiling insulation and floor insulation for concrete slabs and timber floors are dealt with separately in this section.

3.7.1 Wall insulation

Fibreglass remains the dominant wall insulation material (Figure 8). The market share of fibreglass (95%) remained the same in 2023. The 'other' category (5%) has also remained the same in terms of market share. The 'other' category mainly consists of alternative polyester options.

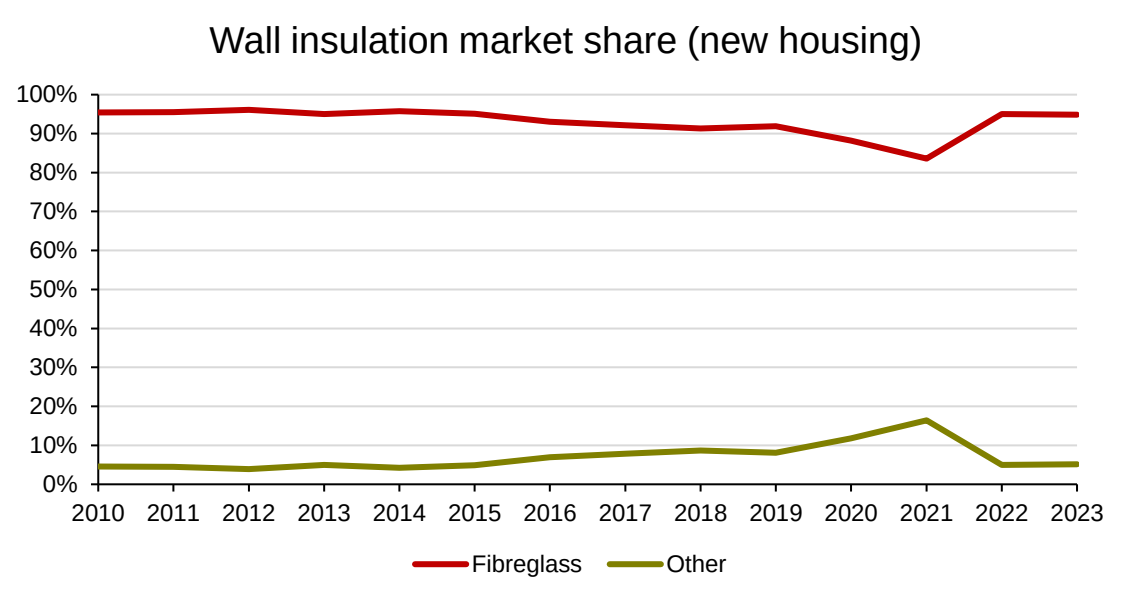

Figure 8. Wall insulation market share.

3.7.2 Ceiling insulation

Fibreglass is the dominant ceiling insulation material (Figure 9). The market share of fibreglass (96%) has remained the same as has the 'other' category (4%). The 'other' category consists primarily of alternative polyester products. It is common for builders to use the same type of material (often the same brand) for wall and ceiling cavities, so market shares for wall and ceiling insulation tend to move together.

