

# Youth Plan Review Phase Two: Refresh Government Strategy and Action Plan Mapping



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# Mapping Exercise Overview

## PURPOSE OF MAPPING

The purpose of this mapping exercise is to identify work happening under the Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy (CYWS) Programme of Action and other youth-focused or youth-inclusive strategies and action plans.

Understanding the breadth and depth of work underway will help ensure a refreshed Youth Plan complements existing work without duplicating efforts. It will also identify how the Youth Plan can best support the aims of the CYWS, other youth-focused action plans, and achieve improved outcomes for young people.

## SCOPE OF MAPPING

The scope of the mapping exercise was determined by whether strategies, plans, or agencies had an explicit focus on children and youth or were inclusive of youth in their priority cohort(s). Mapping therefore explored:

- strategies and action plans captured under the CYWS Programme of Action
- single agency-based strategies with either an explicit focus on children and youth or inclusive of youth among their priority cohorts
- cross-government strategies and plans not within the CYWS Programme of Action but with an explicit focus on youth or inclusive of youth among their priority cohorts.

**Note:** While this mapping was intended to be as comprehensive as possible, it will not be fully inclusive of all work occurring across government. Future iterations of this mapping could be considered to address gaps in subsequent years.

## METHODOLOGY

To complete this mapping exercise, current child and youth-focused or inclusive strategies and action plans across government were identified. These were mapped using a matrix with the following information identified for each:

- Whether the strategy or action plan was part of the CYWS Programme of Action.
- A description of the strategy or action plan, including aims or goals.
- The target group(s) of the action plan or strategy.
- Whether the action plan or strategy focused on a specific age range.
- Whether the action plan or strategy identified priority cohorts.
- Agencies or stakeholders involved.

Additionally, mapping identified the presence or absence of overlap with the four focus areas of the first iteration of the Youth Plan. The four focus areas were:

- **Voice** – Rangatahi voices and perspectives are listened to, valued, and embedded in decision-making at all levels.
- **Wellbeing** – The wellbeing of rangatahi, their whānau, and their communities is supported and strengthened.

- **Leadership** – Rangatahi are enabled to lead their own lives, have their identities seen, valued and respected, and have increasing influence in their communities and over government policy.
- **Transformative Change** – Government agencies work collaboratively with each other, the youth sector, communities, and rangatahi to drive system change.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A REFRESHED YOUTH PLAN BASED ON MAPPING**

### **1. Narrow the Youth Plan focus to voice, participation, and leadership**

While other strategies may incorporate youth voice and participation into implementation, no other strategy or action plan focuses explicitly on the voice, participation, and leadership of young people.

### **2. Explore a narrowed focus on an older cohort of young people**

From mapping the CYWS, young people (aged 18-24 years), not children, had the fewest number of actions focused on them.

### **3. Ensure the focus of actions align with the needs and priorities of young people**

New actions in a refreshed Youth Plan should address the priorities of young people. Using the mapping exercise findings, new actions can build on existing work and avoid duplication.

### **4. Work collaboratively with other agencies**

There are opportunities to collaborate with agencies that are already engaged with the CYWS, and particular focus could be given to engagement with agencies with few or no named actions.

### **5. Maintain a strong focus on priority cohorts**

While a number of actions under the CYWS work with or focus on one or more of the Youth Plan's identified priority cohorts, a smaller percentage explicitly name these cohorts. A value-add of the Youth Plan could be explicitly naming these cohorts to increase their visibility.

