

# Open Government Partnership New Zealand National Action Plan 2018-2020

Progress report for: June 2018 – January 2019

## Commitment 9: Increase visibility of government data stewardship practices

**Lead agency:** Stats NZ

**Objective:** To increase the visibility of data practices for government-held data.

**Ambition:** New Zealanders will:

- understand how government is managing, using, and protecting their data and be able to hold government to account.
- have confidence and trust in the management and use of data that government holds on their behalf.

**OGP values:** *Transparency, Accountability*

Milestones		Progress
1	Develop and publish an overview of government's data stewardship practices <i>Start/End dates: August 2018 to 30 November 2018</i>	
2	Engage with citizens and government on the data stewardship overview to ensure it provides visibility of the right things and is addressing key needs <i>Start/End dates: 1 December 2018 to 31 April 2019</i>	
3	Promote the data stewardship practices to government agencies and support them to implement good practice <i>Start date: 1 May 2019 (ongoing)</i>	
4	Engage with citizens and government to identify where effort should be focused to address gaps in government's data stewardship practices <i>Start/End dates: 1 May 2019 to 30 November 2019 (then periodically ongoing)</i>	

Progress key:



some delays



underway



completed

### WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING

- Development of the stewardship overview was delayed until a decision was made on the Cabinet paper on strengthening data leadership across government. On 4

September 2018 the Cabinet committee authorised the Government Chief Data Steward to set mandatory standards and guidelines and direct agencies to adopt common data capabilities.

- Creating a draft overview of government data stewardship practices is now underway. It is informed by the Data Strategy and Roadmap which was published on 18 October 2018.
- Engagement with citizens and government was due to start on 1 December 2018 but will now start in February 2019, first with government officials then more widely.

### HOW WE ARE INCLUDING DIVERSE VOICES

- We are developing an engagement plan that will use multiple channels to seek feedback on the draft overview from a wide range of citizens and government officials.

### HOW WE ARE KEEPING DIVERSE COMMUNITIES INFORMED

- We will publish the engagement plan and a summary of feedback received up to the end of April, and use multiple channels to advise communities that these are available. Future updates will use the same channels.

### WHAT'S NEXT?

- The draft stewardship overview will be published in February 2019.
- An engagement plan will be published and implemented in February 2019, seeking feedback on the draft overview.
- A summary feedback report will be published after the initial engagement period has ended.

### LINKS – EVIDENCE OF PROGRESS AND MILESTONES ACHIEVED

- [Cabinet paper on strengthening data leadership across government](#)
- [Data Strategy and Roadmap](#)
- [Data Roadmap: setting the direction for New Zealand's data \(blogpost\)](#)