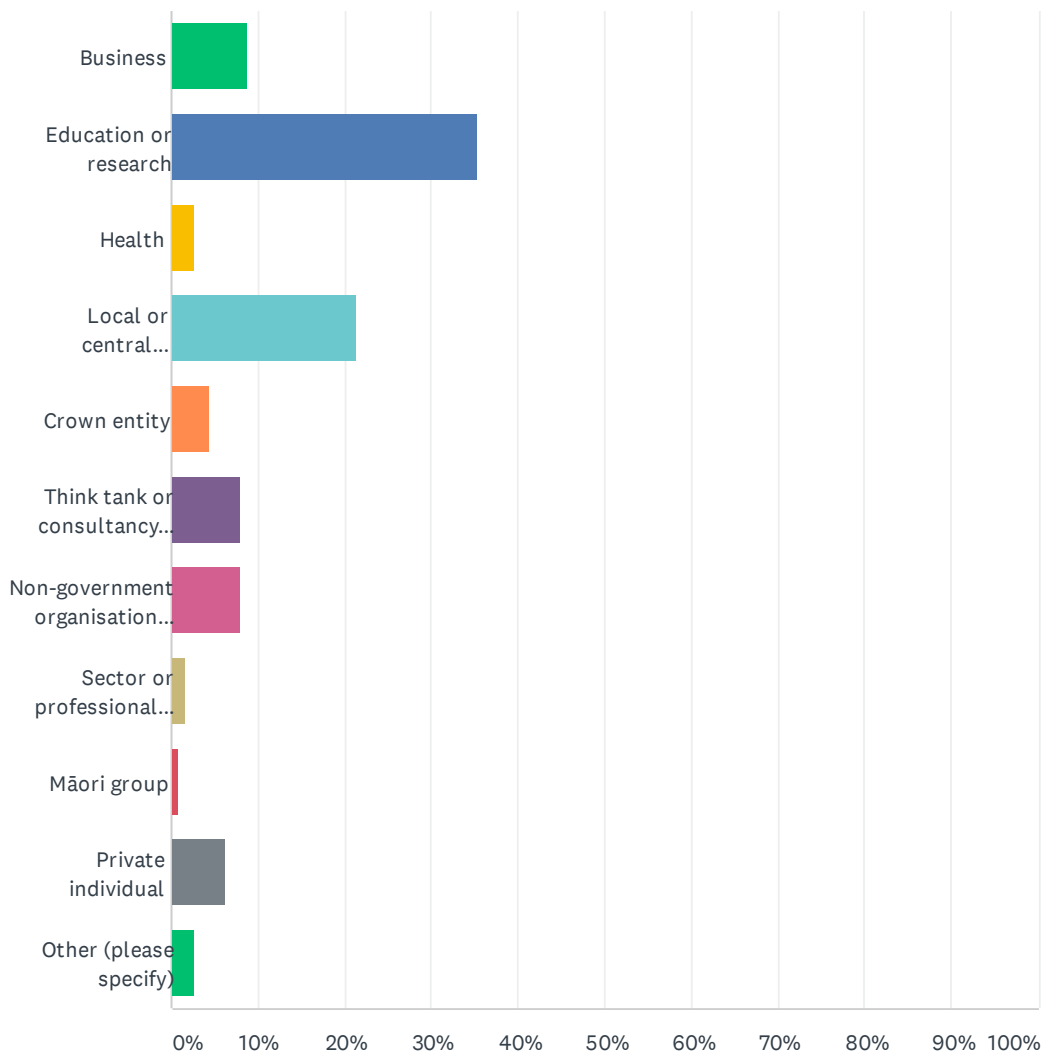


Q1 What type of organisation do you primarily represent?

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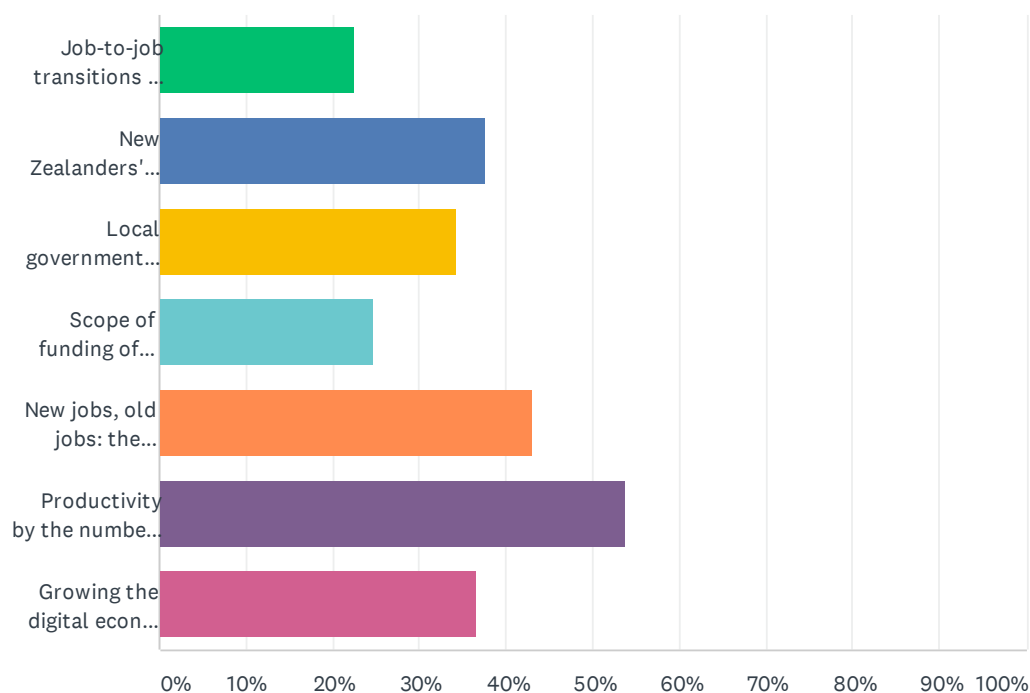


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Business	8.85%	10
Education or research	35.40%	40
Health	2.65%	3
Local or central government	21.24%	24
Crown entity	4.42%	5
Think tank or consultancy firm	7.96%	9
Non-government organisation or community group	7.96%	9
Sector or professional interest group	1.77%	2
Māori group	0.88%	1
Private individual	6.19%	7
Other (please specify)	2.65%	3
TOTAL		113

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Special Interest Vehicle owners and SIV related businesses	7/8/2020 12:48 PM
2	Office of Auditor General	7/1/2020 12:50 PM
3	Retired	7/1/2020 12:26 PM

Q2 Have you read any of the following research papers by the Commission in the last year? View papers here.