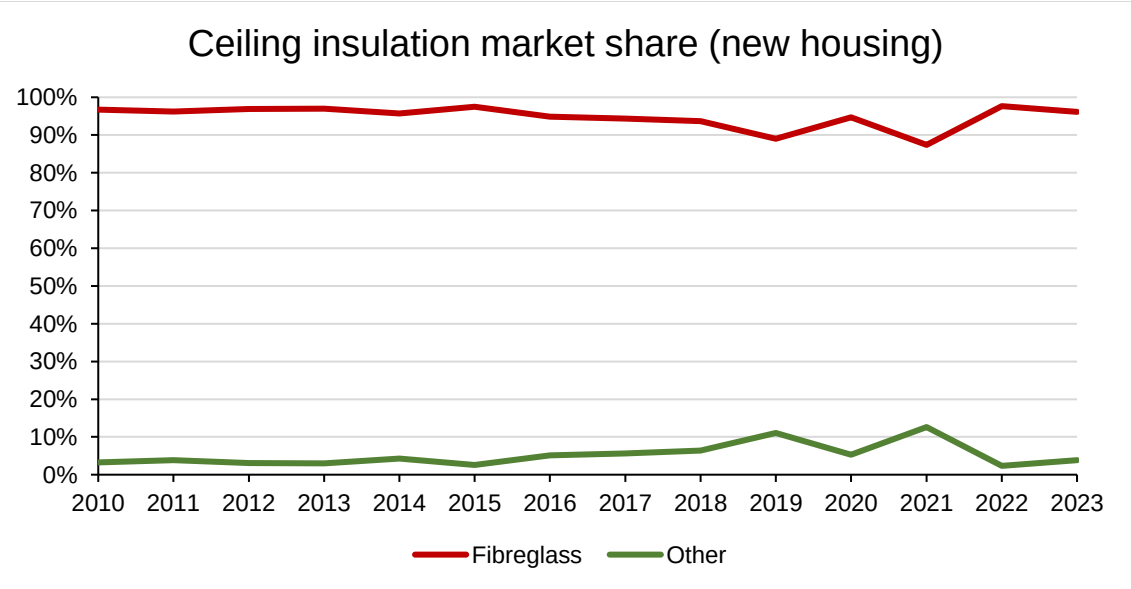

Figure 9. Ceiling insulation market share.

3.7.3 Floor insulation

In 2015, the question on insulation of concrete slabs was changed. We presented the mix of insulation types used in 2015 against total insulation for the historical series in Figure 10. It will take further data with the new question to establish a trend for this series as the data is too inconsistent for any trends to become apparent. Underslab full/partial insulation is the most common insulation for concrete slabs in new housing. Very few builders reported insulating the perimeter edge or under the slab footing.

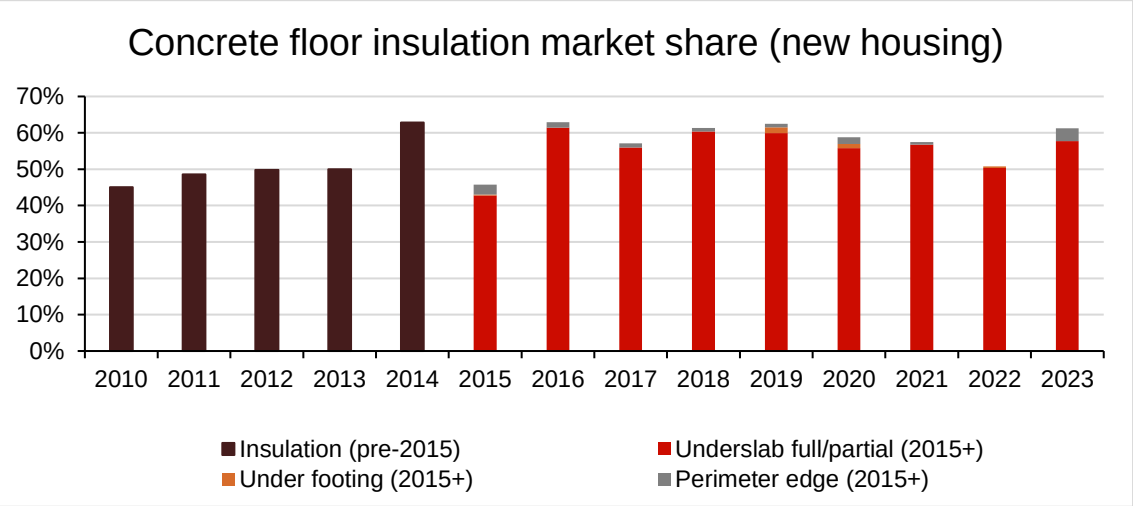

Figure 10. Concrete slab insulation.

Timber subfloors are much less common than concrete slabs in new housing. Therefore, the shares presented in Figure 11 are susceptible to large swings given the limited use of timber floor insulation in new houses. Polystyrene remains the dominant timber floor insulation material followed by fibreglass and polyester. Meanwhile, foil was non-existent as a timber floor insulator in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022, following a ban in 2016[2] and a trend of steady decline since 2014.

