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16 September 2022

Dear [redacted]

Re: Official Information Act request – Advertising Expenditure

Thank you for your email on 11 August in which you requested information under the Official Information Act. Your request was rescoped on 19 August in which you requested:

- *All correspondence and directives between the Minister's office and EECA over the past 12 months related to increasing or decreasing advertising expenditure, or assessing the amount of advertising expenditure, and all correspondence relating to WPQs 27257 (2022) and 27258 (2022).*

The following material falls within scope of your request:

Item	Date	Description	Decision
1	26 November 2021	Email: Minister Woods Office requesting briefing on the Gen Less 'Right Side of History' campaign.	Released in full
2	30 November 2021	Briefing: Gen Less Intervention Logic and Impact Monitoring Includes attachments: - Appendix 1: Gen Less Intervention Logic - Appendix 2: Gen Less 1.0 February 2020 campaign results - Appendix 3: Gen Less 2.0 July 2021 campaign results	Personal contact details withheld under section 9(2)(a)

3	10 December 2021	Email: EECA Fortnightly Report – 10 December 2021 Includes attachments: - 20211210 EECA Fortnightly Report - Gen Less 'Right Side of History' Campaign Measurement Framework (FY21-22)	Personal contact details withheld under section 9(2)(a) Fortnightly Report released in part due to the remainder of the report being out of scope
4	5 August 2022	Email: WPQ – 10 question (s) released to the Minister	Released in full

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- Personal contact details, under section 9(2)(a) – to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request will be published shortly at https://www.eeca.govt.nz/about/news-and-corporate/official-information/ with your personal information removed.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Caseley
EECA Chief Executive

1. Subject: Email: Minister Woods Office requesting briefing on the Gen Less 'Right Side of History' campaign.

From: Mitchell Trezona-Lecomte <Mitchell.Trezona-Lecomte@parliament.govt.nz>
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Cc: Maggie Tapa <Maggie.Tapa@eeca.govt.nz>; Mitchell Trezona-lecomte <Mitchell.Trezona-lecomte@eeca.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: Gen Less 'Right Side of History' campaign

Hi Andrew, Murray, Jesse

As discussed, see below the email from Mitch Keast, on the Minister's behalf, to me regarding the Gen Less 'Right Side of History' campaign. Maggie – FYI, as I understand you are holding pen on the briefing.

Let me know if you'd like me to forward to Jo (although it may be better to discuss with her prior?)?

Jesse, I'll catch you Monday morning for a quick chat.

Mitch said to call him if we have any questions, but I think it's all consistent with the discussion earlier this week.

Cheers
Mitch

Mitchell Trezona-Lecomte

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From: Mitch Keast
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To: Mitchell Trezona-Lecomte <Mitchell.Trezona-Lecomte@parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: Gen Less 'Right Side of History' campaign

Kia ora Mitch,

The Minister has asked me to contact you to request more information from EECA regarding the Gen Less 'Right Side of History' campaign. While the Minister acknowledges EECA's obligations to motivate people to make clean energy choices and respects EECA's independence when making campaign decisions, she is clear that agencies must ensure they are getting value for money when spending taxpayer and levy payer funds.

With that in mind, can you please provide the Minister with a written briefing, outlining information about the measures EECA uses to ensure the effectiveness and success of campaigns like this? How will the different aspects of this campaign motivate New Zealanders to make clean energy choices? How does this spending compare to previous spending by EECA on advertising campaigns?

I understand EECA will compile information about campaign metrics ahead of EECA's Board meeting on 21 December – can you please make these available to the Minister as soon as they're available?

Once again, while EECA makes campaign decisions independently of the Minister and Government, the Minister would appreciate further reassurance from EECA that their campaigns are providing value for money.

Thanks,
Mitch

Mitch Keast | **Ministerial Advisor**
Office of Hon Dr Megan Woods
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2. Subject: Briefing: Gen Less Intervention Logic and Impact Monitoring

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Subject: Briefing - Gen Less Intervention Logic and Impact Monitoring

Hi Mitch/Marissa

Please see the attached EECA briefing: 'Gen Less Intervention Logic and Impact Monitoring', as per the Ministers request

Ngā mihi,

Maggie Tapa
Kaitohutohu – Advisor, Policy & Engagement

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Ministerial Briefing

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To	**Hon Dr Megan Woods** **MINISTER OF ENERGY AND RESOURCES**		
Title of briefing	**Gen Less Intervention Logic and Impact Monitoring**		
Date	**30/11/2021**		
EECA reference number	EECA 2021 BRF 023	Response required by:	1 December 2021
EECA priority	Routine		
Consultation			
Attachments	Appendix 1: Gen Less Intervention Logic Appendix 2: Gen Less 1.0 February 2020 campaign results Appendix 3: Gen Less 2.0 July 2021 campaign results		

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Purpose

1. The purpose of this briefing is to provide you with an overview of EECA's Gen Less programme, including the programmes rationale and how the programme's impact will be assessed.

Key messages

- A key part of EECA's statutory function is to promote public awareness of the importance of energy efficiency, conservation, and the use of renewable sources of energy.
- EECA research shows that while New Zealanders generally believe in climate change, they struggle to identify the actions they can take to reduce the impact of their energy use.
- The Gen Less programme was established to address this need. While, as previously, EECA continues to provide specific action-focused advice, the Gen Less programme links this with a wider message about energy-related emissions and the need for action across the economy to address them.
- The Gen Less 1.0 and 2.0 campaigns, which spent $1.66 million and $2.66 million respectively, proved successful in engaging New Zealanders on energy related climate change matters and encouraged individuals to change their behaviour.
- The *Gen Less 3.0: Right Side of History* (Gen Less 3.0) campaign launched last month and has a budget of $2.44 million. This is in line with previous budget allocations for Gen Less energy emission reductions campaigns, and the previous year's actual spend.
- The two-part campaign will run for 12 months and is now transitioning into the campaigns second 'response' phase, which will showcase the actions underway by New Zealanders and organisations in order to inspire individuals and businesses to take further action.
- EECA believes this is a modest investment given the scale of the task and its potentially significant impact.
- EECA is currently finalising the campaign impact metrics for Gen Less 3.0 and will provide these to you before the end of the year. These will enable EECA to provide on-going updates to you and the EECA Board on the Gen Less 3.0 campaign's performance.

Recommended actions

1. **Note** that we will provide you with the final campaign metrics for Gen Less 3.0: Right side of History campaign by the end of 2021
2. **Note** that we will provide regular updates on Gen Less 3.0 performance as the campaign progresses
3. **Agree** to discuss the contents of this briefing with officials on 1 December 2021

Agree / Disagree

Andrew Caseley
CHIEF EXECUTIVE
30 / 11 / 21

Hon Dr Megan Woods
MINISTER OF ENERGY AND RESOURCES
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Background

1. A key part of EECA's statutory role is to promote public awareness of the importance of energy efficiency, conservation, and the use of renewable sources of energy. EECA has always run public campaigns to engage and inform the public on these issues.

2. Following the conclusion of EECA's successful Energy Spot campaign, in 2018, EECA shifted its communications approach in response to growing Government priorities and public attention on climate change. While continuing to provide simple household and business energy tips, it also introduced higher-level messaging to link energy use with the climate change challenge. This formed part of EECA's strategy to *'mobilise New Zealanders to be world leaders in clean and clever energy use'*.

Rationale for Gen Less

3. In 2019 EECA commissioned the TRA insights agency to undertake market research to better understand New Zealander's attitudes towards climate change and energy use. The research revealed that:

   a. The vast majority of New Zealander's do not need convincing around climate change science;

   b. The current climate discourse is confusing, overwhelming, and negative which often overwhelms people rather than increasing salience;

   c. Climate change discussions are often future oriented, which implies that actions can be delayed, despite the science asserting the need for urgency;

   d. Most people agree that lifestyle changes will need to occur, but many of these provide co-benefits in health and wellbeing (which can offer more immediate and comprehensible benefits); and

   e. People do not understand the links between energy and climate change well, and do not associate transport with energy.

4. This last insight showed that while people accept climate change is happening, there is a critical need to provide New Zealanders with clear messaging that enables individuals, households, and businesses to reconsider how they consume energy and provide tangible actions they can take to reduce their emissions.

5. The full intervention logic for Gen Less is included in **Appendix One.**

Gen Less programme overview

6. The Gen Less programme was established to engage and inform New Zealanders on how their energy use relates to climate change, using public campaigns to achieve emissions reductions by improving energy use or the source of energy throughout all levels of society more effectively.

7. As detailed in the intervention logic, the key outcomes of Gen Less in the near to medium term are:

    a. New Zealanders are motivated to act, and are empowered the transition can be achieved;

    b. New Zealanders are able to access information on reducing their energy-use, and are willing to participate in change;

    c. New Zealanders see and recognise Gen less and make this link with government action and people are more comfortable with system-level change to reduce emissions.

8. Eight Gen Less campaigns have been launched to date. The most prominent were the *Gen Less 1.0: Live More with Less Energy*, *Gen Less 2.0: Say No to Wasted Energy*, and *Gen Less 3.0: Right Side of History* campaigns. Details on campaign performance and spend are outlined below.

Monitoring and evaluation of Gen Less

9. EECA develops core metrics and success factors for every Gen Less campaign. This helps EECA ensure its campaigns are aligned to the programme's intervention logic, that they represent value-for-money, and that they are successfully contributing to EECA's wider SPE and SOI outcomes.

10. The performance of EECA's campaigns is tracked through on-going market research. This data is collected through EECA's two research monitors, administered by the TRA:

    a. **The consumer monitor,** which samples 250 New Zealanders over 18 every month, and 750 per quarter; and

    b. **The business monitor**, which surveys a representative selection of New Zealand businesses, sampling between 500 and 600 business decision-makers every six months.

11. This research helps EECA gauge whether the campaigns have helped New Zealanders better understand the issues raised, and whether they have prompted action. EECA also

undertakes media analysis to understand how New Zealanders engaged with Gen Less content across platforms.

12. These insights are key to ensuring success of the Gen Less programme, by helping EECA understand how to maximise engagement and return on investment, while ensuring campaigns align with the attitudes of New Zealanders and are designed in a way that best encourages action.

Gen Less programme to date

Gen Less 1.0: Live More with Less Energy

13. *Gen Less 1.0: Live more with less energy* ran from September to November 2019 which focused on building urgency for climate change and helping individuals with actions to reduce individual carbon footprints.

14. This campaign had a total spend of $1.66M and had television, digital, out of home, print, PR, and paid media components.

15. EECA's insights showed that this campaign was well-received and contributed to a growth in public engagement and action on climate change, despite having a short time on the market. TRA insights showed that after seeing Gen Less content:

    a. 46% of New Zealanders and 57% of businesses agreed that using less energy is something they wanted to do;

    b. 23% of New Zealanders stated they began using electricity more efficiently at home; and

    c. 17% of New Zealanders looked for more information on climate change.

16. The full campaign results from TRA are included in **Appendix Two.**

Gen Less 2.0: Say No to Wasted Energy

17. *Gen Less 2.0 Live more with less energy* ran from October 2020 until August 2021. The campaign showed consumers how reducing energy-related emissions can be achieved by letting go of things we don't love (e.g. being stuck in traffic).

18. This campaign had a total spend of $2.66M and had digital, television and radio components. TRA insights showed that after seeing Gen Less content:

    a. The campaign resonated more strongly with New Zealanders compared with Gen Less 1.0, as likeability was at 52% compared with 44% from Gen Less 1.0.

b. 40% of online viewers, and 31% of offline viewers considered things they would stop doing to reduce emissions, which they'd rather not be doing in the first place; and

c. 36% of online viewers, and 14% of offline viewers looked for more information on climate change.

19. EECA's latest TRA insights on Gen Less 2.0 is included in **Appendix Three.**

Gen Less 3.0: Right Side of History

20. The *Gen Less 3.0: Right Side of History* campaign launched in October 2021 and will run until September 2022. This campaign is based on the idea that the current generation has a significant role in reducing the long-term impacts of climate change, and that urgent action across businesses, government, communities and individuals is needed.

21. The budget for this campaign is $2.4 million, which is in line with the 2020/21 budget allocation for Gen Less energy emission reduction campaigns, and what was planned for 2019/20 (which was cut short due to COVID-19).

22. The two-part campaign will run for 12 months, and will include television, digital, out of home, social and paid media components to ensure longevity and to maximise return on investment.

23. The first part 'the challenge' is currently airing and aims to challenge New Zealanders to raise themselves out of complacency when it comes to climate change. We are now transitioning into the campaigns second 'response' phase, which will showcase the work underway by New Zealanders and organisations who are already contributing to climate mitigation. We expect this to have a significant impact in terms of inspiring individuals and businesses to take action and will provide options for them to do so.

24. The investment in Gen Less 3.0 is reflective of the task Gen Less is seeking to address: engaging and encouraging business and consumers to take meaningful energy-related behaviour changes across all aspects of the economy from transport fleets, factories, schools and shop floors all within a few years. This is particularly important given the resurgence of COVID-19 in the latter part of this year, and the pivotal moment we are at in terms of re-engaging New Zealanders on climate change matters.

25. EECA will undertake analysis following the campaigns completion to assess how the campaign performed in its entirety.

Next steps

26. EECA is currently finalising the metrics for Gen Less 3.0, which we will provide to you by the end of 2021. We will then provide you with on-going updates on Gen Less 3.0 campaign performance as the campaign progresses.

27. EECA welcomes the opportunity to discuss this briefing with you at its next meeting with you on 1 December.

Item 2 attachment: Appendix 1: Gen Less Intervention Logic

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Gen Less general intervention logic - updated version 12 February 2020

INTERVENTION LOGIC

Problem Definition
While the majority of people agree on the fact that climate change is an issue, this belief does not translate into substantial system changes required.
Programme aim : The Gen Less programme aims to create a 'fertile ground' for system level change (emissions reduction by improvement of energy use).

Assumptions
- EECA's focus is on energy-related greenhouse gas emissions
- Gen Less aims to be a positive campaign that focuses on activities the public and businesses can take; however, it will also cover the developments in the understanding of the science and challenges of climate change.

Gen Less principles

What define Gen Less? Set of principles:
1. This is not only about information, it's about changing beliefs and behaviours.
2. Inspire people to take action to change their attitude. Not the other way around.
3. Make the transition desirable. Show what is achievable.
4. Now!
5. Connect and elevate: Explain links between Energy, Climate changes and way of life, and elevate to an emotional level (hearts and minds).
6. It needs to have a link with energy.

- Why? Connect + Elevate issue
- How? What is possible?
- What can/should I do?
- Inform (authority source)

What barriers and constraints can be addressed by Gen Less?
- Information
- Decision
- Prioritisation

INPUTS
Resource going into the programme

Resource going into the programme

Breakdown of funding.
To be completed by sub-programme/campaign

Breakdown of resourcing.
To be completed by sub-programme/campaign

Advocacy across businesses
EECA messaging in engagement with businesses, and Gen Less messaging, are consistent.

ACTIVITIES
Events or processes to meet needs

Events or processes to meet needs

Priority/focus setting
EECA select where the Gen Less approach will be applied. It can be a specific public (SMEs) or a focus area (transport).

Research and knowledge
EECA prepares and procures research and evidence to inform our understanding and input on issues relevant to Gen Less.

Communications campaign
Getting out the Gen Less message through advertising / partner advertising / events and sponsorship / PR / earned media / social media

Leveraging cross government actions
GE inform CE about coming government initiatives.

Advocacy across government
EECA messaging in engagement and input to other department's work, and Gen Less messaging, are consistent.

Monitoring and evaluation
surveys/analysis.

OUTPUTS
Units of service delivered to stakeholders

Units of service delivered to stakeholders

Messaging people can relate to, about why it is important to act, now. Connect energy, emissions and behaviour, and elevate the issue (hearts and minds).

Stories that show vision, momentum and progress.

Digestible, practical and targeted information on what is possible, and how the transition can be made.

Gen Less messaging is consistent with work being done across government and is reflected in policies/programmes being developed by other departments/Ministers.

Ongoing monitoring of programme reach as well as regular TRA surveys to understand impact.
Launch review Feb 2020

SHORT-TERM OUTCOMES
Outputs will result in...

Changes in knowledge, awareness, convenience, motivation etc.

The public and businesses are motivated to act

New Zealanders feel empowered and confident that they can achieve the transition

The public and businesses are able to easily access the information they need to take action to reduce energy use and emissions

Where relevant, people are able to link Gen Less messaging with work/consultation being undertaken by government agencies (i.e. people more engaged) => Opportunity to give their views / Access to relevant government offers.

EECA and stakeholders can track the progress and impact of the Gen Less programme (particularly compared to the original TRA survey).

People recognise and connect with Gen Less

MED-TERM OUTCOMES
If short-term outcomes are achieved then...

Changes in behaviour, actions, practices, decisions or policies

Create a fertile ground for system level change

Behaviours and priorities shift starts to happen

New Zealanders are more willing to participate in change

More businesses are willing to participate or are actively participating in change

More people are comfortable with institution-led system change

Gen Less brand value is recognised and various stakeholders put resources in spreading the Gen Less messaging.

LONG-TERM OUTCOMES
The ultimate goal

Environmental, social, or economic changes (benefits)

People accept essential changes to the way they live and demand change to a low emission economy and society/ sustainable energy system that supports prosperity of current and future generations

Organisations make a priority of the energy transition, and invest in changes to their operations.

Policies and regulation are implemented, with the level of ambitions required to achieve the targets, on time.

Gen Less become not solely dependent from EECA's financial support.

SYSTEM OUTCOMES
What we are contributing to

- Business emissions are reducing
- Residential emissions are reducing
- Transport emissions are reducing

Businesses provide products and services needed to facilitate the transition to a low emission economy and society.

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Insights Deep Dive

From the consumer and business monitors

EECA

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Agenda

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Bringing it all together

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The Cultural Context

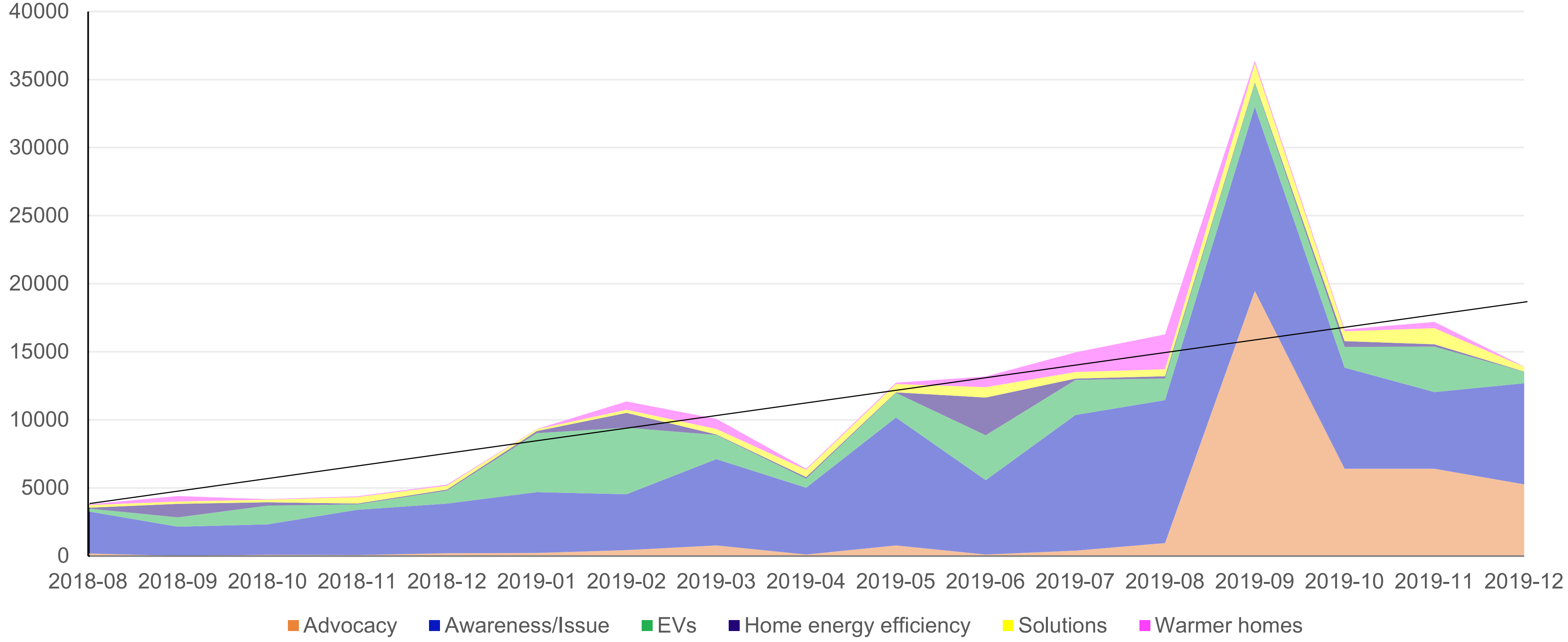
Hearts and Minds

There's a changing environment around climate change into which Gen Less has been launched

Cultural Overlay

Cultural Overlay

Tracking the number of media stories and social media conversations happening on climate change related topics.