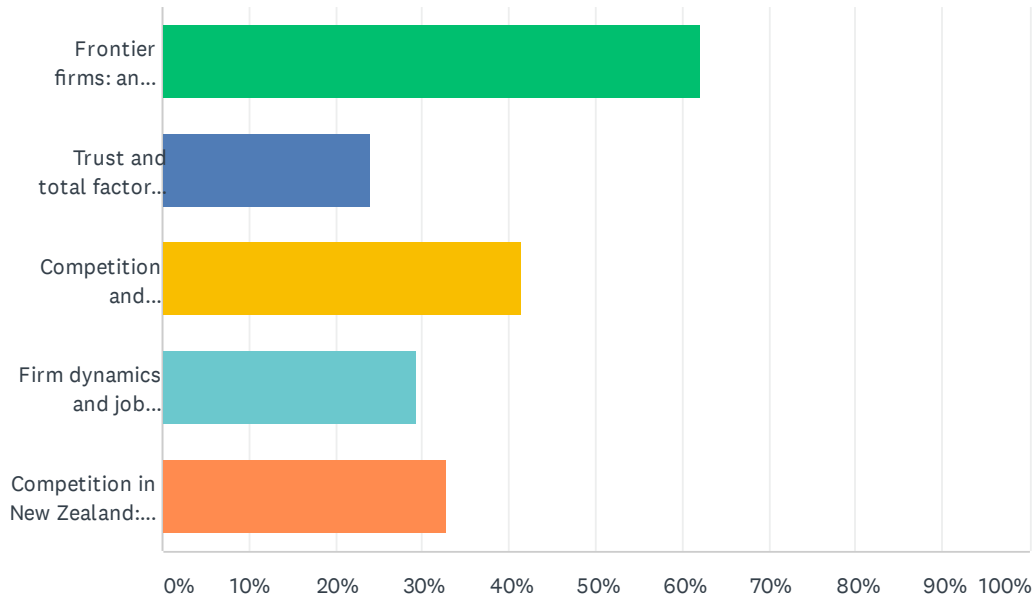
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Job-to-job transitions and the regional job ladder	22.58% 21
New Zealanders' attitudes towards robots and AI	37.63% 35
Local government insights	34.41% 32
Scope of funding of local government: an international comparison	24.73% 23
New jobs, old jobs: the evolution of work in New Zealand's cities and towns	43.01% 40
Productivity by the numbers: 2019	53.76% 50
Growing the digital economy in Australia and New Zealand	36.56% 34
Total Respondents: 93	

Q3 Have you read any of the following research that was commissioned by the Productivity Commission? View papers here.

Answered: 58 Skipped: 56



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Frontier firms: an international small advanced economy perspective (David Skilling)	62.07%	36
Trust and total factor productivity: what do we know about effect size and causal pathways? (Conal Smith)	24.14%	14
Competition and productivity: do commonly used metrics suggest a relationship? (Dave Maré, Richard Fabling)	41.38%	24
Firm dynamics and job creation: revisiting the perpetual motion machine (John Stephenson)	29.31%	17
Competition in New Zealand: highlights from the latest data (Aaron Schiff, Harkanwal Singh)	32.76%	19
Total Respondents: 58		

Q4 Which paper(s) did you find the most useful and why?

Answered: 71 Skipped: 43

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Productivity issues are central to the PC's mission, so these contributions were the most interesting. Local government is also of particular interest given the housing affordability and infrastructure issues. In both cases the NZPC has made substantial contributions and the recent papers have made their findings more accessible	7/20/2020 4:39 PM
2	Firm dynamics - it looked at what was driving firms or hindering them.	7/17/2020 9:40 AM
3	Job-to-job transitions and the regional job ladder and Productivity by the numbers: 2019	7/16/2020 6:16 PM
4	Frontier firms paper. Related to the work our agency does.	7/16/2020 4:19 PM
5	Competition and productivity. Good survey of measurement approaches and issues.	7/16/2020 3:47 PM
6	Local government Insights	7/16/2020 12:40 PM
7	I'm a big fan of Fabling and Mare's work, Nolan's work, and the 'frontier firms' authors' work	7/16/2020 12:29 PM
8	N/A	7/16/2020 11:38 AM
9	labour market related	7/16/2020 11:28 AM
10	I mainly read out of interest rather than for use in my day to day, although they do allow me to engage more pro-actively with the policy focused teams at Treasury. I find your topics and insights well considered and well presented.	7/16/2020 10:50 AM
11	Attitudes to robotics. Working in the disability sector I know how advances in Assistive Technology are making a huge difference for some disabled people. Robotics can enable people to use limbs that are otherwise useless. This can give them greater independence and the ability to participate in activities such as education and employment.	7/16/2020 10:20 AM
12	All interesting but of peripheral relevance to my work	7/16/2020 10:19 AM
13	NZers Attitude to Robots	7/16/2020 10:14 AM
14	I haven't read any, as I didn't know they existed, But they are definitely of interest now	7/16/2020 10:07 AM
15	NA	7/9/2020 5:34 PM
16	Aaron Schiff's paper, data based local issue	7/9/2020 3:47 PM
17	The competition related research papers as they were relevant to a piece of I work I was doing for my organisation.	7/9/2020 9:01 AM
18	Every paper I read I tend to find useful. I'm a bit selective about which papers I download and read. When I do, however, they stay with me, get filled with highlights and notes and end up referenced in emails, presentations and conversations. They are a big part of shaping my view.	7/8/2020 2:58 PM
19	All interesting; the most useful depends on what I was working on at the time.	7/8/2020 2:48 PM
20	I prefer empirical papers	7/8/2020 2:19 PM
21	na	7/8/2020 1:39 PM
22	Growing the digital economy. I find them all interesting.	7/8/2020 12:48 PM
23	I haven't read any of the above - bu may be tempted to look at some over the next few days. I came to the website to review the various reports on Educating New Zealand's Workforce.	7/8/2020 12:46 PM
24	They all had some elements of the most useful features: documenting empirically the state of commercial and state of NZ. The examination of institutional NZ settings vs specific international is also very useful	7/8/2020 12:28 PM
25	Frontier Firms by David Skilling was the most useful for my work because it provides critical analysis and insight into the causal factors as to why traditional incentives for productivity in New Zealand have not been working effectively. This has helped our firm to construct better strategic advice to our clients.	7/8/2020 11:28 AM
26	Productivity by the numbers 2019 as it provides a quick overview of how NZ performs by industry	7/8/2020 10:59 AM
27	As a general comment, papers are of little value without a concerted effort to present the information in person in a variety of forums.	7/8/2020 10:59 AM
28	Firm Dynamics and Job Creation - most poignant as we enter a recession	7/8/2020 10:35 AM