# High-Level Youth Strategy and Action Plan Map

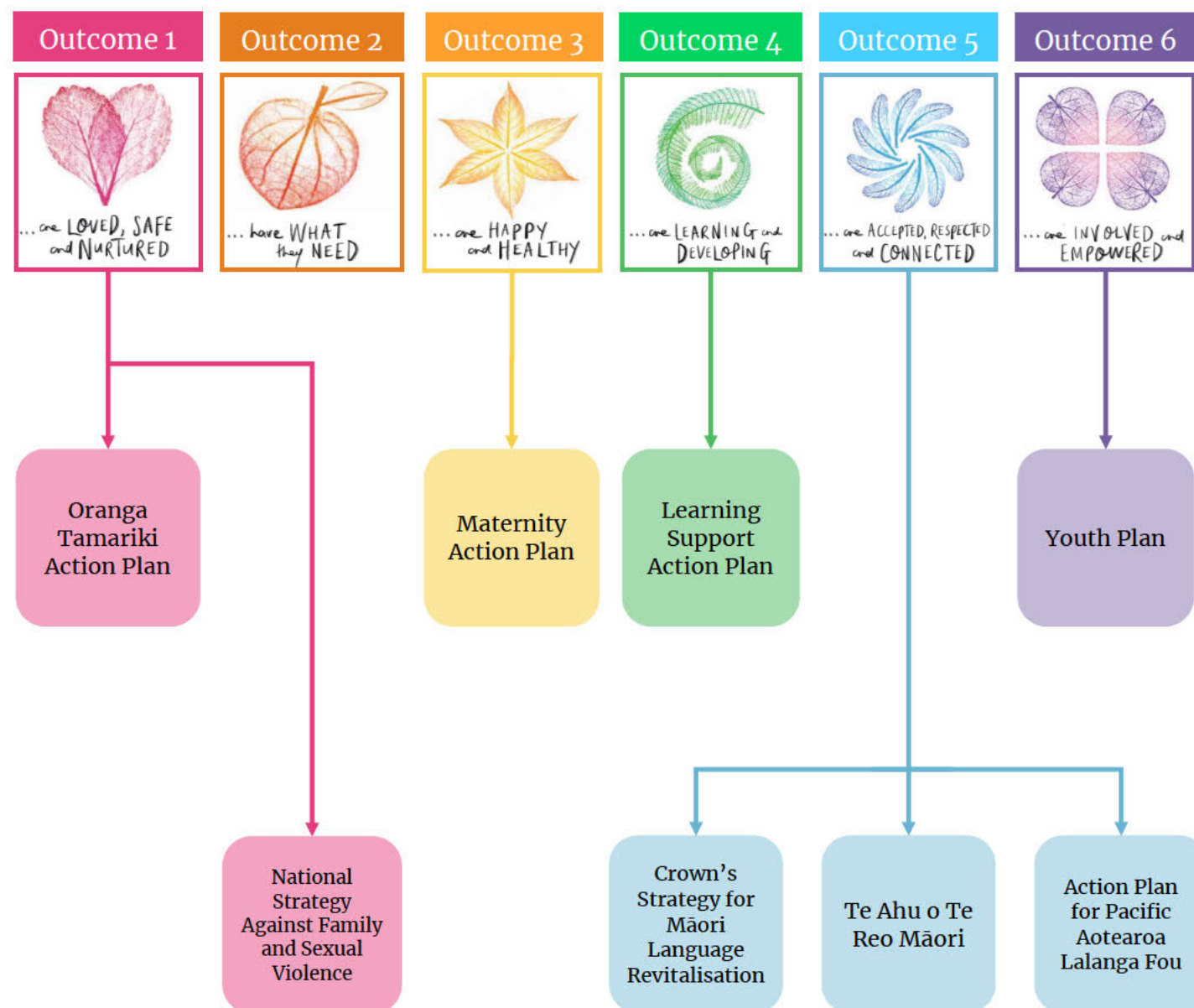
Identified  
Priority  
Areas from  
the Review  
of CYWS

- 1 Reducing child poverty and mitigating the impacts of social-economic disadvantage.
- 2 Enhancing child and whānau wellbeing in the first 1,000 days.
- 3 Addressing racism, discrimination, and stigma.
- 4 Enhancing the mental wellbeing of children and young people.

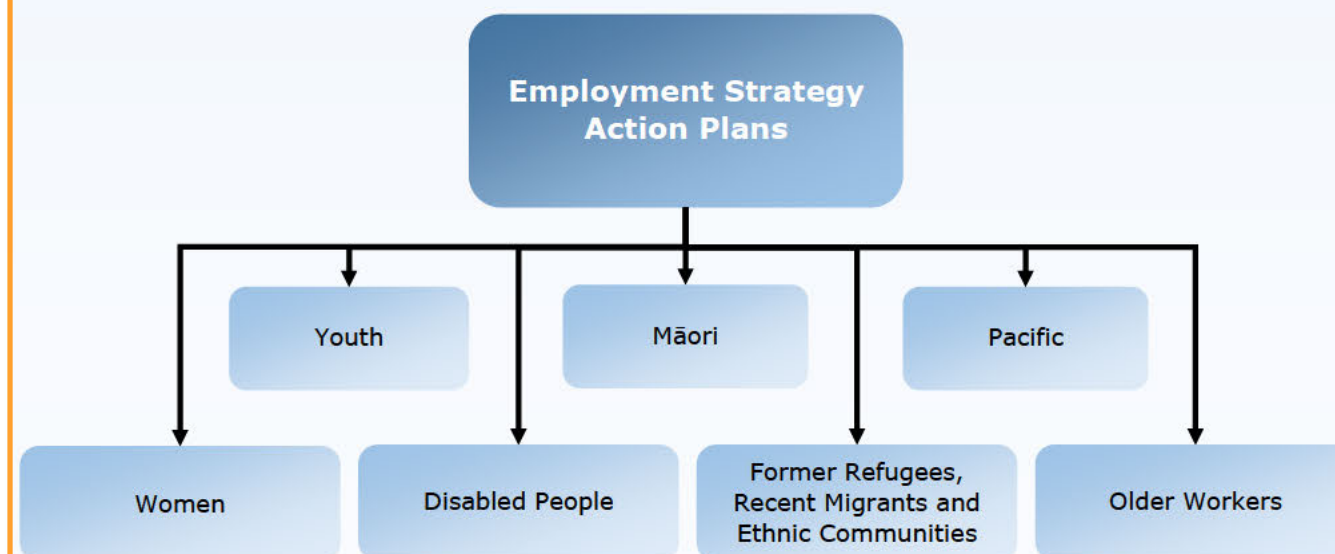


## Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy

Action Plans included in the CYWS Programme of Actions



## Agency Strategies and Cross-Government Plans





CYWS Programme of Action Overview

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actions and supporting actions are included in the CYWS Programme of Actions

