



# Audit Quality Transparency Report 2024

**Our purpose is fuelling the prosperity of New Zealand, for all New Zealanders.**

**Titokona tō tātou tōnuitanga, mō Aotearoa, mō tātou.**

Stakeholder confidence in New Zealand businesses is essential to our prosperity.

High quality, independent audit is the cornerstone of that confidence.



**Brent Manning**  
National Managing  
Partner, Audit  
KPMG New Zealand

The past year has been proof of the pace of change in the challenges our clients and our own business are facing.

As we put the Covid-19 economic and social disruptions behind us, the regional geo-politics, war in Europe, trade shipping disruptions, increasing unemployment and Government cut-backs present new or increased challenges for many of the organisations we work with.

All of these impact on the audit work we do with our clients – challenging performance and asset values, and driving new costs and liabilities.

The auditor's primary role remains to instil trust in the reporting to those who provide capital and other funding, and building that trust starts with quality.

Our 2024 report is an honest assessment of how we have performed against our own high standards and I am proud of the hundreds of KPMG auditors across the country who deliver quality for our clients every day.



**Darby Healey**  
Partner, Risk  
and Audit Quality  
KPMG New Zealand

As the auditing profession is faced with increased scrutiny, transparency on what we do is now more important than ever.

What defines 'good' audit quality is not a single measure, but it centres around our people.

We have invested heavily in our people over the past year, focusing on reducing overtime our auditors work and equipping them with the right tools, technology, trainings and support they need to deliver high

quality audits. However there is always more to do – we are committed to continuing this investment and delivering on our promise to our people:

- You'll do work that matters
- You'll thrive and grow
- You'll belong

Our 2024 Audit Quality Transparency Report presents the key measures we use to assess the quality of our audits – KPMG's Global Quality Framework. I hope you find this report informative and useful in your own assessment of quality audits.

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This interactive section discloses our measurement of the nine key components in our Global Quality Framework to outline how we deliver quality at KPMG.



# Statement on the effectiveness of the System of Quality Management of KPMG as of 30 September 2024

As required by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board (IAASB)'s, International Standard on Quality Management (ISQM1), New Zealand External Reporting Board's Professional Ethical Standard 3<sup>1</sup>, and KPMG International Limited Policy, KPMG (the "Firm" and/or "KPMG New Zealand") has responsibility to design, implement and operate a System of Quality Management for audits or reviews of financial statements, or other assurance or related services engagements performed by the Firm. The objectives of the System of Quality Management are to provide the Firm with reasonable assurance that:

- a)** The Firm and its personnel fulfil their responsibilities in accordance with professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements, and conduct engagements in accordance with such standards and requirements; and
- b)** Engagement reports issued by the Firm or engagement partners are appropriate in the circumstances.

Integrated quality monitoring and compliance programs enable KPMG New Zealand to identify and respond to findings and quality deficiencies both in respect of individual engagements and the overall System of Quality Management.

If deficiencies are identified when KPMG New Zealand performs its annual evaluation of the System of Quality Management, KPMG New Zealand evaluates the severity and pervasiveness of the identified deficiencies by investigating the root causes, and by evaluating the effect of the identified deficiencies individually and in the aggregate, on the System of Quality Management, with consideration of remedial actions taken as of the date of the evaluation.

Based on the annual evaluation of the Firm's System of Quality Management as of 30 September 2024, the System of Quality Management provides the Firm with reasonable assurance that the objectives of the System of Quality Management are being achieved.

**21 November 2024**  
**Chief Executive, KPMG New Zealand**

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<sup>1</sup> Quality Management for Firms that Perform Audits or Reviews of Financial Statements, or Other Assurance or Related Services Engagements (PES 3).

# Ngā matapono - Our values

Our values represent what we believe in and what is important to us as a firm. They guide our behaviours day-to-day, informing how we act, the decisions we make, and how we work with each other, our clients, companies that we audit, and all of our stakeholders.

Our values are the foundation of everything we do and every action we take. They are at the heart of our [Code of Conduct](#) and are designed to work interdependently. Our values:

- guide us to do the right thing, especially when under pressure
- bind us together, across our different backgrounds and cultures, and are common to each of us
- represent the foundation of our culture and how we show up for each other and the organisations we work with.



## Integrity | Ngākau Tōtika

**We do what is right. | Ka mahia kia tika.**



## Excellence | Whai Hiranga

**We never stop learning and improving. | E kore e oti te ako, te whakawhanake.**



## Courage | Kia Māia

**We think and act boldly. | He māia te whakaaro, he māia te korero, he māia te mahi.**



## Together | Kotahitanga

**We respect each other and draw strength from our differences. | Ka whakautea ngā rerekētanga hei painga mō te katoa.**



## For Better | Kaitiakitanga

**We do what matters. | Ka mahia ngā mahi whai take.**