

17 December 2024



Official Information Act request relating to documents regarding the nine Government Targets from December 2023

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA) request received on 22 November 2024. You requested:

Can I please request the following information under the OIA. Any documents or correspondence regarding the following from December 2023 to now related to the setting of the nine government targets:

- [1]. Documents and correspondence relating to the removal of childhood immunisation as one of the nine government targets
- [2]. Documents and correspondence relating to the removal of inflation as one of the nine government targets
- [3]. Documents and correspondence relating to the removal of timely access to justice as one of the nine government targets
- [4]. Documents and correspondence relating to the removal of children in benefit dependent households as one of the nine government targets
- [5]. Documents and correspondence relating to the removal of increasing building consents to 50,000 per annum one of the nine government targets
- [6]. Delivery plans for each target, including targets which may have been removed if a deliver plan was created for it.
- [7]. Documents and correspondence regarding independent advice sought and given on the delivery plan for the ED wait times target
- [8]. Documents and correspondence related to quarterly performance reporting

On 16 December 2024 parts of your request were transferred to the agencies listed below under section 14(b)(ii) of the OIA, as the information is more closely connected to their functions:

- Question [6] Target 4 partial transfer to the Ministry of Justice.
- Question [6] Targets 6 and 7 partial transfer to the Ministry of Education.
- Question [7] transfer to Te Whatu Ora.

Information publicly available

Questions [1] – [5]: All documents where the Prime Minister selected (or removed) the targets has been released under the OIA previously at the following link: Response to Official Information Act request OIA-2023/24-0682: Papers and advice around targets and delivery - May 2024 - Delivery Unit; Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.

The reasons for the removal, which appears to be at the centre of your request, is outlined in OIA request above and can be found in documents three and four.

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) has searched our Information Management Systems for correspondence between 31 January 2024 and 15 March 2024 (the time period when targets noted by you were removed). We have concluded that the removal of the targets, referred to by you, were decided by the Prime Minister and through his discussions with Ministers, and the result of these decisions are covered in the OIA linked above.

Question [6]: Delivery plans for each target are agency owned and the released plans are publicly available as listed below:

Target	Document description	Website address
1	Health Targets Implementation Plans – Health New Zealand I Te Whatu Ora	Health Targets Implementation Plans – Health New Zealand Te Whatu Ora
2	Health Targets Implementation Plans – Health New Zealand I Te Whatu Ora	Health Targets Implementation Plans – Health New Zealand Te Whatu Ora
3	Reduced Child and Youth Offending Delivery Plan: Final Draft	Target-3-Delivery-Plan-For- Proactive-Release-Accessible- Version.pdf
5	Fewer people on Jobseeker Support Employment investment framework for 2024/25	Fewer people on Jobseeker Support Employment invest ment framework for 2024 25
8	Target 8 Fewer People in Emergency Housing Delivery Plan July 20224	09-Target-8-Fewer-people-in- EH-Final-Delivery-Plan-7-July- 2024-REDACTED.pdf
9	New Zealand's second emissions reduction plan 2026-30	New-Zealands-second- emissions-reduction-plan- 202630.pdf

Targets 4,6 and 7 in relation to question 6 have been transferred to the relevant agencies across that portfolio, as highlighted above.

Question [7] has been transferred to Te Whatu Ora and they will respond to you directly.

In relation to question [8], for information relating to quarterly performance reporting please go to the following publicly available link on the DPMC website: Government Targets Quarterly Reports - September 2024 | Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC).

Accordingly, I have refused your request (unless transferred) under section 18(d) of the OIA, that the information requested is, or will soon be, publicly available.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

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Yours sincerely

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