PUBLIC DATA AGENDA

- Australian Government’s data agenda includes:
  - *Public Sector Data Management Report* (PM&C)
  - Public Data Policy Statement
  - Productivity Commission Inquiry into *Data Availability and Use*
TYPES OF DATA

- **Agency specific data**
  - Unit record, identifiable data accessed by trusted users within agencies
  - Unit record de-identified data accessed by trusted users within agencies and research institutions
  - De-identified data accessed via open data portal by private sector and community

- **Open data**

- **Shared data**

(Commonwealth of Australia, Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, Public Sector Data Management)
Stats Matter Strategy

Building Tasmanian Government Statistical Assets and Capability

**Vision**
Better Government decisions informed by quality data and sound statistical practice for the benefit of all Tasmanians.

**Values**
- **Collaboration** to realise the value of data and statistics in government.
- **Integrity**, accuracy and credibility of our statistical assets through sound, transparent and accountable practices.
- Statistical assets that are relevant to our user's needs.
- Easy access to statistical information for staff.
- Confidentiality of statistical assets to protect privacy.

**Objectives**
- Build a culture that values and requires quality data
  - Government will value and use data confidently, competently and collaboratively to routinely evaluate, inform decisions and drive ongoing improvement.
  - Ensure quality data is easy to find and use
  - Accessible, high quality and relevant statistical and spatial data is available in government for the benefit of all Tasmanians.
- Implement robust governance of data assets
  - Active and sustained governance of critical data assets will support accountability and ensure strategic investment in Government data assets and capability.

**Major Actions**
- Identify and manage critical data assets.
- Establish a toolkit of resources to build data quality and support capability.
- Develop open data and related mechanisms to make sharing and publication of statistical information easier.
- Strengthen collaboration across government to make the best use of statistical information.
- Develop a Tasmanian Government statistical capability framework.
OPEN DATA POLICY

• Emphasis on high-value data (quality rather than quantity)
• Legally open – Creative Commons licencing
• Technically open – formats, machine-readable
• Supports Government’s commitment to transparency and openness
• GovHack – promotion & learning opportunity
DATA SHARING

• Memo to HoAs re: responsible sharing of data
• Data sharing requires:
  - the will, authority and capability to share
• ABS outposting focussing on agency data sharing capability and opportunities
• Safe Homes, Safe Families involvement
• Collaboration with ICSU (DHHS)
• Legislative barriers – real or imagined
DATA EXCHANGE PROTOCOLS

• ‘ADEPT’ – principles:
• Clear roles & responsibilities
• Able to be exchanged
• Privacy, confidentiality, security & IP
• Responsible & transparent exchange