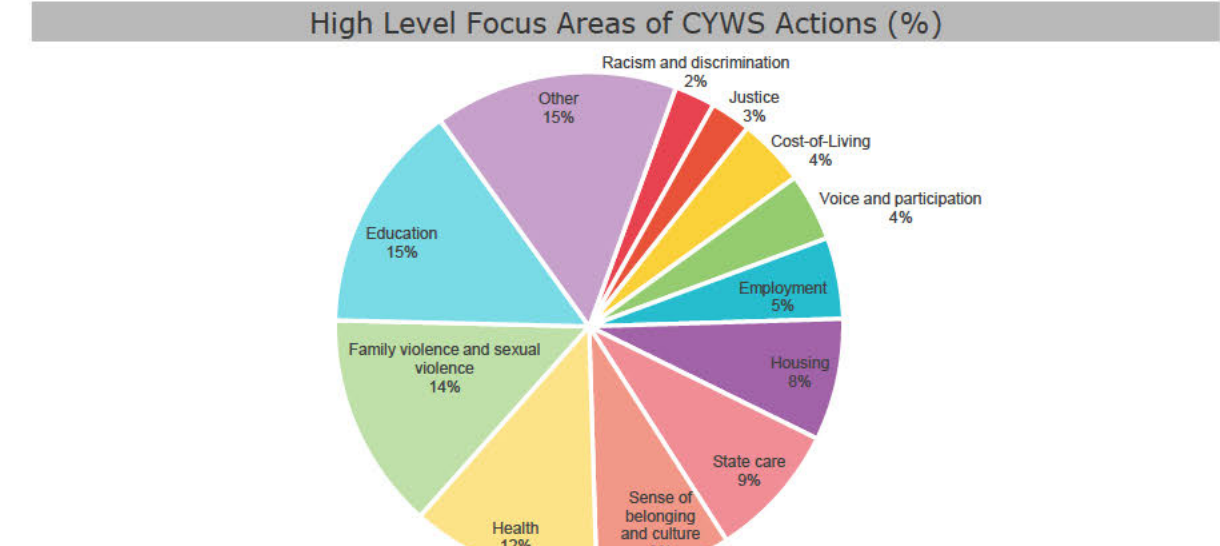
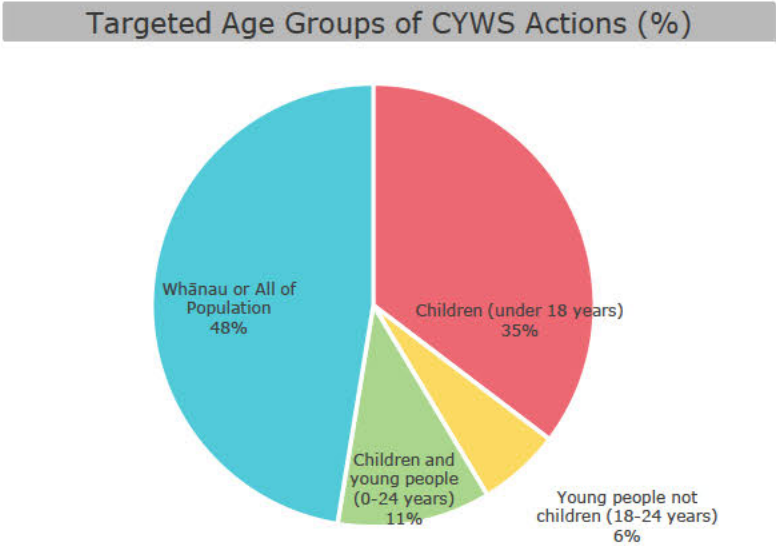
