

GOVERNMENT OF: New Zealand

**ANNUAL REPORT ON EXPORTS AND IMPORTS OF CONVENTIONAL ARMS, IN
ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 13(3) OF THE ARMS TRADE TREATY**

REPORT FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR: 2025

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Contents of report (check as appropriate)		Yes	No
i)	Nil report on exports of conventional arms	☐	☒
ii)	Nil report on imports of conventional arms	☐	☒
iii)	Annual report on exports of conventional arms	☒	☐
iv)	Annual report on imports of conventional arms	☒	☐
v)	National definitions of categories of conventional arms reported	☒	☐

Scope of report	Yes	No
In the submitted report, some commercially sensitive and/or national security-related data has been withheld in accordance with Article 13.3 of the Treaty ¹ (If 'Yes' please consider providing more information on a voluntary basis.)	☐	☒

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EXPORTS OF CONVENTIONAL ARMS²

- SHADED COLUMNS AND ROWS REPRESENT INFORMATION THAT GOES BEYOND THE MINIMUM THAT STATES PARTIES SHOULD INCLUDE WHEN THEY REPORT THEIR AUTHORIZED OR ACTUAL EXPORTS AND IMPORTS-

Reporting country :	New Zealand	Calendar Year : 2025	Cutoff date ³ : 31 December 2025
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In this report, the following definition of the term exports was used⁴ (check as appropriate) :		
Physical transfer of items across a national border :	Yes ☐	No ☒
Transfer of title :	Yes ☐	No ☒
Transfer of control :	Yes ☐	No ☒
Other (please provide a brief description below) :	Yes ☒	No ☐
Issuing of an export permit		

This Annual Report on exports may be made publicly available ⁵	Yes ☒	No ☐
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Category of arms ⁶ [I-VIII]	Authorised or actual exports ⁷		Extent of exports ⁸ (choose one or both)		Final importing State ¹¹	State of origin (if not exporter) ¹²	Remarks ¹³	
	Auth.	Act.	Number of items ⁹	Value ¹⁰			Description of Item	Comments on the transfer
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
A. I-VII UN Register Categories¹⁴ (national definitions shall not cover less than the definitions provided in Annex 1 ¹⁵)								
I.	Battle tanks	☐	☐	NIL				

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		Auth.	Act.	Number of items ⁹	Value ¹⁰	Description of Item	Comments on the transfer		
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
II.	Armoured combat vehicles	☐	☐	NIL					
III.	Large-calibre artillery systems	☐	☐	NIL					
IV.	Combat Aircraft	a) manned	☐	☐	NIL				
		b) unmanned	☐	☐	NIL				
V.	Attack helicopters	a) manned	☐	☐	NIL				
		b) unmanned	☐	☐	NIL				
VI.	Warships	☐	☐	NIL					
VII.	Missiles & missile launchers	a) Missiles etc	☐	☐	NIL				
		b) MANPADS	☐	☐	NIL				
B. VIII. Small Arms and Light Weapons^{16, 17}									
Small Arms (aggregated) ¹⁸		☐	☐						
1.	Revolvers and self-loading pistols	☒	☐	227					
				72		Australia			Including 5 exports to Norfolk Island
				20		China			
				21		France			Including 21 exports to French Polynesia
				1		Kuwait			

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		Auth.	Act.	Number of items ⁹	Value ¹⁰			Description of Item	Comments on the transfer
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
				54		Papua New Guinea			
				41		South Africa			
				1		Sri Lanka			
				1		United Arab Emirates			
				16		United States of America			
2.	Rifles and carbines	☒	☐	2053					
				1045		Australia			
				4		Bulgaria			
				18		Canada			
				1		Denmark			
				4		Egypt			
				12		Fiji			
				344		France			Incl. French Polynesia x 7 and New Caledonia x 337
				9		Germany			
				1		Italy			
				2		Kazakhstan			
				7		Namibia			

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		Auth.	Act.	Number of items ⁹	Value ¹⁰			Description of Item	Comments on the transfer
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
				6		Papua New Guinea			
				1		Portugal			
				71		Samoa			
				15		South Africa			
				3		Switzerland			
				1		Tanzania			
				57		Tonga			
				45		United Arab Emirates			
				25		United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland			Including 5 exports to the British Virgin Islands
				215		United States of America			
				167		Vanuatu			
3.	Sub-machine guns	☐	☐						
4.	Assault rifles	☐	☐						
5.	Light machine guns	☐	☐						
6.	Others	☐	☐						
Light Weapons (aggregated)¹⁹		☐	☐						
1.	Heavy machine guns	☐	☐						

