# REMUNERATION SURVEY 2017 SNAPSHOT



ROBLOW MOX

# THIS YEAR, MORE THAN 3,100 MEMBERS

# FILLED IN OUR SURVEY



# **STEADY AS WE GO**

While salaries are relatively static, with graduate salaries the same as last year and team leaders up 1.3 percent, engineers are switching jobs more than ever and getting more non-salary perks. More than 20 percent of respondents changed jobs in the past year, significantly up from 15 percent two years ago. This year, 67 per cent of engineers received some kind of non-cash benefit, with health insurance growing in popularity while cars and car parks decreased. Also growing is the "other" category, which includes a diverse

array of insurances, mobile phones and wellbeing-related benefits.

This snapshot shows some headline results broken down into five career stages:
Graduate, Independent practice, Team leader,
Technical manager and General manager.

While the proportion of female respondents increased to 16.5 per cent, there is a gender pay gap at every career stage except Graduate, as Figure 4 illustrates.

Members can download a detailed results spreadsheet at **www.engineeringnz.org**, where you'll also find information on how to purchase the results if you aren't a member.

### **MARKET INTELLIGENCE**

The higher uplift in salaries at the lower and mid ranges we saw from 2014 to 2016 has slowed a little over the past year. Demand remains strong, including for international talent, driven by skill shortages in building services, structural, water and transport engineering, architecture, construction and civil infrastructure. Other salary and remuneration indicators are consistent with the results we're seeing in the Engineering New Zealand Remuneration Survey.

General confidence in the engineering and construction economy remains high, with employers willing to invest in creating new positions as required. Although levels of remuneration across the country for similar positions are comparable, employers in Auckland and other growth regions are becoming increasingly more innovative in offering flexible working conditions, bonuses (including sign on) and other non-salary benefits (like temporary accommodation or use of a vehicle) to attract and retain staff.





RESPONDENTS EARN A MEDIAN

\$4,900

ON TOP OF THEIR BASE SALARY

\$92K
MEDIAN BASE
SALARY OF
ENGINEERS
WORKING
FULL TIME



MEDIAN BASE SALARY, FULL TIME ENGINEERS





PROPORTION OF GENERAL MANAGERS





CHURN KEEPS GROWING

# 20.8% CHANGED JOBS IN THE PAST YEAR

- UP FROM 19.4% LAST YEAR (AND 15% IN 2015)



RESPONDENTS ARE BASED IN

3.1% RURAL

25.4% TOWN

71.5% CITY

# 16.5% OF RESPONDENTS ARE WOMEN

- UP FROM 14.7% LAST YEAR



# HOW MUCH DO ENGINEERS EARN AT DIFFERENT CAREER STAGES?

Figure 1: Proportion of respondents in each career stage.

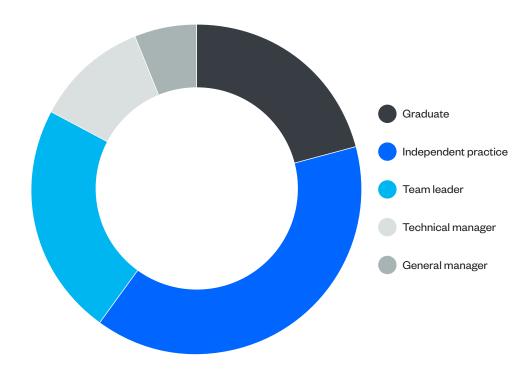


Figure 2: Median full-time base salary

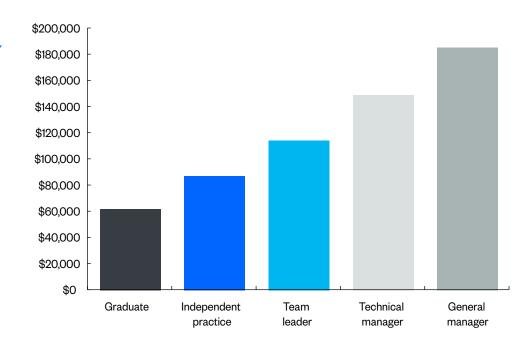
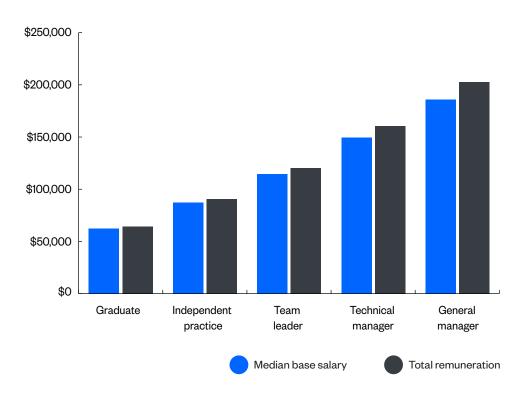


Figure 3: Median base salary and total remuneration for each career stage



# IS THERE A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN WHAT MEN AND WOMEN ARE PAID?

Figure 4: Median base salary by gender

The size of the circle shows how many women and men are at each career stage. The centre of the circle shows the median base salary for that gender.

At one career stage
- Graduate - women
have a higher median
base salary than
men. There were
not enough women
General managers to
include female salary
data for this category.