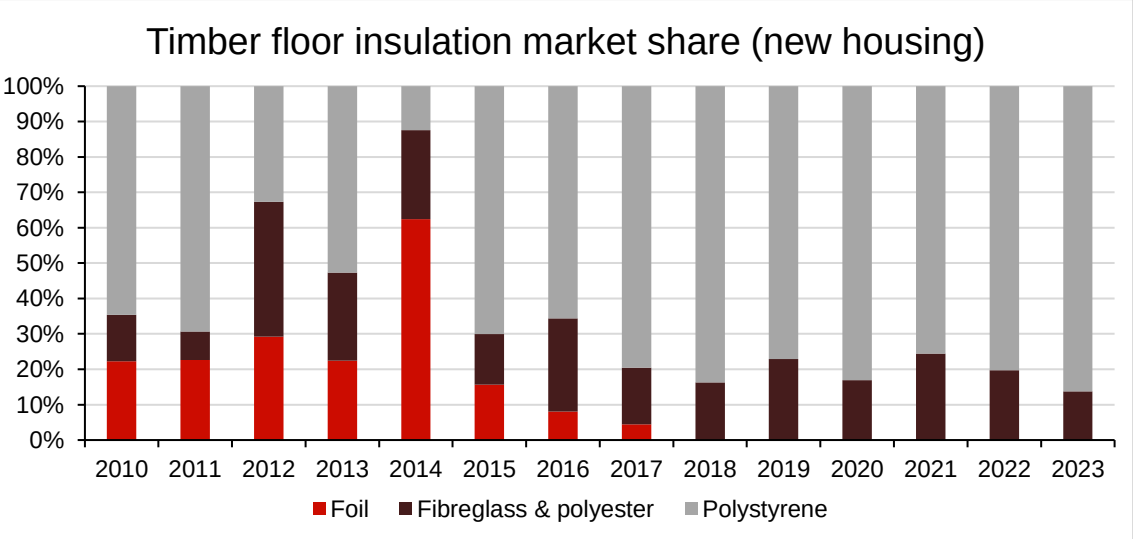

Figure 11. Timber floor insulation market share.

[2] https://www.building.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/building-code-compliance/warnings-bans/201601-Foil-insulation-ban.pdf

Appendix A: Survey forms

A.1 Survey form October 2006

NEW DWELLING

Please give this form to the builder or designer to fill out for the building consent listed over the page.

Number of dwelling units ☐ in this consent. Contract value of work (incl sub-trades) $ ..... incl GST.

Floor areas Total floor area _____ Sq metres (include attached garage, exclude decks).

	Particleboard	Plywood	Strip timber (not overlay, exclude decks).	Concrete
Ground level	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres
First level	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres
2nd or more levels	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres

Decks (above ground, not concrete patios) (circle one)

Includes a deck ? Yes / No (circle one or more)

Deck area_____Sq metres Deck surface material = radiata/ hardwood/ butyl/ tiles/ other/ pour-on.

Deck substrate = plywood sht/ fibre cement sht/ concrete/ timber joists.

Wall Framing (tick appropriate box)

Radiata ☐ Steel ☐ Douglas fir ☐ Concrete block ☐ Other ☐ (state) .....

Was the wall framing precut or prenailed ? Yes / No (circle one)

Framing timber treatment Untreated kiln dry ☐ Untreated wet ☐ H1.2 ☐ T1.2 (orange) ☐ H3.1 ☐

Tick one or more

State where used (eg outer walls, sub floor, etc) ....

Floor joists

	None	Solid timber	Posistrut	Hybeam (I beam)	Steel	Twinaplate	Origin (I beam)	Other (state)
Tick one or more	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Joist depth mm		.....mm	.....mm	.....mm	.....mm	.....mm	.....mm	.....mm

Insulation

(tick one or more)	R value of insulation	Pink Batts	Bradford Gold	Premier Fibreglass	Blown FG Rockwool	Greenstuf (polyester)	Other polyester	Treated paper	Wool	Other (state)
Wall insulation	R-	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Ceiling insulation	R-	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

		Expol Warmfeet	Polystyrene panel	Cosy Floor	Sisalation Foil	Other (state)
Floor insulation	R-	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐ .....

Installer (name) .....

Noise Control (circle one)

Have you installed noise control products? Yes / No What type? .....

Building wraps

	Flamestop	Thermakraft	Bitumac	GIB underlay	Greencap	Pauloid	Black Paper	Other (state)
Roof wrap	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

(tick one or more)	Flamestop	Tyvek	Thermakraft coverup	Framegard II	Greenwrap	Fastwrap	Black Paper	Other (state)
Wall wrap	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Wall cladding State type (and approx % wall coverage)

Type ..... % area..... eg fibre cement sheet, 75% also plywood, solid plaster(min 18mm),

Type ..... % area..... clay brick, 15% plaster on polystyrene, concrete

Type ..... % area..... cedar 10% block, PVC weatherboard, etc.

If yes to Fibre Cement cladding what is the Manufacturer? (tick one or more)	Hardies	BGC	CSR	PRIMA	Other
	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Fibre Cement Product used as (Circle one or more) Applied texture finish sheet, Flat sheet, FC plank, FC weatherboard/Linea

If solid plaster, what backing? (circle one if solid plaster) fibre cement, plywood, paper, Triple S, block/brick, metal lathe

Roof cladding Type ..... (or circle one)

eg metal tiles, prepainted corrugated, other steel profiles, concrete tiles, butyl, asphalt shingles, fibreglass shingles, etc.

Wet wall linings (Tick one or more in each row)

	Formica Aquapanel	Seratone	Hardies Villaboard	Hardiglaze	Standard GIB	GIB Aqualine	Other	(state)
Bathroom	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	.....
Laundry	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	.....