29	Productivity by the numbers - policy implementation	7/2/2020 10:10 PM
30	The two I read were excellent. What is most interesting is the mix of new/innovative ideas and empirical material	7/2/2020 3:03 PM
31	Those with a theme/emphasis on productivity	7/2/2020 10:01 AM
32	-	7/1/2020 7:50 PM
33	They were all really useful - I don't read them as such - I find them and forward them to others in the Commission.	7/1/2020 3:17 PM
34	Papers were interesting	7/1/2020 3:12 PM
35	All had different aspects of interest. My primary interest is in firm level insights	7/1/2020 1:48 PM
36	I have not read all the papers (Rather remiss) but I have read some of the summaries	7/1/2020 1:43 PM
37	NA	7/1/2020 1:38 PM
38	Local Govt work was really helpful	7/1/2020 1:23 PM
39	Frontier firms - incorporated into my own research and teaching	7/1/2020 1:09 PM
40	Growing Digital Economy	7/1/2020 12:45 PM
41	Have not read any of the papers listed. I reviewed earlier papers by the Commission but not in the specified time frame. Likert scale ratings below are based on the papers I have read.	7/1/2020 12:26 PM
42	I just had a look at the report "Frontier firms: an international small advanced economy perspective" because the topic is close to my interest. I feel that it has some interesting parts and I enjoyed reading it, but there is an opportunity for a much more rigorous research approach. It ignores much of the existing research relevant to this topic and does not build on a strong data set. It neglects important factors and there is an opportunity to more critically discuss the recommendations. I don't think it would be suitable for policy advice. However, I think it is informative as a report and would be valuable as a foundation for discussion.	7/1/2020 12:19 PM
43	Discussion around competition and the work with other agencies. These were important as they pave the way for other organisations to take the work forward.	7/1/2020 12:10 PM
44	In my area of work I find the urban and regional policy material most useful (local govt, institutions, housing, infrastructure etc)	7/1/2020 11:24 AM
45	All the paper I read were useful as they did provide a view by analysis	7/1/2020 11:21 AM
46	Frontier firms	7/1/2020 11:16 AM
47	Only one paper seemed to be close to my interests	7/1/2020 10:35 AM
48	Frontier firms - within my interest and expertise	6/25/2020 3:26 PM
49	Those that are future focused and enable us to look at new ways and interventions to reimagine regions and future economies and what changes need to occur and the more effective interventions. Data and analysis that is new (beyond BAU) and has a regional flavour.	6/25/2020 5:21 AM
50	Attitudes toward AI and robots as it provided new information related to research I was undertaking	6/24/2020 8:50 PM
51	N/A	6/24/2020 7:18 PM
52	Digital & AI - as a vocational education provider we need to keep an eye on the future of work	6/24/2020 4:40 PM
53	New jobs, old jobs. well-balanced, not buying into the "future workforce" consulting line.	6/24/2020 3:43 PM
54	The frontier firms paper by David Skilling as it brings into stark relief the scale of the challenge for New Zealand to reach top tier productivity levels.	6/24/2020 3:34 PM
55	The more generic productivity literature review papers are most useful. The Prod Comm has a valuable role setting out the evidence in a dis-passionate manner and there is a big gap in our knowledge.	6/24/2020 2:43 PM
56	Local govt funding. Good exposition of challenges and new thinking	6/24/2020 1:12 PM
57	trust and total factor productivity logical and well-	6/24/2020 12:43 PM
58	Information on the labour market, particularly where related to worker productivity.	6/24/2020 12:01 PM

59	I'm interested in the myths and realities of the impact of AI on work and the workplace.	6/24/2020 11:41 AM
60	Forgotten now. Would have to look back over papers	6/24/2020 11:15 AM
61	Job to job transitions..... Relevant to my current role.	6/24/2020 11:13 AM
62	Frontier firms paper by Skilling since it has depth, international perspective and gives clear directions on what government may do. Productivity by the numbers for its rigour, relevance and authoritiveness.	6/24/2020 11:02 AM
63	Competition and productivity - this was an important gap in our knowledge	6/24/2020 11:02 AM
64	Local govt-related papers, as the majority of our clients are local govt.	6/24/2020 11:01 AM
65	I am particularly interested in local government as i was involved in submitting to the recent LG Funding & Financing Inquiry	6/24/2020 10:59 AM
66	The one about transitioning to a low carbon economy. Fantastic work that covered the whole spectrum of the challenge. Very good reading and a reference work that I go to when wanting to inform myself of specific aspects.	6/24/2020 10:57 AM
67	None of them were not useful, but Productivity by the Numbers is the one I keep going back to to pull graphs and facts from.	6/24/2020 10:50 AM
68	Scope of funding local government and work in cities and towns as relevant to my ministry	6/24/2020 10:47 AM
69	Local government funding because it is a key issue for NZ communities and services.	6/24/2020 10:43 AM
70	all that I read	6/24/2020 10:42 AM
71	New jobs, old jobs: the evolution of work in New Zealand's cities and towns	6/24/2020 10:41 AM

Q5 What research topics would you like to see covered by the Commission in the next two years?