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		Auth.	Act.	Number of items ⁹	Value ¹⁰	Description of Item	Comments on the transfer		
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2.	Hand-held under-barrel and mounted grenade launchers	☐	☐						
3.	Portable anti-tank guns	☐	☐						
4.	Recoilless rifles	☐	☐						
5.	Portable anti-tank missile launchers and rocket systems	☐	☐						
6.	Mortars of calibres less than 75 mm	☐	☐						
7.	Others	☐	☐						
C. National Categories²⁰ (please define in Annex 2)									
	Shotguns	☒	☐	429		Details Below			
				141		Australia			Including 5 exports to Norfolk Islands
				1		Argentina			
				1		Cyprus			
				3		Fiji			
				106		France			Including 106 exports to French Polynesia
				1		Germany			
				2		Greece			

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		Auth.	Act.	Number of items ⁹	Value ¹⁰			Description of Item	Comments on the transfer
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
				2		Hungary			
				1		India			
				7		Italy			
				60		Papua New Guinea			
				8		Samoa			
				3		Tonga			
				38		United Arab Emirates			
				23		United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland			
				9		United States of America			
				23		Vanuatu			
		☐	☐						
		☐	☐						
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IMPORTS OF CONVENTIONAL ARMS²

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In this report, the following definition of the term imports was used⁴ (check as appropriate) :		
Physical transfer of items across a national border :	Yes ☒	No ☐
Transfer of title :	Yes ☐	No ☒
Transfer of control :	Yes ☐	No ☒
Other (please provide a brief description below) :	Yes ☐	No ☒

This Annual Report on imports may be made publicly available ⁵	Yes ☒	No ☐
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Category of arms ⁶ [I-VIII]	Authorised or actual imports ⁷		Extent of imports ⁸ (choose one or both)		Exporting State ¹¹	State of origin (if not exporter) ¹²	Remarks ¹³	
	Auth.	Act.	Number of items ⁹	Value ¹⁰			Description of Item	Comments on the transfer
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
A. I-VII UN Register Categories¹⁴ (national definitions shall not cover less than the definitions provided in Annex 1) ¹⁵								
I.	Battle tanks	☐	☒	NIL				

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		Auth.	Act.	Number of items ⁹	Value ¹⁰	Description of Item	Comments on the transfer		
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
II.	Armoured combat vehicles	☐	☒	NIL					
III.	Large-calibre artillery systems	☐	☒	NIL					
IV.	Combat aircraft	a) manned	☐	☒	NIL				
		b) unmanned	☐	☒	NIL				
V.	Attack helicopters	a) manned	☐	☒	NIL				
		b) unmanned	☐	☒	NIL				
VI.	Warships	☐	☒	NIL					
VII.	Missiles & missile launchers	a) Missiles etc	☐	☒	NIL				
		b) MANPADS	☐	☒	NIL				
B. VIII. Small Arms and Light Weapons^{16, 17}									
Small Arms (aggregated) ¹⁸		☐	☒	10,768					
1.	Revolvers and self-loading pistols	☐	☒	636					
				32		Australia			Including 5 imports from Norfolk Island
				123		Austria			
				33		Czechia			
				3		Finland			

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		Auth.	Act.	Number of items ⁹	Value ¹⁰			Description of Item	Comments on the transfer
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
				27		France			Including 26 imports from French Polynesia
				2		Germany			
				7		Indonesia			
				14		Israel			
				73		Italy			
				2		Philippines			
				33		South Africa			
				18		Switzerland			
				34		Türkiye			
				64		United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland			
				171		United States of America			
2.	Rifles and carbines	☐	☒	9,742					
				439		Australia			
				4		Austria			
				175		Brazil			
				30		Canada			

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		Auth.	Act.	Number of items ⁹	Value ¹⁰			Description of Item	Comments on the transfer
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
				51		China			Including 50 imports from Taiwan
				2		Czechia			
				74		Denmark			
				2		Egypt			
				2,748		Finland			
				1		France			
				181		Germany			
				798		Italy			
				1,304		Japan			
				1		Kazakhstan			
				1		Mexico			
				2		Namibia			
				2		Netherlands			Including 2 imports from Aruba
				2		Norway			
				36		South Africa			
				1,164		Spain			
				1		Sweden			

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		Auth.	Act.	Number of items ⁹	Value ¹⁰			Description of Item	Comments on the transfer
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
				51		Switzerland			
				1		Tanzania			
				1		Tonga			
				228		Türkiye			
				985		United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland			
				1,458		United States of America			
3.	Sub-machine guns	☐	☒	29					
				28		Switzerland			
				1		United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland			
4.	Assault rifles	☐	☒	333					
				12		Australia			
				8		Canada			
				55		China			
				16		Czechia			
				2		France			
				10		Germany			
				4		Italy			