Is fibre cement sheet flooring underlay used in the bathroom or laundry? Yes/ No (circle one).

Energy efficiency Tick if any of the following are being installed:

Double glazing	Solar water heaters	Dual flush toilets	efficient lights	Energy Heat pump	Low flow showers	Built-in window vents
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Type of Builder How many houses or dwelling units does your company build per year (approx) . .....

Construction Delays

If you signed a contract with the owner now, how many weeks before on-site work would start? .....wks

Thank You. Please fold this form, and freepost it in the return envelope Oct-06

A.2 Survey form October 2010

NEW DWELLING

Please give this form to the builder or designer to fill out for the building consent listed over the page.

Number of dwelling units ☐ in this consent. Contract value of work (incl sub-trades) $ ..... incl GST.

Floor areas Total floor area _____ Sq metres (include attached garage, exclude decks).

	Particleboard	Plywood	Strip timber (not overlay, exclude decks).	Concrete
Ground level	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres
First level	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres
2nd or more levels	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres	_____ Sq metres

Building Envelope Risk Score and Wind Zone

What is the risk score (enter score for EACH elevation) North ☐ West ☐ South ☐ East ☐

What is the wind zone (tick one box) Low ☐ Medium ☐ High ☐ Very High ☐

Wall Framing (tick appropriate box)

Radiata ☐ Steel ☐ Douglas fir ☐ Concrete block ☐ Solid wood ☐ Other ☐ (state) .....

Was the wall framing precut or prenailed ? Yes / No (circle one)

Stud size and spacing (tick one or more)

90x45 mm @600ctrs ☐ | 90x40 mm @600ctrs ☐ | 90x45 mm @400ctrs ☐ | 90x40 mm @400ctrs ☐ | 140x45 mm @600ctrs ☐ | 140x45 mm @400ctrs ☐ | Other (please state)_____

Heating Systems Tick one or more

Heat pump ☐ | Wood/Pellet burner ☐ | Ducted central heating (Not including DVS or HRV) ☐ | Underfloor heating (waterpipe) ☐ | Underfloor heating (electric) ☐ | DVS/HRV ☐ | Gas ☐

Floor joists Tick one or more

None	Solid timber	Posistrut	Hyjoist	Steel	Twinaplate	Hyne (I beam)	lumberworX	Other (state)
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Joist depth ..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm

Insulation (tick one or more)

	Insulation R value	Pink Batts	Bradford Gold	Premier Fibreglass	Blown FG Rocwool	Greenstuf (polyester)	Other polyester	Wool	Polystyrene	Other (state)
Wall insulation	R -	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	.....
Ceiling insulation	R -	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	.....

		Expol Warmfeet	Polystyrene (NOT polythene) Under slab	Snug Floor	Sisalation Foil	Ribraft Floor	Cupolex	Other (state)
Floor Insulation	R -	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐ .....

Insulation Installer (name) *Please tick*..... Builder ☐ Other, please specify .....

Noise Control

Have you installed noise control products? **(circle one) Yes / No** If so then what type? (Tick one or more boxes)

Pink Batts Silencer ☐ | Gib Noiseline ☐ | Other Gib Products ☐ | Bradford Gold ☐ | Pink Batts ☐ | Polyester ☐ | Other Specify ☐

Building wraps

Roof wrap: Flamestop ☐ | Thermakraft ☐ | Bitumac ☐ | CoverTek ☐ | Pauloid ☐ | Black Paper ☐ | Other (state) ☐ | Diflex 130 ☐ | Tekton ☐

(tick one or more) Wall wrap: Flamestop ☐ | Tyvek ☐ | Thermakraft ☐ | Framegard ☐ | Home RAB ☐ | Fastwrap ☐ | Black Paper ☐ | Other (state) ☐ | Diflex 130 ☐ | Tekton ☐

DPC

What DPC products have you installed? Damp-a-thene ☐ | Mathiod ☐ | Supercourse ☐ | Other, specify .....

Flashing Tapes

What flashing tapes are installed? Weatherseal ☐ | Aluband ☐ | Tyvek Flexwrap ☐ | Protectowrap ☐ | Frameflash ☐ | Other, specify .....

Wall cladding State type (and approx % wall coverage)

Type ..... % area.....

Type ..... % area.....

Type ..... % area.....

eg fibre cement sheet, 75% clay brick, 15% cedar 10%

also plywood, solid plaster(min 18mm), plaster on polystyrene, concrete block, PVC weatherboard, etc.

