



Proactive Release

The following documents have been proactively released by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, on behalf of Rt Hon Christopher Luxon, Prime Minister:

Quarterly Plan Progress Reports for Quarter One, 2025

The following documents have been included in this release:

Title of minute: Quarterly Plan Update as at 3 March 2025 (CAB-25-MIN-0048)

Title of paper: Government's Quarterly Plan Update for Quarter 1 for the Cabinet Meeting of 3 March (CAB-25-SUB-0048)

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Title of minute: Quarterly Plan Update as at 31 March 2025 (CAB-25-MIN-0088)

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Title of document: Government's Quarterly Plan – Final Progress Report for Quarter 1 2025

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Quarterly Plan Update as at 3 March 2025

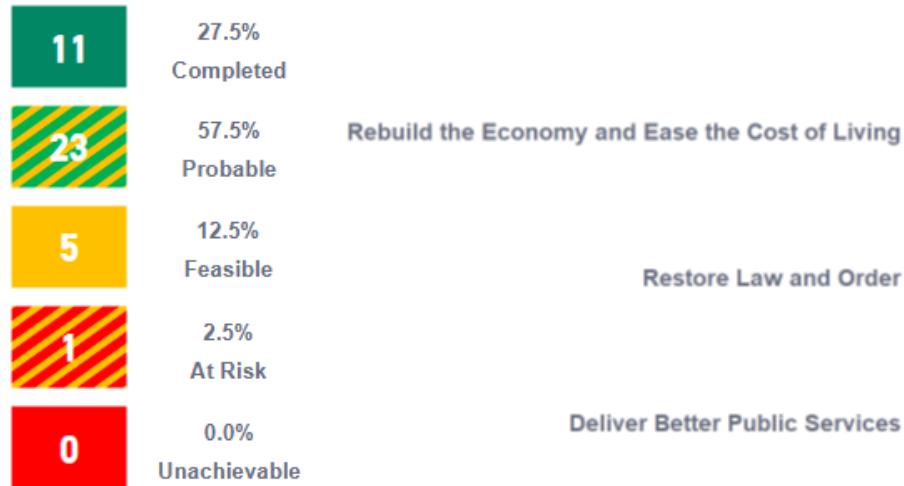
Portfolio **Prime Minister**

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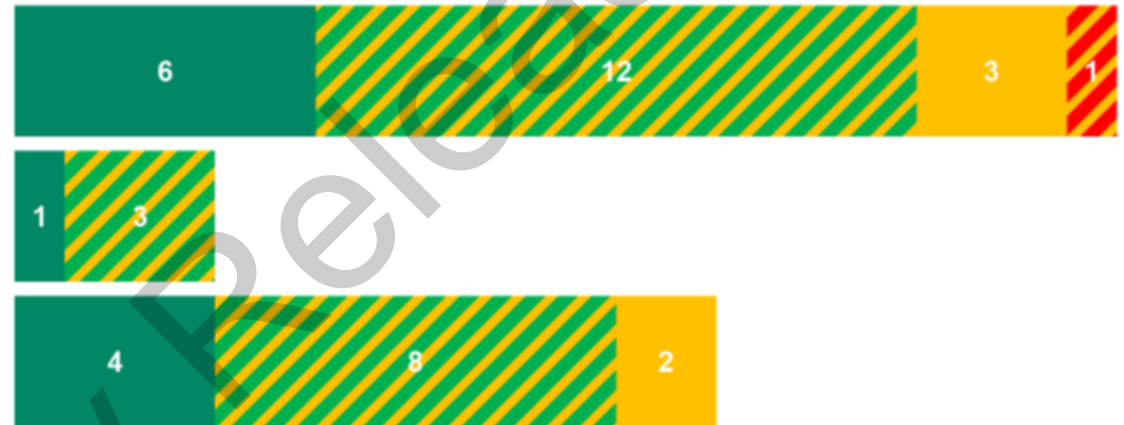
- 1 **noted** the Quarterly Plan Update attached to the submission under CAB-25-SUB-0048.

Rachel Hayward
Secretary of the Cabinet

Government's Quarterly Plan Update for Quarter 1 for the Cabinet Meeting of 3 March



Delivery Status by Key Result Area



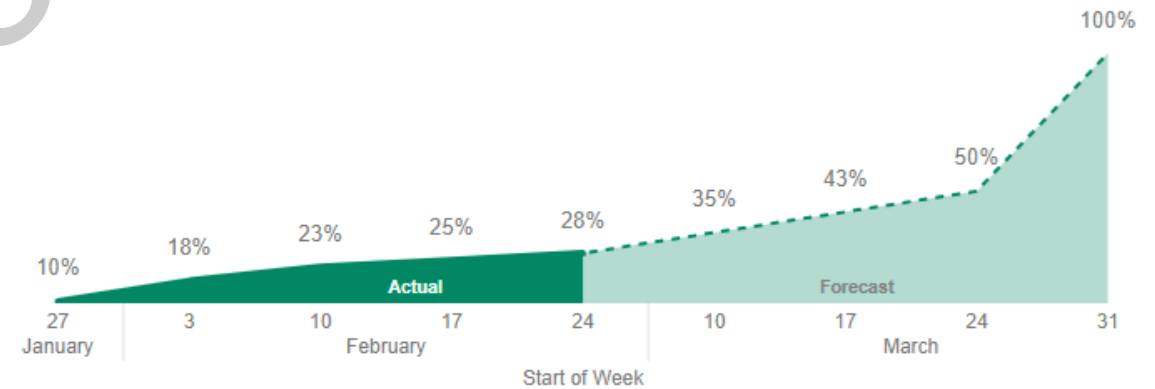
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


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Action Completion by Date (Actual vs Forecast)








Future Papers	Action	Lead Portfolio	Committee	Date
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
Rebuild the Economy and Ease the Cost of Living

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1.	Launch the Government's 2025 economic growth plan.	Economic Growth	Hon Nicola Willis	Publicly release Going For Growth.	Feb	The action is complete. The Minister announced Going For Growth on 13 February, with details available on the website https://www.goingforgrowth.govt.nz/ .	
2.	Take Cabinet decisions on the policy design, core functions and implementation plan to establish Invest NZ.	Trade & Investment	Hon Todd McClay	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	The Minister has agreed an approach for the implementation of Invest NZ, including final policy recommendations in areas such as core functions. A draft Cabinet paper was circulated for ministerial consultation on 12 February and is on track for consideration by ECO on 5 March, followed by Cabinet on 10 March.	
3.	Host an Investment Summit to showcase upcoming investment and development opportunities.	Infrastructure	Hon Chris Bishop	Host Investment Summit.	Mar	The Minister has approved the final programme for the Investment Summit which will take place in Auckland 13-14 March.	
4.	Begin reform of the science and innovation system to drive economic growth.	Research, Science & Innovation	Hon Dr Shane Reti	Initial implementation plans are completed by CRIs and Callaghan Innovation and the first round of assurance is completed on those plans.	Mar	The Minister has provided letters setting out expectations to CRIs and Callaghan Innovation and they are progressing implementation of reforms. Implementation planning is progressing, and entities completed the first Science, Innovation and Technology (SIT) Reforms Implementation Status Report for the Minister on 20 February.	
5.	Upgrade investor visa settings to attract more foreign direct investment to New Zealand.	Immigration	Hon Erica Stanford	Implement changes to investor visa.	Feb	The action is complete. Cabinet agreed to changes to the Active Investor Plus visa category on 9 December 2024. Changes were announced on 9 February and come into effect from 1 April.	
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