Steady growth in the conversations people are having, especially around Advocacy.

Source: EECA Cultural Overlay.

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The recent spike in advocacy has centred around Greta Thunberg

There has been significant amount of discussion, with reactions mixed.

Cultural Overlay

September 2019

'Be a good girl, shut up' - Top Gear's Jeremy Clarkson unleashes on Greta Thunberg
(likes:11141 comments:2518 shares:1354)

Mike Hosking: Hyperbole and hot air - Greta Thunberg will grow into a Jacinda Ardern
(likes:2504 comments:1328 shares:171)

Opinion: Why white, middle-aged men are so angry with Greta Thunberg
(likes:1225 comments:492 shares:99)

Teenage climate change activist Greta Thunberg had one question for the global leaders assembled at the United Nations: "How dare you?"
(likes:7591 comments:1319 shares:791)

"This girl is amazing!! Her first original speech made me rethink about the way we live and how it impacts our planet. Our family has made small changes to reduce our impacts on the environment after listening to Gretas intelligent words."

"We need more of her, not quiet folk with their heads in the sand or even worse, those who see the train coming yet still say it doesn't exist. More power to her!"

"Sorry I can not take her seriously shes been brainwashed and is a puppet for a part of society that just stamp there feet and blame everyone."

Source: EECA Cultural Overlay Engine

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earts and Minds

We are slowly growing our more available segments

Segments - % of New Zealand

	Apr-Jun 19	Jul-Sep 19	Oct-Dec 19
The Willing	18%	19%	21%
The Busy	17%	20%	25%
The Self Interested	23%	21%	18%
The Complacent	22%	23%	20%
The Unconvinced	19%	18%	17%

This can be considered a positive movement, as The Busy segment is the group next most open to change after The Willing.

And in general people feel that they are taking more sustainable actions

This in turn can build into more actions. Reinforcing collectively what everyone is doing, and that norms are changing will be important.

Actions taken regularly

	Q2’ FY20	VS Q4’ FY19
Reducing the amount of electricity used in home	72%	+3%
Reducing waste	70%	+3%
Using electricity or wood for heating instead of gas	66%	+0%
Consider energy efficiency when buying whiteware / appliances	65%	-0%
Choosing energy efficient lights	65%	+2%
Choosing energy efficient appliances	64%	+1%
Using sustainable materials when building / renovating	44%	+6%
Driving less (in a petrol / diesel powered car)	34%	+10%
Reducing air travel	33%	+5%
Buying products with a low carbon footprint	32%	+5%
Considered carbon footprint when buying products	27%	+5%
Reducing intake of meat and other animal products	26%	+4%
Using EVs / Hybrid Vehicles instead of petrol / diesel vehicles	20%	+7%

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IMPLICATION

The tide is continuing to turn

Gen Less has been launched into an atmosphere where New Zealanders are becoming increasingly open to conversations and actions around reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

We need to continue to harness this advantage.

The Gen Less Campaign

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Gen Less – What is it?

Gen Less is the public facing expression of EECA's ethos – the idea that using less harmful energy will enable us to get more out of life.

It's how we express the idea of less is more to New Zealanders, and how we'll inspire them to reduce their harmful energy related greenhouse gas emissions.

The Gen Less campaign launched on 21 September during the opening of the Rugby World Cup, and has been released across a number of different platforms.

The campaign has initially targeted the hearts and minds of everyday New Zealanders.

It will continue to evolve with messaging specific to EVs, home energy and businesses.

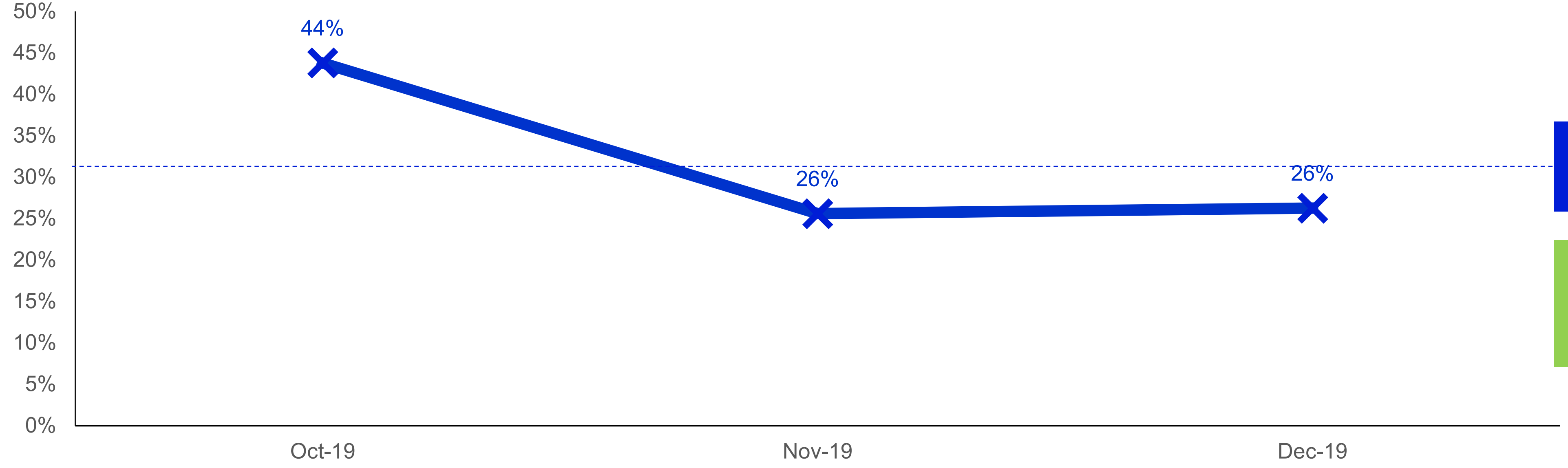
The campaign has moved into the 'what' phase with LED's.

Campaigns

Recognition of the campaign has been high, especially at launch

This will need reinforcing over time if we can to continue to build momentum. The 'why' as well as the 'what'.

Gen Less - Recognition



Target: 31% at any point in campaign

Recall = 26% for businesses in November 2019

__GENLESS_RECALL.__ Had you seen any of this material, or something similar? __Base:__ Total sample n=789 New Zealanders; n=515 Businesses.

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Likeability is also high, and people are on board with wanting to use less energy

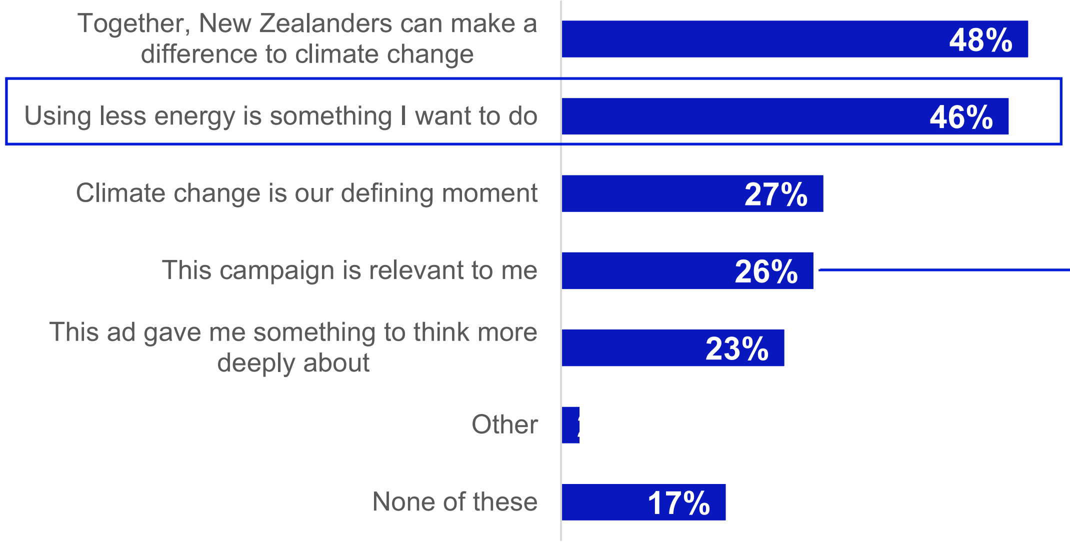
Campaigns

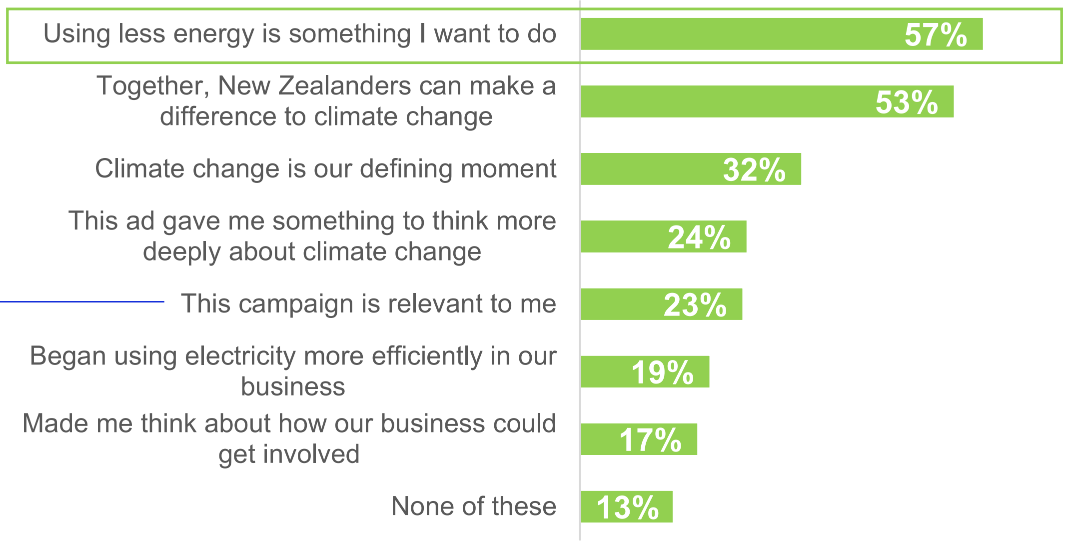
We need to continue to build relevance.

Gen Less – Likeability

	New Zealanders	Businesses
	45%	41%

Gen Less – Message Outtake





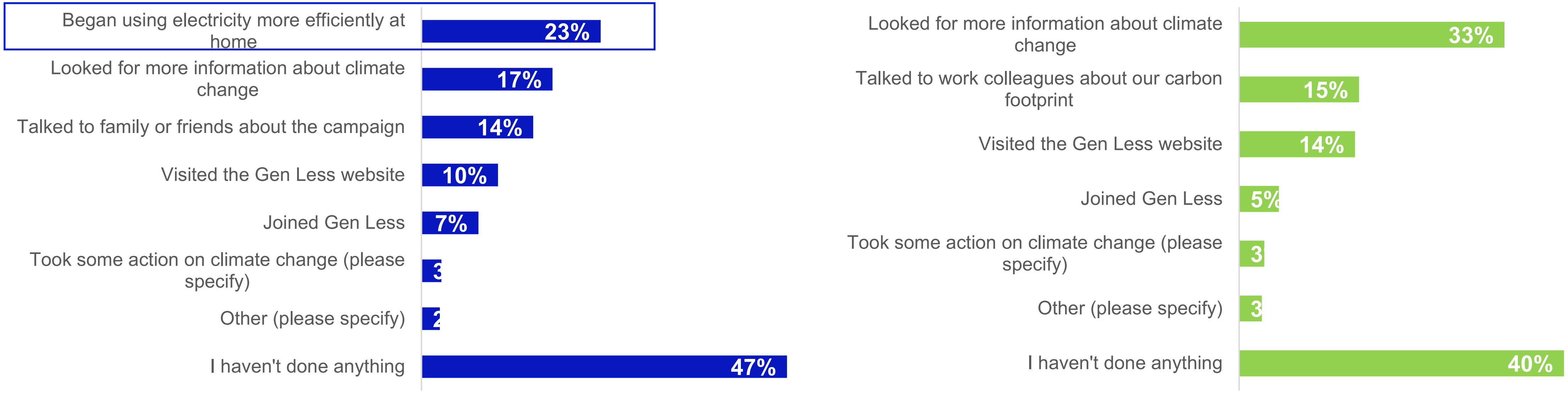
We need to also continue to build relevance through individual actions.

GENLESS_LIKE. *You answered earlier that you saw some of the images and/or the Gen Less campaign before today. How much do you like what you saw?*
GENLESS_PROMPT: *Which of these statements do you agree with after seeing the advertising?* ***Base:*** *Those who have seen any advertising n=311 New Zealanders; n=271 Businesses.*

Campaigns

And nearly a quarter say they've started using less energy as a result – how can we keep up this momentum?

Gen Less – Actions Taken



*GENLESS_ACTION. As a result from seeing this advertising campaign, I ... **Base:** Those who have seen any advertising n=311 New Zealanders; n=271 Businesses.*

Campaigns

The campaign has resonated more with some groups in particular

Younger audiences, Aucklanders, and The Busy overindex on recognition and likeability. The Willing overindex on our key message outtakes.

	Total	18 - 39 years	40 - 49 years	50 years or older	Auckland	Other	The Willing	The Busy	The Self Interested	The Complacent	The Unconvinced	NZ European	Maori / Pasifika	Asian
RECOGNITION	31%													
LIKING	45%													
MESSAGE OUTTAKE														
Together, New Zealanders can make a difference to climate change	48%													
Climate change is our defining moment	27%													
Using less energy is something I want to do	46%													
This ad gave me something to think more deeply about climate change	23%													
This campaign is relevant to me	26%													
ACTION														
Visited the Gen Less website	10%													
Joined Gen Less	7%													
Talked to family or friends about the campaign	14%													
Looked for more information about climate change	17%													
Began using electricity more efficiently at home	23%													
Took some action on climate change	3%													

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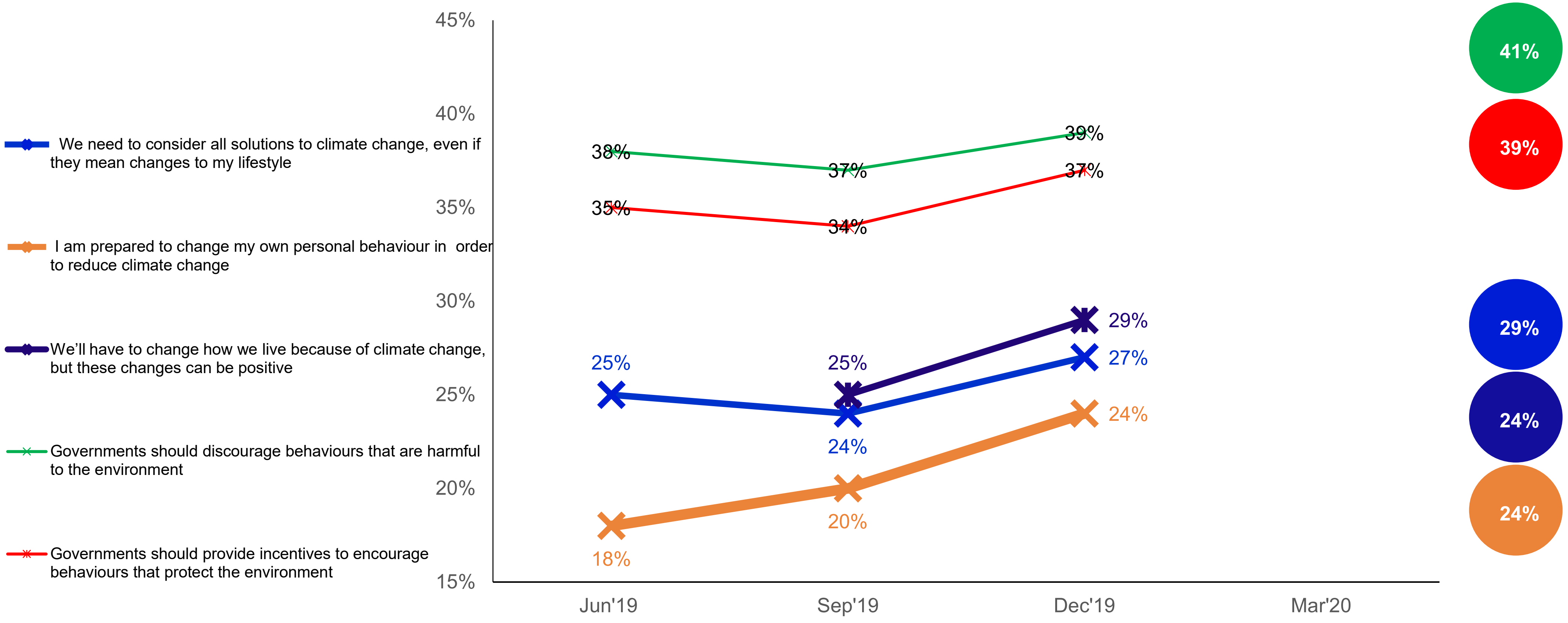
Campaigns

Context and the campaign are starting to create a more fertile landscape for action

Gen Less Outcome Metrics – New Zealanders



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Evidence of campaign performance is seen in differences between those who have seen the campaign and those who haven’t

	Total	Seen Gen Less	Haven’t seen Gen Less
Governments should discourage behaviours that are harmful to the environment	39%	43%	36%
Governments should provide incentives to encourage behaviours that protect the environment	37%	42%	33%
We need to consider all solutions to climate change, even if they mean changes to my lifestyle	27%	35%	21%
I am prepared to change my own personal behaviour in order to reduce climate change	24%	32%	18%
We’ll have to change how we live because of climate change, but they can be positive changes	29%	37%	23%

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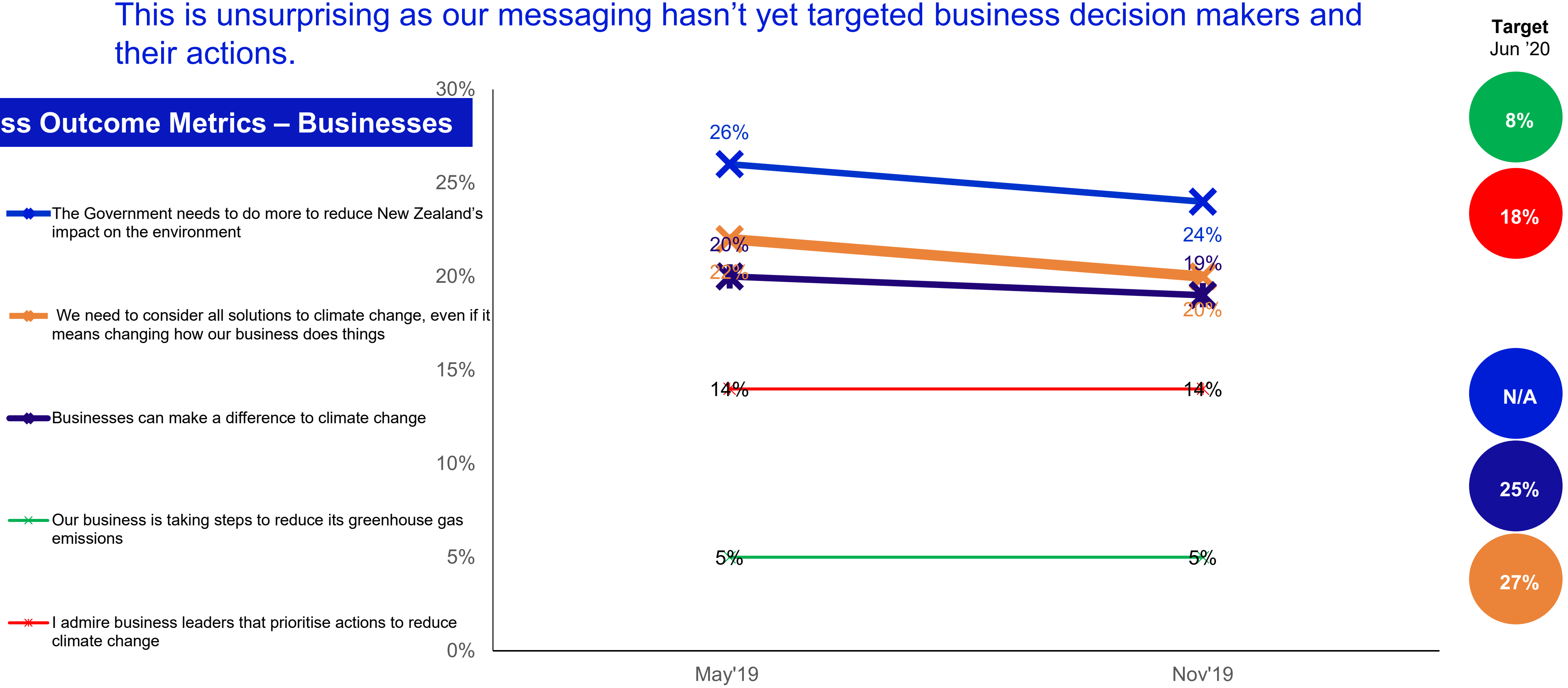
Campaigns

No movement is seen yet among businesses

This is unsurprising as our messaging hasn't yet targeted business decision makers and their actions.