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1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
				1		Netherlands			
				3		Republic of Korea			
				22		Spain			
				176		Sweden			
				2		Switzerland			
				2		United Arab Emirates			
				7		United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland			
				13		United States of America			
5.	Light machine guns	☐	☒	8					
				1		Australia			
				1		Austria			
				2		Switzerland			
				4		United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland			
6.	Others	☐	☒	20					
				4		China			Including 4 imports from Hong Kong
				3		Switzerland			

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1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
				6		United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland			
				7		United States of America			
Light Weapons (aggregated)¹⁹		☐	☒	2					
1.	Heavy machine guns	☐	☒	NIL					
2.	Hand-held under-barrel and mounted grenade launchers	☐	☒	NIL					
3.	Portable anti-tank guns	☐	☒	NIL					
4.	Recoilless rifles	☐	☒	NIL					
5.	Portable anti-tank missile launchers and rocket systems	☐	☒	2					
				1		United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland			
				1		United States of America			
6.	Mortars of calibres less than 75 mm	☐	☒	NIL					
7.	Others	☐	☒	NIL					
C. National Categories²⁰ (please define in Annex 2)									
	Shotguns	☐	☒	3,178					

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		Auth.	Act.	Number of items ⁹	Value ¹⁰			Description of Item	Comments on the transfer
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
				427		Australia			Including 5 imports to Norfolk Island
				4		Canada			
				1		Cyprus			
				1		Denmark			
				23		France			Including 14 imports to French Polynesia and 7 to New Caledonia
				22		Germany			
				1		Greece			
				1		India			
				634		Italy			
				81		Japan			
				2		Netherlands			Including 2 imports to Aruba
				1		Peru			
				109		Portugal			
				1		Qatar			
				4		Samoa			
				6		South Africa			

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		Auth.	Act.	Number of items ⁹	Value ¹⁰			Description of Item	Comments on the transfer
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
				1		Thailand			
				1		Tonga			
				1,497		Türkiye			
				93		United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland			
				268		United States of America			

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ANNEX 1

UN Register Definitions of Categories I-VII¹

I. Battle tanks

Tracked or wheeled self-propelled armoured fighting vehicles with high cross-country mobility and a high-level of self-protection, weighing at least 16.5 metric tons unladen weight, with a high muzzle velocity direct fire main gun of at least 75 millimetres calibre.

II. Armoured combat vehicles

Tracked, semi-tracked or wheeled self-propelled vehicles, with armoured protection and cross-country capability, either: (a) designed and equipped to transport a squad of four or more infantrymen, or (b) armed with an integral or organic weapon of at least 12.5 millimetres calibre or a missile launcher.

III. Large-calibre artillery systems

Guns, howitzers, artillery pieces, combining the characteristics of a gun or a howitzer, mortars or multiple-launch rocket systems, capable of engaging surface targets by delivering primarily indirect fire, with a calibre of 75 millimetres and above.

IV. Combat aircraft

- a) Manned fixed-wing or variable-geometry wing aircraft, designed, equipped or modified to engage targets by employing guided missiles, unguided rockets, bombs, guns, cannons or other weapons of destruction, including versions of these aircraft which perform specialized electronic warfare, suppression of air defence or reconnaissance missions;
- b) Unmanned fixed-wing or variable-geometry wing aircraft, designed, equipped or modified to engage targets by employing guided missiles, unguided rockets, bombs, guns, cannons or other weapons of destruction.

The term “combat aircraft” does not include primary trainer aircraft, unless designed, equipped or modified as described above.

V. Attack helicopters

- a) Manned rotary-wing aircraft, designed, equipped or modified to engage targets by employing guided or unguided anti-armour, air-to-surface, air-to-subsurface, or air-to-air weapons and equipped with an integrated fire control and aiming system for these weapons, including versions of these aircraft which perform specialized reconnaissance or electronic warfare missions;
- b) Unmanned rotary-wing aircraft, designed, equipped or modified to engage targets by employing guided or unguided anti-armour, air-to-surface, air-to-subsurface, or air-to-air weapons and equipped with an integrated fire control and aiming system for these weapons.

¹ Excerpted from the 2014 UN Register reporting template

VI. Warships

Vessels or submarines armed and equipped for military use with a standard displacement of 500 metric tons or above, and those with a standard displacement of less than 500 metric tons, equipped for launching missiles with a range of at least 25 kilometres or torpedoes with similar range.