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7.	Take Cabinet decisions on enhancing access to capital for Community Housing Providers.	Housing	Hon Chris Bishop	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	Treasury has provided delivery options to the Minister and the Minister of Finance. A meeting with Ministers on 26 February will discuss the options and next steps, including timing for a Cabinet paper. Timeframes are tight for completion within the quarter and progress will be closely monitored over the next reporting period.	
8.	Pass legislation to remove barriers to overseas investment in "build-to-rent" housing.	Housing	Hon Chris Bishop	Pass the Overseas Investment (Build-to-rent and Similar Rental Developments) Amendment Bill	Mar	The action is complete. The Overseas Investment (Build-to-rent and Similar Rental Developments) Amendment Bill passed its Third Reading on 20 February.	
9.	Take Cabinet decisions on Building Act changes to allow granny flats and other small structures up to 60sqm to be built without a building consent, saving Kiwis time and money.	Building & Construction	Hon Chris Penk	Take Cabinet decisions.	Feb	A Cabinet paper: "Progressing legislative changes to enable more granny flats to be built" was considered by ECO on 19 February. The committee invited the Minister to submit a revised paper to ECO in light of discussion at the meeting.	
10.	Consult with Māori landowners on changes to Te Ture Whenua Māori / Māori Land Act to better enable Māori economic development.	Māori Development	Hon Tama Potaka	Begin consultation with Māori landowners on changes to Te Ture Whenua Māori / Māori Land Act.	Mar	A draft Cabinet paper and discussion document have been provided to the Minister for approval to begin Ministerial consultation from 25 February.	

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11.	Take Cabinet decisions on the major legislative architecture for the Government's replacement legislation for the Resource Management Act.	RMA Reform	Hon Chris Bishop	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	A draft Cabinet Paper: "Replacing the Resource Management Act 1991 – approach to development of new legislation" is currently with the Minister's office and is proposed to go for Ministerial consultation from 28 February.	
12.	Pass the first reading of the Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Bill.	Transport	Hon Chris Bishop	Pass the first reading of the Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Bill.	Mar	The Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Bill has been introduced and is expected to hold the first reading debate during the first sitting block in March.	
13.	Pass the Customer and Product Data Bill to promote competition in banking, energy, and other key sectors, by giving consumers better access to their data.	Commerce & Consumer Affairs	Hon Scott Simpson	Pass the Customer and Product Data Bill.	Mar	The Customer and Product Data Bill is currently within the Second Reading stage and is expected to be passed before the end of the quarter.	
14.	Take Cabinet decisions on modernisation of the Companies Act to improve competition and corporate governance.	Commerce & Consumer Affairs	Hon Scott Simpson	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	A draft Cabinet paper: "Companies Act 1993 modernisation: further policy decisions" was provided to the Minister on 14 February and officials will now meet with the new Minister to discuss the policy. The paper is targeted for consideration by ECO on 26 March.	
15.	Deliver guidance to accelerate the responsible use of AI in the public service to improve productivity and service delivery.	Digitising Government	Hon Judith Collins KC	Release guidance for safe use of AI in the public sector.	Feb	The action is complete. "Responsible AI Guidance for the Public Service: GenAI" was released publicly on digital.govt.nz on 3 February.	

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16.	Take Cabinet decisions on new national direction for freshwater and pragmatic rules for on-farm water storage and vegetable growing.	Agriculture	Hon Todd McClay	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	A Cabinet paper seeking decisions for public consultation is being drafted and is planned for consideration by ECO on 26 March. A briefing on options for consultation is due to Ministers by 24 February. Timeframes are tight for completion within the quarter and progress will be closely monitored over the next reporting period.	
17.	Take Cabinet decisions on system design for improved and simplified Freshwater Farm Plans.	Associate Environment	Hon Andrew Hoggard	Take Cabinet decisions on high level design of an improved Freshwater Farm Plan system.	Mar	A Cabinet paper seeking decisions on improvements to Freshwater Farm Plans is being drafted and is planned for consideration by ECO on 26 March. Timeframes are tight for completion within the quarter and progress will be closely monitored over the next reporting period.	
18.	Launch Minerals Strategy for New Zealand to 2040 and a Critical Minerals list.	Resources	Hon Shane Jones	Launch Minerals Strategy for New Zealand to 2040 and a Critical Minerals list.	Jan	The action is complete. The Minister launched New Zealand's national Minerals Strategy and Critical Minerals List on 31 January.	
19.	Announce projects funded through the \$1.2 billion Regional Infrastructure Fund.	Regional Development	Hon Shane Jones	Announce projects funded through the \$1.2 billion Regional Infrastructure Fund.	Mar	As at 14 February, 39.3 per cent of the Regional Infrastructure Fund (RIF) had either been allocated or ringfenced. All but one of the projects approved by the Regional Development Ministerial Group (Ministers of/for Finance, Infrastructure, Local Government, Māori Development, and Regional Development (RDMG) to date have been announced by the Minister, including three Māori economic development projects that were announced ahead of Waitangi Day. Plans are underway to announce the remaining project. Further RIF proposals will be considered by RDMG over the coming six months, presenting opportunities for the Minister for Regional Development to announce approved projects.	




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20.	Take Cabinet decisions on the Regulatory Standards Bill.	Regulation	Hon David Seymour	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	The Ministry for Regulation continues to work through the submissions received through the consultation process and has provided the Minister with a briefing outlining initial analysis to date. The Minister is considering advice and potential next steps to inform Cabinet decisions. Cabinet Committee and Cabinet dates are yet to be confirmed and there is considerable risk for completing the required activities before the end of the quarter.	
21.	Begin the fourth regulation sector review.	Regulation	Hon David Seymour	Begin the fourth regulation sector review.	Mar	The Minister has received further advice from officials and will take decisions on a pipeline of reviews for Ministerial engagement within the next fortnight. Cabinet Committee and Cabinet dates are to be confirmed.	
22.	Take Cabinet decisions on reform of health and safety law and regulations to reduce cost, increase certainty and improve outcomes.	Workplace Relations & Safety	Hon Brooke van Velden	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	MBIE provided draft Cabinet materials to the Minister in the week of 17 February, with direction of reform, phasing and recommendations agreed in principle and revised drafts provided on 20 February. Targeted agency consultation meetings are being held by MBIE 21 February – 3 March with Ministerial consultation planned for 3 March – 13 March.	


Restore Law and Order






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23.	Pass legislation to introduce roadside drug testing.	Transport	Hon Chris Bishop	Pass the Land Transport (Drug Driving) Amendment Bill.	Mar	The committee of the whole House stage is currently scheduled for 11 March. The Third Reading is scheduled for 25 March. Meeting these dates will enable the Bill to be passed by the end of the quarter.	





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24.	Pass legislation to reform sentencing rules, to ensure appropriate consequences for criminal offending.	Justice	Hon Paul Goldsmith	Pass the Sentencing (Reform) Amendment Bill.	Mar	The Sentencing (Reform) Amendment Bill was reported back to the House from the Justice Committee on 7 February. The Second Reading was completed on 18 February. The Bill is expected to complete the remaining Parliamentary stages in March.	
25.	Take Cabinet decisions to strengthen response to retail crime.	Justice	Hon Paul Goldsmith	Take Cabinet decisions.	Feb	The action is complete. The Cabinet paper: "Amendments to Arrest and Defence of Property Provisions in the Crimes Act 1961" was considered by SOU on 19 February and confirmed by Cabinet on 24 February.	
26.	Take Cabinet decisions on legislation to crack down on street racing and other anti-social road usage.	Police	Hon Mark Mitchell	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	The Ministers of Transport and Police have received an updated Cabinet paper following departmental and Ministerial consultation. The paper is on track to be considered by ECO on 12 March.	