Gen Less Outcome Metrics – Businesses



*The Government needs to do more to reduce New Zealand's impact on the environment (Strongly Agree). We need to consider all solutions to climate change, even if it means changing how our business does things (Strongly Agree). Businesses can make a difference to climate change (Strongly Agree). Our business is taking steps to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions (Strongly Agree). I admire business leaders that prioritise actions to reduce climate change (Strongly Agree). **Base:** Total Sample - n=515 Businesses.*

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While the campaign has cut through, we can build stronger connection and associations with the Gen Less 'brand'

It is important that in addition to the primary goal of each of our comms, that they also serve to build long term brand equity.

This will give us a head-start in future communications if people already like the brand and know what it stands for.

This way each time people see the brand in the future it will get them thinking in the way we want them to, rather than the impact being limited to seeing a full advertisement.

12%
Recognise the name
(9% of businesses)

4%
Recognise the logo
(3% of businesses)

25%
Have seen others use similar logos
(24% of businesses)

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IMPLICATION

The Gen Less campaign has seen a positive initial response

People are largely indicating that they like the campaign.

In response, they're seeking out more information about reducing emissions, and some are even beginning to take actions.

And importantly, we've seen slight movements in our outcome metrics.

These will need to be continually reinforced. We also need to build momentum by rewarding people for their actions.

Segments will respond differently to the campaign depending on their level of commitment – The Willing are already onboard, whereas a changing landscape means new segments are continually coming into 'the why' of the campaign.

IMPLICATION

There are also clues for how to maximise impact moving forward

The campaign itself has been well recognised – however we can still do more work to build awareness of, and associations with, the Gen Less concept and symbol. If people know what these stand for, they can serve as assets that already hold value for us in future communications. Building partnerships is critical here.

While business decision makers have reacted to the campaign in a similar positive manner as regular New Zealanders, this hasn't yet . Channelling the positive momentum of the campaign (and of wider cultural discourse) into thinking about how I run a business will be key over the coming months.

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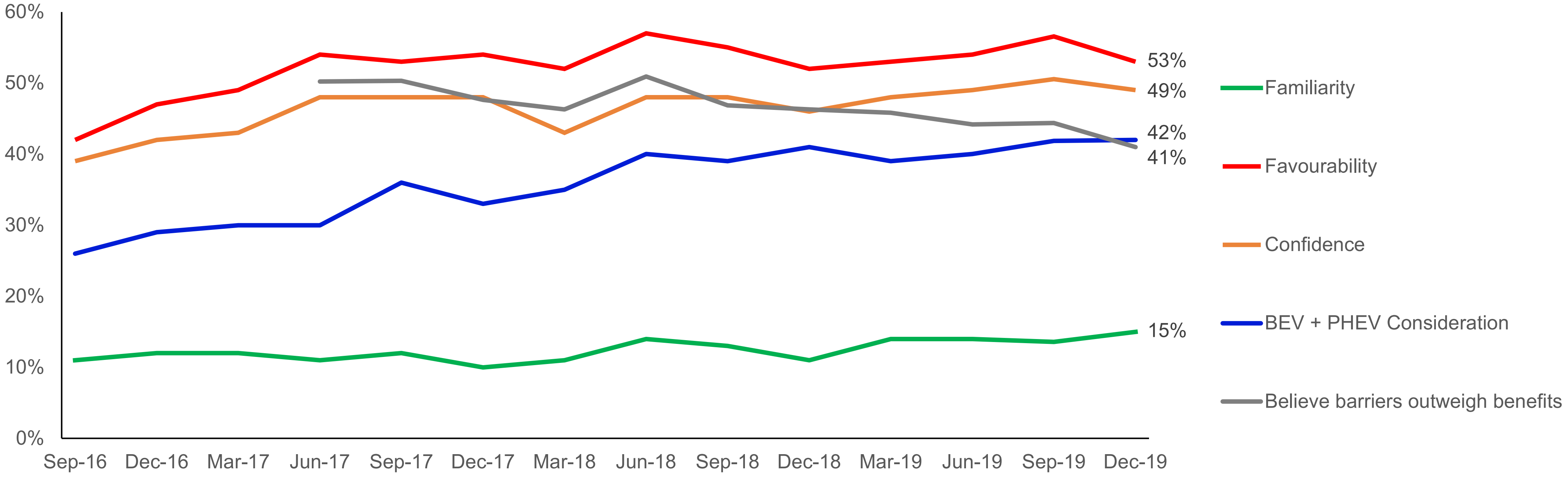
What else is happening?

Transport

Favourability towards EVs dips following a high, but so does the belief that barriers outweigh the benefits

EV Key Metrics



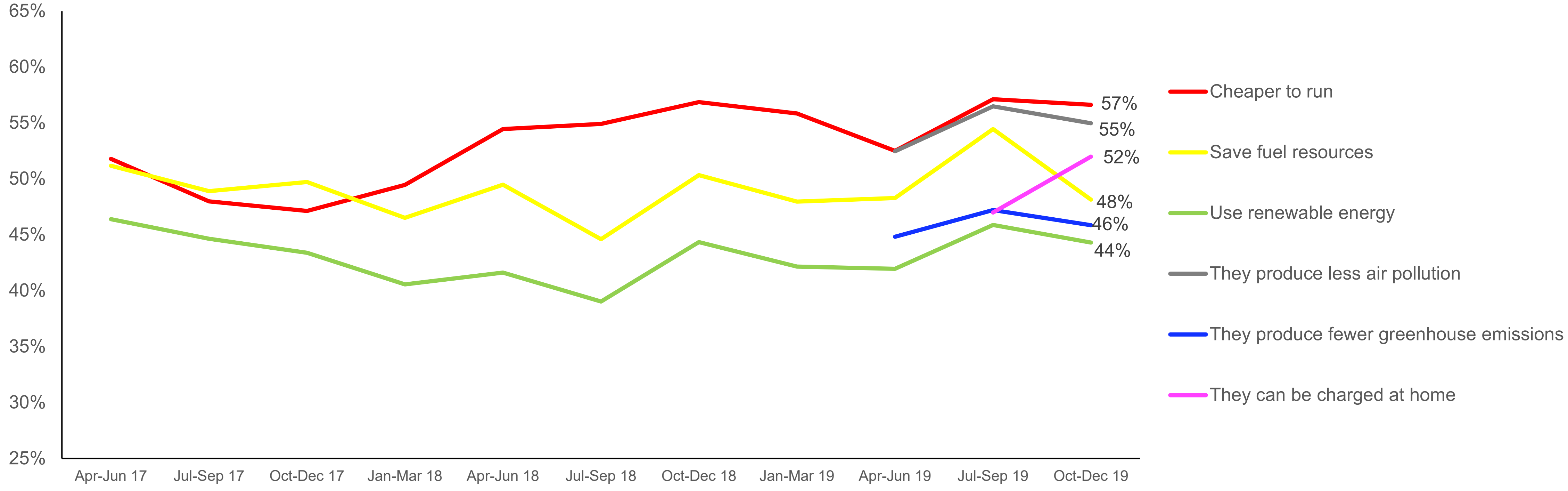
*EV3 How would you rate your familiarity with Electric Vehicles? / EV4 How favourable or unfavourable is your overall opinion or impression of Electric Vehicles? / EV5 To what extent are you confident that Electric Vehicles can meet your needs? Q177 Thinking about your next vehicle purchase, how likely are you to consider the following vehicles? **Base:** Total Sample - 3MR (n=789).*

Transport

The perceived benefit of charging at home is becoming more prominent

This especially may resonate with the growing segment, “The Busy”.

Perceived Benefits of EVs



*Q178. What is it about electric vehicles that would make you likely to consider them the next time you buy a vehicle? **Base:** Current / intended car owners – 3MR (n=748).*

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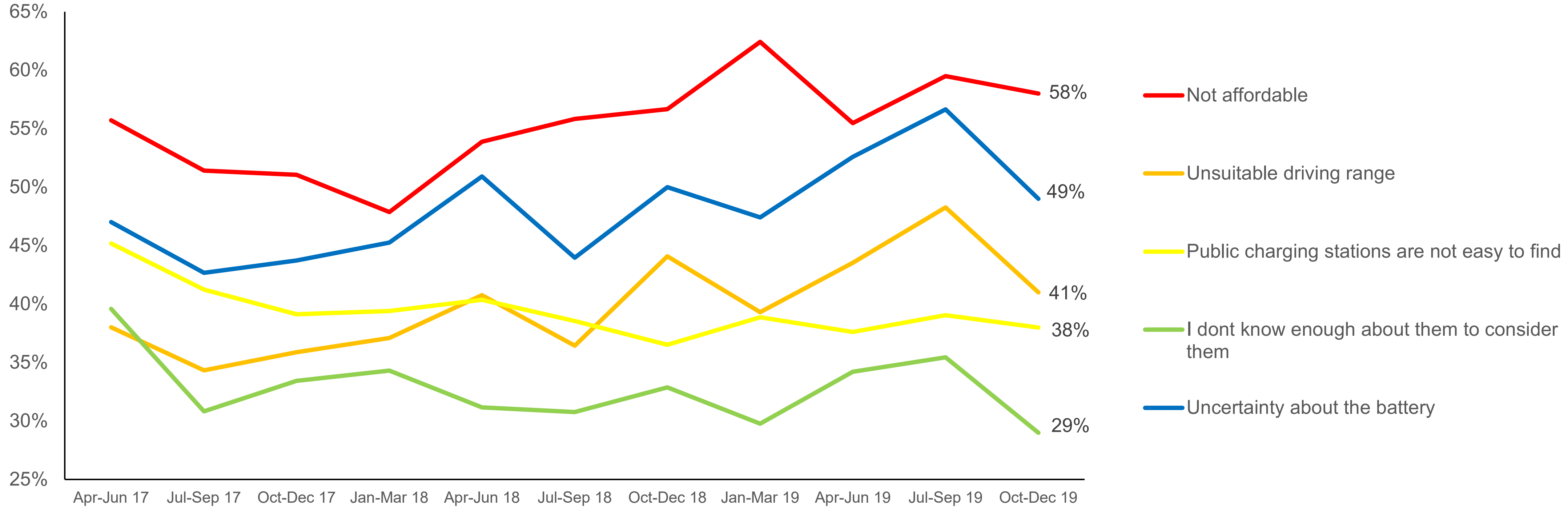
Transport

And some key barriers have become less widespread

Barriers around battery life, the accessibility of charging stations and awareness have declined this quarter.

Perceived Barriers of EVs



__Q179.__ What is it about electric vehicles that would make you unlikely to consider them the next time you buy a vehicle? __Base:__ Current / intended car owners – 3MR (n=748).

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IMPLICATION

We're seeing an encouraging reduction in EV barriers

We've now reached a point where only 4 in 10 people believe that the barriers to them using EVs outweigh the benefits.

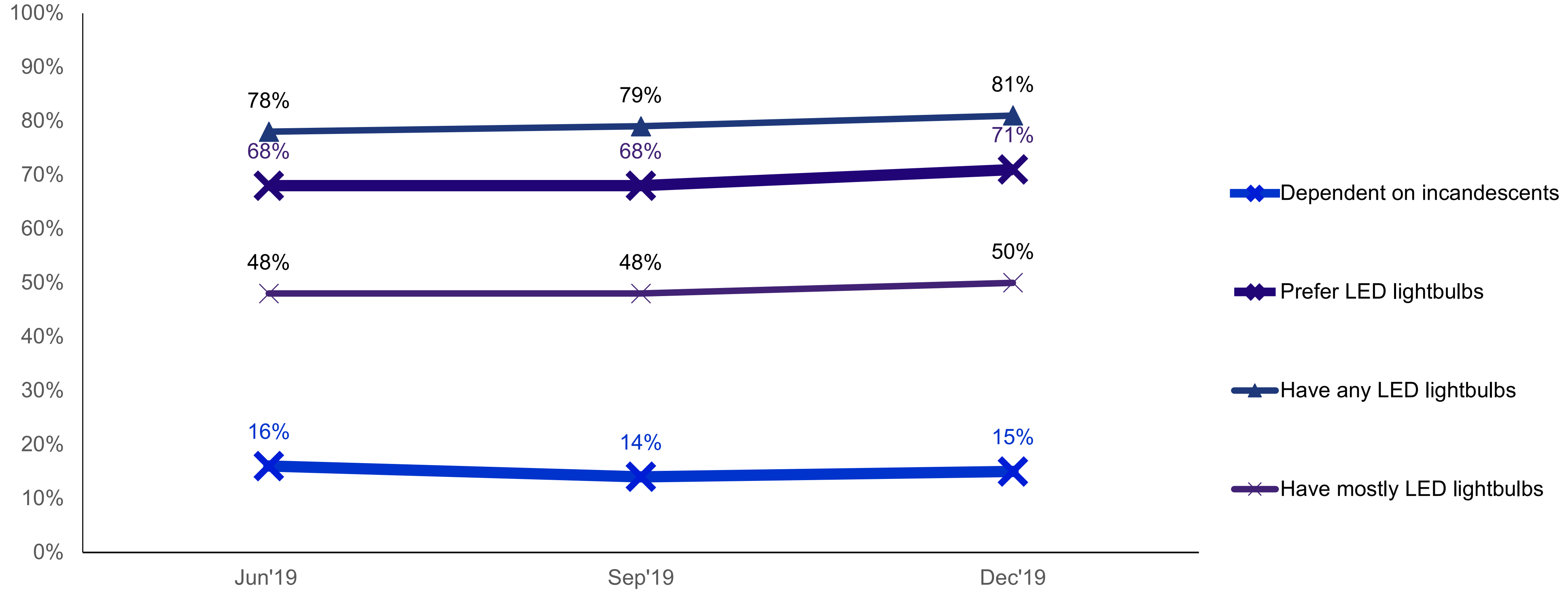
Examination of the individual barriers indicates that it is those related to infrastructure and education that have seen the greatest reduction.

Price remains to be seen as the strongest barrier to EV usage.

Energy Efficient Homes

Our key lighting metrics remain steady

There is a slight uptick in the % who prefer LEDs over other lightbulbs.



HOME_BULB_LED *How many of the lights in your home are LEDs?* ***HOME_BULB_TRAD*** *On a scale from 1 – 10, where a 1 means this wouldn't bother you at all and 10 means this would matter to you a lot, how would you feel if traditional (incandescent) lightbulbs were no longer available?* ***HOME_BULB_PREF*** *If you had these types of lightbulbs available to you, what type of lightbulbs would you prefer to buy?* ***Base:*** *Total sample - 3MR (n=789).*

Those who have seen the campaign are more likely to prefer and have LEDs

	Total	Seen Gen Less Bulbs	Haven't seen Gen Less Bulbs
		21%	79%
LED Preference	73%	74%	72%
Have any LEDs	85%	90%	83%
Have mostly LEDs	53%	64%	51%

***GENLESS_BULBS_RECALL**. Before today, has you seen any of this material, or something similar? (n=512).*

Interestingly, those who have seen the campaign are also more likely to be bothered by the removal of incandescents.

This is largely a function of who we have been reaching with the campaign.

	Total	Seen Gen Less Bulbs	Haven't seen Gen Less Bulbs
Dependent on incandescents	16%	25%	14%

Gen Less Bulb recognisers over-index on being younger, from Auckland, and non-NZ European.

These demographic groups are the same ones more that have shown concern around the removal of incandescent lightbulbs.

***GENLESS_BULBS_RECALL**. Before today, has you seen any of this material, or something similar? (n=484).*

IMPLICATION

Those who have seen Gen Less Bulbs are more likely to prefer LEDs

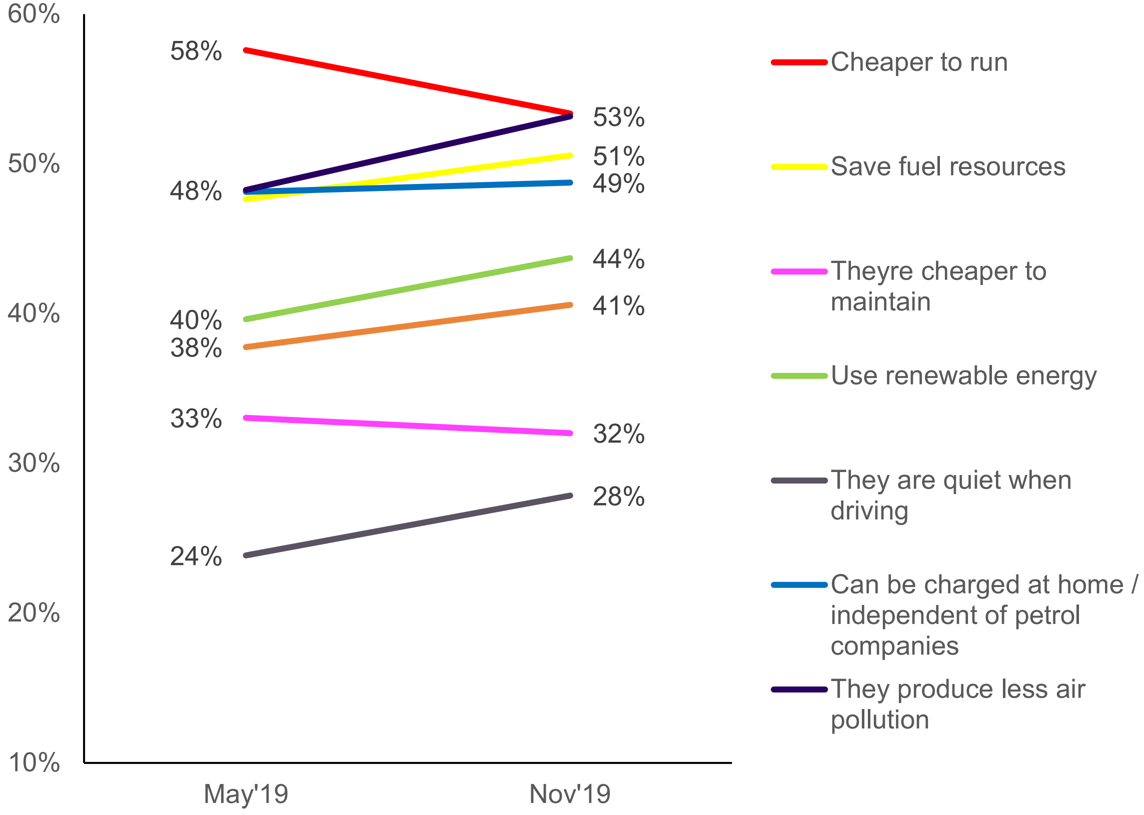
This group is more likely to actually have LEDs in their home also.

The groups that the campaign has been reaching are those who would be most affected by the removal of incandescent lightbulbs.