If Fibre Cement cladding is used, who is the Manufacturer? (tick one or more) Hardies ☐ | BGC ☐ | CSR ☐ | PRIMA ☐ | Other ☐ | Eterpan ☐

Fibre Cement Product used as (Circle one or more) Applied texture finish sheet, Flat sheet, Linea (16mm), FC plank (7.5mm)

If solid plaster, what backing? (circle one if solid plaster) fibre cement, plywood, paper, Triple S, block/brick, metal lathe

Roof cladding Type ..... (or circle one)

eg metal tiles, prepainted corrugated, other steel profiles, concrete tiles, butyl, asphalt shingles, fibreglass shingles, etc.

If roof is metal tiles, specify Manufacturer name.....

Is the Majority of the roof slope: (tick one) Greater/equal than 12 degrees ☐ | less than 12 degrees ☐ | Don't know ☐

Wet wall linings (Tick one or more in each row)

	Formica Aquapanel	Seratone	Villaboard	Hardies Hardiglaze	Standard GIB	GIB Aqualine	Other, specify	Timber	Horizon
Bathroom	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Laundry	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Is fibre cement sheet flooring underlay used in the bathroom or laundry ? Yes/ No (circle one)

Thank You. Please fold this form, and freepost it in the return envelope Oct-10

A.3 Survey form October 2015

NEW DWELLING

Please give this form to the builder or designer to fill out for the building consent listed over the page.

Number of dwelling units in this consent ☐ Contract value of work (incl sub-trades) $..... Incl GST.

Was this dwelling designed by a registered architect? Yes / No (circle one)

Floor Areas and Ceiling Height Total Floor Area _____ Sq metres (include attached garage, exclude decks).

	Particleboard	Plywood	Strip timber (not overlay exclude decks)	Strandboard	Concrete	Height of level to ceiling
Ground level	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ metres
First level	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ metres
2nd or more levels	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ metres

Wall Framing (tick appropriate box)
Radiata ☐ Steel ☐ Douglas Fir ☐ Concrete Block ☐ Solid Wood ☐ Other ☐ (state).....

Was the wall framing precut or prenailed? Yes / No (circle one)

How soon after being issued the consent will you have stood the house framing?
0-3 months ☐ 4-6 months ☐ 7-9 months ☐ 10-12 months ☐ Over 12 months ☐

Floor Joists (tick one or more)

None	Solid Timber	Posistrut	Hyjoist	Steel	Twinaplate	Hyne (I beam)	lumberworX	Other state
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Joist depth: ..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm

Insulation (tick one or more)

	Insulation R Value	Pink Batts	Bradford Gold	Premier	Knauf Earthwool	Autex Greenstuf	Other Polyester	Wool	Polystyrene	Other (state)
Wall insulation	R-	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	.....
Ceiling insulation	R-	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	.....

Is the floor insulated? (circle one) Yes / No If yes, what floor insulation was used?

		Concrete slab insulation			Timber sub-floor insulation			
		Underslab full/partial	Perimeter edge	Under footing	Polystyrene	Polyester	Glasswool	Foil
Floor insulation	R-	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

	Builder	Other (please specify)
Insulation Installer (name)	☐	☐ .....

Noise Control

			Pink Batts Silencer	GIB Noiseline	Other GIB Products	Bradford Gold	Pink Batts	Polyester
Have you installed noise control products?	(cicle one) Yes / No	If so, then what type? (tick all that apply)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Other (please specify) .....

Building Wraps

	Flamestop	Bitumac	Tyvek Supro	CoverTek	Thermakraft	Fastwrap	Pauloid	Other (state)
Roof Wrap	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐ .....

(tick one or more)	Bitumac	Tyvek Homewra	Watergate	Covertek	Thermakraft	Tekton	Fastwrap	Pauloid	Ecoply Barrier	Other (state)
Wall Wrap	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

DPC

	Damp-a-thene	Malthoid	Supercourse	Other, Specify:
What DPC products have you installed?	☐	☐	☐	☐

Flashing Tapes

	Bulldog	Aluband	Tyvek Flexwrap	Protectowrap	Frameflash	Other, Specify:
What flashing tapes are installed?	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Wall Cladding State type and approximate % wall coverage

e.g. Fibre cement sheet, 75%
Clay Brick, 15%
Cedar WB, 10%

Other examples include: plywood sheet, plaster on claybrick, steel zincalum, fibre cement plank, glazing, EIFS, aerote concrete panel, radiata WB, linea WB etc.

Type ..... % area .....
Type ..... % area .....
Type ..... % area .....