Deliver Better Public Services

#	Commitment	Lead Portfolio	Lead Minister	Action	Due Date	Delivery Update	Delivery Status
27.	Release the draft English/Te Reo Rangatira (Y7-13) and Maths/Pangarau (Y9-13) curricula.	Education	Hon Erica Stanford	Release the draft English/Te Reo Rangatira (Y7-13) and Maths / Pangarau (Y9-13) curricula to the sector and wider public for consultation.	Feb	<p>The draft Te Reo Rangatira (Y7-13) and Maths / Pāngarau (Y9-13) curricula were released to the sector and wider public for consultation on Tāhūrangi websites - New Zealand Curriculum and Kauwhata Reo, on 27 January.</p> <p>Draft English (Y7-13) curricula release date is to be confirmed.</p>	

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28.	Deliver maths resources for over 400,000 students to primary and intermediate schools.	Education	Hon Erica Stanford	Deliver maths resources for over 400,000 students to eligible primary and intermediate schools.	Feb	The action is complete. A total of 748,223 students have received maths resources across two deliveries dispatched from 27 January. All supplementary orders will be integrated into BAU operations.	
29.	Begin the nationwide roll-out of the Phonics Check in primary schools.	Education	Hon Erica Stanford	Commence phonics checks in English and te reo Māori.	Jan	The action is complete. The Phonics Checks Guidance and Assessment Materials were released on Tāhūrangi – New Zealand Curriculum on 27 January.	
30.	Take Cabinet decisions in response to the ECE Regulation Sector Review.	Associate Education / Regulation	Hon David Seymour	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	The Ministry provided advice to the Associate Minister on proposed next steps for ECE reform and a follow-on report outlining the scope of policy decisions needed in the Cabinet paper, including the legislative and regulatory changes. Work on drafting the Cabinet paper has commenced and is targeted for EXP consideration on 25 March.	
31.	Announce the second suite of new charter schools.	Associate Education	Hon David Seymour	Associate Minister announcement of the second suite of new charter schools.	Mar	Contract negotiations are underway with 5 new charter schools.	
32.	Implement the new Healthy School Lunches programme.	Associate Education	Hon David Seymour	Begin the new Healthy School Lunches programme in Term 1.	Jan	The action is complete. The new Healthy School Lunches Programme was rolled out to schools on 27 January. The Ministry is monitoring the programme to make sure learners receive nutritious lunches every school day.	

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33.	Consult on proposals to improve disability support services.	Disability Issues	Hon Louise Upston	Consult on proposals to improve disability support services.	Mar	As agreed by Cabinet on 4 December [SOU-24-MIN-0157], consultation on recommendations 5 and 6 from the Independent Review of Disability Support Services is currently underway and closes 24 March. The current consultation builds on targeted consultation in November 2024 on the issues identified by the Independent Review.	
34.	Consult on the development of an accredited product stewardship scheme for building and farm plastics.	Environment	Hon Penny Simmonds	Commence consultation on the development of an accredited product stewardship scheme for building and farm plastics.	Mar	The development, industry consultation and accreditation of a product stewardship scheme for agrichemicals and their containers, and farm plastic has been completed. The next step is for Cabinet to consider regulations to support the product stewardship scheme. Ministerial consultation on a Cabinet paper will be scheduled to accommodate completion of the action within the quarter, with the paper targeted for consideration by ECO on 26 March, which will also seek approval for public consultation. Building plastic hasn't been declared as a priority product under the Waste Minimisation Act. Consultation workshops with the building industry to understand their view, current state, opportunities, challenges and ideas will occur this quarter. Timeframes are tight for completion within the quarter and progress will be closely monitored over the next reporting period.	
35.	Publish the Health Infrastructure Investment Plan.	Health / Infrastructure	Hon Simeon Brown	Release the public summary of the Health Infrastructure Investment Plan.	Mar	The Minister's office is being provided an updated version of the public summary document, to accompany a Cabinet paper on the Infrastructure Investment plan, which is planned to be considered by EXP on 4 March. The paper will seek delegated authority to the Minister for the future release of the public document.	
36.	Take Cabinet decisions on next steps to reform health workforce regulatory settings.	Health	Hon Simeon Brown	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	The Ministry of Health has drafted the Minister's consultation document and a draft Cabinet paper seeking approval to release the consultation document on 12 March. Ministerial and departmental consultation began on 20 February and ends on 26 February. The paper and consultation document will be considered by SOU on 5 March.	

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37.	Take Cabinet decisions on a refreshed suicide prevention action plan.	Mental Health	Hon Matt Doocey	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	A draft Cabinet paper and proposed Suicide Prevention Action Plan 2025–2029 are out for cross-agency consultation from 17 – 25 February. Following cross-agency consultation the Cabinet paper and Action Plan will be provided to the Minister for approval to undertake Ministerial consultation and it is anticipated this will commence in early March.	
38.	Deliver first contracts from the Mental Health and Addiction Community Sector Innovation Fund.	Mental Health	Hon Matt Doocey	Finalise and announce first provider contracts for initiatives funded through the MHIF.	Feb	The action is complete. The Minister announced the first three recipients of the Government's \$10 million Mental Health and Addiction Community Sector Innovation Fund on 18 December 2024 and announced the fourth recipient on 7 February 2025.	
39.	Consult on proposals to reduce smoking rates and the harm from smoking, while addressing youth vaping.	Associate Health	Hon Casey Costello	Establish an advisory group to provide advice on the next stage of the smokefree regulatory work.	Mar	Officials agreed an approach for the establishment of an advisory group with the Associate Minister on 19 February. The next steps (and review of advice) will be discussed and agreed with the Associate Minister at her next officials meeting. Timeframes are tight for completion within the quarter and progress will be closely monitored over the next reporting period.	
40.	Take Cabinet decisions on legislation to improve the regulation of medical devices.	Associate Health	Hon Casey Costello	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	A Budget Bid 2025 to support the first phase of implementation of the multi-year Medical Products Bill regime has been completed. A Cabinet Paper related to 9(2)(f)(iv) delivering and implementing the Bill, was referred to Cabinet by EXP in December. This paper is now being updated to reflect the Budget Bid and clarify costs and is expected to go to Cabinet in March, subject to Ministerial approval.	