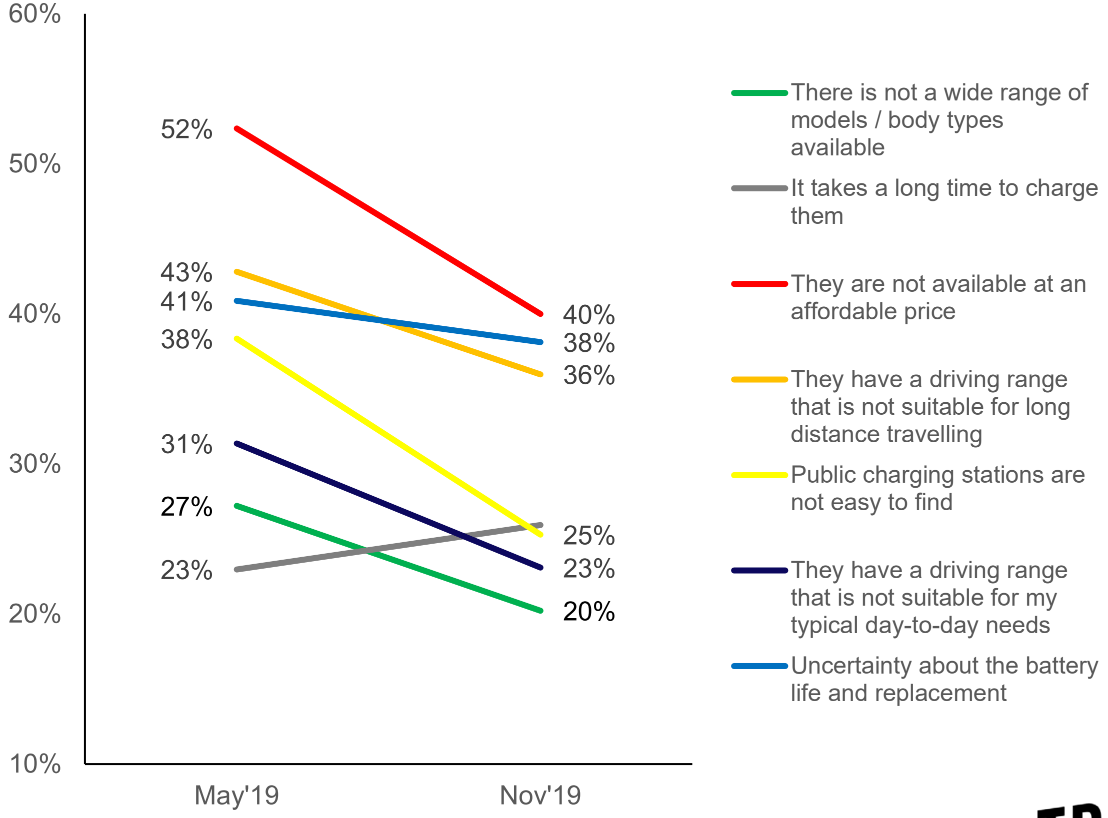
Businesses

Similar to regular New Zealanders, some key barriers to EV usage are declining for businesses

Perceived Benefits of EVs



Perceived Barriers of EVs



__EV_BENEFITS.__ What is it about electric vehicles that would make you likely to consider them the next time you buy a vehicle? __EV_BARRIERS.__ What is it about electric vehicles that would make you unlikely to consider them the next time you buy a vehicle? __Base:__ Current / intended car owners – 3MR (n=434).

There is an appetite for emissions reduction information, however few know where to find it

78%

are interested in information about how to lower the carbon emissions of the business

27%

know where to find this information

22%

actively seek it out

16%

have done so in the last 3 months

INFO_ABILITY: How much do you agree/disagree that you know where to access information about how to reduce your business's carbon emissions?
INFO_INTEREST: What best describes your level of interest in finding information or advice that can help you lower your business's carbon emissions?
INFO_SEEK: In the past 3 months, have you looked for information or advice that can help you lower your business's carbon emissions?
Base: Total Sample n=515. Source: EECA Business Monitor

IMPLICATION

Businesses are also riding the wave of momentum around reducing emissions

As seen in the Gen Less metrics, this hasn't necessarily carried over from personal beliefs to business decisions however.

Businesses need the prompt to be 'first movers' when it comes to changing behaviour in their respective industries, and also need to be made aware of the resources available to them in lowering the carbon emissions in their business.

Bringing it all together

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Gen Less is effectively riding a wave of cultural momentum

New Zealanders have reacted well to the campaign.

They also see themselves to be taking more actions related to reducing their emissions.

Business decision makers also are onboard with the message, although this hasn't yet filtered through to their day to day operations.

So what will be the key principles to remember in guiding our actions over the coming months?

Key principles for 2020

#1 Keep momentum going - it’s still about the 'why' as well as the 'how' and the 'what'

#2 Build partnerships to leverage with Gen Less, particularly around businesses

#3 Give emotional rewards to those who are beginning to take actions – particularly The Willing

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EECA Consumer Monitor

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What we do

Monitor the mood of the nation around climate change, energy efficiency and topics like EVs:

Track New Zealanders' response to key issues and initiatives relevant to EECA through two tracking monitors.

The monitors are designed to assess how we're going vs. our strategic focus areas.

1. CONSUMER MONITOR

250 New Zealanders aged 18+ per month, 750 per quarter. This is an 'always on' monitor, with sample collected weekly. This report represents views collected between April and June 2021.

2. BUSINESS MONITOR

Every 6 months we survey a representative selection of New Zealand businesses, sampling between 500 and 600 business decision makers in relevant areas. The most recent data was collected in May 2021 and is presented in a separate report.

Overview

The focus of this report is to both show how different measurements have trended over the last two years and to provide a snapshot into how people are currently feeling.

SECTION 1 looks at the bigger picture, how consumers are feeling post-COVID and what relevant conversations are taking place through media.

SECTION 2 explores New Zealanders' mindsets and climate behaviour, looking at trends over time.

SECTION 3 summarises the results from Gen Less 2.0 and provides some key learnings to build on for Gen Less 3.0.

SECTION 4 presents key attitudes towards electric vehicles and how this has changed over time.

The key story this quarter is one of stability and opportunity. Consumers are emerging from COVID with most of their attitudes towards climate change in tact: there's a broad picture of stability in climate beliefs.

But there are signs that engagement with climate issues is more surface-level – from the media and beyond. And although there's arguably more headspace for New Zealanders to think 'bigger picture', several issues have seen a downturn in the importance consumers place on them – climate included.

In this context Gen Less has an increasingly important role. The next iteration can build on successes to date, with growing cut-through and resonance. There's significant opportunity to galvanise younger people into action, requiring stronger social investment.

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The wider context

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On the whole, there is a steady sense of optimism among New Zealanders

Half of the population think that the New Zealand economy will improve in the next 12 months.

Job prospects are changing for the better.

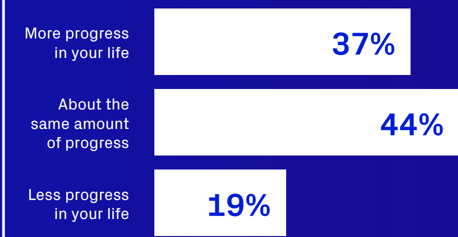
- 34% of people are looking forward to getting more income in the next 12 months.
- The employment rate has returned to pre-pandemic levels.

COVID-19 is not as front-of-mind any more for New Zealanders.

- Nearly half of New Zealanders are now feeling passive towards COVID-19.
- Only 1 in 4 have negative sentiment toward the pandemic, with most having a sense of pride in NZ's response.

For most New Zealanders, COVID-19 has not interrupted their progress in life.

PERCEIVED LIFE PROGRESS COMPARED TO TWO YEARS AGO



Data source: TRA DPMC Project, June 2021.

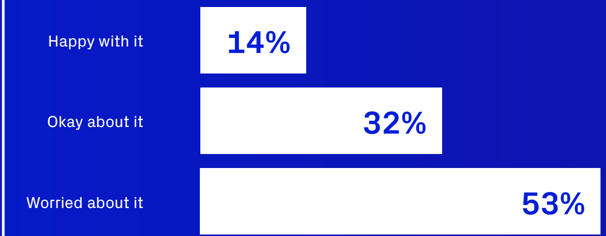
There are, of course, bubbling concerns surfacing, reflecting an undercurrent of uncertainty

The country's finances are still top of mind with 51% of New Zealanders saying that they still spend time thinking about the impact of COVID-19 on the economy.

And inflationary expectations are a surfacing concern.

While New Zealanders are mostly fine with opening the bubble to limited people, there is an underlying worry for opening New Zealand up more broadly.

QUARANTINE FREE TRAVEL TO AND FROM OTHER COUNTRIES OTHER THAN AUSTRALIA AND THE COOK ISLANDS



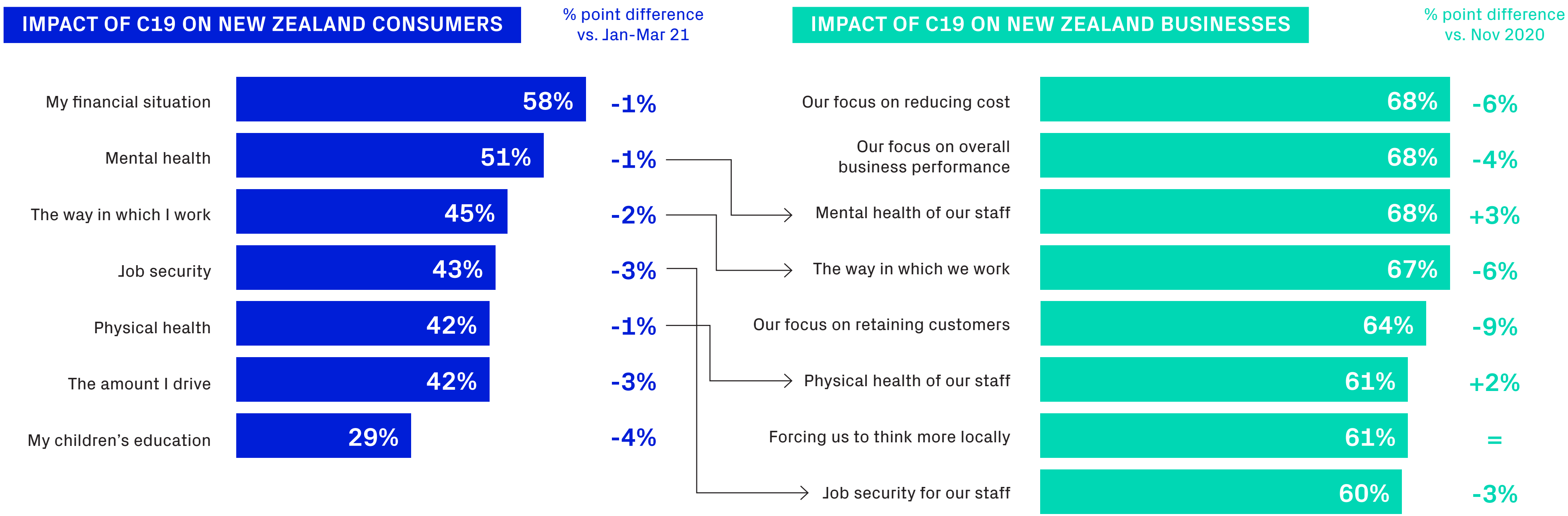
Although employment figures are positive on a surface level, job security is a big concern for people.

- One in three are afraid of losing their job.
- 23% said that job security was a major thing in life they think about.
- 59% said that getting by financially was a major thing in life they think about.

Data source: TRA DPMC Project, June 2021.

We see the impacts of COVID are still felt, but they're fading and are much less pronounced among consumers compared to business

Although concerns are diminishing, still well over half of New Zealanders feel the impact of COVID-19 on their financial situation.

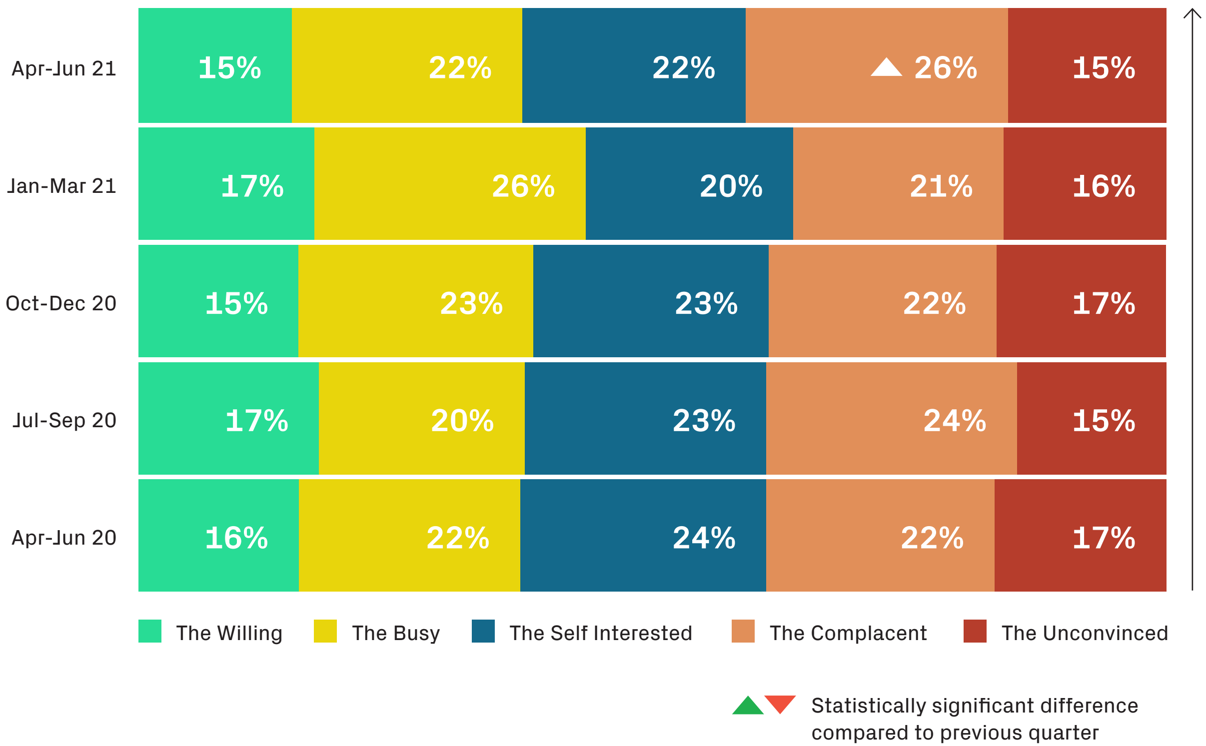


C19_CURRENT - And in which of these ways is the COVID-19 situation impacting your business currently? (Some impact / Significant impact / Huge impact) Base: Total Sample - (n=623).
C19_CURRENT - And in which of these ways is the COVID-19 situation impacting you currently (Some impact / Significant impact / Huge impact) Base: Total Sample – (n=762)

We've seen a significant uplift in the Complacent segment

Wider Context

SEGMENTS - % OF NEW ZEALAND BUSINESSES



The Complacent have seen a significant increase this quarter from 21% to 26%. The Self Interested have also seen an increase, however this is following periods of trending downwards.

There have been attendant, slight decreases in The Willing, The Busy and The Unconvinced.

With more people Complacent and less people Willing, Kiwis seem to be enjoying settling back to 'normal'.

EECA Segments. Base: Total Sample – n =between 762-824

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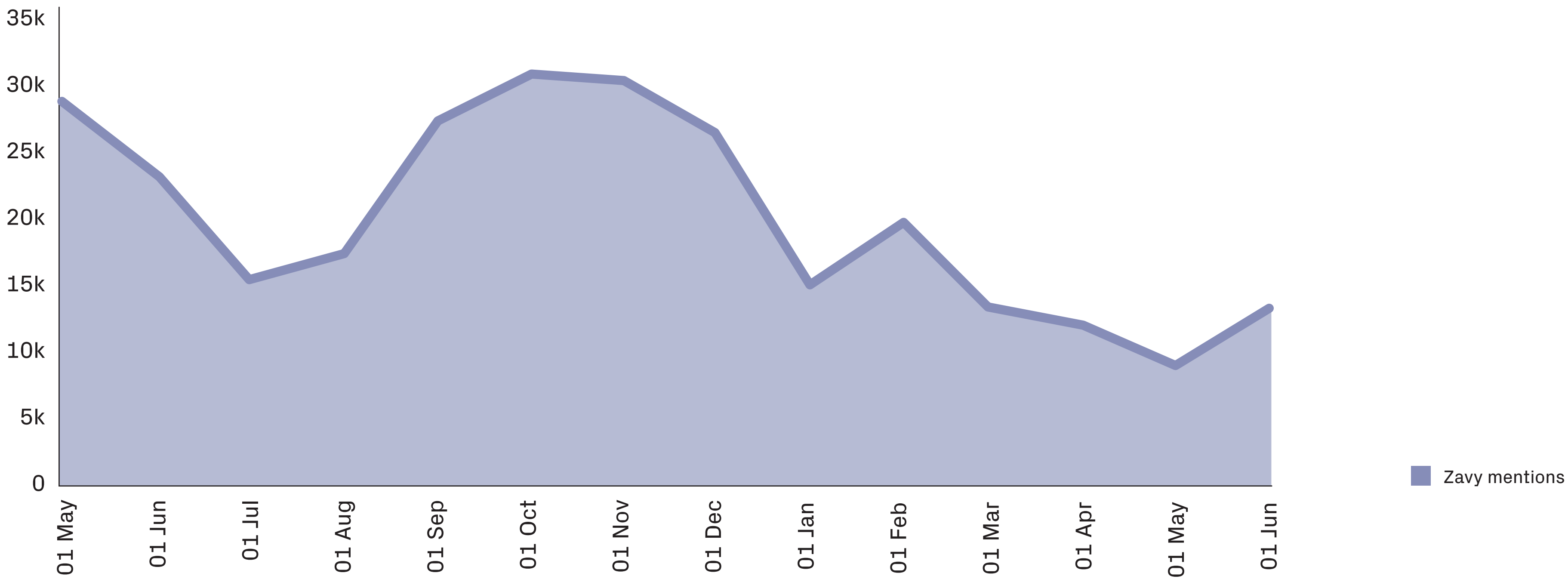
We see less media coverage around climate change

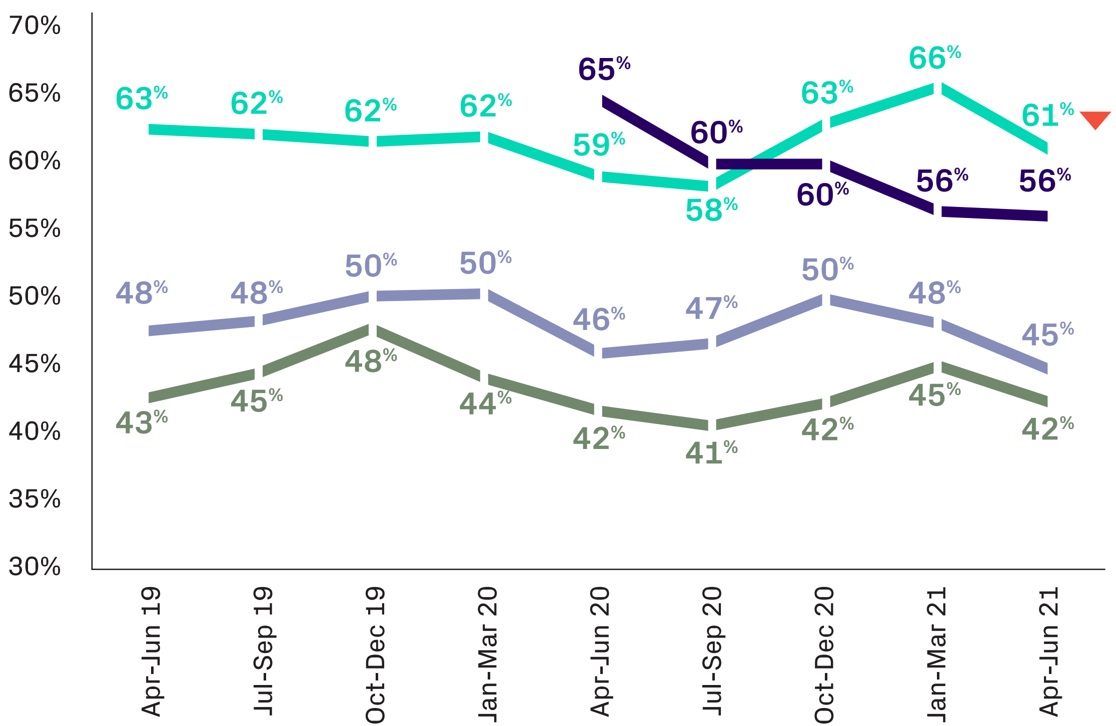
CLIMATE CHANGE / SUSTAINABILITY MENTIONS ACROSS NZ MEDIA



Source: Zavy Radar

And we see sentiment that climate change is a very important NZ issue has fallen over the past 6 months

ISSUES FACING NEW ZEALAND OVER TIME (VERY IMPORTANT)



CLIMATE CHANGE – GENERAL ISSUES		
	Oct-Dec 20	Apr-Jun 21
5 (Very Important)	50%	45% ▲
4	23%	29% ▼
3	16%	15%
2	4%	6%
1 (Not Important)	4%	4%

Taking a granular view, people still see climate change as important, it's just lower in priority (with fewer seeing it as 'very important') than it was 6 months ago.