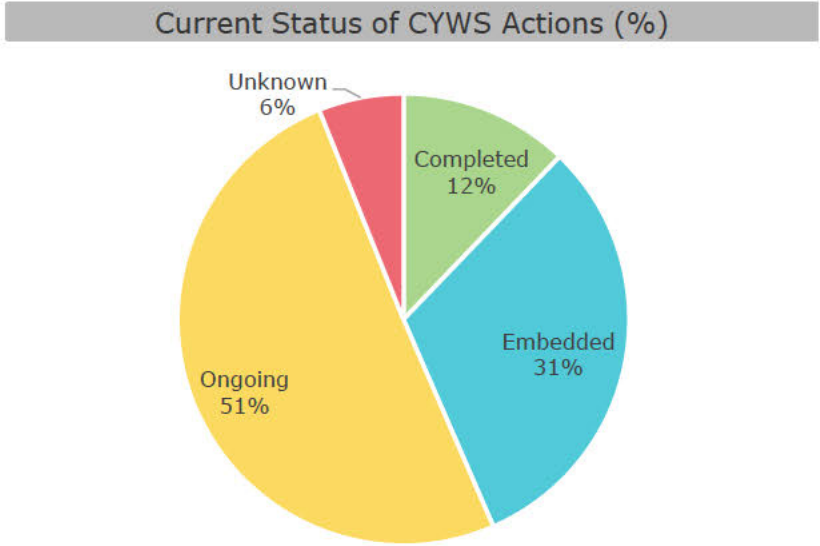
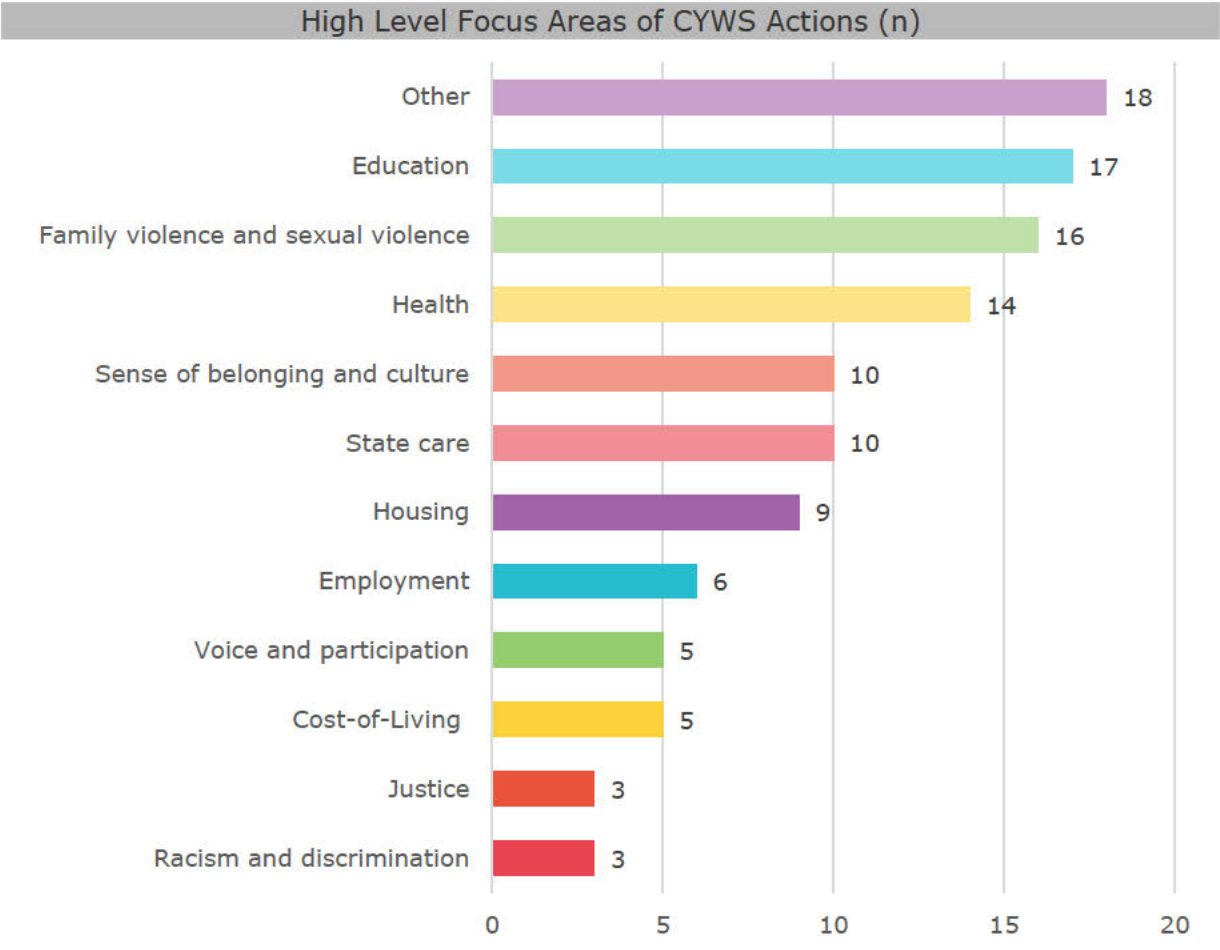