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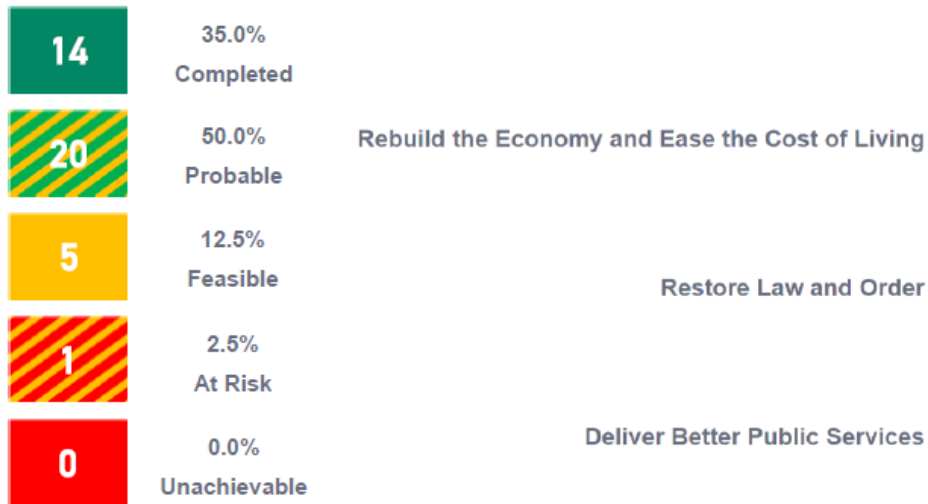
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Portfolio **Prime Minister**

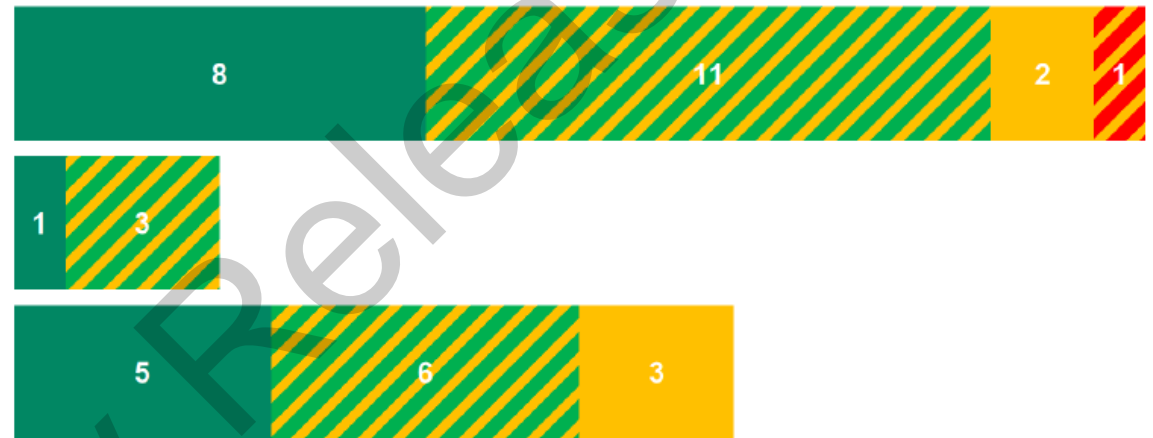
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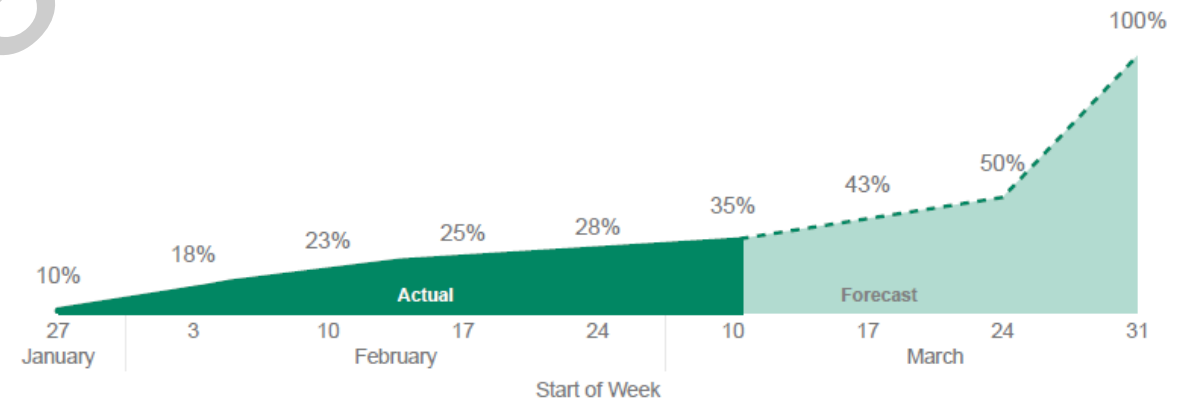
35% (14 actions out of 40) are marked as complete - an increase of 3 actions since the previous report.

3 further actions could potentially complete ahead of/during the Cabinet meeting on 17 March which would bring the total number of actions marked complete to 42.5% (17 actions out of 40) - an increase of 6 actions since the previous report.

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




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



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
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3.	Host an Investment Summit to showcase upcoming investment and development opportunities.	Infrastructure	Hon Chris Bishop	Host Investment Summit.	Mar	Ministers have completed all Cabinet approval on content as required and the Investment Summit will take place in Auckland 13-14 March.	
4.	Begin reform of the science and innovation system to drive economic growth.	Research, Science & Innovation	Hon Dr Shane Reti	Initial implementation plans are completed by CRIs and Callaghan Innovation and the first round of assurance is completed on those plans.	Mar	A Programme Governance Board has been established for oversight of reform delivery and Independent Convenors and Programme Managers are in place for CRI amalgamation. MBIE has commenced support for reform delivery planning; and further decisions on implementation of Callaghan Innovation disestablishment have progressed. 9(2)(f)(iv) 	
5.	Upgrade investor visa settings to attract more foreign direct investment to New Zealand.	Immigration	Hon Erica Stanford	Implement changes to investor visa.	Feb	The action is complete. Cabinet agreed to changes to the Active Investor Plus visa category on 9 December 2024. Changes were announced on 9 February and come into effect from 1 April.	
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


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8.	Pass legislation to remove barriers to overseas investment in "build-to-rent" housing.	Housing	Hon Chris Bishop	Pass the Overseas Investment (Build-to-rent and Similar Rental Developments) Amendment Bill	Mar	The action is complete. The Overseas Investment (Build-to-rent and Similar Rental Developments) Amendment Bill passed its Third Reading on 20 February.	
9.	Take Cabinet decisions on Building Act changes to allow granny flats and other small structures up to 60sqm to be built without a building consent, saving Kiwis time and money.	Building & Construction	Hon Chris Penk	Take Cabinet decisions.	Feb	Further to Cabinet committee consideration, Ministers discussed committee feedback and potential changes that could be made to the granny flats proposal. A revised Cabinet paper: "Building Act 2004: Making it Easier to Build Granny Flats" has been lodged for EXP consideration on 11 March and Cabinet confirmation on 17 March.	
10.	Consult with Māori landowners on changes to Te Ture Whenua Māori / Māori Land Act to better enable Māori economic development.	Māori Development	Hon Tama Potaka	Begin consultation with Māori landowners on changes to Te Ture Whenua Māori / Māori Land Act.	Mar	A draft Cabinet paper and discussion document have been approved by the Minister to begin Ministerial consultation, which will commence on 11 March. The papers are targeted for consideration by ECO on 26 March.	

Rebuild the Economy and Ease the Cost of Living


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14.	Take Cabinet decisions on modernisation of the Companies Act to improve competition and corporate governance.	Commerce & Consumer Affairs	Hon Scott Simpson	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	A draft Cabinet paper: "Companies Act 1993 modernisation: further policy decisions" is being considered by the new Minister and is targeted for consideration by ECO on 26 March.	
15.	Deliver guidance to accelerate the responsible use of AI in the public service to improve productivity and service delivery.	Digitising Government	Hon Judith Collins KC	Release guidance for safe use of AI in the public sector.	Feb	The action is complete. "Responsible AI Guidance for the Public Service: GenAI" was released publicly on digital.govt.nz on 3 February.	