If Fibre Cement product, what is it used as? (circle one) Applied texture finish sheet, Flat sheet, Linea (16mm), FC plank (7.5mm)

Roof Cladding

What roof cladding was used? (circle one or state below)
metal tiles, corona shake, prepainted corrugated, trough zincalum, corrugated zincalum, other steel profiles, concrete tiles, asphalt shingles, butyl, other (state) .....

Spouting

What profile is the SPOUTING?
¼ round/quad ☐ ½ round ☐ Old gothic ☐ Box ☐ Other (state).....

What material is the SPOUTING?
PVC (White) ☐ PVC (Colour) ☐ Steel ☐ Aluminium ☐ Copper ☐ Other (state).....

Who installed the SPOUTING?
Roofer ☐ Spouting installer ☐ Builder ☐ Plumber ☐ Other (state).....

Downpipes

What profile are the DOWNPIPES?
65mm round ☐ 80mm round ☐ 100mm round ☐ 65x50mm rectangular ☐ 100x50mm rectangular ☐
Other (state).....

What material are the DOWNPIPES?
PVC (White) ☐ PVC (Colour) ☐ Steel ☐ Aluminium ☐ Copper ☐ Other (state).....

Who installed the DOWNPIPES?
Roofer ☐ Spouting installer ☐ Builder ☐ Plumber ☐ Other (state).....

Wet Wall Linings (tick one or more in each row)

	Formica Aquapanel	Seratone	Villaboard	Hardies Hardiglaze	Standard GIB	GIB Aqualine	WaterShield	Other specify	Timber	Horizon
Bathroom	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Laundry	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Wall Linings (excluding wet walls)
Elephant Plasterboard ☐ GIB Plasterboard ☐ Knauf Plasterboard ☐ Other (state) .....

Ceiling Linings and Battens

	10mm plasterboard	13mm plasterboard	Ultraline	Tiles	Other
Ceiling Linings (tick one or more)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Ceiling Battens (circle one): timber or metal **Are there any downlights recessed in to ceiling?** Yes / No (circle one) **IF YES, how many ?** .....

Thank You. Please fold this form, and freepost it in the return envelope Oct-15

A.4 Survey form October 2023

NEW DWELLING

Please give this form to the builder or designer to fill out for the building consent listed over the page.

Number of dwelling units in this consent ☐ Contract value of work (incl sub-trades) $..... Incl GST.

Was this dwelling designed by a registered architect? **Yes / No** (circle one)

Floor Areas and Ceiling Height Total Floor Area _____ Sq metres (include attached garage, exclude decks).

	Particleboard	Plywood	Strip timber (not overlay exclude decks)	Strandboard	Concrete	Height of level to ceiling
Ground level	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ metres
First level	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ metres
2nd or more levels	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ Sq m	_____ metres

Wall Framing (tick appropriate box)

Radiata ☐ Steel ☐ Douglas Fir ☐ Concrete Block ☐ Solid Wood ☐ LVL ☐ Other ☐ (state).....

Was the wall framing precut or prenailed? **Yes / No** (circle one)

How soon after being issued the consent will you have stood the house framing?

0-3 months ☐ 4-6 months ☐ 7-9 months ☐ 10-12 months ☐ Over 12 months ☐

Floor Joists (tick one or more)

None	Solid Timber	Posistrut	Hyjoist	Steel	Twinaplate	Hyne (I beam)	lumberworX	Other state
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Joist depth:	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm	..... mm

Insulation (tick one or more)

	Insulation R Value	Pink Batts	Bradford Gold	Premier	Knauf Earthwool	Autex Greenstuf	Other Polyester	Wool	Polystyrene	Other (state)
Wall insulation	R-	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	.....
Ceiling insulation	R-	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	.....

Is the floor insulated? (circle one) **Yes / No** If yes, what floor insulation was used?

		Concrete slab insulation			Timber sub-floor insulation			
		Underslab full/partial	Perimeter edge	Under footing	Polystyrene	Polyester	Glasswool	Foil
Floor insulation	R-	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

	Builder	Other (please specify)
Insulation Installer (name)	☐	☐ .....

Noise Control

Have you installed noise control products? **(cicle one)** **Yes / No**

If so, then what type? (tick all that apply)

Pink Batts Silencer	GIB Noiseline	Other GIB Products	Bradford Gold	Pink Batts	Polyester
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Other (please specify) .....

Building Wraps

	Flamestop	Bitumac	Tyvek Supro	CoverTek	Thermakraft	Fastwrap	Pauloid	Other (state)
Roof Wrap	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐ .....