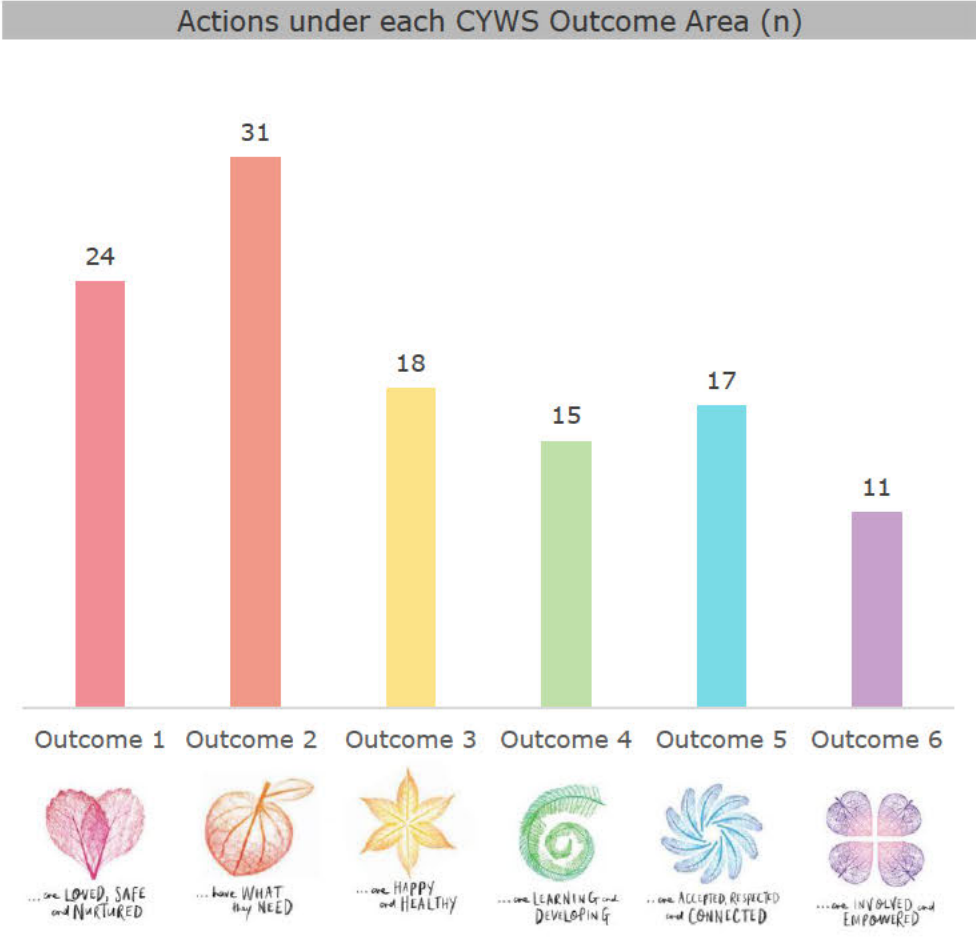
**Outcome Area 6:**

