

A wide-angle photograph of a mountain range. In the foreground, a grassy ridge slopes down from the left. A person is riding a bicycle along a path on this ridge. The background features a deep valley and several jagged mountain peaks under a blue sky with scattered white clouds. The overall scene is rugged and scenic.

**Presentation of:**

**N E W Z E A L A N D**

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# Geographical location



- New Zealand is an independent island country in the Southwest Pacific Ocean.
- Its area is about 269 000 km<sup>2</sup> (75-th).
- New Zealand belongs to a large island group called Polynesia.

- It's a country consisting of two large islands and several dozen smaller islands, that can be far away from the main ones.



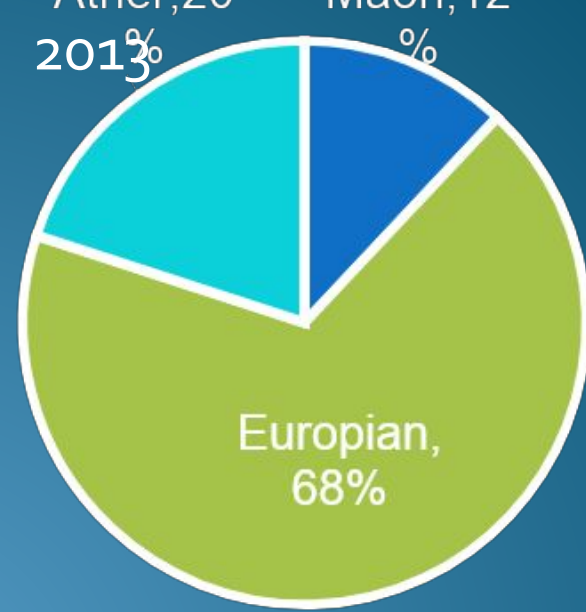
# Climate

- New Zealand has a mild and temperate climate. It never gets too hot in summer and there are not too cold in winter.
- Feature of New Zealand is that summer months are December, January and February.
- The average temperatures is – ( from 10 °C to 16 °C ).
- Also, Smoke and steam are characteristic features of New Zealand (they come from volcanoes and geysers). That's why the Maoris called it the country of long white clouds.
- Because of the mild climate there are a lot of green forests and walleys.



# Population

- The first people who settled in New Zealand were a brown-skinned people called Maoris. They came from Polynesian islands located northeast of New Zealand.
- The country was discovered by Europeans in 1642, but they did not start to settle in the islands until the late 1700's.
- Maoris make up about 12 % of the country's population.
- Today, most New Zealanders are descendants of the early European settlers.



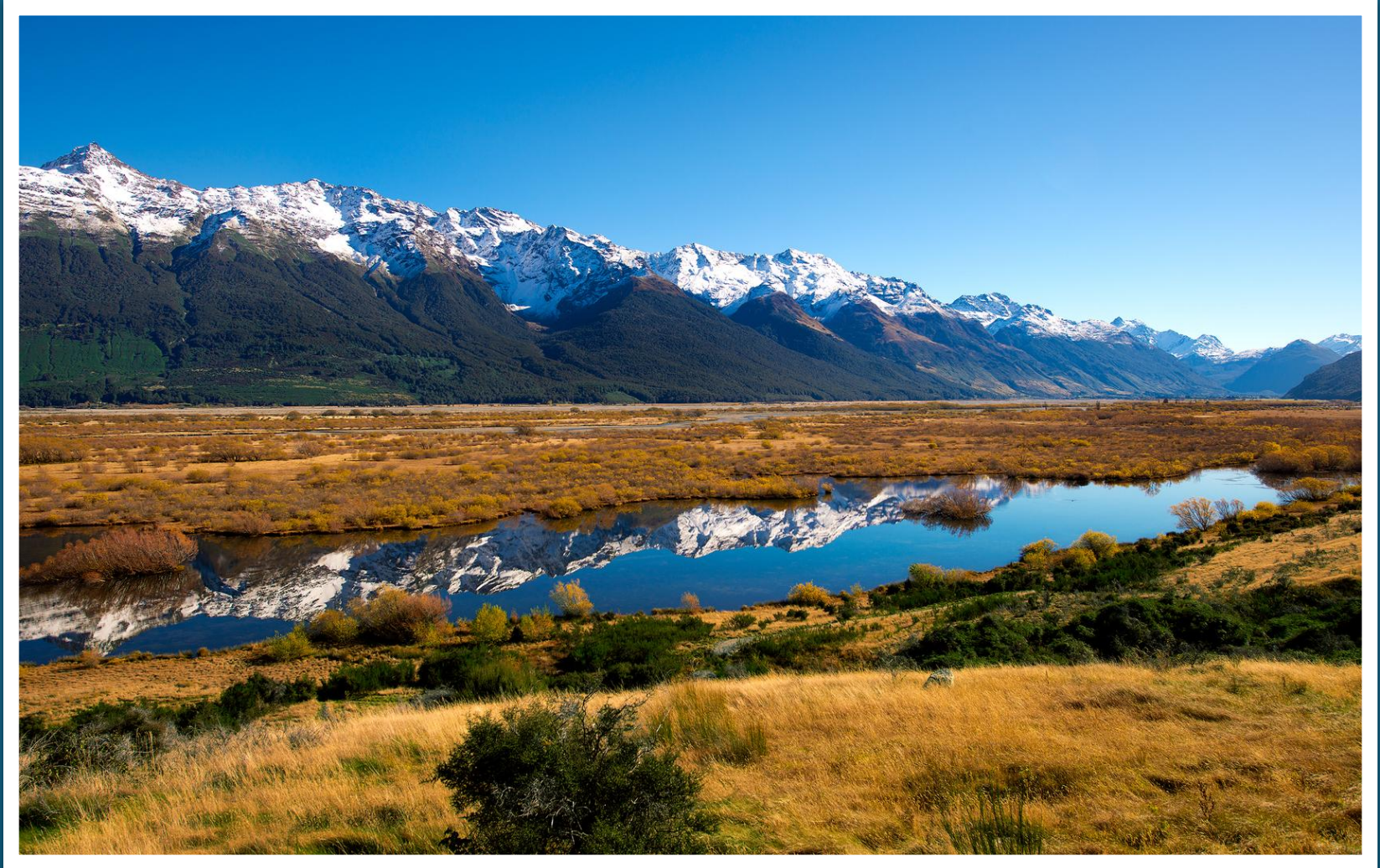
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