But other issues are reducing in prominence too – the economy is now less of an issue, and concern about affordable housing has also dipped.

- Availability of affordable housing
- New Zealand's economy
- Climate change
- Reducing greenhouse gas emissions
- ▲▼ Statistically significant difference compared to previous period/quarter:

GENERAL_ISSUESr: X- How important do you consider each of the following issues to be for New Zealand? (Very important)
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The mood towards key issues closely tracks media coverage

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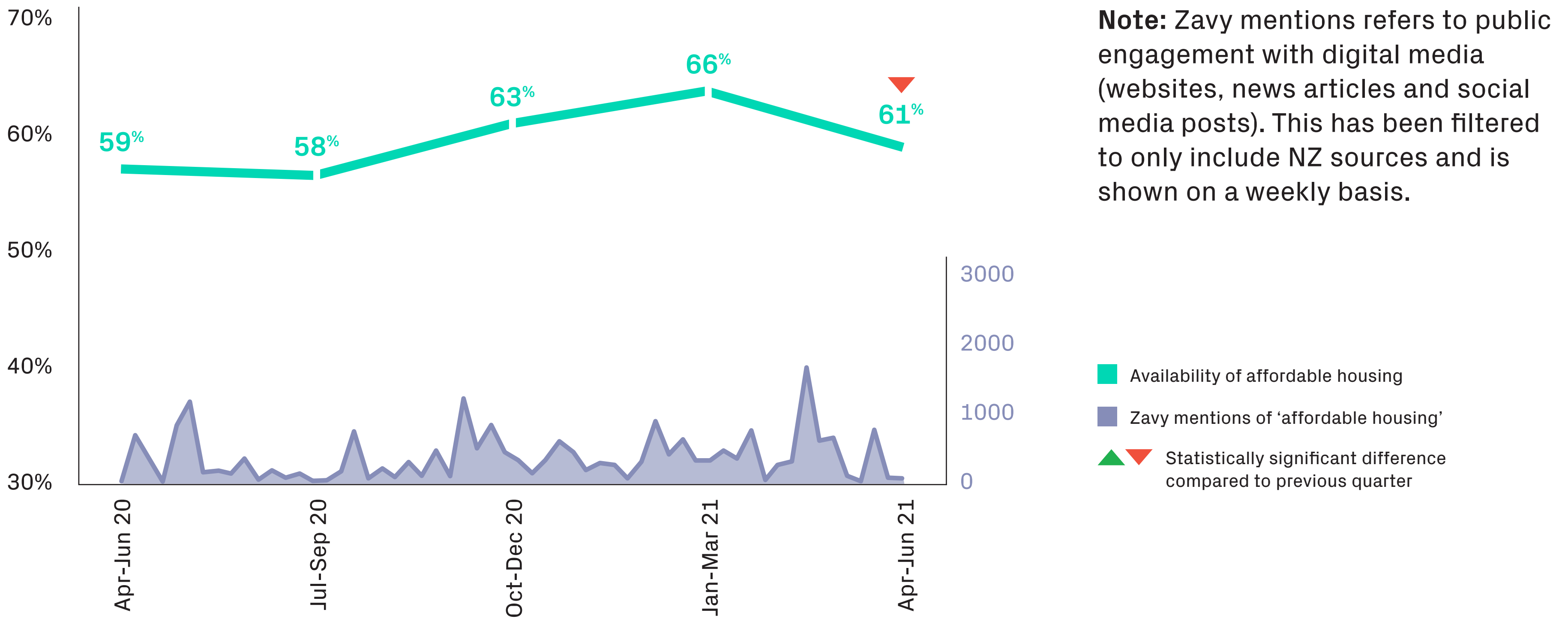

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Climate concern also tracks media – but with higher overall coverage and lower levels of concern

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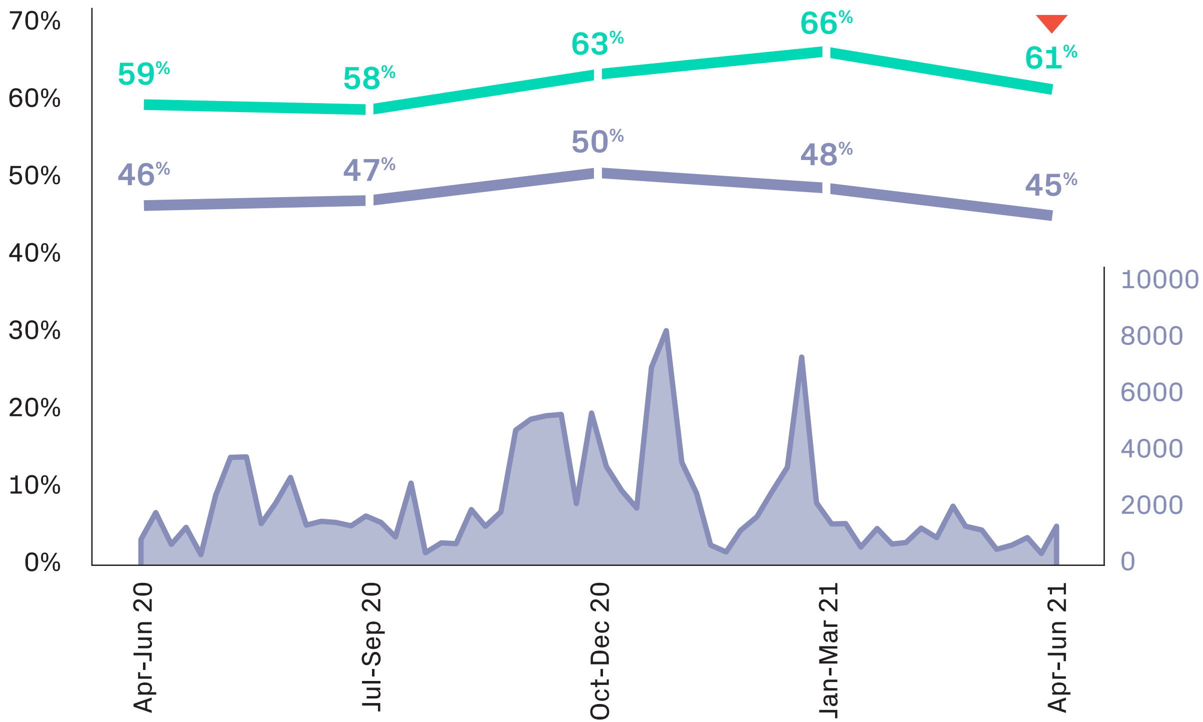

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Availability of affordable housing

Climate change

Zavy mentions of 'climate change'

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Fueling media conversation is absolutely key to keeping New Zealanders engaged with the cause.

The increasing headspace among consumers post-COVID and recent lull in coverage highlights an opportunity gap to fill.

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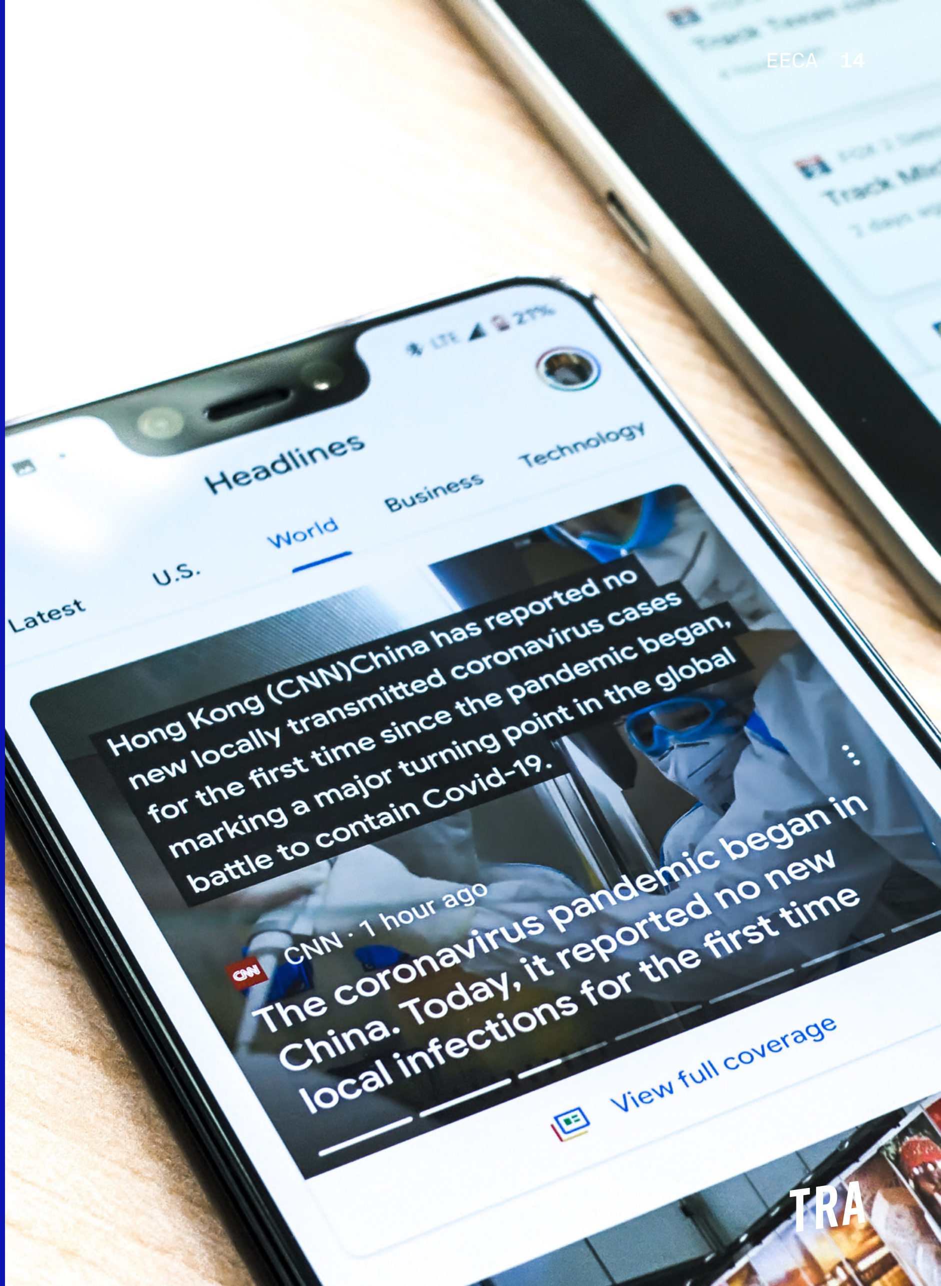

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The link between actions and system change

Trended analysis

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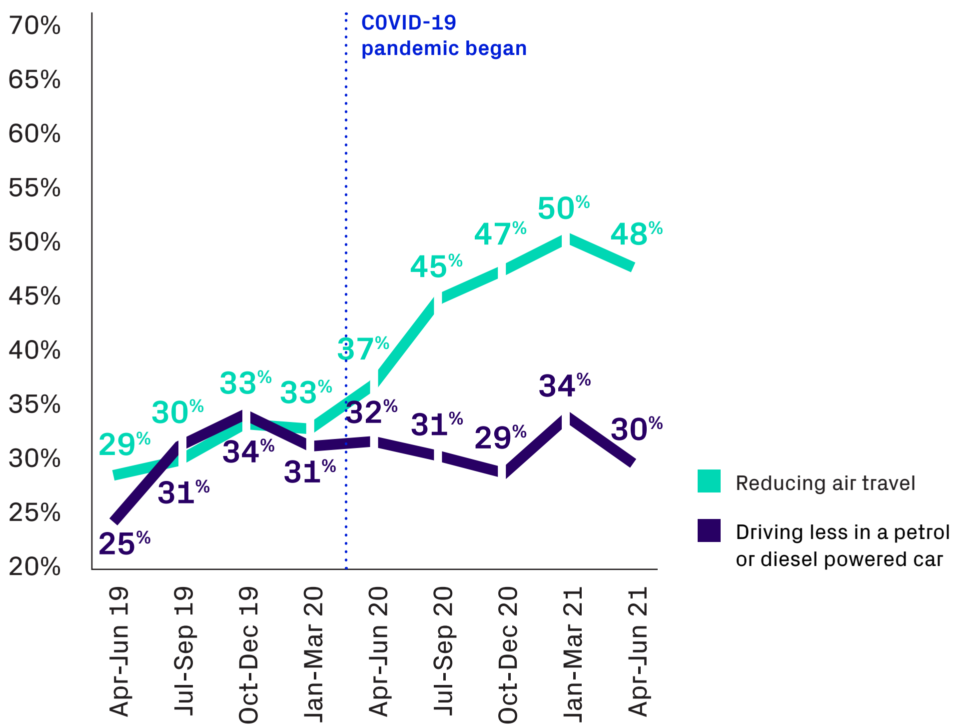
Changes in consumer climate actions over time look to be COVID-related

CLIMATE ACTIONS – TRANSPORT RELATED



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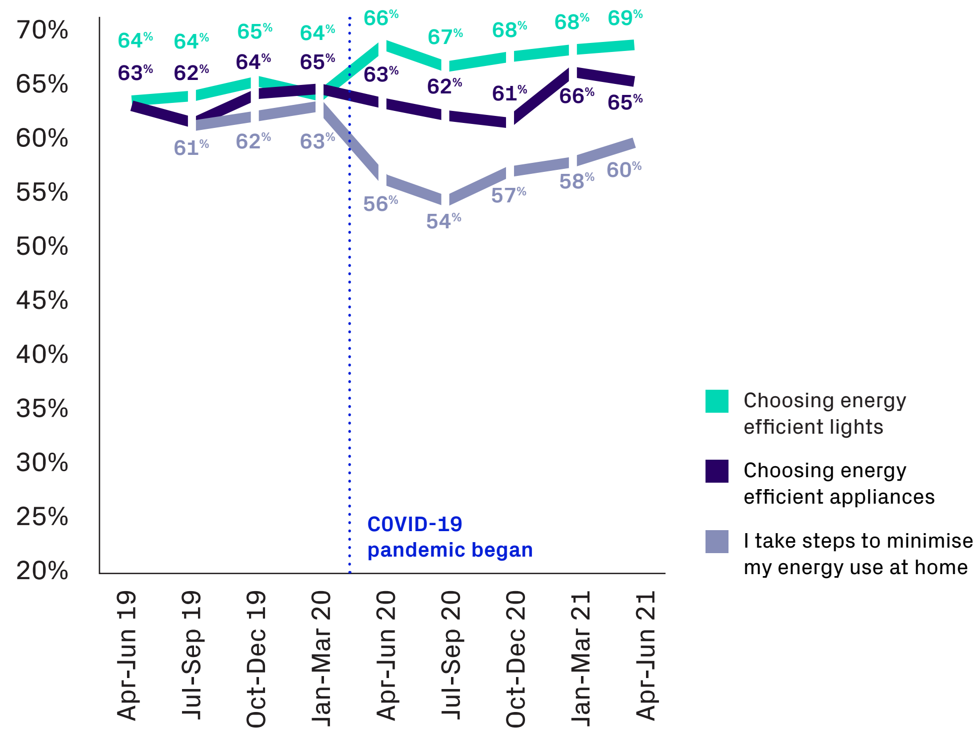

CLIMATE_ACTIONS – Which of the following actions do you take in order to reduce your climate change impact? (T2B Take Regular Action)
Base: n = between 762 - 824

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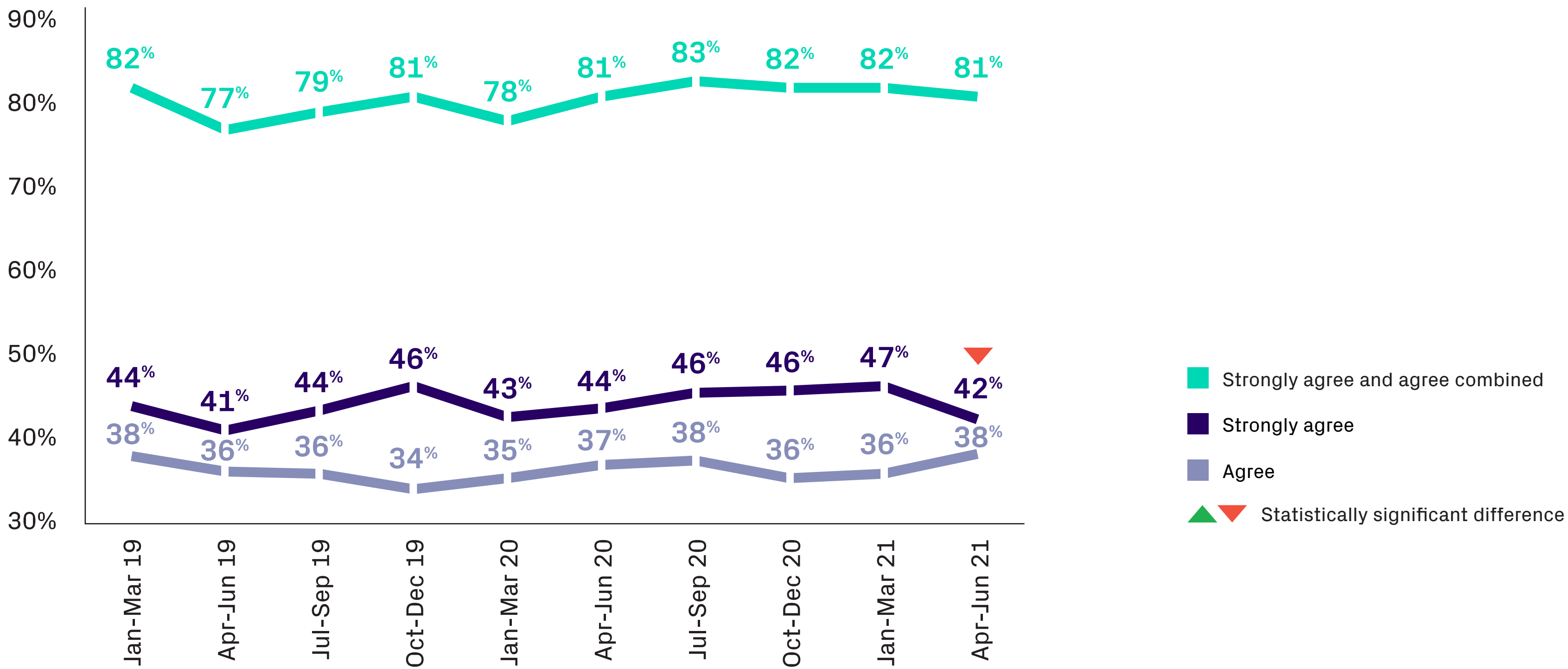
IMPLICATION

After the jolt of COVID, climate actions seem to be trending back to ‘normal’ – the ‘reducing transport’ related actions are beginning to decrease, and ’reducing energy’ related actions are increasing once more – perhaps as people fully adjust to the reworked boundaries between home and workplace.

It’s a key moment to encourage consumers to think beyond their old ways; they’ve adjusted to a pandemic-induced ‘new normal’ and they can adjust to a more climate-aware society too.

Overall concern with climate change is stable long-term

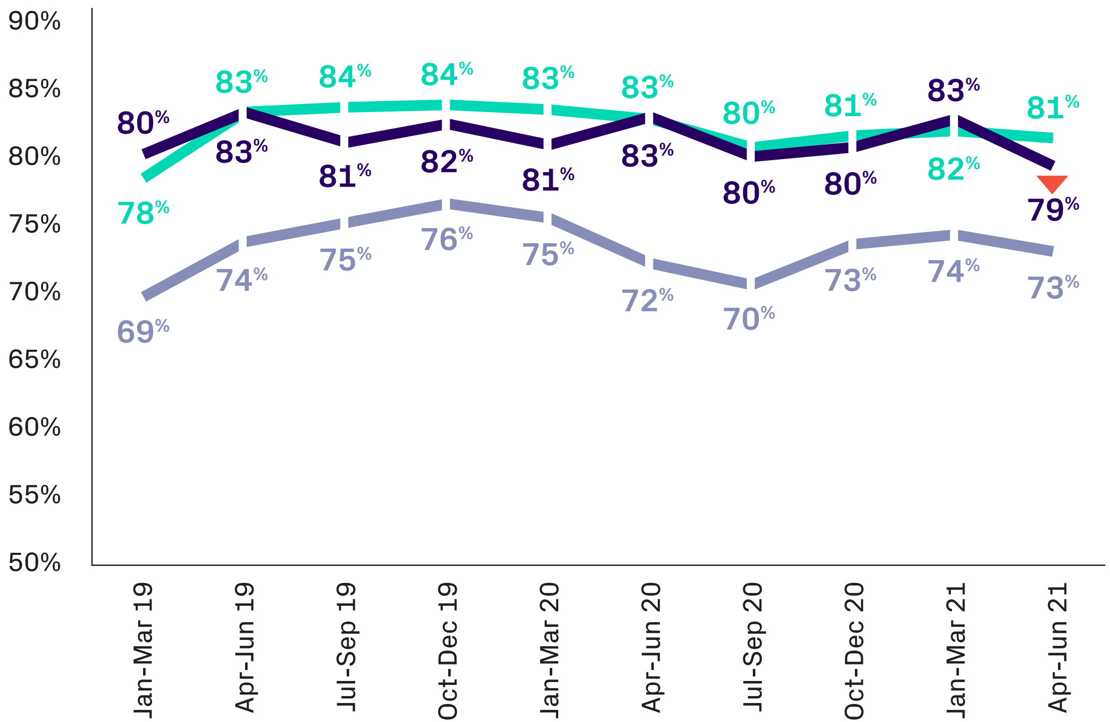
CLIMATE CHANGE IS REAL



CLIMATE_BELIEFS – How much do you agree or disagree that… – Not Stated REMOVED - NET T2B AGREE
Base: n = between 762 - 824

People generally have high levels of support for government intervention

CLIMATE BELIEFS – ‘GOVERNMENT’ STATEMENTS (T2B)



Only support for government incentives has seen a decrease this quarter.

