

Is 1news.co.nz legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 100/100

1news.co.nz

Verdict

100

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

1news.co.nz appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not Scam

Safe for Login

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-08-11 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 75%.

What this site appears to be

Commercial news homepage with a broad mix of sections (politics, business, sport, world, lifestyle) and embedded video content. Appears to be an established publisher; no forms requesting credentials or payments visible.

Evidence status and limitations

Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN

- The real-world operator identity was not independently verified.
- Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

Malware engines	None flagged it VirusTotal	CLEAR
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	15 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Archived since 2007 5000 snapshots	CLEAR
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by Amazon RSA 2048 M01	NOTED

The page as captured

No screenshot is retained for this report.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- Domain age: more than 10 years (registration continuity).
- Public web-archive history exists since 2007.
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.

Full analysis

Overview

1News is a commercial New Zealand news and media website presenting current coverage across politics, national and international news, business, sport, lifestyle, entertainment, and embedded video, with an apparent advertising-supported publishing model and possible newsletter or subscription features.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No contradictions were observed. The homepage presents coherent editorial content rather than an impersonation, phishing, or payment-harvesting experience, and the available reputation checks produced no malicious or suspicious findings. Runtime telemetry recorded extensive external traffic and post-interaction page changes, but these signals are plausibly attributable to advertising, analytics, video, and dynamically updated news content; importantly, no credential forms, hidden forms, wallet activity, cloaking, or credential-harvesting behavior was detected. The site therefore presents no observed scam or impersonation indicator, while its real-world operator identity remains independently unverified.

EVIDENCE

- Homepage: Displays substantive, continuously updated sections covering politics, New Zealand, world news, business, sport, life, entertainment, and video, with no visible credential or payment form.
- Runtime behavior: 135 external XHR requests, 31 external posts, 13 console errors, and a maximum post-interaction DOM difference of 1,835 were recorded; no hidden forms, password-external forms, wallet activity, clipboard hijacking, or cloaking was detected.
- Domain registration: Registered 2011-08-04 (~15.03 years old).
- Web archive: 5,000 snapshots spanning 2007–2025 (19 years tracked).

Regulatory Verification Notes

The site appears to operate as a news publisher rather than a financial-services platform, so no financial licence claim is expected from the observed business model. No licensing or registration number was identified in the supplied page content; this is a transparency item for ordinary business-identity verification, not evidence of misconduct. The available third-party broker context produced no match, and the technical and reputation evidence is consistent with an established site. The publisher's specific real-world operator is not independently established by the supplied evidence.

EVIDENCE

- Business model shown on the homepage: ad-supported journalism and video, with possible sponsored content, newsletters, or subscriptions.
- Domain registration record: Registrar Gandi; creation date 2011-08-04T13:02:04Z.
- Hosting: Served from AS16509, Amazon.com, Inc. (AMAZON-02), United States.
- Transport security: TLS certificate issued by Amazon RSA 2048 M01, domain-validated (DV), valid to 2027-01-08T23:59:59+00:00.

What to Verify Next

Before credential or payment interactions, independently confirm the publisher’s legal identity through its official corporate, about, or legal pages and check any applicable consumer-facing terms. For any subscription or paid service, confirm pricing, cancellation arrangements, and payment-protection options through the relevant official channel rather than relying solely on the website presentation. Contact details should also be cross-checked through an independent, offline or already-established route.

EVIDENCE

- Homepage: Identifies a structured news and media operation with multiple editorial departments, providing a clear reference point for independent identity confirmation.
- Any subscription, newsletter, or payment flow: Should be reviewed for clearly stated pricing, cancellation, and consumer-protection terms before use.

Summary Verdict

Available evidence supports a **high-trust, low-risk posture** for a commercial news website, with no observed scam, phishing, impersonation, or other contradictory signal. The site is apparently legitimate and evidence-consistent with an established publisher, although the real-world operator identity is not independently verified.

Infrastructure Integrity

The website is protected by Amazon CloudFront CDN/WAF infrastructure. All observed addresses were CDN edge servers, with no origin-server candidate identified in this analysis; this reduces direct origin exposure and is a mitigating infrastructure characteristic, not proof of legitimacy.

Closing Assessment

Normal browsing is proportionate to the observed risk posture, while independent identity, consumer-terms, and payment-protection checks should precede credential or payment interactions.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-11 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

Identity verification

Status

UNVERIFIED

Identity score	30/100
Identity verification confidence	50%

- No on-site identity signals detected

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of 1news.co.nz.

- The request stayed on 1news.co.nz. It was not redirected to another domain. [CLEAR](#)
- Registration is published under Gandi. [CLEAR](#)
- DNS for this domain is served by awsdns-58.org, across 4 name servers. [NOTED](#)
- The earliest public archive of this site is from 2007-10-20. [CLEAR](#)
- It is hosted on AMAZON-02, from a server in US. [NOTED](#)

Domain intelligence

Registrar	Gandi
Hosting	AMAZON-02 - Amazon.com, Inc., US
Country	US
Server IP	18.165.140.125
Name servers	ns-1491.awsdns-58.org, ns-1826.awsdns-36.co.uk, ns-227.awsdns-28.com, ns-661.awsdns-18.net
SSL issuer	Amazon RSA 2048 M01
SSL expiry	2027-01-08
Domain age	15.03 years (continuous registration)
Domain expiry	Not available
Archive first seen	2007-10-20
Archive snapshots	5000
Reputation	VirusTotal: 0 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about 1news.co.nz at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that

evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.

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