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17.	Take Cabinet decisions on system design for improved and simplified Freshwater Farm Plans.	Associate Environment	Hon Andrew Hoggard	Take Cabinet decisions on high level design of an improved Freshwater Farm Plan system.	Mar	Ministers have agreed to options for an improved freshwater farm plan system and a draft Cabinet paper seeking decisions on improvements to Freshwater Farm Plans is now with Ministers. The next step is Ministerial consultation on the Cabinet paper, ahead of consideration by ECO on 26 March and Cabinet 31 March. Timeframes are tight for completion within the quarter and progress will be closely monitored over the next reporting period.	
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19.	Announce projects funded through the \$1.2 billion Regional Infrastructure Fund.	Regional Development	Hon Shane Jones	Announce projects funded through the \$1.2 billion Regional Infrastructure Fund.	Mar	As of 10 March, 43.89% of the Regional Infrastructure Fund (RIF) had either been allocated or ringfenced. All but four of the projects approved by the Regional Development Ministerial Group (Ministers of/for Finance, Infrastructure, Local Government, Māori Development, and Regional Development (RDMG) to date have been announced by the Minister, including upgrades to several ports and an airport in the South Island announced on the 7th and 8th March. Plans are underway to announce the remaining projects. Further RIF proposals will be considered by RDMG over the coming three months, presenting opportunities for the Minister for Regional Development to announce approved projects.	




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20.	Take Cabinet decisions on the Regulatory Standards Bill.	Regulation	Hon David Seymour	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	The Ministry for Regulation has provided further advice including a draft Cabinet paper to the Minister. The Minister is considering this further advice and potential next steps to inform Cabinet decisions. Cabinet Committee and Cabinet dates are yet to be confirmed and there is considerable risk for completing the required activities before the end of the quarter.	
21.	Begin the fourth regulation sector review.	Regulation	Hon David Seymour	Begin the fourth regulation sector review.	Mar	The Minister has taken decisions on potential future reviews 4, 5 and 6. The Minister has begun engaging with the relevant portfolio ministers and is intending to take an oral item to EXP on 25th March and Cabinet 31 March.	
22.	Take Cabinet decisions on reform of health and safety law and regulations to reduce cost, increase certainty and improve outcomes.	Workplace Relations & Safety	Hon Brooke van Velden	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	Ministerial consultation commenced during the week of 3 March on the draft Cabinet paper: "Health and safety reform: system-wide changes", which is on track for consideration by CBC on 17 March. MBIE are progressing work on design with Transport officials on road cones and Small Business officials on small business carve-out. The progress and shape of reforms was discussed at the Going for Growth Competitive Business Settings pillar group ministerial meeting on 10 March.	


Restore Law and Order






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


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



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24.	Pass legislation to reform sentencing rules, to ensure appropriate consequences for criminal offending.	Justice	Hon Paul Goldsmith	Pass the Sentencing (Reform) Amendment Bill.	Mar	The Second Reading of the Sentencing (Reform) Amendment Bill was completed on 18 February. An Amendment Paper responding to two recommendations from the Royal Commission of inquiry into Abuse in Care has been released. The Committee of the House stage is underway, and the Bill is expected to complete the remaining Parliamentary stages by 31 March.	
25.	Take Cabinet decisions to strengthen response to retail crime.	Justice	Hon Paul Goldsmith	Take Cabinet decisions.	Feb	The action is complete. The Cabinet paper: "Amendments to Arrest and Defence of Property Provisions in the Crimes Act 1961" was considered by SOU on 19 February and confirmed by Cabinet on 24 February.	
26.	Take Cabinet decisions on legislation to crack down on street racing and other anti-social road usage.	Police	Hon Mark Mitchell	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	EXP considered the Cabinet paper: "Revised options for addressing anti-social road use" on 11 March. Decisions from EXP are due to be considered by Cabinet on 17 March.	

Deliver Better Public Services

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27.	Release the draft English/Te Reo Rangatira (Y7-13) and Maths/Pangarau (Y9-13) curricula.	Education	Hon Erica Stanford	Release the draft English/Te Reo Rangatira (Y7-13) and Maths / Pangarau (Y9-13) curricula to the sector and wider public for consultation.	Feb	<p>The draft Te Reo Rangatira (Y7-13) and Maths / Pangarau (Y9-13) curricula were released to the sector and wider public for consultation on Tāhūrangi websites - New Zealand Curriculum and Kauwhata Reo, on 27 January.</p> <p>The draft English Years 7-13 learning area will be released for consultation by 31 March 2025. Communications are yet to be released to the sector.</p>	

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28.	Deliver maths resources for over 400,000 students to primary and intermediate schools.	Education	Hon Erica Stanford	Deliver maths resources for over 400,000 students to eligible primary and intermediate schools.	Feb	The action is complete. A total of 748,223 students have received maths resources across two deliveries dispatched from 27 January. All supplementary orders will be integrated into business-as-usual operations.	
29.	Begin the nationwide roll-out of the Phonics Check in primary schools.	Education	Hon Erica Stanford	Commence phonics checks in English and te reo Māori.	Jan	The action is complete. The Phonics Checks Guidance and Assessment Materials were released on Tāhūrangi – New Zealand Curriculum on 27 January.	
30.	Take Cabinet decisions in response to the ECE Regulation Sector Review.	Associate Education / Regulation	Hon David Seymour	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	Ministerial and agency consultation is underway on a draft Cabinet paper seeking policy decisions to begin implementing the ECE Regulation Sector Review's recommendations, including legislative and regulatory changes. Feedback will be considered from 14 March 2025, with paper targeted for EXP consideration on 25 March.	
31.	Announce the second suite of new charter schools.	Associate Education	Hon David Seymour	Associate Minister announcement of the second suite of new charter schools.	Mar	Two new contracts were signed on 11 March and will be announced within the next week.	
32.	Implement the new Healthy School Lunches programme.	Associate Education	Hon David Seymour	Begin the new Healthy School Lunches programme in Term 1.	Jan	The action is complete. The new Healthy School Lunches Programme was rolled out to schools on 27 January. The Ministry is monitoring the programme to make sure learners receive nutritious lunches every school day.	

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33.	Consult on proposals to improve disability support services.	Disability Issues	Hon Louise Upston	Consult on proposals to improve disability support services.	Mar	As agreed by Cabinet on 4 December [SOU-24-MIN-0157], consultation on recommendations 5 and 6 from the Independent Review of Disability Support Services is currently underway and closes 24 March. The current consultation builds on targeted consultation in November 2024 on the issues identified by the Independent Review.	
34.	Consult on the development of an accredited product stewardship scheme for building and farm plastics.	Environment	Hon Penny Simmonds	Commence consultation on the development of an accredited product stewardship scheme for building and farm plastics.	Mar	The development, industry consultation and accreditation of a product stewardship scheme for agrichemicals and their containers, and farm plastic has been completed. The next step is for Cabinet to consider regulations to support the product stewardship scheme. Ministerial consultation on a Cabinet paper will be scheduled to accommodate completion of the action within the quarter, with the paper targeted for consideration by ECO on 26 March, which will also seek approval for public consultation. Building plastic hasn't been declared as a priority product under the Waste Minimisation Act. Consultation workshops with the building industry to understand their view, current state, opportunities, challenges and ideas will occur this quarter. Timeframes are tight for completion within the quarter and progress will be closely monitored over the next reporting period.	
35.	Publish the Health Infrastructure Investment Plan.	Health / Infrastructure	Hon Simeon Brown	Release the public summary of the Health Infrastructure Investment Plan.	Mar	On 10 March, Cabinet confirmed decisions from EXP (4 March) consideration of the paper: "Ten-year Health Infrastructure Plan". This includes an agreement in-principle to the Health Infrastructure Plan (HIP) public document and the proposed list of investments (subject to Budget and business case confirmation). This also includes agreement to publish the public version of the HIP and authorisation for the Minister to make further editorial changes to the HIP prior to publishing. Health NZ will work with the Minister's office to finalise the material ahead of publishing, which is on track to occur before the end of the quarter.	