Answered: 81 Skipped: 33

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	If you look at the RHS of table 1 on page 4 of the productivity by numbers 2019 report, every row item is suggestive of inadequate FDI, but the report does not draw attention to this possibility. The real issue, given that the NZPC is a policy recommendation document is how central government spending and regulations might best take a more productivity-oriented focus. Central government is unlikely to want a report along those lines, so the NZPC must likely continue to do what it can at the margin to encourage a more constitutional focus for central government policies.	7/20/2020 4:39 PM
2	more on frontier firms, firm dynamics, innovation	7/17/2020 10:43 AM
3	Don't know	7/17/2020 9:40 AM
4	New Zealand evidence on - Enhancing productivity in SMEs, impact of managerial skills on productivity.	7/16/2020 4:19 PM
5	Effectiveness of actual policies on actual businesses whether in reducing or improving productivity - policies that were intended to or expected to impact productivity (i.e. ex post evaluation). What works? What doesn't?	7/16/2020 3:47 PM
6	Increasing productivity by transitioning the economy to future-focused activity eg green energy, waste minimisation. Engaging the workforce in efforts directed at climate change resilience. Transitioning the workforce away from activities in decline post-Covid and into growth areas:infrastructure rebuild, agriculture/horticulture, climate change preparation, practical apprenticeships, healthcare, technology	7/16/2020 2:45 PM
7	More on Climate Change adaptation -- getting early action underway	7/16/2020 12:40 PM
8	Microfoundations of productivity. Entrepreneurial capital (individual characteristics that Entrepreneurship Nurturing Organisations's programmes attempt to boost in order to raise productivity, such as programmes offered by YES, unis, incubators/accelerators, Kiwinet, Uniservices, IceHouse, Soda etc). Return on investment in incubators and tertiary sector's EC-boosting programmes	7/16/2020 12:29 PM
9	Employment and Taxes different perspectives during and after COVID-19	7/16/2020 11:38 AM
10	impact of covid and future of the labour market	7/16/2020 11:28 AM
11	I would like to see increased focus on emerging risks and opportunities. Papers do independently address these but I am keen to understand risks, opportunities and their correlations. Would a better understanding of the linkages across independent issues and potential challenges provide different insights and therefore solutions? I am also keen to get a better understanding of productivity in the context of a BoP type inflow outflow model (appreciate that sounds a little vague). For me it is about the connected impacts of decision making on our economy. I don't see this articulated really clearly. An illustrated view of what the implications of a decision actually looks (quantitatively as well as qualitatively) would be quite impactful and influential.	7/16/2020 10:50 AM
12	The relationship between the quality of local governance and local/regional productivity	7/16/2020 10:20 AM
13	Disabled people in the workforce. Why do employers not readily take on people with disabilities? Are they less productive? Are the costs of employing them greater?	7/16/2020 10:20 AM
14	Local government productivity	7/16/2020 10:19 AM
15	Regional development strategies Value and success of urban design and CPTED	7/16/2020 10:14 AM
16	More on incorporated societies and their activity in the marketplace	7/16/2020 10:07 AM
17	A broader view of economic efficient use of water (discharges and water takes) that considers nonmarket as well as market values.	7/16/2020 10:03 AM
18	Quality in tertiary education	7/10/2020 3:27 PM
19	Post COVID productivity implications	7/9/2020 6:24 PM
20	Whether competition among the NZ universities is having positive effects. The review of tertiary providers several years ago suggested it might not be and the situation has only got worse, it seems. I'd also like to see productivity in various domains being measured in more holistic ways, e.g. taking into account health and wellbeing, unpaid labour, and other factors that are typically unmeasured or under-measured.	7/9/2020 5:34 PM
21	Productivity of health sector, private vs public, size of DHB, non-hospital services vs hospital services	7/9/2020 3:47 PM

	Productivity Commission Research survey	SurveyMonkey
22	I would like to see efforts to find causation between SME business practices, behaviours and motivations and SME productivity and lifestyle of owners. A long-run data set on SME motivations and associated behaviours. Something like this that we can use to infer behaviour patterns and changes of SMEs when we interact in the market.	7/8/2020 2:58 PM
23	Keep the focus on productivity	7/8/2020 2:48 PM
24	Comparative evaluation of NZ's Covid interventions and post-Covid recovery policies	7/8/2020 2:19 PM
25	Is there a market for online tertiary education in NZ; if so, what subject areas and degrees should tertiary providers focus on?	7/8/2020 1:39 PM
26	- Incentives and benefits to lifelong learning. - Preparing students to succeed: the disparities between being a high school student and being a university student. eg E means Excellence in NCEA; whereas E is a fail at university. There is no competitive advantage in an enrolment system: NZ universities should have one point of entry for enrolment, and each stop investing millions in individual enrolment systems. There is no competitive advantage in an enrolment system as students have already made their choice of institution when they enrol.	7/8/2020 1:13 PM
27	What will be the real cost to tax payers of government promoting and supporting the uptake of Electric Vehicles. EG. government advertising for EV uptake and advertisements denigrating the internal combustion engine fleet. Costs to review and improve the Electricity delivery infrastructure, construction of EV charging stations and equipment. Level of financial support (in kind and cash) for businesses supplying and supporting the EV industry. Rate of uptake vs actual emissions gains and total cost to NZ tax payers	7/8/2020 12:48 PM
28	Circular Economy, Recycling of Waste	7/8/2020 12:46 PM
29	Local body performance and implementing institutional settings	7/8/2020 12:28 PM
30	Research on the impact of productivity on the environment.	7/8/2020 12:04 PM
31	Firm level incentives to improve productivity. For example, Application of Global Value Chain models to better understand the relationships between highly productive firms and their contribution to international and domestic economic development.	7/8/2020 11:28 AM
32	n/a	7/8/2020 10:59 AM
33	Achieving shifts in socio-economic systems	7/8/2020 10:59 AM
34	The contribution of good employer/employee relationships to improving productivity.	7/8/2020 10:56 AM
35	More on local government systems and structure. In particular look to the costs/benefits of amalgamation and financing arrangements especially if the government takes three waters management off councils and creates standalone water bodies. What next for councils to do and manage?	7/8/2020 10:35 AM
36	Internal operations of organisations; what makes one organisation time efficient; what degree does organisation culture make a difference. What is the difference between managers that have become managers because they are excellent technical people compared with managers that are trained to be managers.	7/7/2020 8:22 AM
37	Productivity Measures	7/2/2020 10:10 PM
38	Migration and its contribution to productivity, economic vitality and labour supply. Something on the impacts of demography would be helpful	7/2/2020 3:03 PM
39	I am keen to see more on this topic as the implications of post Covid sink in from both an economic and social perspective, changed workplace environment, higher minimum wage and so many other features of NZ. Our productivity is still too low in NZ and if we want to keep our momentum..	7/2/2020 10:01 AM
40	the fundamental physics climate change	7/1/2020 7:50 PM
41	Effects of Covid 19 on New Zealand's productivity. Competition in various sectors.	7/1/2020 3:17 PM
42	Relative productivity of online business.	7/1/2020 3:12 PM
43	type of firm response to covid - winners and losers exporting dynamics	7/1/2020 1:48 PM
44	Working away from the office and the impact on social integration	7/1/2020 1:43 PM
45	Forestry	7/1/2020 1:38 PM
46	Post Covid work. FAST. We need a better dialogue on where to next.	7/1/2020 1:23 PM
47	more on university-industry engagement and the nz research commercialization ecosystem	7/1/2020 1:09 PM