"Children and Young People are Involved and Empowered"

has the **fewest** number of actions listed in the Programme of Actions

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of CYWS actions explicitly focus on youth voice and participation



82%

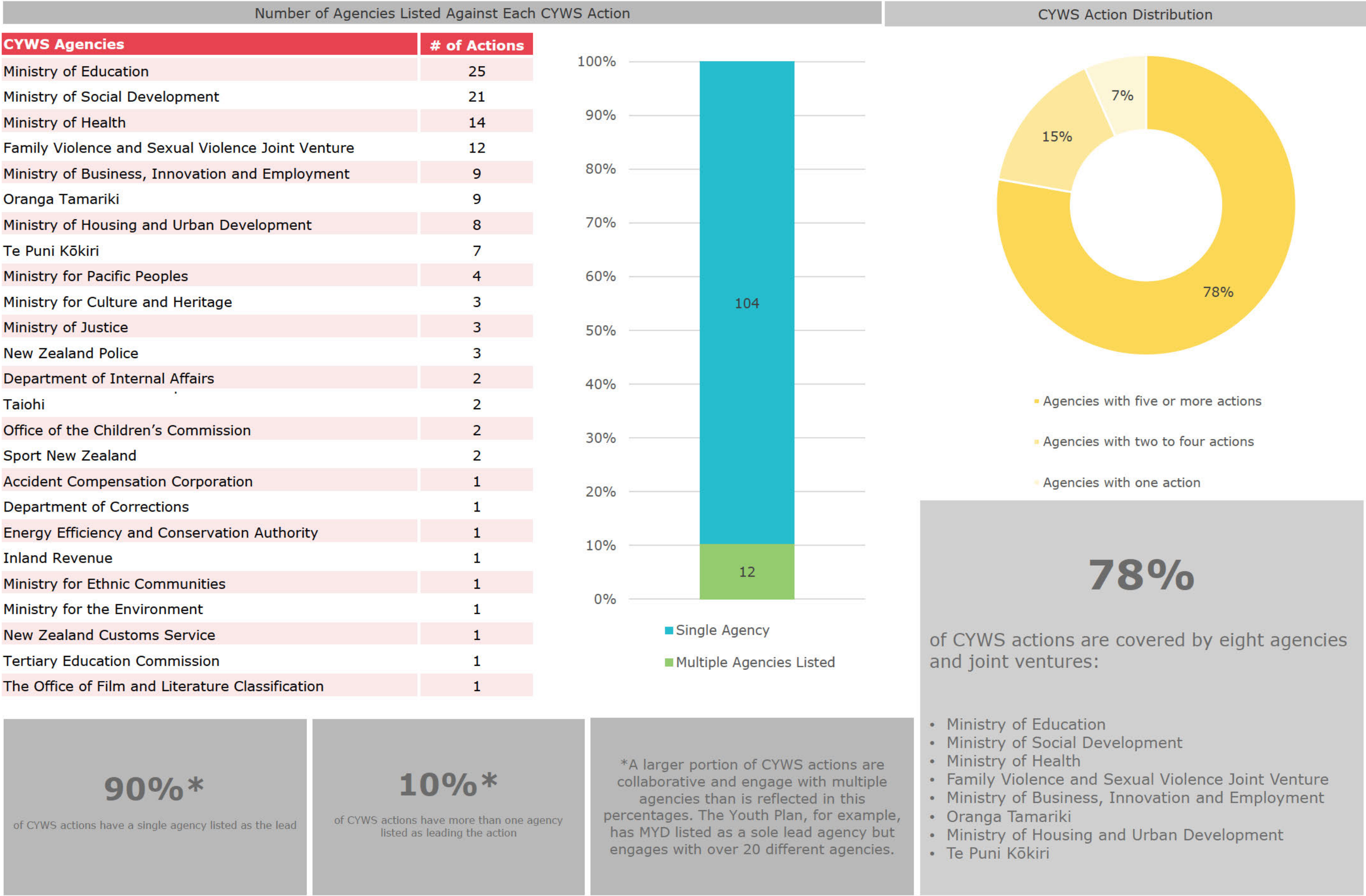
The majority of actions in the CYWS Programme of Actions are either ongoing or embedded as 'business as usual' (BAU) work.

6%

of CYWS actions focus on young people who are not children (18-24 years old).

The CYWS Programme of Actions includes programmes and projects that span a wide range of work areas. For the purpose of the mapping exercise, each action was tagged with one high-level focus area. However, many actions however work within a wide range of areas given the intersectional nature of the aims of the strategy and challenges to the wellbeing of children and young people. The distribution of high level focus areas suggests there could be increased focus on areas of work where fewer current actions exist.

