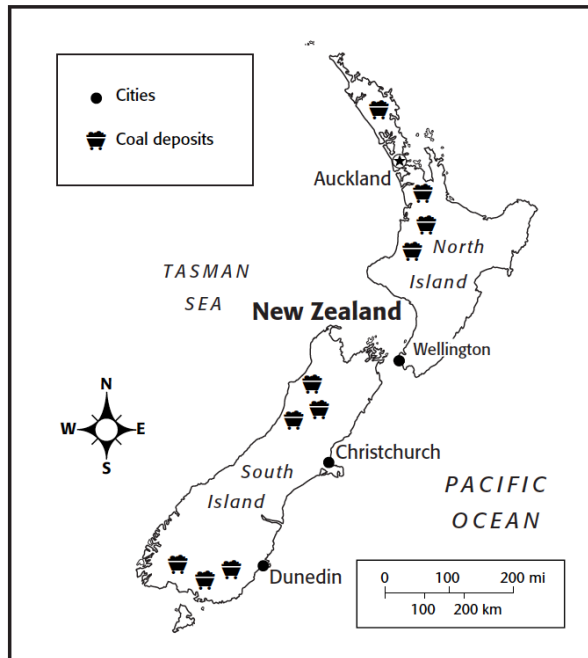


# Map Skills – Ch 17



This map shows the location of coal mines in New Zealand. Coal is New Zealand’s most common fossil fuel. Although both North and South Island have many coalmines, the mines on South Island are much more productive. South Island mines produce almost 85 percent of New Zealand’s coal.

Use the map above to answer the questions below.

- Using a Key** Which island’s coal deposits are distributed over a wider area?

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- Finding Locations** What city is farthest from a coal deposit?

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- Finding Locations** Are most of the coal mines in New Zealand near cities or some distance away?

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- Making a Hypothesis** Based on what you have learned in this chapter, what types of mining do you suppose New Zealanders use to get their coal? Explain your answer.

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