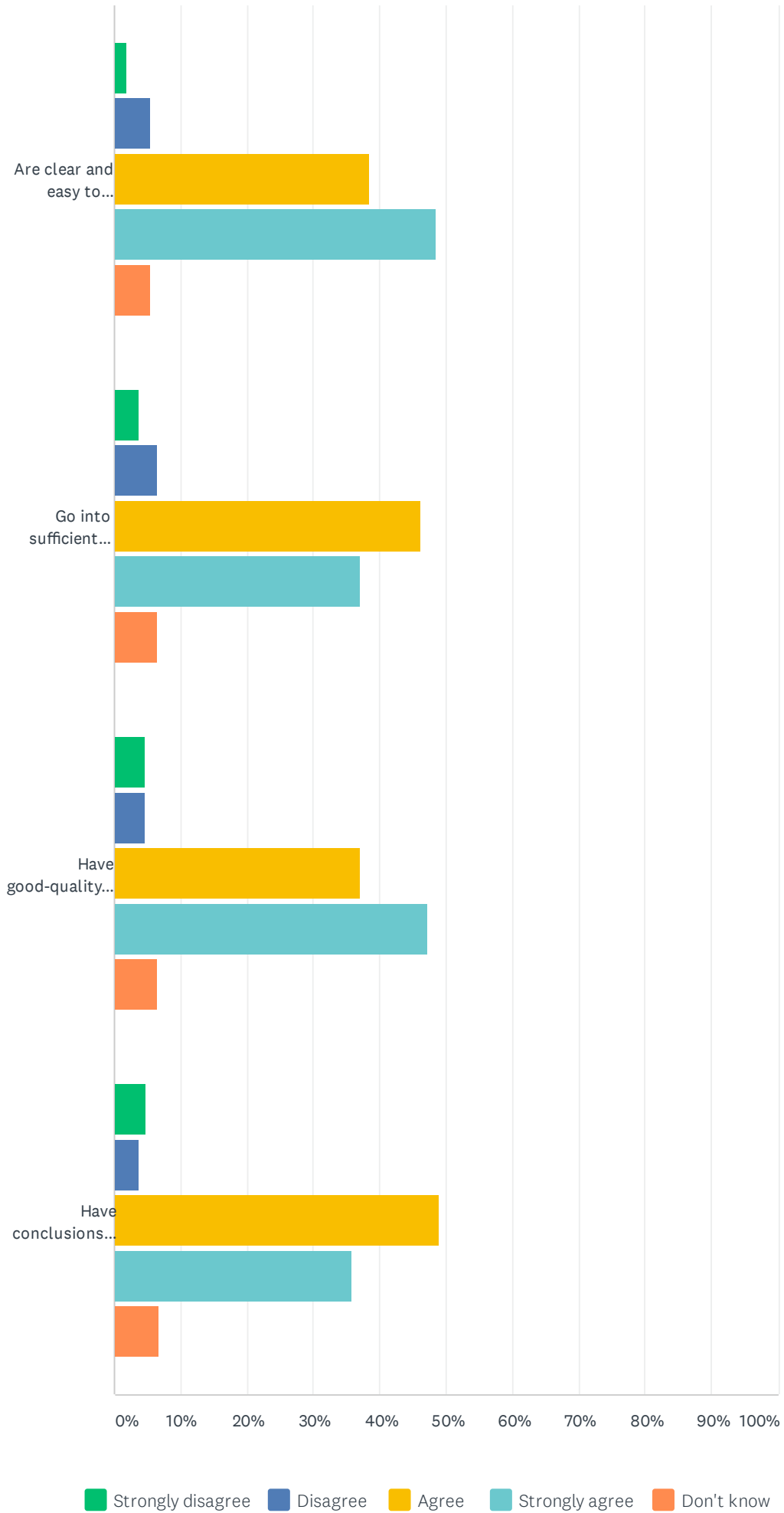
48	Digital related topics Sustainability	7/1/2020 12:45 PM
49	Cannot usefully comment.	7/1/2020 12:26 PM
50	I think the topics of the commissioned research are very relevant and of interest. But to create value, a clear methodology and a peer review process is needed (e.g. systematic review of literature, or data analysis).	7/1/2020 12:19 PM
51	Further work to understand New Zealand's unique productivity challenge. Research to further strengthen the argument for stronger competition policy to promote productivity	7/1/2020 12:10 PM
52	What is Deep Tech and how does it help /stimulate the NZ economy	7/1/2020 11:45 AM
53	Treasury is doing some strategising about long-term institutional reforms as part of the COVID 'wave 3' thinking. We have an internal project currently called "Past, Present, Future", which will help highlight cross-cutting issues. It'd be good for both organisations to compare notes result from this to help prioritise work areas. Amy Russell and JJ are good contacts.	7/1/2020 11:24 AM
54	Covid's long term effects on business and economy	7/1/2020 11:21 AM
55	Just read the book The Passion Economy by Adam Davidson. There are some very good points raised in this book that do have great impacts on productivity. Google the company HUmU for example to see the productivity gains from their work with companies in the US.	7/1/2020 11:16 AM
56	More on implications of population ageing and social policy	7/1/2020 10:35 AM
57	Flexible working as a priority. Someone mentioned you're looking at 4x10 hour days already? It would presumably include other options eg the Perpetual Guardian model as NZ already has low productivity for the number of hours worked.	6/25/2020 1:47 PM
58	Innovation Clusters Sectors Reimagining old sectors in new specialist ways e.g. tourism Renewable energy - improving productivity gains. e.g. why is the Govt championing wind energy when most of the products are imported? why isn't the productivity commission looking beyond clean and green and asking why can't this also be leveraged from within NZ and what steps are we making?	6/25/2020 5:21 AM
59	International regulation International standards	6/24/2020 8:50 PM
60	Ongoing effects of COVID19 on NZ and world economy.	6/24/2020 7:18 PM
61	More on changing skills demands of the workplace, particularly post_COVID implications	6/24/2020 4:40 PM
62	Regulation of the digital economy.	6/24/2020 3:43 PM
63	Three topics I believe would be of particular interest: 1. Isolation and productivity levels - what can New Zealand learn from comparatively isolated economies (i.e. both national and sub-national) their comparative advantages and respective productivity levels. For instance in the North American context what is the productivity performance of Hawaii, Alaska, Washington State and British Columbia when compared to California and the states/provinces in the eastern seaboard. Similarly how do economies on the periphery of Europe (perhaps Iceland, Ireland, Finland, Israel) manage isolation? What can New Zealand learn about productivity in isolated economies? 2. What countries/economies have managed to sustain multi-decade improvements in productivity performance and what policy interventions have been the catalyst to cause these outcomes? (i.e. Ireland and MNC attraction, Israel and significant R&D expenditure, Taiwan and specialisation in high-tech manufacturing, eastern-European countries as a manufacturing centre) What policy lessons can New Zealand learn from productivity success stories? (Note: the ones above may not actually be success stories they are just often cited as such!) 3. Global competitiveness, rankings and productivity. The World Economic Forum publishes the annual 'Global Competitiveness Report' where New Zealand appears to have ranked anywhere from 13th to 25th over the past 12 years. Approximately 120 variables go into this report. Some of the variables that are measured and ranked are within the control of policy here in New Zealand. Whilst others are outside of anyone's control (i.e. distance to markets). Of those that are in New Zealand's control if hypothetically a national project was to focus on moving New Zealand into the top 10 (or perhaps top 5 or even top 3). On every measure that we can control over an appropriate time period through a concerted and methodical policy approach what improvement in productivity would we likely see? Would this be the result of New Zealand simply being more 'fighting fit' and therefore firms that operate here being more globally competitive? Would this result in higher exports, FDI, jobs, incomes etc? Does it hold that the most competitive economies in these rankings are also the most productive? If not, why not? What is the benefit of being globally competitive (if any)?	6/24/2020 3:34 PM
64	We still don't really know that much about NZ's ongoing low productivity performance.	6/24/2020 2:43 PM

Anything that might get us a bit deeper here with some data would be welcome.