CYWS Programme of Action Overview





## Strategy and Action Plan Mapping Overview Table

Strategy or Action Plan	Directly part of the CYWS Programme of Actions?	Description	Target Group	Age Range (if applicable)	Identified Priority Cohorts (if applicable)	Stakeholders	Overlap with Youth Plan 2020-2022 Focus Areas			
							Voice	Wellbeing	Leadership	Transformative Change
Aotearoa Homelessness Action Plan	No	Central Government-led cross-agency plan developed to prevent and reduce homelessness. Provides an overarching framework and immediate and longer-term goals. Four main areas of action (prevention, supply, support, system enablers). Youth-specific actions include: forming a sub-working group to identify supported accommodation options for youth with complex needs, and supported accommodation options for youth leaving Oranga Tamariki care.	Individuals and whānau who are experiencing, or at risk of, homelessness or accommodation insecurity	0-24 years plus	Māori Young people leaving Oranga Tamariki care 'At risk groups' including: Young people Disabled people Pacific people Rainbow groups	Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (lead), Ministry of Social Development – Manatū Whakahiato Ora, Oranga Tamariki, Manatū Hauora, Department of Corrections, New Zealand Police, Te Puni Kōkiri, Ministry for Pacific Peoples, Kainga Ora.		✓		✓
Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy and Programme of Actions	Yes	All-of-government strategy with six outcome areas. Vision: "Aotearoa New Zealand is the best place in the world for children and young people." Programme of Action includes 75 key actions and 41 supporting actions.	Children, young people, parents, whānau	0-24 years		Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (lead), 25 other government agencies leading or supporting actions	✓	✓	✓	✓
Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy Four Priority Areas (from the review of the CYWS)	Yes	Following the review of the CYWS in 2022, four priority areas were identified and agreed to by Cabinet. These four areas are: (1) Reducing child poverty and mitigating the impacts of socio-economic disadvantage; (2) Enhancing child and whānau wellbeing in the first 1,000 days; (3) Addressing racism, discrimination, and stigma; (4) Enhancing the mental wellbeing of children and young people.	Children, young people, parents, whānau, and communities	0-24 years plus	Children experiencing poverty Children and whānau in the 'first 1,000 days' Māori Pacific people Ethnic communities	Lead agencies of priority areas (Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, Manatū Hauora, Ministry of Justice) and all government agencies engaged in CYWS actions		✓		✓
Manatū Hauora – Kia Manawanui Long-term Mental Wellbeing Pathway	No	Kia Manawanui is the long-term pathway for transforming Aotearoa New Zealand's approach to mental wellbeing. By outlining sequenced actions over the next ten years, Kia Manawanui sets out the direction of change needed to promote, protect, and strengthen mental wellbeing in Aotearoa New Zealand.	All of Aotearoa New Zealand	0-24 years plus		Manatū Hauora		✓		✓
Ministry of Education Curriculum Refresh	No	The Ministry of Education is partnering with the Office of the Children's Commissioner (OCC) to facilitate engagement with ākonga and amplify youth voice throughout the refresh of The New Zealand Curriculum, co-designed by young people, for young people. A nomination process was completed to appoint young people to a Youth Voices Group which will bring together young people aged 15-17 years from diverse communities and experiences to feed into the curriculum refresh process.	Children and young people in education	5-18 years	Pacific young people Rangatahi Māori Disabled young people	Ministry of Education, Office of the Children's Commissioner	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ministry for Environment Mātauranga Whakauka Taiao Environmental Education for Sustainability Strategy 2017-2027	No	Developed by the Ministry for the Environment, Ministry of Education and Department of Conservation to refresh the Government's approach to ensuring young people are equipped with the understanding, skills and motivation needed to address Aotearoa New Zealand's environmental challenges.	Young people/students, schools, teachers	0-24 years plus	Tangata whenua	Ministry for the Environment, Ministry of Education, and Department of Conservation, The New Zealand Association of Environmental Education	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ministry for Pacific People's Strategic Intentions 2023-2027	No	Ministry for Pacific Peoples Strategic Intentions 2023-2027 is a strategic document that identifies four long-term goals shared between government partners and Pacific communities. These goals were shared as part of Lalanga Fou in 2018. The four goals are: 1. Thriving Pacific languages, cultures, and identities. 2. Prosperous Pacific communities. 3. Resilient and healthy Pacific peoples. 4. Confident, thriving, and resilient Pacific young people.	Pacific communities	0-24 years plus	Pacific communities Young people	Ministry for Pacific Peoples	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ministry for Social Development (MSD) – Manatū Whakahiato Ora Māori strategy – Te Pae Tata	No	MSD's Māori strategy, Te Pae Tata, seeks to embed a Māori worldview into the organisation, honour its commitments as a Te Tiriti o Waitangi partner, and prioritise the needs of whānau. It has three guiding principles: 1. Partnership. 2. Protection. 3. Participation.	All of Aotearoa New Zealand	0-24 years plus	Whānau and hapū Māori	Ministry of Social Development – Manatū Whakahiato Ora		✓		✓
Ministry for Social Development (MSD) – Manatū Whakahiato Ora Pacific Prosperity	No	Aim to rejuvenate MSD's delivery and engagement of services for Pacific peoples, families, and communities, so they are safe, thrive and flourish in Aotearoa New Zealand. There are three areas of strategic focus: 1. A positive experience every time. 2. Partnering for greater impact. 3. Supporting long-term social and economic development.	Pacific communities	0-24 years plus	Pacific communities	Ministry of Social Development – Manatū Whakahiato Ora		✓		✓