At a monthly level, June saw a significant decrease for this belief, suggesting the Clean Car Discount (announced mid-June) had an impact on this change.

- Governments should discourage behaviours that are harmful to the environment
- Governments should provide incentives to encourage behaviours that protect the environment
- The Government needs to do more to help reduce New Zealand’s impact on the environment
- Statistically significant difference compared to previous quarter

CLIMATE_BELIEFS – How much do you agree or disagree that… – Not Stated REMOVED - NET T2B AGREE
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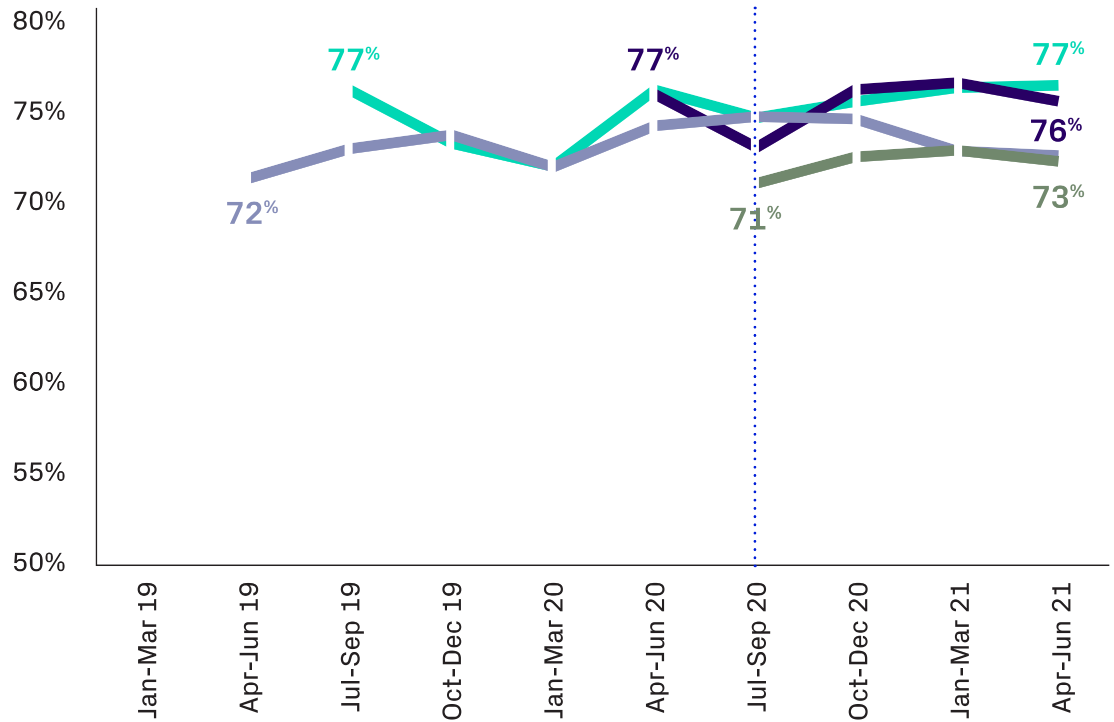
Beliefs around collective action are stable, particularly over the past year

CLIMATE BELIEFS – 'COLLECTIVE' STATEMENTS (T2B)



Overall strength of belief has recovered since a dip post-COVID in July – September 2020.

The idea of being a 'team of 5 million', which was felt throughout 2020, could have impacted these trends.

- We'll have to change how we live because of climate change, but these changes can be positive
- Human activity (e.g. burning fossil fuels) is affecting how fast the climate is changing
- We need to consider all solutions to climate change, even if they mean changes to my lifestyle
- We need to make changes to our energy use to address climate change, even if it means a change to our current lifestyle

CLIMATE_BELIEFS – How much do you agree or disagree that... – Not Stated REMOVED - NET T2B AGREE
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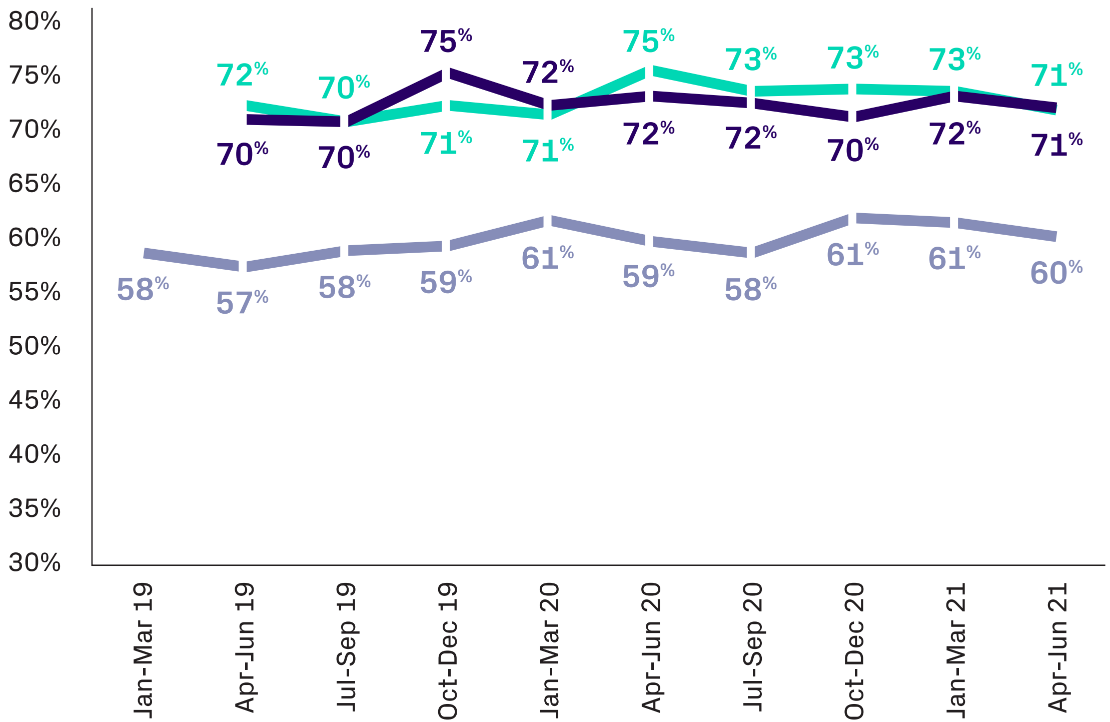
Climate beliefs about individual actions are also steady

CLIMATE BELIEFS – 'INDIVIDUAL' STATEMENTS (T2B)



There is a persistent gap between attitudes that 'I'm doing all I can' and 'I'm prepared to change'. This shows significant opportunity in growing engagement in more climate-friendly behaviour.

- I am prepared to change my own personal behaviour in order to reduce climate change
- I can make a personal difference to the environment
- I'm doing all I can to reduce my environmental impact

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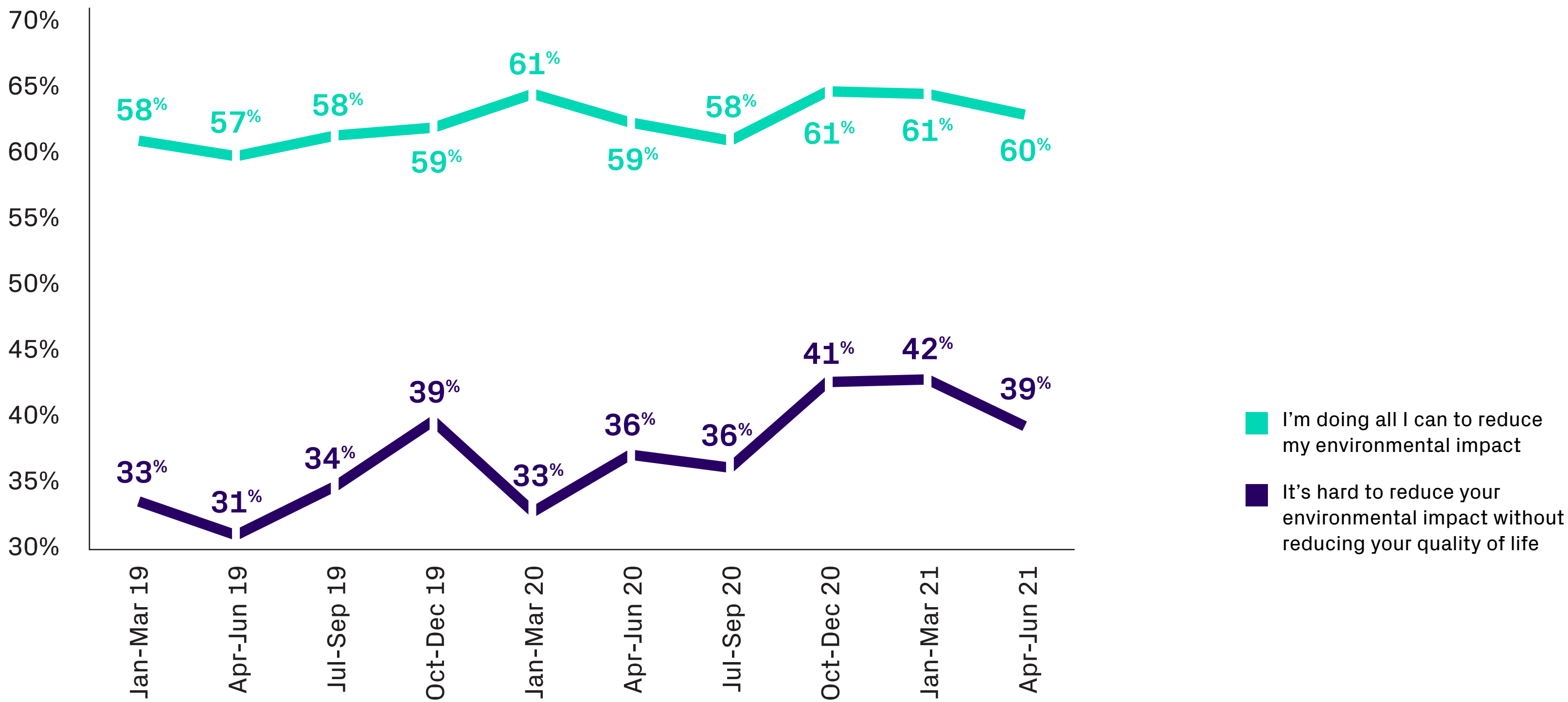
Alongside this stability, perceptions that taking action impacts quality of life is creeping up

CLIMATE BELIEFS – 'INDIVIDUAL' STATEMENTS (T2B)



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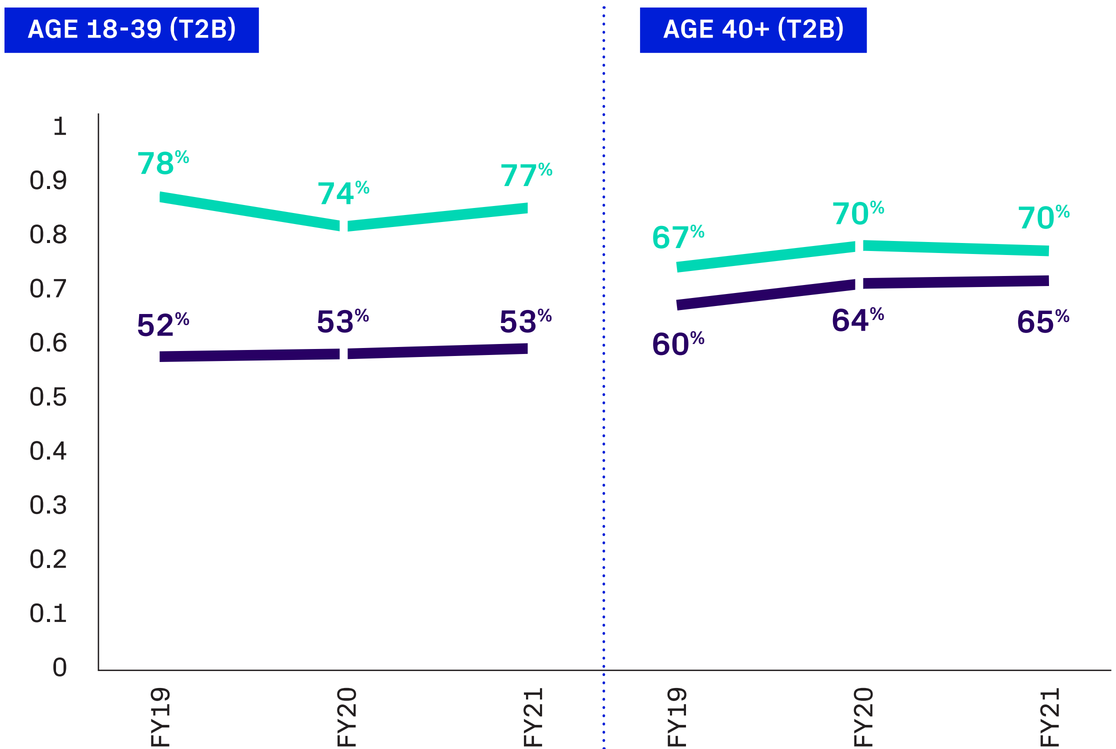
The gap to close between action and belief is much wider with younger New Zealanders



Younger New Zealanders show stronger potential – they're aware they could do more and are more open to making changes.

They're also significantly more likely to think taking action comes with a reduction in quality of life (47% vs. 33% among those aged 40 and over).

- I am prepared to change my own personal behaviour in order to reduce climate change
- I'm doing all I can to reduce my environmental impact

CLIMATE_BELIEFS – How much do you agree or disagree that… – Not Stated REMOVED - NET T2B AGREE
Base: FY19 (n= 184+); FY20 (n=1,174+); Fy21 (n=1,191+)

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Return on investment is likely to be higher targeting younger New Zealanders. The core Gen Less message that taking action doesn't mean giving up the stuff they love is an important one to maintain.

But as we'll go on to see, cut through to this group has so far been harder to achieve.

IMPLICATION

The more we get people to act, the more they support all solutions to tackling climate change

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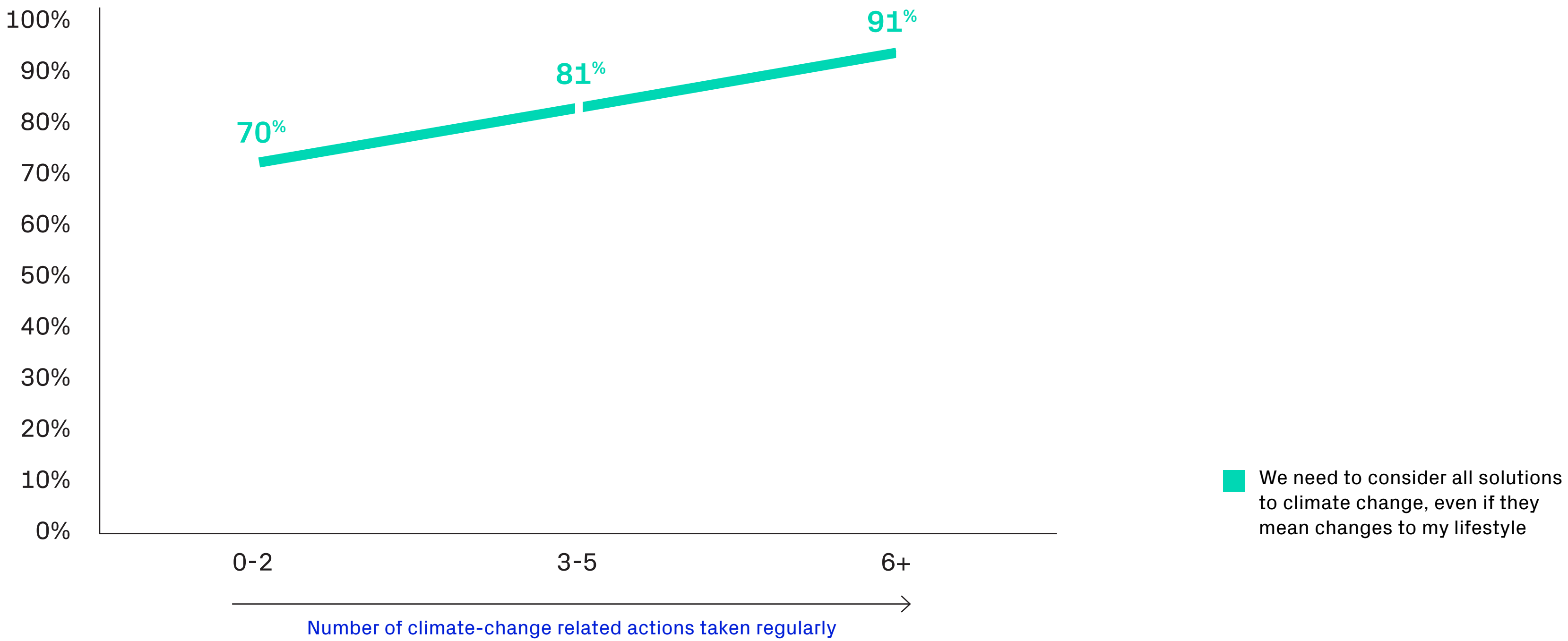

CLIMATE_BELIEFS – How much do you agree or disagree that... – Not Stated REMOVED - NET T2B AGREE
Base: between n=121-281

And people taking more actions tend to be less likely to think this comes with a reduction in quality of life

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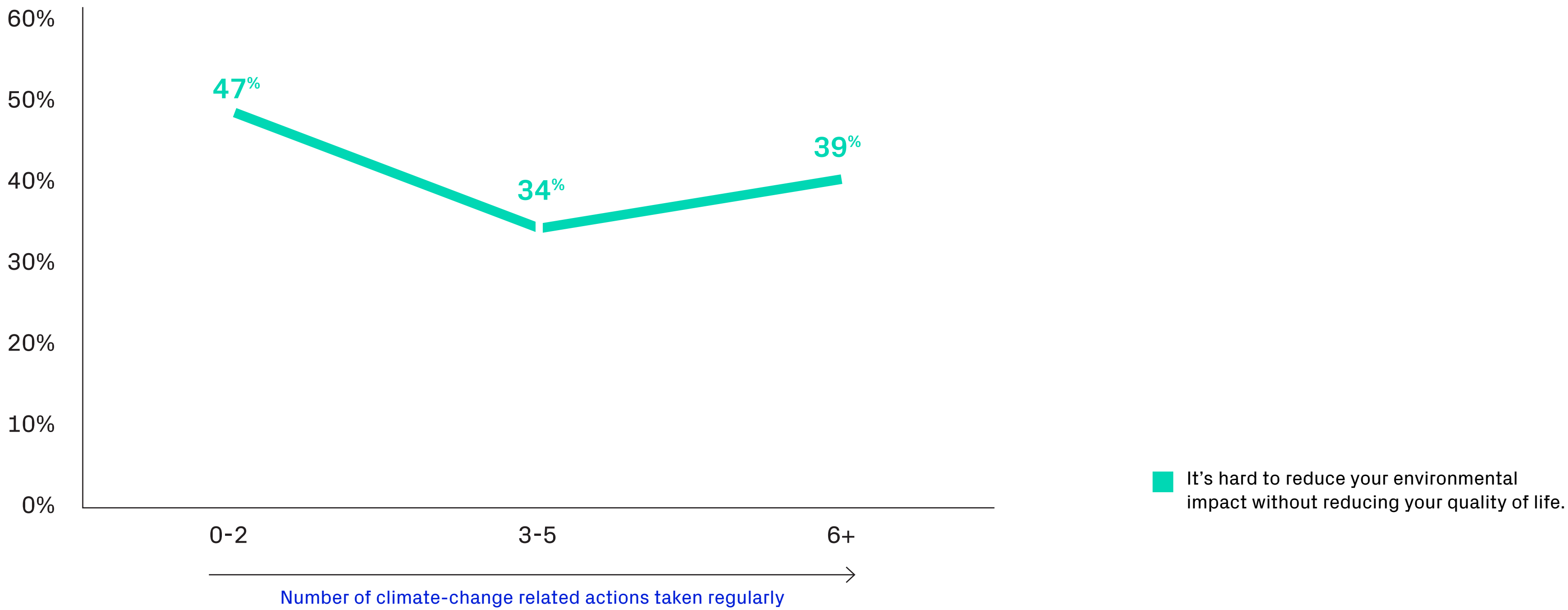

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Base: between n=121-281

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It’s hard to ‘skip the queue’ when changing behaviour

THOSE DOING...