VII. Missiles and missile launchers²

- a) Guided or unguided rockets, ballistic or cruise missiles capable of delivering a warhead or weapon of destruction to a range of at least 25 kilometres, and means designed or modified specifically for launching such missiles or rockets, if not covered by categories I through VI. For the purpose of the Register, this sub-category includes remotely piloted vehicles with the characteristics for missiles as defined above but does not include ground-to-air missiles.
- b) Man-Portable Air-Defence Systems (MANPADS)³.

² Multiple-launch rocket systems are covered by the definition of category III.

³ MANPADS should be reported if the MANPAD system is supplied as a complete unit, i.e. the missile and launcher/Grip Stock form an integral unit. In addition, individual launching mechanisms or grip-stocks should also be reported. Individual missiles, not supplied with a launching mechanism or grip stock need not be reported.

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ANNEX 2

Reporting country :	New Zealand	Calendar Year :	2025
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Specific (diverging or more detailed) national definitions of categories I-VIII
(or simple reference to initial report, if this information was provided there)

No	Description
I.	
II.	
III.	
IV.	
V.	
VI.	
VII.	
VIII.	UN Registry definition with additional details: All of the small arms and light weapons listed in the export section fall under category ML1, ML 2 or ML901 of the New Zealand Strategic Goods List, which is available online at the New Zealand Export Controls website: https://www.mfat.govt.nz/en/trade/trading-weapons-and-controlled-chemicals/. The Arms Act 1983 does not define small arms but classifies different weapon types based on their capability. Classifications are as follows: All manual loading rifles and shotguns, semi-automatic shotguns with a tubular magazine capacity of 5 rounds or less, and .22 or lower calibre semi-automatic rifles, are considered standard firearms that can be held on a firearms licence. However, their magazine capacity must not exceed 10 rounds and 5 rounds, respectively. Common use includes farming, hunting, and recreation. All air rifles that are pre-charged pneumatic powered are classified as standard firearms. Pistols, such as revolvers, single shot pistols and semi-automatic pistols, can be held on a firearms licence that has been endorsed to permit the possession of pistols. Most pistols, including those defined as small semi-automatic pistols in the Arms Act, can be used for target shooting. Some semi-automatic pistols can only be held for collection or as an heirloom/memento or for theatrical use. Fully automatic pistols are restricted weapons and can only be held for collection or as an heirloom/memento or for theatrical use. Certain semi-automatic and pump action firearms, such as centrefire semi-automatic or pump action rifles and semi-automatic or pump action shotguns with detachable magazines, are prohibited firearms and can only be held for collection or as an heirloom/memento or for theatrical use. Only endorsed pest controllers are allowed to live fire prohibited firearms. Fully automatic firearms, submachine guns, light and heavy machine guns, fully automatic "BB guns" and other military weapons such as anti-tank projectors, rocket launchers, mortars, grenades and mines are restricted weapons and can only be held for collection or as an heirloom/memento or for theatrical use. They must remain inoperable. The full list of weapons declared to be restricted weapons in New Zealand can be found here - Arms (Restricted Weapons and Specially Dangerous Airguns) Order 1984 New Zealand Legislation

	Medium and General Purpose Machine Guns: The New Zealand Defence Force considers a 7.62mm MMG or GPMG as fitting within the parameters of the Light Machine Gun section. Any machine gun over 0.5” calibre would be a Heavy Machine Gun and are generally mounted systems. Small arms figures include exports made with a temporary export permit. These permits are issued for goods which are leaving New Zealand and are intended to be returned to the same owner in New Zealand. Common scenarios include: • Taking weapons overseas for a competition or for recreational use • Weapons sent overseas for repair • A salesperson taking product samples for viewing by potential clients abroad or to a trade exhibition Prior to March 2016, certain categories of temporary exports that were exempt from the requirement to obtain a permit were also exempt from notifying the export. From March 2016 it has been a requirement that weapons exported without the need for a permit must be notified. During the period there were 418. All firearms imported into New Zealand must have an import permit issued by New Zealand Police, including those that are returning after having been exported temporarily. New Zealand is in the process of reviewing the Arms Act 1983 to provide for greater protection of public safety and simplify regulatory requirements to improve compliance. An Arms Bill has been introduced to Parliament but not yet enacted. If legislation is enacted, the Government will determine when the changes take effect.
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Definitions of additional national categories - Section C of table(s)
(or simple reference to initial report, if this information was provided there)

No	Description
	Shotguns: New Zealand has a strong hunting and target shooting tradition, making shotguns a significant percentage of New Zealand’s total small arms imports and exports. A report conveying a full picture of New Zealand firearms would therefore be incomplete without the inclusion of this type of firearm in New Zealand’s import and export statistics. Reporting of these items serves to advance the object and purpose of the Arms Trade Treaty.