# **Our environment**

All parts of the environment are connected to each other, and to people.



### **People**

We are part of the environment. Our activities and decisions drive changes in the environment, and these changes shape our quality of life



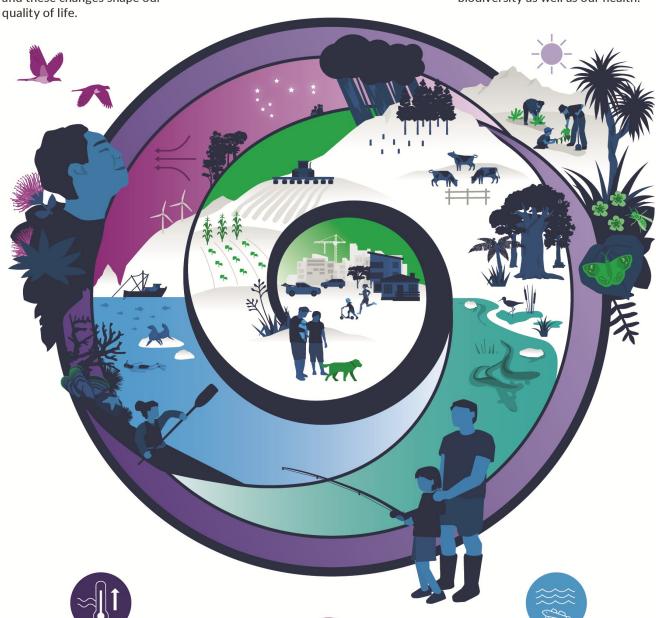
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How we use the land begins a cycle of environmental impacts and brings changes to our lives and livelihoods.



#### **Freshwater**

What happens on land flows into our lakes, rivers and groundwater, affecting ecosystems and biodiversity as well as our health.



# Atmosphere and climate

Climate change amplifies changes to other parts of the environment. Warming temperatures and more extreme weather affect our lives in many ways.



#### Air

Transport, home heating, agriculture and industry can lower air quality, which impacts our health.

## Marine

Rivers and streams affect water quality at our coasts. Combined with our fishing practices, this impacts marine habitats and the people who rely on them.