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36.	Take Cabinet decisions on next steps to reform health workforce regulatory settings.	Health	Hon Simeon Brown	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	The action is complete. Cabinet considered advice on 10 March to reform health workforce regulatory settings and agreed to proceed to public consultation in March.	
37.	Take Cabinet decisions on a refreshed suicide prevention action plan.	Mental Health	Hon Matt Doocey	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	Agency consultation on the proposed Suicide Prevention Action Plan 2025–2029 and draft Cabinet paper was completed on 26 February and Ministerial consultation is now underway.	
38.	Deliver first contracts from the Mental Health and Addiction Community Sector Innovation Fund.	Mental Health	Hon Matt Doocey	Finalise and announce first provider contracts for initiatives funded through the MHIF.	Feb	The action is complete. The Minister announced the first three recipients of the Government's \$10 million Mental Health and Addiction Community Sector Innovation Fund on 18 December 2024 and announced the fourth recipient on 7 February 2025.	
39.	Consult on proposals to reduce smoking rates and the harm from smoking, while addressing youth vaping.	Associate Health	Hon Casey Costello	Establish an advisory group to provide advice on the next stage of the smokefree regulatory work.	Mar	Details for an advisory group have been agreed with the Associate Minister and a draft Terms of Reference along with draft background papers will be provided to the Associate Minister in the week commencing 10 March. Timeframes are tight for completion within the quarter and progress will be closely monitored over the next reporting period.	
40.	Take Cabinet decisions on legislation to improve the regulation of medical devices.	Associate Health	Hon Casey Costello	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	A Budget Bid 2025 to support the first phase of implementation of the multi-year Medical Products Bill regime has been completed. A Cabinet Paper related to 9(2)(f)(iv) delivering and implementing the Bill, was referred to Cabinet by EXP in December. This paper is now being updated to reflect the Budget Bid and clarify costs and is expected to go to Cabinet in March, subject to Ministerial approval. Timeframes are tight for completion within the quarter and progress will be closely monitored over the next reporting period.	



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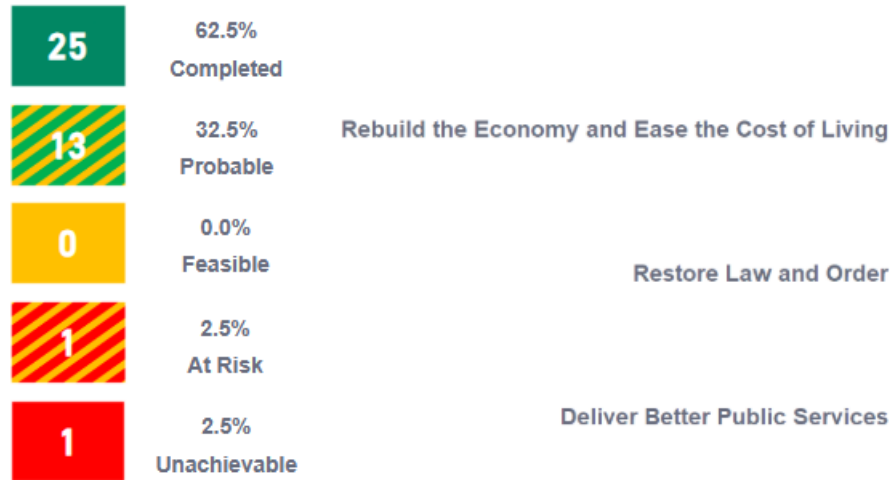
Quarterly Plan Update as at 31 March 2025

Portfolio **Prime Minister**

On 31 March 2025, Cabinet **noted** the Quarterly Plan Update attached to the submission under CAB-25-SUB-0088.

Rachel Hayward
Secretary of the Cabinet

Government's Quarterly Plan Update for Quarter 1 for the Cabinet Meeting of 31 March



Delivery Status by Key Result Area



Summary

100% through the quarter (as at Cabinet 31 March 2025).

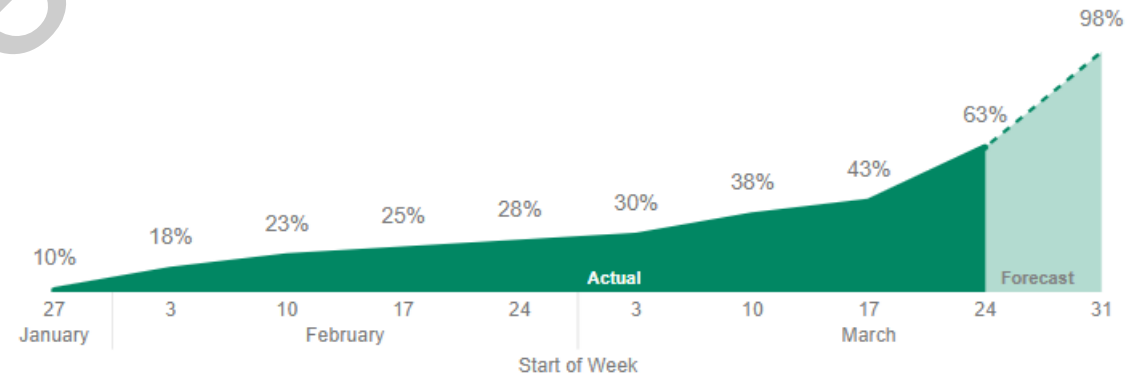
62.5% (25 actions out of 40) are marked as complete - an increase of 11 actions since the previous report.

1 Action has signaled it will not complete within the quarter:

*Action 20 - Take Cabinet decisions on the Regulatory Standards Bill. .








14 actions (35%) to be completed including 9 actions anticipating closure at Cabinet 31 March.