(tick one or more)

	James Hardie RAB	Tyvek Homewrap	Watergate	Covertek	Thermakraft	Tekton	Fastwrap	GIB Weatherline	Ecoply	Other (state)
Wall Wrap	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

DPC

	Damp-a-thene	Malthoid	Supercourse	Other, Specify:
What DPC products have you installed?	☐	☐	☐	☐

Flashing Tapes

	Bulldog	Aluband	Tyvek Flexwrap	Protectowrap	Frameflash	Other, Specify:
What flashing tapes are installed?	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Wall Cladding State type and approximate % wall coverage

e.g. Fibre cement sheet, 75%
Clay Brick, 15%
Cedar WB, 10%

Other examples include: plywood sheet, plaster on claybrick, steel zincalum, fibre cement plank, glazing, EIFS, aerote concrete panel (AAC), radiata WB, linea WB etc.

Type ..... % area .....
Type ..... % area .....
Type ..... % area .....

If Fibre Cement product, what is it used as? (circle one) Applied texture finish sheet, Flat sheet, Linea (16mm), FC plank (7.5mm)

Roof Cladding

What roof cladding was used? (circle one or state below)

metal tiles, corona shake, prepainted corrugated, trough zincalum, corrugated zincalum, other steel profiles, concrete tiles, asphalt shingles, butyl, other (state) .....

Spouting What brand of spouting did you install?_____ What colour of spouting did you install?_____

What profile is the SPOUTING?

¼ round/quad ☐ ½ round ☐ Old gothic ☐ Box ☐ Other (state)_____

What material is the SPOUTING?

PVC (White) ☐ PVC (Colour) ☐ Steel ☐ Aluminium ☐ Copper ☐ Other (state)_____

Who installed the SPOUTING?

Roofer ☐ Spouting installer ☐ Builder ☐ Plumber ☐ Other (state)_____

Fascia What brand of fascia did you install?_____ What colour of fascia did you install?_____

Fascia depth: ..... mm

What material is the FASCIA?

Timber ☐ Steel ☐ Aluminium ☐ Copper ☐ Other (state)_____

Who installed the FASCIA?

Roofer ☐ Spouting installer ☐ Builder ☐ Plumber ☐ Other (state)_____

Wet Wall Linings (tick one or more in each row)

	Formica Aquapanel	Seratone	Villaboard	Hardies HardieGlaze	Standard GIB	GIB Aqualine	Timber	Other specify
Bathroom	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Laundry	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Wall Linings (excluding wet walls)

Elephant Plasterboard ☐ GIB Plasterboard ☐ Knauf Plasterboard ☐ Other (state) .....

Ceiling Linings and Battens

	10mm plasterboard	13mm plasterboard	Ultraline	Tiles	Other
Ceiling Linings (tick one or more)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Ceiling Battens (circle one): timber or metal

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Appendix B: Tables of data for the charts

Table 1. Roof claddings market share.

Roof claddings market share in new housing Yearly Data 2010-2023	2006	2007	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Sheet metal	44.7%	54.2%	53.8%	53.9%	49.6%	52.6%	54.0%	54.9%	56.1%	55.2%	69.5%	70.8%	70.7%	69.8%	64.6%	71.6%
Tiles (metal and concrete)	41.3%	36.9%	38.6%	41.6%	42.1%	35.4%	37.6%	38.8%	31.7%	30.6%	24.3%	17.6%	25.3%	22.4%	25.7%	27.9%
Other (membrane, plastic, etc)	14.0%	8.8%	7.6%	4.5%	8.3%	12.0%	8.4%	6.2%	12.2%	14.1%	6.1%	11.7%	3.9%	7.8%	9.7%	0.4%
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Note: percentage weighted to allow for the regional building activity.

Table 2. Wall claddings market share.

Wall claddings market share in new housing Yearly Data 2010-2023	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Finish bricks clay & concrete	46%	44%	44%	47%	38%	38%	35%	31%	28%	25%	22%	37%	27%	30%
Weatherboard (timber, fib cmt, PVC)	28%	31%	31%	32%	34%	37%	39%	42%	42%	44%	42%	26%	44%	38%
Other (aerated concrete, FC sheet, plywood, EIFS, stucco, sheet steel etc)	26%	25%	24%	21%	28%	26%	26%	27%	30%	32%	36%	37%	29%	32%
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Note: percentage weighted to allow for the regional building activity.

Table 3. Wall framing market share.

Wall claddings market share in new housing Yearly Data 2010-2023	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Finish bricks clay & concrete	46%	44%	44%	47%	38%	38%	35%	31%	28%	25%	22%	37%	27%	30%
Weatherboard (timber, fib cmt, PVC)	28%	31%	31%	32%	34%	37%	39%	42%	42%	44%	42%	26%	44%	38%
Other (aerated concrete, FC sheet, plywood, EIFS, stucco, sheet steel etc)	26%	25%	24%	21%	28%	26%	26%	27%	30%	32%	36%	37%	29%	32%
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Note: percentage weighted to allow for the regional building activity.