65	Tax, welfare, and subsidies. Long term implications, unintended or ignored consequences, solutions. Linking wages, taxation, healthcare, unemployment, welfare benefits, and retirement	6/24/2020 1:12 PM
66	Productivity and covid-19 measuring productivity while focusing on outcomes	6/24/2020 12:43 PM
67	Labour market and productivity related research	6/24/2020 12:01 PM
68	Contracting, construction sector - analysed with respect to a project rather than firm lens, migration	6/24/2020 11:28 AM
69	Use of digital assistance in the home for disabled	6/24/2020 11:15 AM
70	Gaps between employer skills needs vs training and qualifications. Housing typology and demographic change.	6/24/2020 11:13 AM
71	1. Examination of the role domestic savings rates plays in productivity growth. This would be at both the macro (e.g. real exchange rate) and the micro level (deep and patient capital that allows firms to fulfil their growth potential while still retaining ownership, or at least benefit stream capture in NZ). 2. Empirical analysis of the impacts of migration on NZ's productivity.	6/24/2020 11:02 AM
72	More on firm dynamics More on some of the outstanding questions from the Commission's productiity diagnosis eg about macro imbalances	6/24/2020 11:02 AM
73	Wellbeing impact of COVID-19.	6/24/2020 11:01 AM
74	Impacts on productivity from climate change policy as we head towards 2030 and 2050 emissions reduction targets. Impacts on productivity from free trade agreements Impacts on productivity from COVID-19	6/24/2020 10:59 AM
75	Transforming agriculture to a sustainable level/mode, and what that would mean for New Zealand.	6/24/2020 10:57 AM
76	Maybe some more research to quantify the long-term costs (incl non-financial) of current settings? Maybe backward looking as well as forward to show how different generations are bearing different-sized burdens? This is something agencies don't seem to do much on, and I feel like having an independent voice in the public domain on this stuff would be useful in shifting some short-termist political dynamics.	6/24/2020 10:50 AM
77	Not a topic, but apply a distributional well being lense on the topics as productivity although considered efficient usually has major distributional effects	6/24/2020 10:47 AM
78	the effect of implementing new tech. Cost benefits, business cases the effects of wage increases on productivity	6/24/2020 10:45 AM
79	Productivity alongside net carbon zero economy Vulnerability to changing risks	6/24/2020 10:43 AM
80	new way of working etc after Covid	6/24/2020 10:42 AM
81	Data that shows what investment in people (whether training or otherwise) has the best ROI	6/24/2020 10:41 AM

Q6 How much do you agree or disagree that the Commission's research reports:

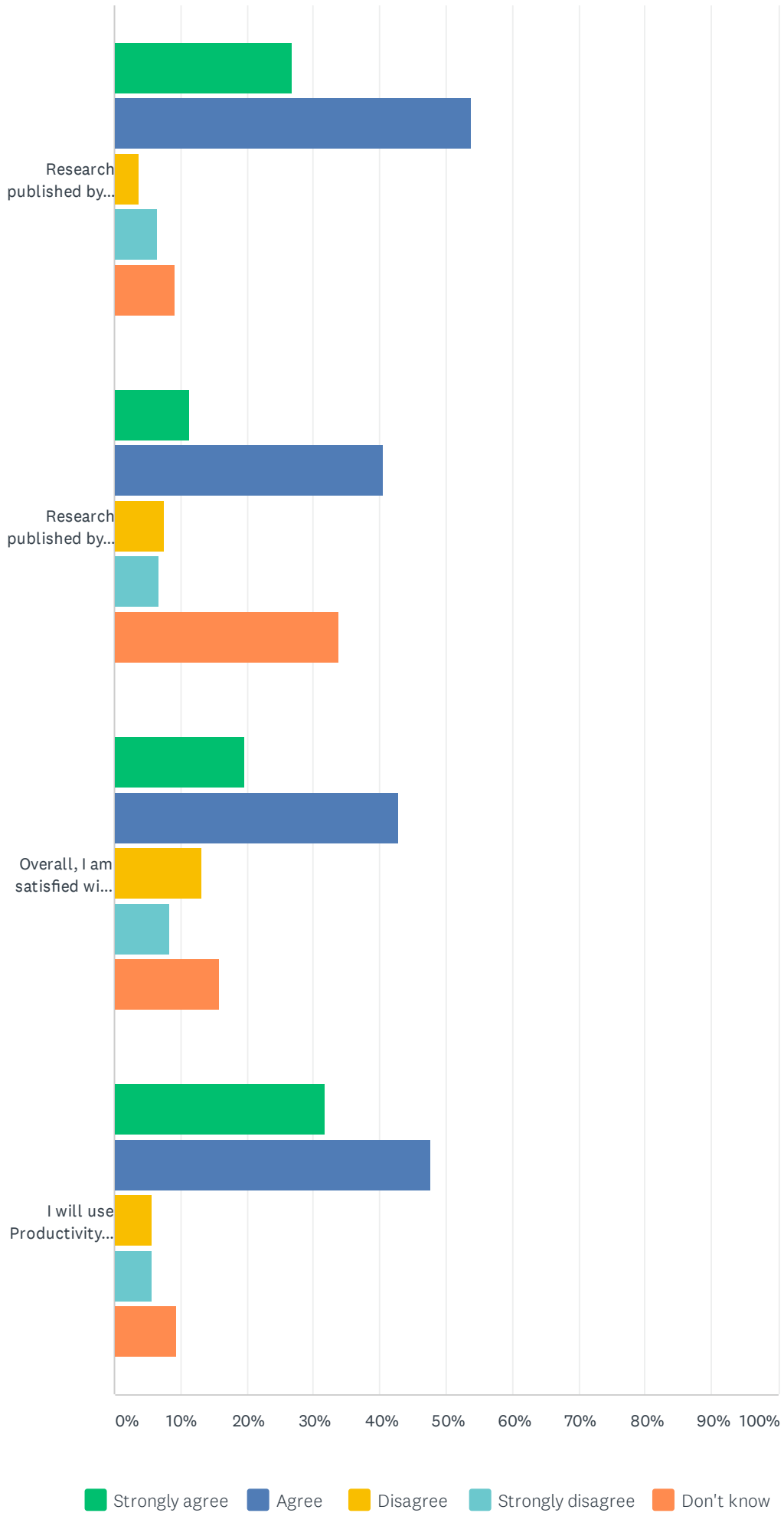
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	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DISAGREE	AGREE	STRONGLY AGREE	DON'T KNOW	TOTAL
Are clear and easy to understand	1.83% 2	5.50% 6	38.53% 42	48.62% 53	5.50% 6	109
Go into sufficient depth on the issues they cover	3.70% 4	6.48% 7	46.30% 50	37.04% 40	6.48% 7	108
Have good-quality analysis of information	4.63% 5	4.63% 5	37.04% 40	47.22% 51	6.48% 7	108
Have conclusions that follow logically from analysis	4.72% 5	3.77% 4	49.06% 52	35.85% 38	6.60% 7	106

