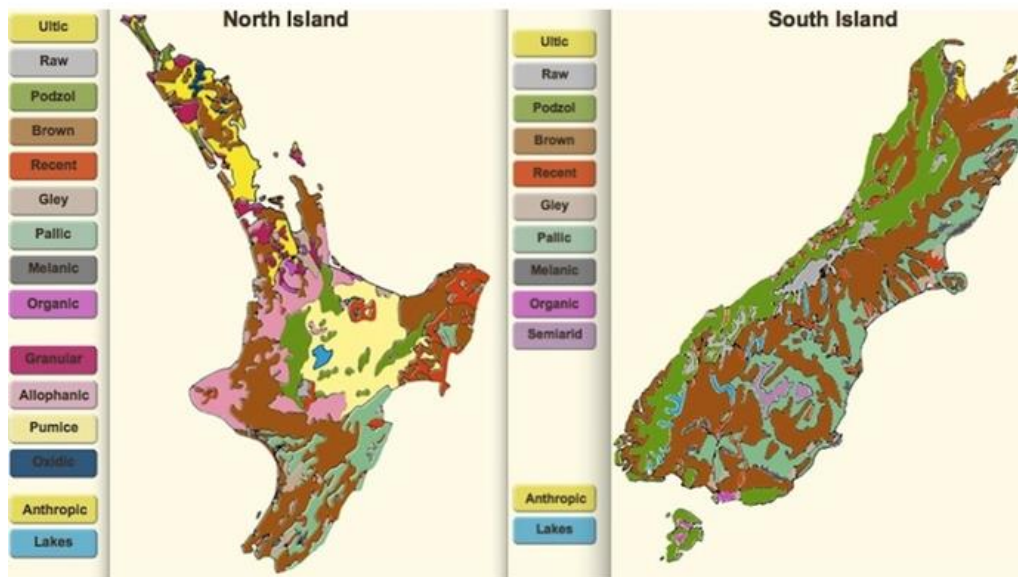


# Identifying your soil

There are about 1,800 soil series in New Zealand! You can find your soil on a soil map – but not all of the maps are online yet.



It will be easier to find your soil order (a broader classification) on the interactive [Soil Orders Maps](#).

# Extending the dig

Road cuttings, building sites and street maintenance provide opportunities to view what's under the ground.

Students can also dig a hole at home.

Encourage students to bring in photos and compare them to what you've found at school.



# Digging deeper

Soils have different names. Learn more:

[Soil names](#)

Check out this farm map to see the changes in soil types and how scientists map soils:

[Newstead farm soil types](#)

Māori were the first soil scientists. Read how they developed soils:

[Māori soil science](#)



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