

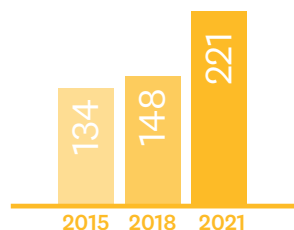
2021 GDS Index: By the numbers

· GDSs – government department strategies

· 548 – All GDSs published since July 1994

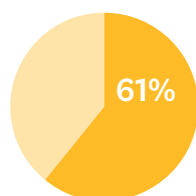
· 221 – GDSs on the 2021 GDS Index

DATA SET



221 GDSs were in operation as at 31 December 2021.

548 GDSs have been published since 1994.



61% of operational GDSs (135 out of 221) were published in the last four years.

2 GDSs were transferred to other departments since the 2018 GDS Index.

25% of operational GDSs (56 out of 221) replaced a previous GDS (previously 25% in the 2018 GDS Index).

77 GDSs have strategy maps. This means 144 GDSs do not have a strategy map.



22 years is the age of the oldest GDS, being MoH's *Reduced Waiting Times for Public Hospital Elective Services* (2000) (see List A).

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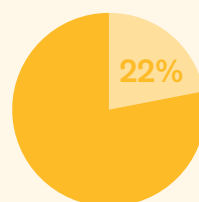


34 pages was the average length of a GDS

(previously 36 pages in the 2018 GDS Index).

1 page was the shortest.

193 pages was the longest, being MoH's *Influenza Pandemic Plan: A framework for action* (previously 298 in the 2018 GDS Index, being DOC's *Hector's and Maui's Dolphin Threat Management Plan*).



22% of operational GDSs (48 out of 221) were held by one department – MoH.

16 had the term 'Māori' in the title.

7 had the term 'Pacific' or 'Pasifika' in the title.

3 had the term 'COVID' in the title.

1 had the term 'climate' in the title.

CLIMATE CHANGE

33%

of operational GDSs (73 out of 221) explicitly or implicitly mentioned climate change

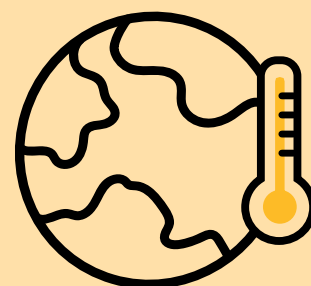
(previously 24% [36 out of 148] in the 2018 GDS Index).

19%

of operational GDSs (41 out of 221) explicitly mentioned climate change

(previously 14% [21 out of 148] in the 2018 GDS Index).

58% (15 out of 26) government departments did not explicitly mention climate change in any of their GDSs. See Figure 5.



ACCOUNTABILITY

9%

of operational GDSs are required in law to be published (19 out of 221), and 3 are voluntary (i.e. cited in legislation as 'may issue' or 'may allocate').

The best example of a strategy in legislation is DPMC's *Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy 2019*.



33 GDSs are jointly held.

The departments that collaborated most were DOC, MBIE and MPI (collaborating on five GDSs each).

(Previously 11 out of 148 were jointly held in the 2018 GDS Index.)

6 departments did not hold any operational GDSs.

They are Crown Law Office, Ministry for Culture and Heritage, Ministry for Pacific Peoples, Ministry for Women, Serious Fraud Office and Te Kāhui Whakamana Rua Tekau mā Iwa—Pike River Recovery Agency.



44% of operational GDSs (98 out of 221) were signed by the Crown only (previously 41% in the 2018 GDS Index).

32% of operational GDSs (70 out of 221) were not signed at all (previously 30% [44 out of 148] in the 2018 GDS Index).