Q7 How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements:

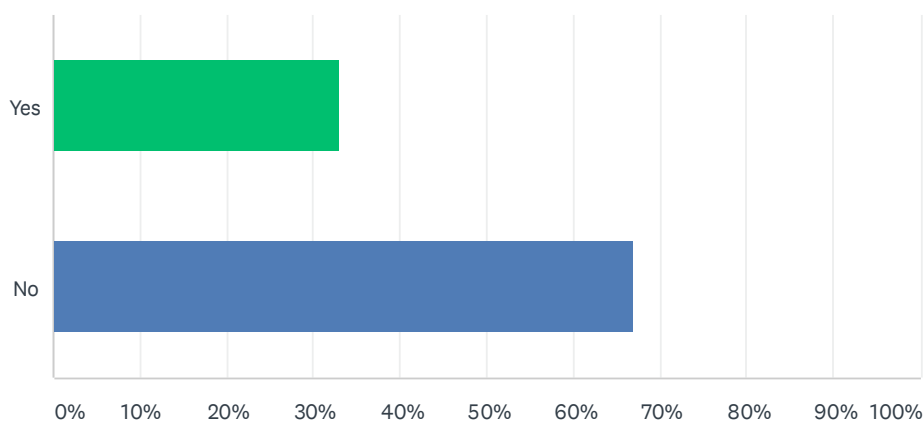
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	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DON'T KNOW	TOTAL
Research published by the Productivity Commission has increased my understanding of productivity-related topics/issues.	26.85% 29	53.70% 58	3.70% 4	6.48% 7	9.26% 10	108
Research published by the Productivity Commission has made a positive contribution towards improved levels of coordination and collaboration in productivity research.	11.32% 12	40.57% 43	7.55% 8	6.60% 7	33.96% 36	106
Overall, I am satisfied with the Commission's management of research processes.	19.63% 21	42.99% 46	13.08% 14	8.41% 9	15.89% 17	107
I will use Productivity Commission research reports as a resource and reference in the future.	31.78% 34	47.66% 51	5.61% 6	5.61% 6	9.35% 10	107

Q8 Have you attended any events or presentations by the Productivity Commission in the last 2 years?

Answered: 112 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	33.04%	37
No	66.96%	75
TOTAL		112

Q9 If 'Yes' what did you like the most about the event/presentation? And what did you like least?

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Always courteous, respectful, deliberative, professional. On the negative, its voice has to be muted, as a government-funded agency. It has to pull its punches. This is inherent in its funding, it is not a criticism of its personnel.	7/20/2020 4:39 PM
2	informal opportunity to engage with colleagues	7/17/2020 10:43 AM
3	The involvement of everyone there. Everyone had something to say and felt comfortable to say it openly. Some people tried to speak over the top of others. This can cause people not to contribute.	7/17/2020 9:40 AM
4	Discussions, Q&A.	7/16/2020 4:19 PM
5	Positives: Good opportunity to understand technical issues and limitations of research. Good debate between attendees. Negatives: the odd dog with a bone.	7/16/2020 3:47 PM
6	Not sure if it was within the last 2 years but I did attend a Low Carbon economy presentation. Most of the analysis was good, but I felt overall the recommendations were too conventional, and unlikely to adequately address the problem.	7/16/2020 12:40 PM
7	engaging	7/16/2020 11:28 AM
8	Semi structure format works well. Room can get a bit full!	7/16/2020 10:19 AM
9	Willingness of the presenters to engage with the audience.	7/16/2020 10:14 AM
10	NA	7/9/2020 5:34 PM
11	relevant topic to my area. Not much engagement with the sector in design	7/9/2020 3:47 PM
12	I liked meeting new people who have a different lens or set of skills or knowledge on a given topic. I liked being able to interact with them. I can't think of anything I dislike.	7/8/2020 2:58 PM
13	Breadth of engagement with academic, policy and practitioner audiences	7/8/2020 2:19 PM
14	na	7/8/2020 1:39 PM
15	Extremely well facilitated and a broad range of interests were represented.	7/8/2020 1:13 PM
16	Have not been invited.	7/8/2020 12:19 PM
17	Presentations are usually informative and roundtables are usually well-organised with good speakers to speak from different perspectives. Not always relevant to non-macro agencies.	7/8/2020 10:59 AM
18	FoW inquiry presentations	7/8/2020 10:59 AM
19	I enjoy hearing some of the reports presented orally as it helps to understand the topic in a different way. Sometimes the reports are too economically driven and do not look outside economics to other factors that contribute to productivity	7/8/2020 10:56 AM
20	The Productivity Hub provides the best venue for discussions of productivity related research and networks	7/2/2020 10:10 PM
21	Wide range of participants on a specific topic, generally well organised and relaxed	7/1/2020 8:25 PM
22	quite thorough and logical	7/1/2020 7:50 PM
23	N/A	7/1/2020 3:17 PM
24	Simple presentation of topic followed by good discussion	7/1/2020 1:48 PM
25	Murray is very accessible. That matters	7/1/2020 1:23 PM
26	N/A	7/1/2020 12:26 PM
27	Conversational style was good, and informality. The debate was good but stronger chairing could assist in preventing the discussion breaking down or becoming too entrapped on particular issues (especially when there are vocal detractors in the room).	7/1/2020 12:10 PM
28	Most: inclusive. They enable wider range of people to attend, but they're cosy enough to allow people to speak freely and frankly. Least: N/a	7/1/2020 11:24 AM
29	N/a	7/1/2020 11:16 AM
30	I liked the round table discussions.	7/1/2020 10:50 AM
31	well presented and informative, not too technical	7/1/2020 10:35 AM

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32	Only went to topics of interest ... = avoided the liked least part	6/25/2020 3:26 PM
33	Why don;t you ask why people haven't attended? It would be great to ensure these are widely available to regions as well. Are they hosted by webinar?	6/25/2020 5:21 AM
34	N/A	6/24/2020 7:18 PM
35	Sometimes overly sensitive to not offending the govt or giving it problems it doesnt want to acknowledgr	6/24/2020 1:12 PM
36	in today's world....more zoom conferencing would be much more accessible	6/24/2020 12:43 PM
37	Keeps to time, right-sized in terms of people, plenty of room for Q and A	6/24/2020 11:28 AM
38	Digital presentation.	6/24/2020 11:15 AM
39	Interesting topics, small group, time for discussion.	6/24/2020 11:07 AM
40	Excellent facilitation by Patrick Nolan. Sometimes there was too little time for discussion, given complexity of the issues.	6/24/2020 11:02 AM
41	Interaction/discussion (liked)	6/24/2020 11:02 AM
42	-	6/24/2020 11:01 AM
43	If you include engagement with the Productivity Commission on its inquiries. I find these very useful.	6/24/2020 10:59 AM
44	Well-chaired, always started and finished on time! Sometimes group was too large to really allow a conversation, but that's a trade-off with inclusivity, and I don't think the Commission made the wrong call.	6/24/2020 10:50 AM
45	The productivity hub events are very useful as it allows free and frank discussion in a safe environment	6/24/2020 10:47 AM

Q10 What topics would you like to see covered at future events/presentations?

