

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

rnz.co.nz

Verdict

100

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

rnz.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 2026-08-10 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 75%.

What this site appears to be

Front page of a New Zealand news organisation providing topical headlines, sections for politics, business, sport, culture, radio and podcasts. Typical publisher navigation and social links present; no signs of credential harvesting or financial-product solicitations.

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	29 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Archived since 1998 5000 snapshots	CLEAR
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by YR2	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 1998.
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.

Full analysis

Overview

This is RNZ, a New Zealand news and public-broadcasting-style website presenting current affairs, politics, business, sport, culture, radio programmes, podcasts, video, and regional and Māori-focused content. Its apparent business model is audience-supported news and media distribution through publishing, broadcasting, sponsorship or advertising, and related digital services rather than financial products or investment offerings.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No contradictions were observed. The homepage presents coherent news-publisher functionality, including topical sections, radio, podcasts, social links, and a newsletter signup, with no observed credential-harvesting mechanism, wallet interaction, or solicitation of deposits or investment returns. External reputation checks were clean, with no malicious, phishing, or impersonation indicators, and the site's historical record is consistent with an established publishing presence. The available evidence therefore supports an apparently legitimate site, while not independently proving the real-world operator's identity.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage presents RNZ news, culture, radio, podcasts, video, and standard publisher navigation, with no login form or sensitive form.
- Domain registration: 1997-02-26T11:00:00Z; 29.47 years old.
- Archive record: 5,000 snapshots spanning 1998–2022, covering 25 years.
- The homepage and observed browser behaviour showed no brand-impersonation, phishing, hidden-form, wallet-drainer, or cloaking indicators.

Regulatory Verification Notes

RNZ's available page structure is consistent with a news and public-broadcasting organisation rather than a financial service. The site does not present a financial licence claim or licence number, but that omission is not itself a scam indicator because the observed business model does not solicit deposits, investments, or financial returns. The About and Contact pathways provide useful identity context, although the real-world operator remains only apparently connected rather than independently verified. A strong traffic footprint, long-running content history, clean external reputation, valid transport encryption, and multiple mainstream social presences collectively support the site's established appearance. No broker-dataset match was identified; this is contextual reputational information, not a licensing determination.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage title identifies RNZ as a New Zealand news, culture, radio, and podcast service; the site contains About and Contact paths.
- TLS certificate: issuer YR2; validation level DV; valid to 2026-09-17T03:42:49+00:00.
- The homepage links to Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, TikTok, and Twitter, and its content model is classified as news/media rather than financial services.
- The site's observed external reputation contained zero malicious detections, zero suspicious detections, and no blacklist or phishing result.

What to Verify Next

Before any credential or payment interaction, an enterprise user should independently confirm the legal operator through an authoritative public record and ensure that the relevant About and Contact details correspond to official channels. Any future account, subscription, donation, or payment flow should also be checked for clear terms, refund or cancellation conditions, and payment-provider protections. If the site's scope changes to include regulated financial services, the applicable licence should be confirmed directly with the relevant regulator.

EVIDENCE

- Use the site's About and Contact pages as starting points for an independent operator-identity check rather than treating on-site claims as conclusive.
- For any future payment flow, review the applicable terms, cancellation or refund provisions, and payment-protection arrangements before completion.
- Any later financial-service offering should be matched against the relevant regulator's official register.

Summary Verdict

The overall posture is **high trust and low risk**, and the available evidence is consistent with an established, apparently legitimate website. No scam, phishing, impersonation, or identity-conflict indicators were observed, but operator identity should remain described as likely rather than proven.

Infrastructure Integrity

Fastly provides the site's CDN/WAF layer, which is a mitigating control that reduces direct exposure of the underlying service; the observed addresses were CDN edge infrastructure, and no origin candidate was identified. This protection supports service integrity but is not, by itself, proof of legitimacy.

EVIDENCE

- Hosted on AS54113 (FASTLY - Fastly, Inc., US).
- The infrastructure record identifies Fastly CDN/WAF protection with 8 observed edge IPs and 0 likely origin IPs.

Closing Assessment

Normal browsing is proportionate to the assessed posture; ordinary independent identity, terms, and payment-protection checks should be completed before any credential or payment interaction.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-10 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	LIKELY
Identity score	80/100
Identity verification confidence	80%

- Trusted social count=4

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 rnz.co.nz.

- The request stayed on rnz.co.nz. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- Registration is published under Metaname. CLEAR
- DNS for this domain is served by awsdns-11.org, across 4 name servers. NOTED
- The earliest public archive of this site is from 1998-06-13. CLEAR
- It is hosted on FASTLY, from a server in US. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	Metaname
Hosting	FASTLY - Fastly, Inc., US
Country	US
Server IP	2a04:4e42:200::645
Name servers	ns-1117.awsdns-11.org, ns-1948.awsdns-51.co.uk, ns-262.awsdns-32.com, ns-646.awsdns-16.net
SSL issuer	YR2
SSL expiry	2026-09-17
Domain age	29.47 years (continuous registration)
Domain expiry	Not available
Archive first seen	1998-06-13

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 rnz.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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