Table 4. Flooring types market share.

Flooring types market share in new housing Yearly Data 2010-2023	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Concrete	81.0%	79.7%	80.4%	79.6%	77.6%	76.0%	77.1%	74.4%	69.6%	64.3%	66.2%	66.9%	63.8%	77.7%
All other flooring	19.0%	20.3%	19.6%	20.4%	22.4%	23.5%	22.9%	25.3%	30.4%	35.7%	33.8%	33.1%	36.2%	22.3%
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Note: percentage weighted to allow for the regional building activity.

Table 5. Floor joists market share.

Floor joists market share in new housing Yearly Data 2010-2023	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Solid timber	68.4%	74.0%	79.0%	62.0%	71.2%	73.9%	75.1%	77.3%	73.3%	54.8%	74.7%	69.1%	69.9%	66.8%
Other (steel, proprietary systems)	31.6%	26.0%	21.0%	38.0%	28.8%	26.1%	24.9%	22.7%	26.7%	45.2%	25.3%	30.9%	30.1%	33.2%
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Note: percentage weighted to allow for the regional building activity.

Table 6. Wall insulation market share.

Wall insulation market share in new housing Yearly Data 2010-2023	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Fibreglass	95.4%	95.5%	96.1%	95.0%	95.7%	95.1%	93.1%	92.1%	91.3%	91.9%	88.2%	83.6%	95.0%	94.9%
Other	4.6%	4.5%	3.9%	5.0%	4.3%	4.9%	6.9%	7.9%	8.7%	8.1%	11.8%	16.4%	5.0%	5.1%
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Note: percentage weighted to allow for the regional building activity.														

Table 7. Ceiling insulation market share.

Ceiling insulation market share in new housing Yearly Data 2010-2023	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Fibreglass	96.7%	96.2%	96.9%	97.0%	95.7%	97.5%	94.8%	94.4%	93.6%	89.0%	94.7%	87.4%	97.7%	96.1%
Other	3.3%	3.8%	3.1%	3.0%	4.3%	2.5%	5.2%	5.6%	6.4%	11.0%	5.3%	12.6%	2.3%	3.9%
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Note: percentage weighted to allow for the regional building activity.														

Table 8. Concrete slab waffle pod and sheet polystyrene use.

Concrete floor insulation in new housing Yearly Data 2010-2023	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Insulation (pre-2015)	45.0%	48.6%	49.8%	50.0%	62.8%									
Underslab full/partial (2015+)						42.7%	61.5%	55.9%	60.3%	59.9%	55.8%	56.8%	50.3%	57.7%
Under footing (2015+)						0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.5%	1.2%	0.0%	0.5%	0.0%
Perimeter edge (2015+)						2.7%	1.4%	1.2%	1.0%	1.0%	1.9%	0.7%	0.0%	3.5%
TOTAL	45.0%	48.6%	49.8%	50.0%	62.8%	45.7%	62.9%	57.1%	61.3%	62.5%	58.8%	57.4%	50.8%	61.2%
Note: percentage weighted to allow for the regional building activity.														

Table 9. Timber floor insulation market share.

Timber floor insulation market share in new housing Yearly Data 2010-2023	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Foil	22.3%	22.6%	29.2%	22.5%	62.4%	15.7%	8.1%	4.4%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Fibreglass & polyester	13.1%	8.1%	38.1%	24.9%	25.1%	14.3%	26.3%	16.0%	16.1%	22.9%	16.9%	24.4%	19.8%	13.7%
Polystyrene	64.6%	69.3%	32.7%	52.7%	12.4%	70.0%	65.6%	79.5%	83.7%	77.1%	83.1%	75.6%	80.2%	86.3%
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	80%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Note: percentage weighted to allow for the regional building activity.														

Table 10. Average floor area comparison – survey responses and consent data.

Average floor area (square metres) for new housing Yearly Data 2006-2023	2006	2007	2008	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Survey responses	221.3	232.1	232.6	217.0	213.7	208.2	203.0	213.9	199.8	200.5	192.2	195.8	194.5	185.0	185.8	189.5	181.4
Consent data (1)	215.2	213.4	215.8	215.6	210.6	214.3	212.9	212.8	208.6	208.7	207.2	201.4	194.1	199.5	200.7	199.4	187.8
Note: survey average floor area weighted to allow for regional building activity																	
(1) Source: Statistics New Zealand																	