1-2 ACTIONS

68% **Choose to recycle.** It is the clear starting point for climate action.

37% **Choose energy efficient lights.** Another easy action to make with little impact on our day-to-day life.

3-5 ACTIONS

73% **Choose energy efficient appliances.** It’s another one-off cost with financial benefits in the long run.

62% **Reduce energy use at home.** This involves more day-to-day choices, but they don’t have to be huge.

3-5 ACTIONS

85% **Avoid the use of plastic.** This involves making conscious decisions for most purchases, and so beliefs in the cause are usually strong.

65% **Drive less.** People won’t usually begin driving less unless they are already doing most other actions. For some driving less may make sense, but for others it could involve sacrificing time and effort.

CLIMATE_ACTIONS – Which of the following actions do you take in order to reduce your climate change impact? (T2B Take Regular Action)
Base: n = between 762 - 824

There's a clear pathway to get from small everyday changes to support for system-level transformation

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Strong support for system-level change when we get to this level of engagement

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Even though system change is our end goal we still need to focus on individual actions.

And we need easy entry points – it's only when people are taking multiple actions that they're likely to do the actions that will have most impact and likely to support system-level change.

IMPLICATION

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Gen Less 2.0

Campaign analysis

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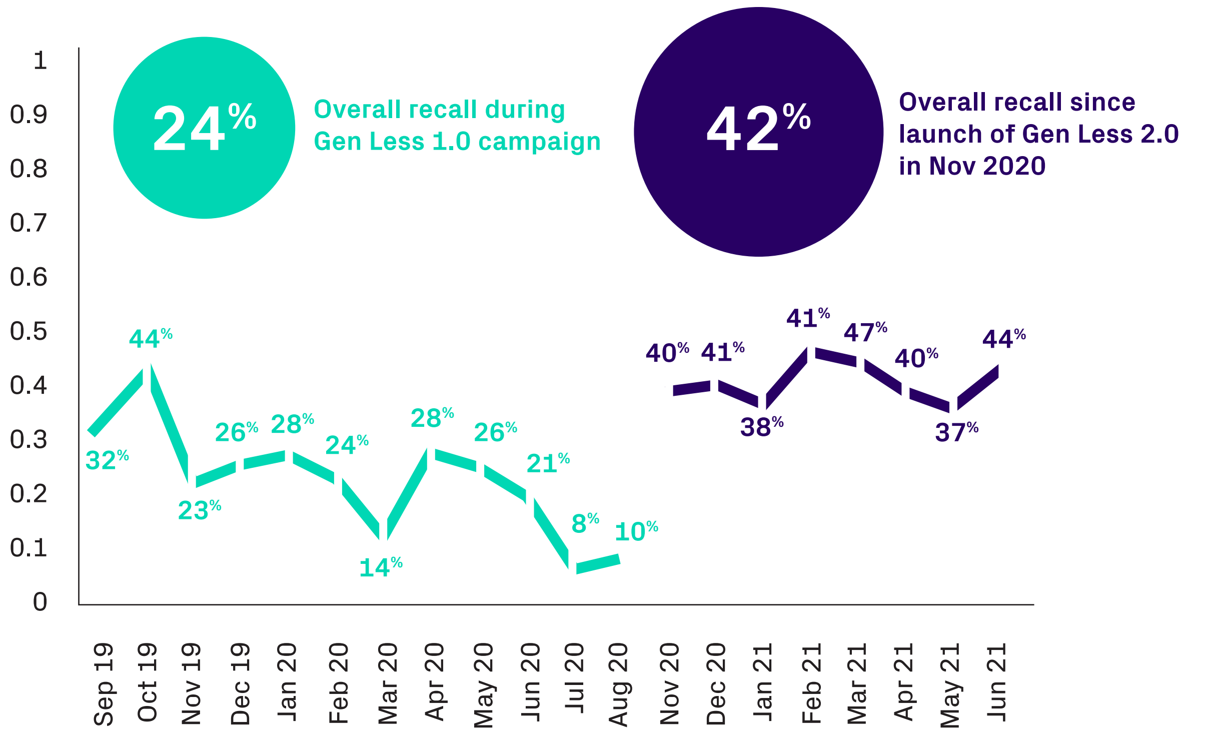
Always on has worked – high overall recall and more stability



Gen Less 2.0 resonated more strongly too, with likeability at 52% compared to 44% for Gen Less 1.0

Gen Less 2.0

Gen Less 1.0

Statistically significant difference

GENLESS_RECALL. Had you seen any of this material, or something similar?.
Base: n=127-1,050

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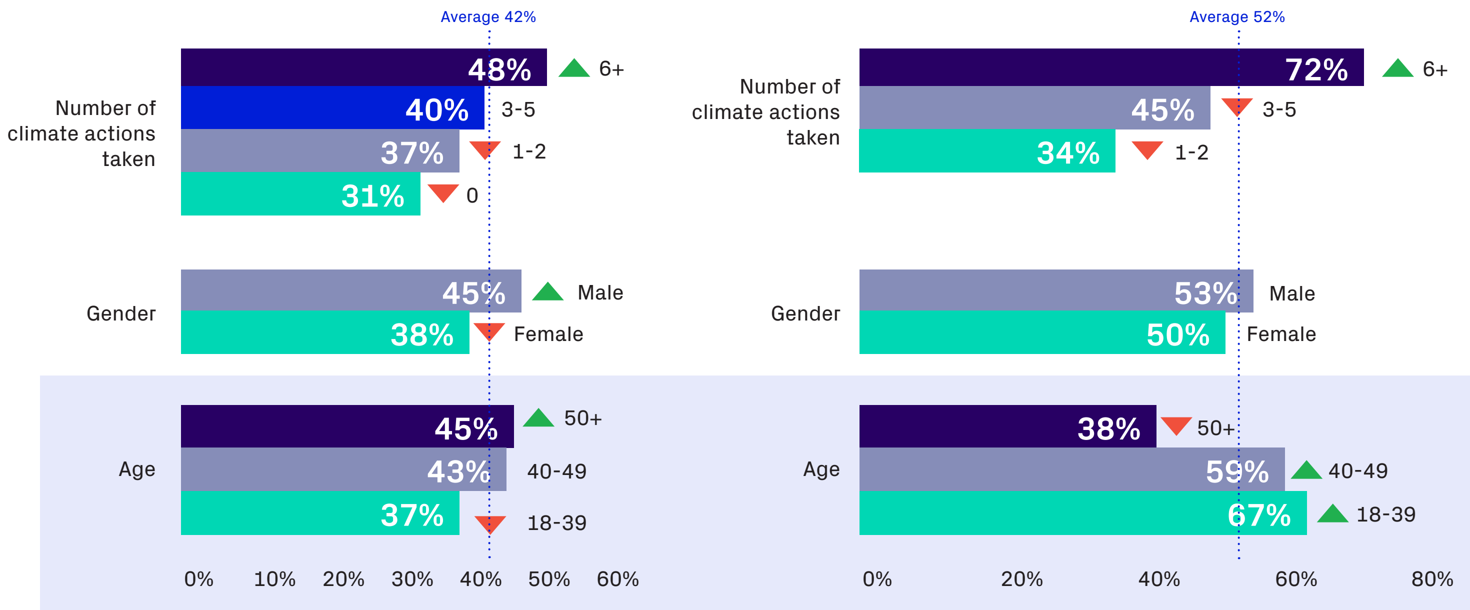
There are disparities in cut through across different groups – but these seem to be more about 'opportunities to see' than creative

Gen Less



Recall and likeability follow an inverse pattern for age: younger New Zealanders have less exposure but are more likely to like the campaign and see it as relevant to them.

Statistically significant difference:

GENLESS_RECALL. Had you seen any of this material, or something similar?.
Base: n=127-1,050
GENLESS_LIKE. You answered earlier that you saw some of the images and/or the Gen Less campaign before today. How much do you like what you saw?
Base: n=107-596; Filter: Nov-20 – Jun-21 (Gen Less 2.0 length).

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Recent extra spend on social has lifted reach among the under 40s

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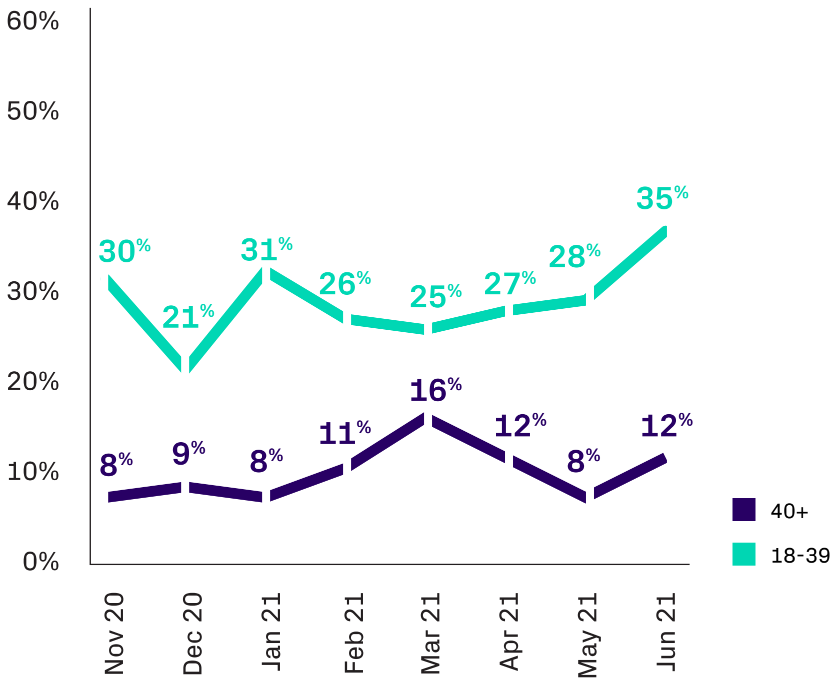
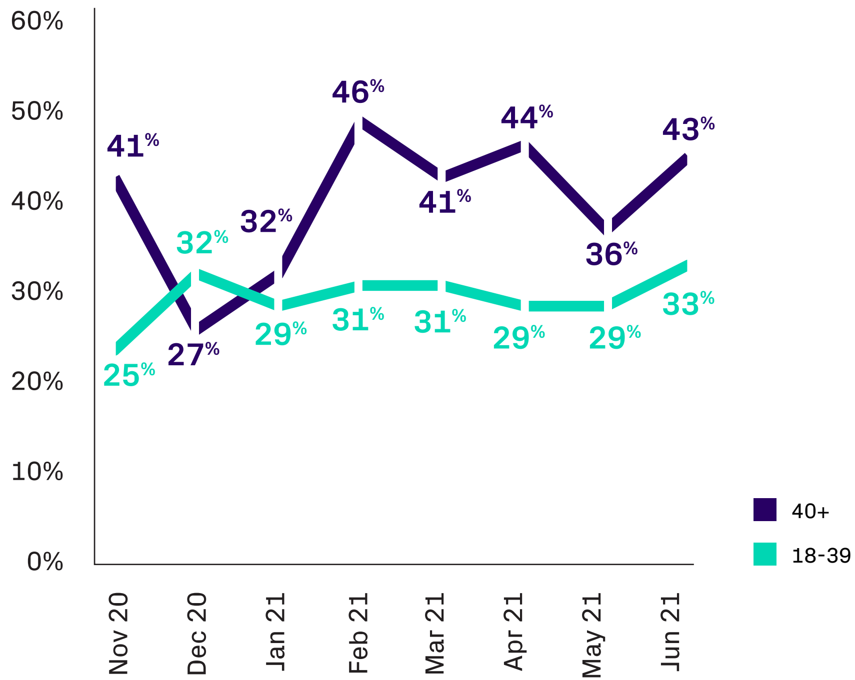
MONTHLY ONLINE CHANNEL RECALL BY AGE



MONTHLY OFFLINE CHANNEL RECALL BY AGE



GENLESS_RECALL. Had you seen any of this material, or something similar?.
Base: n=97-170

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Online can lead to specific actions, but offline is necessary for creating wide reach

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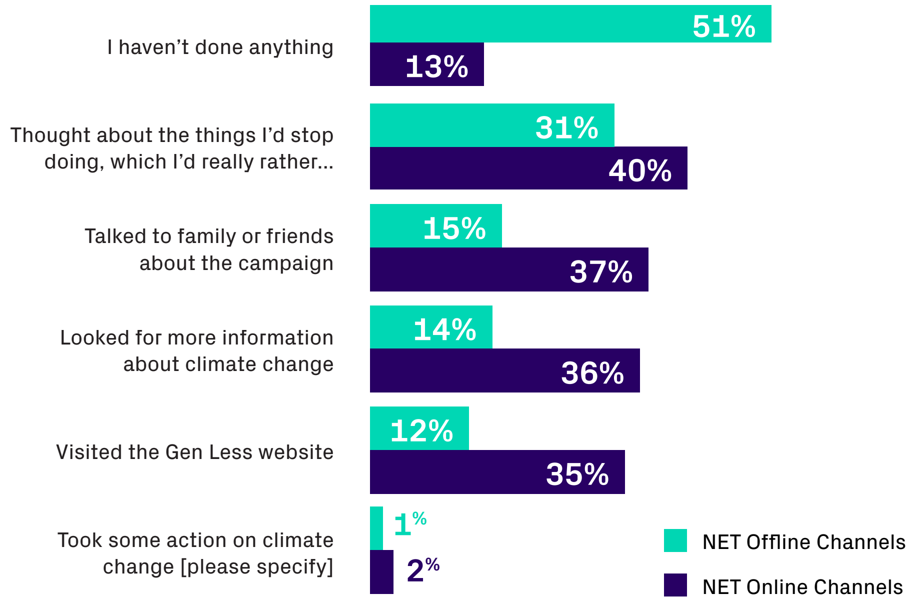
ACTIONS TAKEN AS A RESULT OF SEEING CAMPAIGN BY CHANNEL



Those viewing the campaign through an online channel were significantly more likely to take subsequent action.

CHANNEL RECALL BY KEY GROUPS (SINCE GEN LESS 2.0 LAUNCHED)

	AGE		
	18-39	40-49	50+
Online	30% ▲	20%	7% ▼
Offline	30% ▼	37%	42% ▲

	SEGMENT				
	The Willing	The Busy	The Self Interested	The Complacent	The Unconvinced
Online	25% ▲	25% ▲	9% ▼	17%	15%
Offline	41%	35%	34%	42% ▲	30% ▼

Those viewing the campaign online are significantly more likely to be aged 18-39 or fall under the segments 'The Willing' or 'The Busy'.

Offline channels are more likely to reach those aged 50+ and those in 'The Complacent' segment.

GENLESS_ACTION As a result from seeing this advertising campaign, I ...;
GENLESS_CHANNELS: (Before today, in which places, if any, had you seen or heard about Gen Less?)
Base: n=107-596; Filter: Nov-20 – Jun-21 (Gen Less 2.0 length).

There's a disconnect between key outtakes and relevance, particularly among older New Zealanders

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PROMPTED MESSAGE OUTTAKES

			AGE		
		vs. Gen Less 1.0	18-39	40-49	50+
We can all make a difference to climate change in our own way	51%		45% ▼	45%	57% ▲
It's worth finding ways to use less energy	47%		45%	50%	47%
We can make a difference to climate change by giving up the stuff we don't love	45%		39% ▼	46%	49% ▲
We don't have to give up the stuff we love to make a difference to climate change	42%		42%	38%	44%
Using less energy can free you up	33%		38% ▲	35%	29% ▼
This campaign is relevant to me	28%	+3%	32% ▲	30%	24% ▼
This ad gave me something to think more deeply about	28%	+6%	34% ▲	33%	21% ▼

Those who are 50+ are strongly aligned to the collective 'we can' campaign messages, but struggle to see the personal relevance of the campaign.

▲▼ Statistically significant difference to average

GENLESS_PROMPT: Which of these statements do you agree with after seeing the advertising?
Base: n=107-596; Filter: Nov-20 – Jun-21 (Gen Less 2.0 length).

IMPLICATION

If you want to reach more younger people, then you need to over-invest in them for Gen Less 3.0.

Gen Less 2.0 is successfully reaching those on board with the cause, older New Zealanders and men in particular. But cut through is weaker with younger people and females. Amplifying activity on social media has paid off as a strategy to reach younger people in the short-term, and this can be built on.

Relevance is not yet felt across the board – in particular older New Zealanders don't feel the ad is aimed at them. Although younger people should be the strategic focus since they offer most opportunity, understanding how to create relevance with older, less climate-connected groups could be a stronger ambition of the next campaign.

EVs

Key metrics and trends over time

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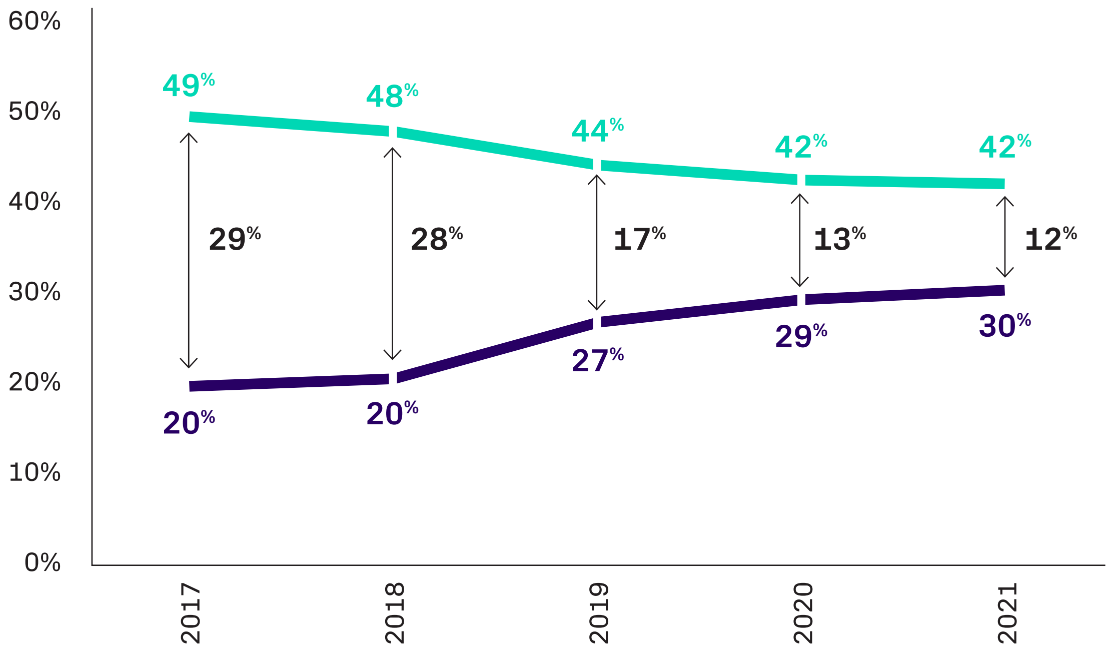
Transport

The gap between perceived EV barriers and benefits continues to shrink



Younger New Zealanders and men are more likely to see benefits over barriers to EVs.

AGE		GENDER		ETHNICITY		
18-39	40+	Male	Female	NZ European	Māori/ Pasifika	Asian
30%▼	51%▲	41%	46%	46%▲	34%▼	31%▼
35%	25%▼	35%▲	22%▼	28%	30%	35%

Barriers outweigh benefits

Benefits outweigh barriers

▲▼ Statistically significant difference to average

EV13 Thinking about the benefits and barriers towards Electric Vehicles, please indicate how the benefits currently compare with the barriers for you personally on the scale below?
Base: Year (1,449 – 2,989); Demographics (n=83 – 492). Years represent calendar years, not financial years.

