

# Better Public Services targets



*Below are the ten Better Public Services targets National committed to in government to focus the public service into achieving better results for New Zealanders. As part of holding this government to account, we will be requesting data for these targets - and other significant measures - on a regular basis, and releasing them to the public - as we did in government.*

Result	Target
<b>1. Reduce long term welfare dependence</b>	By June 2018, a 25% reduction of the number of people receiving main benefits
<b>2. Healthy mums &amp; babies</b>	By 2021, 90% of pregnant women are registering with a Lead Maternity Carer in the first trimester
<b>3. Keeping kids healthy</b>	By 2021, a 25% reduction in the number of hospitalisations of children for preventable conditions
<b>4. Safer kids: reduce assaults and abuse of children</b>	By 2021, a 20% reduction in the number of children experiencing a substantiated incidence of physical or sexual abuse
<b>5. Improve mathematics &amp; literacy skills</b>	By 2021, 80% of year 8 students are achieving at or above the National Standard in writing, or at Manawa Ora or Manawa Toa in Nga Whanaketanga Rumaki Māori tuhituhi. By 2021, 80% of year 8 students are achieving at or above the National Standard in mathematics, or at Manawa Ora or Manawa Toa in Nga Whanaketanga Rumaki Māori pāngarau.
<b>6. Upskill the New Zealand workforce</b>	By 2018, 60% of 25–34 year olds will have a qualification at Level 4 or above
<b>7. Reduce serious crime</b>	By 2021, reduce the number of serious crime victimisations by 10,000
<b>8. Better access to social housing</b>	By 2021, a 20% reduction in the median time to house for priority A clients on the social housing register
<b>9. Easy and seamless services for business</b>	By 2020, business costs from dealing with government will reduce by 25%, through a year-on-year reduction in effort required to work with agencies
<b>10. People have easy access to public services</b>	By 2021, 80% of the twenty most common transactions will be completed digitally