National Action Plan Against Racism	No	Aim to progressively eliminate racism in all forms. The plan will set concrete steps for the Government to take and provide guidance for communities, businesses, and institutions to support their own solutions.	All of Aotearoa New Zealand	0-24 years plus		Ministry of Justice (Lead), Manatū Hauora (Support)	✓	✓		✓
Office of the Children's Commission Strategic Action Plan	No	Vision for all mokopuna to live their best life - guided by four strategic priorities (education, mental wellbeing, ending family violence, monitoring places of detention). Each priority has specific objectives and key activities for the 12 months ahead.	Children under 18 years, with a particular focus on young people and whānau from disadvantaged backgrounds and involved in the care/youth justice system(s).	0-18 years (however can advocate for youth up to 25 years who have been in care)	Rangatahi Māori Pacific children Rainbow children Disabled children Rural children State care or Youth Justice experienced children	Office of the Children's Commission, Oranga Tamariki, Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Youth Development – Te Manatū Whakahiato Taiohi, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Social Development – Manatū Whakahiato Ora, Te Hīringa Mahara, the community	✓	✓	✓	✓
Oranga Tamariki Action Plan	Yes	The Oranga Tamariki Action Plan is a commitment from government agencies to collaborate and deliver better outcomes for children and young people in Aotearoa with the greatest needs.	Children and young people at risk of, involved with, or with previous involvement with the care and protection and/or youth justice systems.	0-24 years	Māori Pacific people Disability community At-risk young people State care experienced	Oranga Tamariki, New Zealand Police, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Social Development – Manatū Whakahiato Ora, Manatū Hauora, Ministry of Justice, and all agencies engaged with actions in the plan	✓	✓		✓
Sport New Zealand – Active Recreation for Rangatahi Plan 2021-2024	No	The Sport New Zealand Strategic Plan 202-2024 outlines rangatahi as a key focus group for active recreation and sport. The Recreation for Rangatahi Plan aims to reduce drop-off in activity levels of rangatahi from age 12 to 18 years and increase levels of activity for those who are less active.  The plan also aims to shift towards active recreation as a vehicle to youth development using the principles of Mana Taiohi.	Children and young people	12-18 years		Sport New Zealand		✓		✓
Te Aorerekura: National Strategy to Eliminate Family Violence and Sexual Violence	Yes	Te Aorerekura sets a collective pathway for tangata whenua, community specialist sectors, and government to work together to eliminate family violence and sexual violence.	All of Aotearoa New Zealand	0-24 years plus	Tangata whenua Pacific peoples Ethnic communities LGBTQIA+ communities Older people Children and youth Disabled communities Women Wāhine Māori	Joint Venture, Ministry for Justice		✓		✓
Te Hīringa Hauora – Siu Ki Moana: Pacific Health Promotion Action Plan 2022	No	The action plan outlines opportunities to direct what health promotion means for Pacific Peoples in Aotearoa New Zealand. The plan deliberately prioritises young Pacific people as future parents and inheritors of the health system.	Young people	15-24 years	Pacific young people	Te Hīringa Hauora, Te Whatu Ora, Manatū Hauora	✓	✓	✓	✓
Te Puni Kōkiri Strategic Intentions 2020-2024	No	Across three initiatives, TPK seeks to support rangatahi to improve education, training, and employment outcomes (Pae Aronui); support rangatahi to develop resilience, wellbeing, and leadership capability (Rangatahi Manawaroa); and support young Māori on their pathway to training and employment by helping them acquire essential documents like a driver's license and IRD number (Taiohi Araurau - 'Passport to Life').	Rangatahi Māori	10-24 years (Rangatahi Manawaroa)  15-24 years (Pae Aronui and Taiohi Araurau)	Rangatahi Māori	Te Puni Kōkiri	✓	✓	✓	✓
Te Puni Kōkiri Regional Action Plans	No	Regional strategies seek to improve a broad range of outcomes for rangatahi Māori. From wellbeing through to employment and cultural connection. While the overall focus is on rangatahi Māori, each region has some slight variations in its priority cohorts.	Rangatahi Māori  (Varies by region but may include Not Employment, Education, Training (NEET), young māmā, wāhine Māori, rural and isolated Māori, rainbow, disabled).	10-30 years (varies by region from 10-24 years to 12-30 years)	Taiohi Māori NEETs Rural/isolated taiohi Māori Wāhine Māori Taura Māori	Te Puni Kōkiri	✓	✓	✓	✓
Te Whatu Ora Te Pae Tata Interim New Zealand Health Plan 2022	No	The plan sets out foundational actions for transforming the health system to prioritise the needs and experiences of whānau and communities.	All of Aotearoa New Zealand	0-24 years plus		Te Whatu Ora		✓		✓

Youth Crime Action Plan (Expires October 2023)	No	<p>The Youth Crime Action Plan (YCAP) is a ten-year plan to reduce crime by children and young people and help those who offend to turn their lives around. It takes a practical approach to support youth justice services, frontline workers, service providers, and volunteers. Government agencies will work together more closely and partner with Māori, communities, parents, schools, and others to tackle youth crime and the factors that lead to offending.</p> <p>YCAP sets out to make a difference to the children and young people behind the statistics. It aims to stop problems before they develop, deal with young offenders fairly but firmly when necessary, and put systems in place to stop re-offending.</p> <p>The YCAP expires in October 2023.</p>	Children and young people	0-17 years	Children and young people who have offended (justice system, youth justice, Corrections involvement).	Oranga Tamariki, Department of Corrections, New Zealand Police, Manatū Hauora, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Education, Te Puni Kōkiri, Ministry of Social Development – Manatū Whakahiato Ora		✓		
Youth Employment Action Plan	No	One of many population-specific action plans under the Employment Strategy, the Youth Employment Action Plan sets out a programme of actions for government agencies to improve education, training, and employment outcomes for young people.	Young people	15-24 years	Pacific young people Rangatahi Māori Disabled young people Young people with caring responsibilities Young people at risk of continued limited employment Young people who were in the care of the State	Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, Ministry of Social Development – Manatū Whakahiato Ora, Ministry of Education, Te Puni Kōkiri, Ministry for Pacific People, Tertiary Education Commission, Manatū Hauora, Oranga Tamariki		✓	✓	