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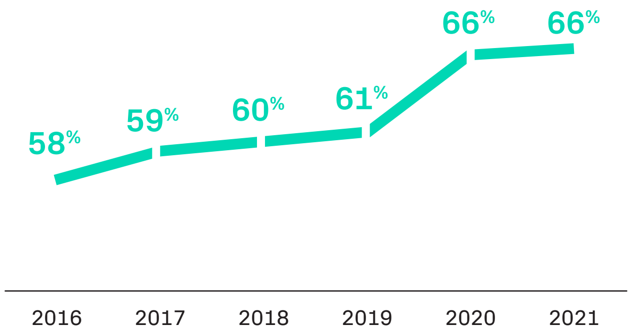
Key metrics around EVs stabilized for the first half of 2021, following sustained long-term growth

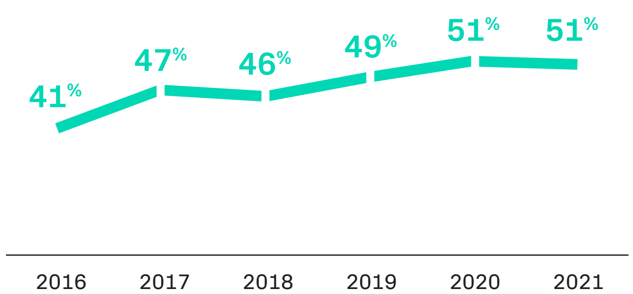
Transport

EV KEY METRICS – T2B

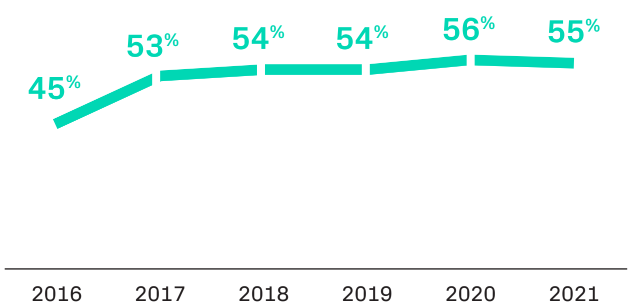
FAMILIARITY



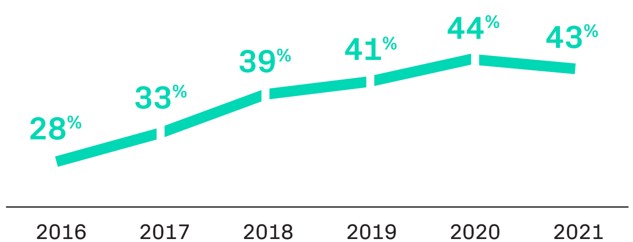
CONFIDENCE



FAVOURABILITY



BEV/PHEV CONSIDERATION



	Jul-Sep 20	Oct-Dec 20	Jan-Mar 20	Apr-Jun 20
Familiarity	64%	68%	68%	64%
Confidence	51%	52%	53%	49%
Favourability	55%	58%	58%	52% ▼
Consideration	42%	45%	43%	42%

At a quarterly level, there was a significant decrease in favourability this quarter, while other measures saw slight, non-significant decreases.

The Clean Car Discount coming into force from July 2021 may impact these metrics in the months to come.

▲▼ Statistically significant difference to previous period

EV_FAMILIARITY How would you rate your familiarity with Electric Vehicles? / EV_FAVOUR How favourable or unfavourable is your overall opinion or impression of Electric Vehicles?
EV_CONFIDENCE To what extent are you confident that Electric Vehicles can meet your needs? EV_CONSr Thinking about your next vehicle purchase, how likely are you to consider the following vehicles?
Base: 3MR n=710+. Years represent calendar years, not financial years.

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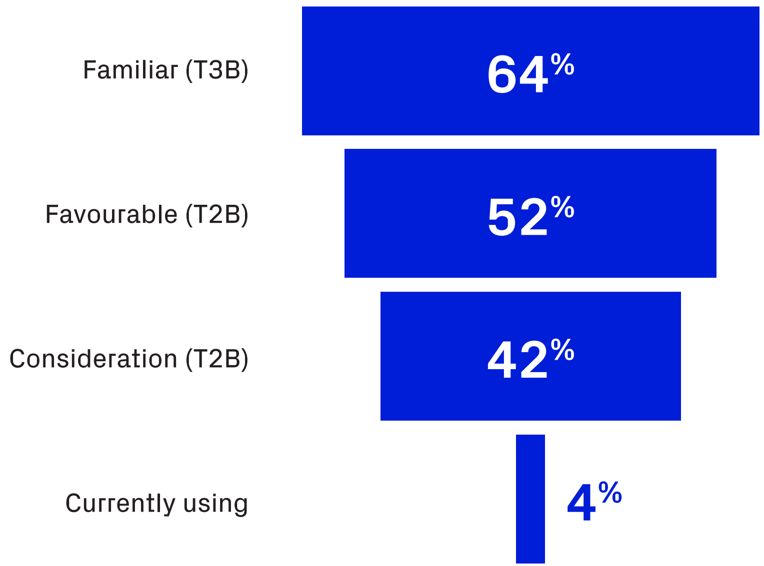
Younger people, men and those identifying as Asian show strong conversion down the EV funnel

EV CONVERSION FUNNEL – APR-JUN 21



	AGE		GENDER		ETHNICITY		
	18-39	40+	Male	Female	NZ European	Māori/ Pasifika	Asian
Familiar (T3B)	67%	63%	76% ▲	54% ▼	62% ▼	61%	83% ▲
Favourable (T2B)	58% ▲	48% ▼	59% ▲	45% ▼	52%	52%	59% ▲
Consideration (T2B)	51% ▲	37% ▼	50% ▲	35% ▼	39% ▼	47%	59% ▲
Currently using	5%	3%	4%	3%	3% ▼	2%	5%

▲▼ Statistically significant difference to average

EV_FAMILIARITY How would you rate your familiarity with Electric Vehicles? / EV_FAVOUR How favourable or unfavourable is your overall opinion or impression of Electric Vehicles? / EV_CONSr Thinking about your next vehicle purchase, how likely are you to consider the following vehicles? / Q160c. What type of cars or other passenger vehicles (excluding motor bikes) do you currently own within your household?
Base: 3MR n= 83 - 527

After cheaper running costs, environmental benefits are strongly perceived

EV BENEFITS

		SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER FOR					SIGNIFICANTLY LOWER FOR				
		Gender	Age	Region	Income	Ethnicity	Gender	Age	Region	Income	Ethnicity
They're cheaper to run	51%			Auckland (55%)	> $140k (63%)				Non-Akl. (48%)	< $60k (46%)	
They're cheaper to maintain	35%	Males (38%)		Auckland (43%)			Females (32%)		Non-Akl. (31%)	< $60k (46%)	
The produce less air pollution	49%			Wellington (61%)							
They save fuel resources	44%			Wellington (53%)	> $140k (55%)	NZ Euro. (47%)					
They produce fewer greenhouse emissions	40%					NZ Euro. (42%)					
They use renewable energy	38%	Males (41%)		Wellington (52%)			Females (35%)				
They can be charged at home	48%	Males (52%)					Females (44%)				
They can be charged independent of petrol companies	29%		Age 40+ (34%)			NZ Euro. (31%)		Age 18-39 (22%)		< $60k (25%)	
They are quiet when driving	31%	Male (35%)				Asian (38%)	Female (27%)				
They use an innovative technology	23%	Males (27%)	Age 18-39 (29%)	Auckland (29%)		Asian (31%)	Female (19%)	Age 40+ (19%)	Non Akl. (20%)		
They accelerate faster than petrol cars	11%	Male (14%)	Age 18-39 (15%)	Auckland (17%) Wellington (19%)	> $140k (24%)	Asian (22%)	Female (9%)	Age 40+ (9%)	Non-Akl. (9%)	< $60k (8%)	NZ European (10%)

Q178. What is it about electric vehicles that would make you likely to consider them the next time you buy a vehicle?
Base: n=710

Performance Charging Environment Cost

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Initial cost is a universal barrier, regardless of income

EV BARRIERS

EV barriers	%	Significantly higher for: Gender	Age	Region	Income	Ethnicity	Significantly lower for: Gender	Age	Region	Income	Ethnicity
They are not available at an affordable price	58%		40+ (62%)	RONI (64%)		NZ Euro. (60%)		18-39 (52%)	ROSI (47%)		Māori/Pasifika (43%)
Uncertainty about the battery life and replacement	50%	Female (54%)	40+ (56%)	RONI (57%)		NZ Euro. (52%)	Male (46%)	18-39 (40%)	Auckland (39%)		Māori/Pasifika (40%), Asian (43%)
I don't know enough about them to consider them	28%	Female (36%)	40+ (31%)		<$60k (35%)		Male (20%)	18-39 (23%)	Auckland (21%)	>$140k (18%)	Asian (17%)
They are not tried & trusted yet	24%					NZ Euro. (27%)				>$140k (13%)	Asian (17%)
Im unsure about their environmental benefits	16%		40+ (18%)					18-39 (13%)	Wellington (10%)		Asian (11%)
They have a driving range that is not suitable for long distance travelling	38%		40+ (44%)			NZ Euro. (41%)		18-39 (28%)	Auckland (32%)		Māori/Pasifika (25%), Asian (27%)
Public charging stations are not easy to find	35%								RONI (30%)		
It takes a long time to charge them	32%										
They are difficult to service	18%		18-39 (24%)					40+ (14%)		<$60k (12%)	
They dont perform as well as petrol cars	15%	Female (19%)					Male (13%)		Auckland (12%)		
They have a driving range that is not suitable for my typical day-to-day needs	15%		40+ (17%)					18-39 (12%)	Wellington (9%)		
There is not a wide range of body types/ models available	18%									<$60k (15%)	
They are not easily found for purchase	13%		18-39 (16%)	Wellington (20%)	<$60k (16%)			40+ (11%)			
There isn't the vehicle type to meet my needs	11%		40+ (13%)		>$140k (23%)			18-39 (9%)		<$60k (9%)	
They are odd looking	11%		18-39 (17%)					40+ (8%)	ROSI (5%)		

Q179. What is it about electric vehicles that would make you unlikely to consider them the next time you buy a vehicle?
Base: n=710

Looks/Aesthetics | Range/Availability | Performance | Uncertainty | Price

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New Zealanders are gradually pivoting towards EVs

IMPLICATION

It's still early days in terms of uptake, but EVs are becoming a more serious proposition for New Zealanders.

Men, under 40s and those identifying as Asian form the early adopter group. Other segments of the population will take more convincing, in particular older females. Targeted messaging that's crafted to dispel specific barriers held by different groups will help shift mindsets to be more accepting of EVs.

Let’s talk

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Subject: EECA Fortnightly Report - 10 December 2021
Attachments: 20211210 EECA Fortnightly Report.pdf; Gen Less 'Right Side of History' Campaign Measurement Framework (FY21-22).pdf

Categories: Deadline

Kia ora Marissa,

Please see attached EECA's Fortnightly Report to the Minister.

We've also attached for the Minister's information the measurement framework for the Gen Less 'Right Side of History' Campaign.

Have a great weekend!

Ngā mihi,
Brooke

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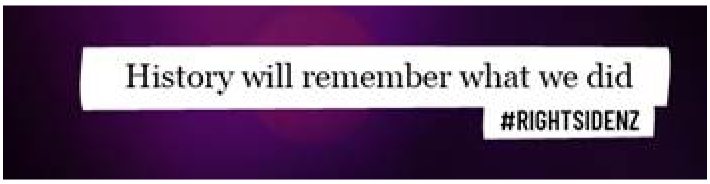

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EECA's Fortnightly Report to the Minister of Energy and Resources

10 December 2021

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Measurement Framework for Gen Less Right Side of History campaign

Attached to this fortnightly report for your information is the Measurement Framework for EECA's current Gen Less 'Right Side of History' campaign, which outlines how the campaign's impact and value for money is tracked and assessed.

The first two columns of the framework, delivery and comprehension, relate specifically to the effectiveness and related value for money of the 'Right Side of History' campaign:

- **Delivery: is the campaign reaching people?** EECA's target is to reach 2.997 million New Zealanders on TV by 30 June 2022, with people seeing the advertisement on average 33 times.
- **Comprehension: are people recalling the campaign, and what are the key messages and actions they are taking from the campaign?** EECA's target is to have 43-48% of New Zealanders (18+ years old) recalling seeing the campaign, and 25% of New Zealanders (18+ Years old) recognising the Gen Less Brand. EECA will also be tracking the likeability of the advertising, along with which key messages and actions people are taking as a result of seeing the campaign. These targets will be measured in our ongoing Consumer and Business Monitors.

The third column focuses on long term behavioural change, which consists of the Statement of Performance (SPE) targets EECA has committed to along with other New Zealand-wide attitudes we are tracking. These results reflect a contribution from all of EECA's activities (and other parties) and are not specific to the campaign.

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GEN LESS

Measurement Framework: Right Side of History Targets FY21/22

DELIVERY
Are the messages reaching and engaging people?

COMPREHENSION
What did people think, believe, intend, feel?

LONG TERM BEHAVIOUR CHANGE
What is the organisational critical outcome?

SPE Measures: Fostering a society in which sustainable energy is expected and demanded

- At least 16% of individuals and 16% businesses are aware of the Gen Less brand.

SPE: *(Broader Gen Less programme)*
- At least 32% of individuals understand that transport is the biggest contributor to New Zealand's energy-related emissions
- At least 46% of individuals say they are likely to consider a low-emissions vehicle as their next car purchase.
- At least 37% of businesses are actively seeking to reduce the impact of their energy use and transport choices

Non-SPE:
- At least 73% of New Zealanders think climate change is an important issue for New Zealand
- At least 72% of people agree we need to make changes to our energy use to address climate change, even if it means a change to our current lifestyle

3.0 Campaign-Specific Measures

TV (Buying audience 25-54 yrs)
- **Total Campaign (17 Oct – 30 Jun):** 2.997m 1+ Reach (aged 18+), avg freq 33
  - Challenge (17 Oct – 30 Jun): 2.776m 1+ Reach (aged 18+), avg freq 22
  - Response (17 Oct – 30 Jun): 2.797m 1+ Reach (aged 18+), avg freq 14

(NB. Media buying performance will be measured against 25-54 yrs.)

Online
- Video: YouTube completion rate: 45%, CPCV $0.08, CV: 1,500,774
  TVNZ Completion rate: 95%. CPCV $0.06, CV 1,223,933
- Social : CPCV" $0.21, CV: 756,983

OOH (Buying audience 25-54 yrs)
999k 1+ Reach (aged 18+), avg freq 30

Stuff Partnership
9m impressions on ad units, 25K page views on articles
Print r&f against AP 18+: 22.84%, 5.36x avg freq

PR/Media Relations:
PR Target (at launch) = 3-4 pieces of media coverage, Media Impact Score 2.5+
Influencer Target (at launch) = 130,000 reach

Web: (by 30 June 2022) *(Broader Gen Less programme)*
Visits to website (no. of sessions): Target 1m
Hits to campaign page: Target 45,000
New users to website: Target 85%

Social: (by 30 June 2022)
Followers: Target Facebook 15,000, Insta 8,000
Engagements (reactions, comments, shares, clicks, saves) Target 4-6%
Reach: Target by 30 June - Facebook 500k/mth, Insta 150k/mth

eDM: (by 30 June 2022)
eDM sign ups: Target 10,000
Open rate: Target 35%
Click-through rate: Target 5%

Recall of ad - Have you seen/heard any of this advertising recently?
% Yes: Baseline 43% 12MR (peak 46%). Target 43-48% (3MR)

Recognition of Gen Less - Which of the following have you heard of?
% Selected: 36% EECA (Q1, 3MR). Baseline Gen Less = 22% (Q1, 3MR). Target: 25% (Q4, 6MR)

Likeability - How much do you like the advertising?
% I like it a lot/little: Baseline = 46% (GL1.0) & 52% (GL2.0), Target = 46%

Unprompted message outtake
What messages can you remember from the material? What was it telling you?
Open text response: Baseline = N/A, Target = N/A

Prompted message outtake (Baseline = N/A, Target = N/A)
Which of these statements do you agree with after seeing the advertising?
- This ad gave me something to think more deeply about
- This campaign is relevant to me
- We can all make a difference to climate change in our own way
- This ad is for all New Zealanders
- Now is the critical time to make changes for the climate
- In future, people will look back on the actions we took and whether we were on the right side of climate history
- It's no longer enough to just believe in climate change – we all need to take action
- We need to reduce our energy emissions today
- The climate actions I take today will be part of the legacy I leave behind
- Lots of New Zealand people and businesses are already taking action on climate change

Action: As a result of seeing this campaign, I...
- Visited the Gen Less website
- Talked to family and friends about climate change
- Looked for more information about climate change
- Took some action to reduce my climate change impact (please specify)
- Other (please specify)

Baseline = N/A, Target = N/A

NZers' level of comfort with institution-led system change
- The Government needs to do more to help reduce New Zealand's impact on the environment % Strongly agree: Baseline = 28% (12MR), Target = 28%
- Government should provide incentives to encourage behaviours that protect the environment % Strongly agree: Baseline = 33% (12MR), Target = 36%

NZers' willingness to participate in change
- I am prepared to change my own personal behaviour in order to reduce climate change % Strongly agree: Baseline = 22% (12MR), Target = 25%
- We'll have to change how we live because of climate change, but these changes can be positive % Strongly agree: Baseline = 27% (12MR), Target = 29%

Businesses willingness to participate in change
- Our business is taking steps to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions
  % Strongly agree: Baseline = 7% (12MR), Target = 9%
- Businesses can make a difference to climate change
  % Strongly agree: Baseline = 18% (12MR), Target = 23%
- We need to consider all solutions to climate change, even if they mean changing how our business does things
  % Strongly agree: Baseline = 18% (12MR), Target = 21%

4. Subject: Email: WPQ – 10 question (s) released to the Minister

From: Tessa Ballinger [mailto:Tessa.Ballinger@ea.govt.nz]
Sent: Friday, 5 August 2022 10:29 AM
To: Shayne O'Sullivan <Shayne.O'Sullivan@parliament.govt.nz>
Cc: Maggie Tapa <Maggie.Tapa@parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: WQ - 10 question(s) released to Minister

Hi Shayne,

The answer to both WPQ's for the Authority and EECA is "No"

Thanks,
Tessa

From: Shayne O'Sullivan <Shayne.O'Sullivan@parliament.govt.nz>
Sent: Thursday, 4 August 2022 4:35 pm
To: Tessa Ballinger <Tessa.Ballinger@ea.govt.nz>; Maggie Tapa <Maggie.Tapa@parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: WQ - 10 question(s) released to Minister

Hi Tessa,

Yes tomorrow morning is fine.

From: Tessa Ballinger [mailto:Tessa.Ballinger@ea.govt.nz]
Sent: Thursday, 4 August 2022 11:57 AM
To: Shayne O'Sullivan <Shayne.O'Sullivan@parliament.govt.nz>; Maggie Tapa <Maggie.Tapa@parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: WQ - 10 question(s) released to Minister

Hi Shayne and Maggie,

I am pretty certain that the answer is NO however I'd like to double check with our comms director, who is on leave today.
Can I let you know tomorrow morning?

Thanks
Tessa

From: Shayne O'Sullivan <Shayne.O'Sullivan@parliament.govt.nz>
Sent: Thursday, 4 August 2022 11:08 am
To: Maggie Tapa <Maggie.Tapa@parliament.govt.nz>; Tessa Ballinger <Tessa.Ballinger@ea.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: WQ - 10 question(s) released to Minister

Kia ora,

Can EECA and the EA please provide a joint response to this, we presume the answer is no.
Do you think we can get a response by COP today?

Thanks,

Shayne

From: Written Questions
Sent: Tuesday, 2 August 2022 11:36 AM
To: Shayne O'Sullivan <Shayne.O'Sullivan@parliament.govt.nz>
Subject: WQ - 10 question(s) released to Minister

Reply 27257 (2022) has been released
Portfolio: Energy and Resources (Hon Dr Megan Woods)
Due: 10 Aug 2022
Question: Has the Minister given any formal or informal direction to agencies under her responsibility to increase advertising; if so, when and what were the details of this?
27257 (2022)

Reply 27258 (2022) has been released
Portfolio: Energy and Resources (Hon Dr Megan Woods)
Due: 10 Aug 2022
Question: Have any agencies under her responsibility received and/or given any formal or informal direction to increase advertising; if so, from and/or to whom was the direction given, and what were the details of this?
27258 (2022)

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