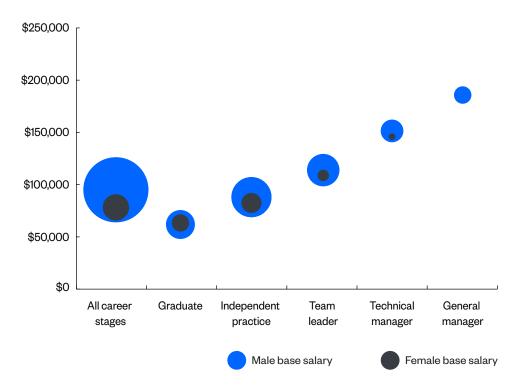
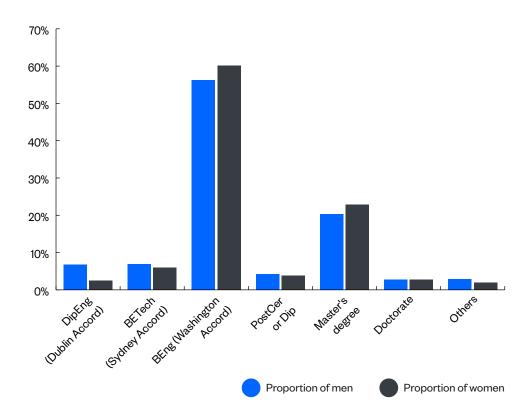
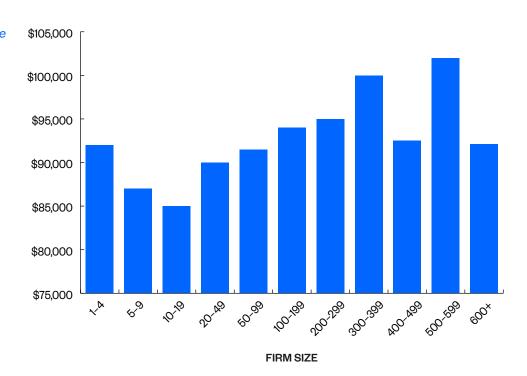


Figure 5: Qualifications by gender



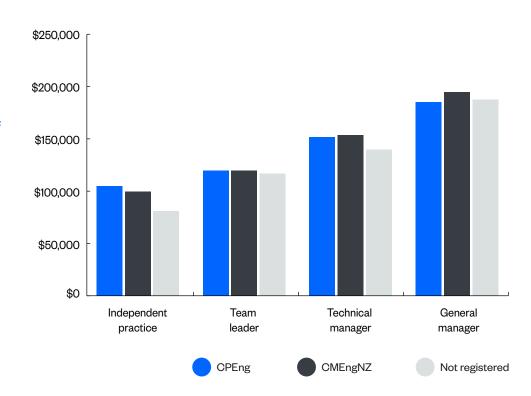
# **DOES FIRM SIZE MAKE A DIFFERENCE?**

Figure 6: Median base salary by firm size



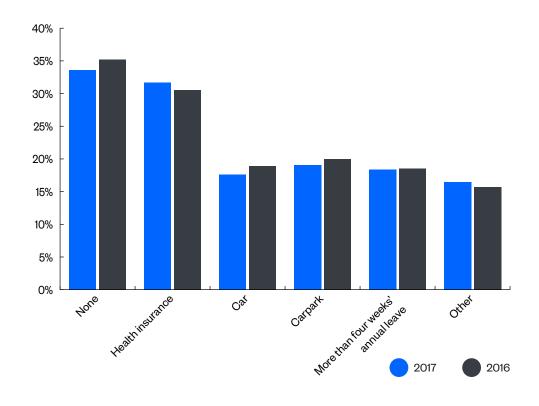
# REGISTRATION, CHARTERED MEMBERSHIP AND SALARY

Figure 7: Median
base salary
for Chartered
Professional
Engineers,
Chartered Members
of Engineering
New Zealand and
engineers not
working towards
any registration
or assessed
membership



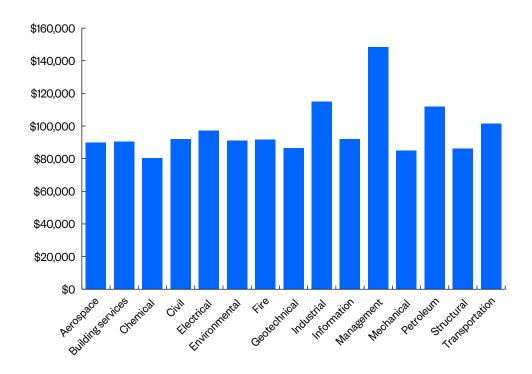
# **PERKS**

Figure 8: Non-cash benefits



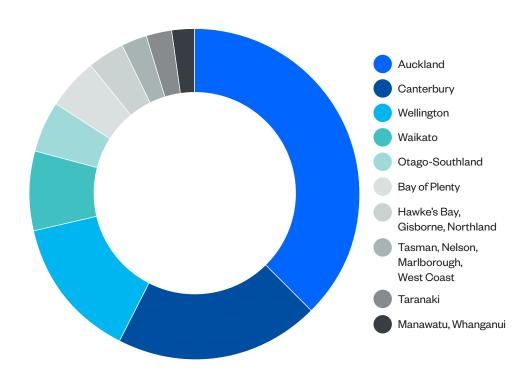
# **SALARY BY FIELD**

Figure 9: Median salary by engineering field



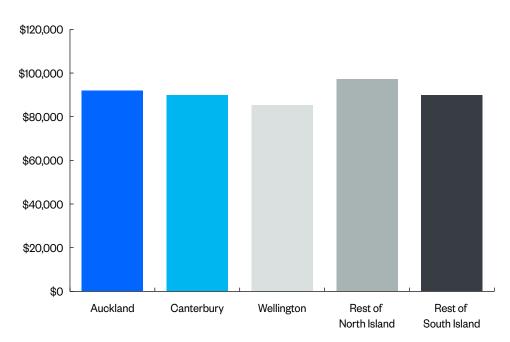
# WHERE ARE ENGINEERS BASED?

Figure 10: Location of respondents



# WHERE DO ENGINEERS EARN THE MOST?

Figure 11: Median base salary by location



# WHAT TYPE OF WORK PAYS THE MOST?

Figure 12: Median base salary by work type