Action Completion by Date (Actual vs Forecast)








Future Papers	Action	Lead Portfolio	Committee	Date
Future Regulatory Reviews	21	Regulation	Cabinet	31 March
Medical Products Bill: 9(2)(f)(iv) delivering and implementing the Bill	40	Associate Health	Cabinet	31 March (TBC)





Rebuild the Economy and Ease the Cost of Living

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1.	Launch the Government's 2025 economic growth plan.	Economic Growth	Hon Nicola Willis	Publicly release Going For Growth.	Feb	The action is complete. The Minister announced Going For Growth on 13 February, with details available on the website https://www.goingforgrowth.govt.nz/ .	
2.	Take Cabinet decisions on the policy design, core functions and implementation plan to establish Invest NZ.	Trade & Investment	Hon Todd McClay	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	The action is complete. Cabinet confirmed decisions on 10 March on the policy design, core functions and implementation plan to establish Invest NZ.	
3.	Host an Investment Summit to showcase upcoming investment and development opportunities.	Infrastructure	Hon Chris Bishop	Host Investment Summit.	Mar	The action is complete. The Infrastructure Investment Summit was successfully held on 13/14 March with strong Ministerial attendance at the Summit and Gala Dinner.	
4.	Begin reform of the science and innovation system to drive economic growth.	Research, Science & Innovation	Hon Dr Shane Reti	Initial implementation plans are completed by CRIs and Callaghan Innovation and the first round of assurance is completed on those plans.	Mar	The Minister issued commitments on reform delivery via a press release to ensure benefits are realised in 2025, including the expectation that CRI mergers will be completed in early October. CRIs are working to implement mergers to this timeframe and the next implementation status update is due back from CRIs on 26 March. Further decisions on an extension of funding for Callaghan Innovation's Biotechnology and Applied Technologies Groups have been taken by the Minister and are now being incorporated into planning. 9(2)(f)(iv) 	
5.	Upgrade investor visa settings to attract more foreign direct investment to New Zealand.	Immigration	Hon Erica Stanford	Implement changes to investor visa.	Feb	The action is complete. Cabinet agreed to changes to the Active Investor Plus visa category on 9 December 2024. Changes were announced on 9 February and come into effect from 1 April.	
6.	Amend visitor visa settings to allow digital nomads and others to work remotely for overseas employers.	Immigration	Hon Erica Stanford	Minister to approve changes to visa settings.	Feb	The action is complete. Amended visa settings came into effect from 27 January that will allow people to work remotely for a foreign employer while they are holidaying in New Zealand.	




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10.	Consult with Māori landowners on changes to Te Ture Whenua Māori / Māori Land Act to better enable Māori economic development.	Māori Development	Hon Tama Potaka	Begin consultation with Māori landowners on changes to Te Ture Whenua Māori / Māori Land Act.	Mar	The Cabinet paper: "Proposed Amendments to Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993: Approval to Consult" and discussion document were agreed by ECO on 26 March and will be considered by Cabinet on 31 March. Material to support engagement is currently being prepared.	

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



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

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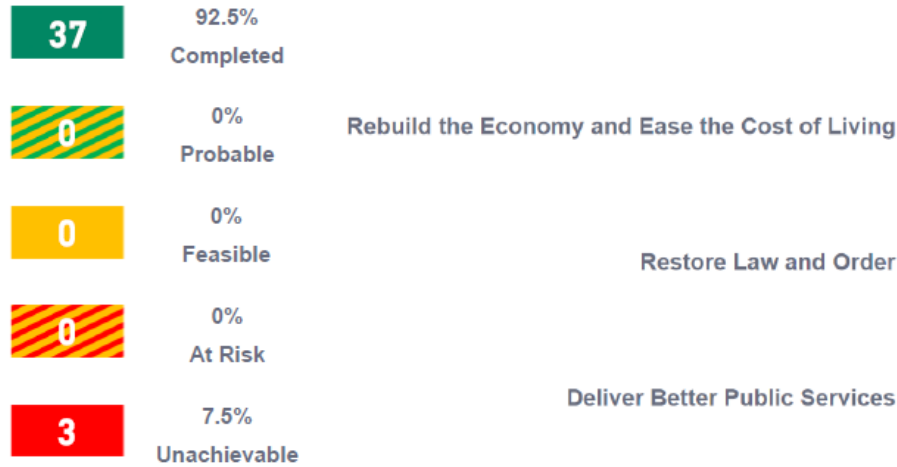
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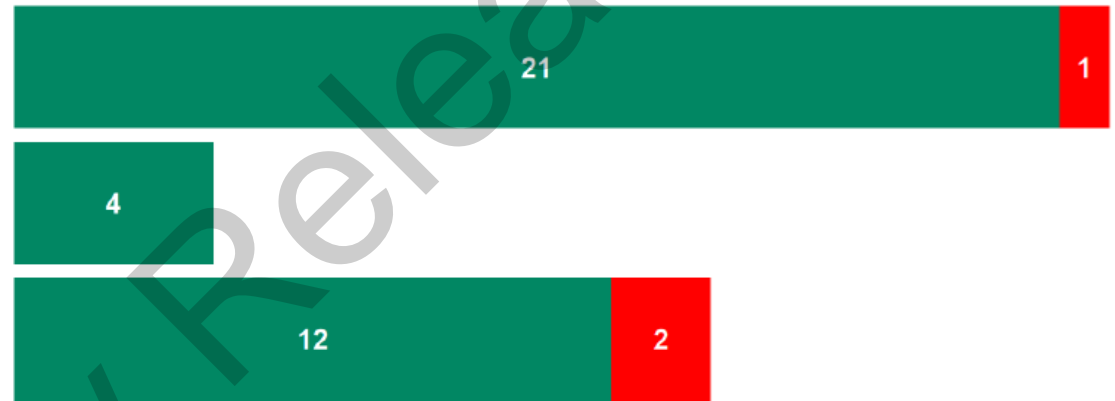
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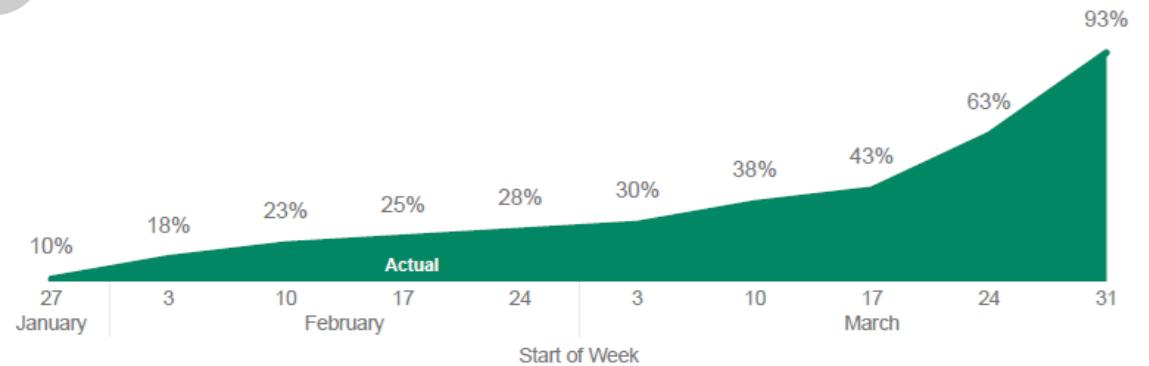
Summary







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3 Actions were not completed during the quarter:






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Action Completion by Date






Rebuild the Economy and Ease the Cost of Living							
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1.	Launch the Government's 2025 economic growth plan.	Economic Growth	Hon Nicola Willis	Publicly release Going For Growth.	Feb	The action is complete. The Minister announced Going For Growth on 13 February, with details available on the website https://www.goingforgrowth.govt.nz/ .	
2.	Take Cabinet decisions on the policy design, core functions and implementation plan to establish Invest NZ.	Trade & Investment	Hon Todd McClay	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	The action is complete. Cabinet confirmed decisions on 10 March on the policy design, core functions and implementation plan to establish Invest NZ.	
3.	Host an Investment Summit to showcase upcoming investment and development opportunities.	Infrastructure	Hon Chris Bishop	Host Investment Summit.	Mar	The action is complete. The Infrastructure Investment Summit was successfully held on 13/14 March with strong Ministerial attendance at the Summit and Gala Dinner.	
4.	Begin reform of the science and innovation system to drive economic growth.	Research, Science & Innovation	Hon Dr Shane Reti	Initial implementation plans are completed by CRIs and Callaghan Innovation and the first round of assurance is completed on those plans.	Mar	The action is complete. Initial implementation plans have been completed by CRIs and Callaghan Innovation. Changes to expected timeframes for implementing reforms (including a desire for an accelerated process for CRI amalgamation) are being incorporated into the next iteration of planning.	
5.	Upgrade investor visa settings to attract more foreign direct investment to New Zealand.	Immigration	Hon Erica Stanford	Implement changes to investor visa.	Feb	The action is complete. Cabinet agreed to changes to the Active Investor Plus visa category on 9 December 2024. Changes were announced on 9 February and come into effect from 1 April.	
6.	Amend visitor visa settings to allow digital nomads and others to work remotely for overseas employers.	Immigration	Hon Erica Stanford	Minister to approve changes to visa settings.	Feb	The action is complete. Amended visa settings came into effect from 27 January that will allow people to work remotely for a foreign employer while they are holidaying in New Zealand.	

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7.	Take Cabinet decisions on enhancing access to capital for Community Housing Providers.	Housing	Hon Chris Bishop	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	The action is complete. The paper: "Debt Financing Support for CHPs" was approved by Cabinet on 24 March. The Minister announced this support for the sector at a KangaNews event hosted by ANZ in Auckland on 27 March. Implementation of the support for the Community Housing Funding Agency will follow in early April and engagement with banks on a guarantee scheme to support lending to Community Housing Providers has begun.	
8.	Pass legislation to remove barriers to overseas investment in "build-to-rent" housing.	Housing	Hon Chris Bishop	Pass the Overseas Investment (Build-to-rent and Similar Rental Developments) Amendment Bill	Mar	The action is complete. The Overseas Investment (Build-to-rent and Similar Rental Developments) Amendment Bill passed its Third Reading on 20 February.	
9.	Take Cabinet decisions on Building Act changes to allow granny flats and other small structures up to 60sqm to be built without a building consent, saving Kiwis time and money.	Building & Construction	Hon Chris Penk	Take Cabinet decisions.	Feb	The action is complete. The Cabinet Paper: "Building Act 2004: Making it Easier to Build Granny Flats" was approved by EXP on 11 March and confirmed by Cabinet on 17 March. This included agreement to permit standalone dwellings up to 70 square metres (commonly known as granny flats) from requiring a building consent.	
10.	Consult with Māori landowners on changes to Te Ture Whenua Māori / Māori Land Act to better enable Māori economic development.	Māori Development	Hon Tama Potaka	Begin consultation with Māori landowners on changes to Te Ture Whenua Māori / Māori Land Act.	Mar	The action is complete. The Cabinet paper: "Proposed Amendments to Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993: Approval to Consult" and discussion document were agreed by ECO on 26 March and confirmed by Cabinet on 31 March. Public consultation commenced on 31 March and runs through to 23 May. Te Puni Kōkiri is hosting online hui and kanohi ki te kanohi information sessions where interested parties can find out more about the proposed changes and share their feedback.	



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11.	Take Cabinet decisions on the major legislative architecture for the Government's replacement legislation for the Resource Management Act.	RMA Reform	Hon Chris Bishop	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	The action is complete. The Cabinet Paper: "Replacing the Resource Management Act 1991 – approach to development of new legislation" and Regulatory Impact Statement were agreed by CBC on 17 March and confirmed by Cabinet on 24 March.	
12.	Pass the first reading of the Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Bill.	Transport	Hon Chris Bishop	Pass the first reading of the Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Bill.	Mar	The action is complete. The Land Transport Management (Time of Use Charging) Bill passed its first reading on 4 March.	
13.	Pass the Customer and Product Data Bill to promote competition in banking, energy, and other key sectors, by giving consumers better access to their data.	Commerce & Consumer Affairs	Hon Scott Simpson	Pass the Customer and Product Data Bill.	Mar	The action is complete. The Customer and Product Data Bill passed its Third Reading on 26 March.	
14.	Take Cabinet decisions on modernisation of the Companies Act to improve competition and corporate governance.	Commerce & Consumer Affairs	Hon Scott Simpson	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	The action is complete. The Cabinet paper: "Companies Act 1993 modernisation: further policy decisions" was agreed by ECO on 26 March and confirmed by Cabinet on 31 March.	
15.	Deliver guidance to accelerate the responsible use of AI in the public service to improve productivity and service delivery.	Digitising Government	Hon Judith Collins KC	Release guidance for safe use of AI in the public sector.	Feb	The action is complete. "Responsible AI Guidance for the Public Service: GenAI" was released publicly on digital.govt.nz on 3 February.	

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16.	Take Cabinet decisions on new national direction for freshwater and pragmatic rules for on-farm water storage and vegetable growing.	Agriculture	Hon Todd McClay	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	The action is complete. The Cabinet paper: "Replacing Freshwater National Direction" was agreed by EXP on 25 March and confirmed by Cabinet on 31 March.	
17.	Take Cabinet decisions on system design for improved and simplified Freshwater Farm Plans.	Associate Environment	Hon Andrew Hoggard	Take Cabinet decisions on high level design of an improved Freshwater Farm Plan system.	Mar	The action is complete. The Cabinet paper: "Improving the Freshwater Farm Plan System" was agreed by ECO on 26 March and confirmed by Cabinet on 31 March.	
18.	Launch Minerals Strategy for New Zealand to 2040 and a Critical Minerals list.	Resources	Hon Shane Jones	Launch Minerals Strategy for New Zealand to 2040 and a Critical Minerals list.	Jan	The action is complete. The Minister launched New Zealand's national Minerals Strategy and Critical Minerals List on 31 January.	
19.	Announce projects funded through the \$1.2 billion Regional Infrastructure Fund.	Regional Development	Hon Shane Jones	Announce projects funded through the \$1.2 billion Regional Infrastructure Fund.	Mar	<p>The action is complete. As of 25 March, 54% of the Regional Infrastructure Fund (RIF) had either been allocated or ringfenced. Projects approved by the Regional Development Ministerial Group (Ministers of/for Finance, Infrastructure, Local Government, Māori Development, and Regional Development (RDMG) that have been announced by the Minister, include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Te Kao Community Microgrid (\$3m) • Ngā Wāhi Tapu o Pukerangiora (\$2.8m) • Waimamaku Community Solar Resilience Programme (\$1.3m) • Hokitika Airport Upgrades (\$9.8m) • West Coast Ports Infrastructure Upgrade Programme (\$5.5m) 	



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21.	Begin the fourth regulation sector review.	Regulation	Hon David Seymour	Begin the fourth regulation sector review.	Mar	The action is complete. Cabinet noted the paper "Future Regulatory Reviews" on 31 March. The Ministry for Regulation, in consultation with the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) will now undertake a review of the telecommunications regulatory system. The Minister for Regulation and the Minister for Media and Communications intend to announce the topic of this review shortly.	
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26.	Take Cabinet decisions on legislation to crack down on street racing and other anti-social road usage.	Police	Hon Mark Mitchell	Take Cabinet decisions.	Mar	The action is complete. The Cabinet paper: "Revised options for addressing anti-social road use" was agreed by EXP on 11 March and confirmed by Cabinet on 17 March.	

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