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1	How to improve New Zealand's fiscal and regulatory constitutions from a productivity perspective.	7/20/2020 4:39 PM
2	mix of synthetic reviews and original research	7/17/2020 10:43 AM
3	Which industries are more productive than others? Why are they? What can the other industries learn from them? How can they learn this?	7/17/2020 9:40 AM
4	Social and economic impacts of 1Billion Trees project on rural communities	7/16/2020 6:16 PM
5	An analysis of the benefits of tertiary education. Completion rates and reasons for students dropping out prior to graduating.	7/16/2020 6:16 PM
6	Measuring impact of productivity enhancements	7/16/2020 4:19 PM
7	More law and economics. Less macro.	7/16/2020 3:47 PM
8	Something on Accelerating action on climate change. This would have to be careful not to duplicate work already being done by the Climate Change Commission, but could address issues such as speeding up and funding action at the local government level.	7/16/2020 12:40 PM
9	those mentioned above: Microfoundations of productivity. Entrepreneurial capital (individual characteristics that Entrepreneurship Nurturing Organisations's programmes attempt to boost in order to raise productivity, such as programmes offered by YES, unis, incubators/accelerators, Kiwinet, Uniservices, IceHouse, Soda etc). Return on investment in incubators and tertiary sector's EC-boosting programmes	7/16/2020 12:29 PM
10	Employment and Taxes different perspectives during and after COVID-19	7/16/2020 11:38 AM
11	labour market, impact of covid	7/16/2020 11:28 AM
12	See above	7/16/2020 10:50 AM
13	I don't know	7/16/2020 10:20 AM
14	whatever the Commission is working on	7/16/2020 10:19 AM
15	Productivity and workplace changes emerging from Covid 19	7/16/2020 10:14 AM
16	See above	7/16/2020 10:03 AM
17	Quality in tertiary education	7/10/2020 3:27 PM
18	New measures of productivity that are more holistic, e.g. taking into account health and wellbeing, unpaid labour, and other factors that are typically unmeasured or under-measured.	7/9/2020 5:34 PM
19	productivity by the size of DHB, primary care, Maori health. these are critical issues in a recent review on the health sector.	7/9/2020 3:47 PM
20	Causation and randomised control trials.	7/8/2020 2:58 PM
21	Productivity!	7/8/2020 2:48 PM
22	na	7/8/2020 1:39 PM
23	Decomposing the productivity changes into factors that enable meaningful discussion of specific policies	7/8/2020 10:59 AM
24	All research should have presentations in multiple agencies.	7/8/2020 10:59 AM
25	OECD concept of 'zombie firms' in NZ and how to speed up flexibility in NZ's private sector	7/8/2020 10:35 AM
26	Internal operations of organisations; what makes one organisation time efficient; what degree does organisation culture make a difference.What is the difference between managers that have become managers because they are excellent technical people compared with managers that are trained to be managers.	7/7/2020 8:22 AM
27	Improvements in productivity measures, both at the national level and across different industries	7/2/2020 10:10 PM
28	See above topics - immigration, demography	7/2/2020 3:03 PM
29	There are many aspects to the climate change question but populist opinion of a shallow nature has influenced the lack of thorough analyses in certain fundamental physics areas. These were briefly referred to in a brief paper by Dr Thomas Sheahen in 2014. He influenced	7/1/2020 7:50 PM

Prof W Happer and Happer's former research associate Prof W van Wijngaarden to undertake a mammoth research project on the issue. Their full paper not yet published but they did submit a 20-page tech report to the US-EPA in Nov-2019 - - copy on-line on a pro CO2 website in US.

30	I've made particular use of previous work (especially More Effective Social Services project) - currently just been dipping into blog posts about COVID issues, which have been quirky and thought provoking. Thank you.	7/1/2020 5:10 PM
31	Relative impact of 'off-campus' work	7/1/2020 3:12 PM
32	...	7/1/2020 1:48 PM
33	The impact of Zoom (and similar) on productivity	7/1/2020 1:43 PM
34	Post Covid issues. Where to next for NZ. Effect of border restrictions on productivity.	7/1/2020 1:23 PM
35	No comment	7/1/2020 12:26 PM
36	Sustainable productivity and innovativeness that has zero or minimal emissions and endorsing a minimal living wage that is non judgemental and will allow creativity and voluntary work , as times get tougher when AI and digitalisation overtakes jobs.	7/1/2020 11:56 AM
37	How does the Maori economy contribute (and to what extent is it integrated) in the NZ economy. How do we move to a sustainable economy model. How can science/research improve the NZ economy. What is the best (most productive) types of investment in people	7/1/2020 11:45 AM
38	Connect greater with regional New Zealand. Seethe chapter entitled 'The Nudge' in the book the Passion Economy for productivity gains.	7/1/2020 11:16 AM
39	see above	7/1/2020 10:35 AM
40	I'm based in Hobart so I don't have an opinion as I cannot get to the events	6/24/2020 8:50 PM
41	N/A	6/24/2020 7:18 PM
42	Long term(25, 50, 100 year) fiscal economic demographic societal outlooks and implications	6/24/2020 1:12 PM
43	covid-19 and new zealand's economy	6/24/2020 12:43 PM
44	changes to how we see the "working week" or for that matter work i.e. what is work. I think the response to COVID-19 willbring far reaching changes to both what we do and how we do it.	6/24/2020 11:41 AM
45	Contracting - what is it with New Zealand's vertical and horizontal construction that requires inordinately lengthy contracts that appear to deliver little value add in outputs	6/24/2020 11:28 AM
46	Role of domestic savings rates in productivity growth.	6/24/2020 11:02 AM
47	Nothing springs to mind	6/24/2020 11:02 AM
48	-	6/24/2020 11:01 AM
49	As above re research topics	6/24/2020 10:59 AM
50	Sustainable food for New Zealand: not only NZ agriculture, but also imported food; where are we at and where we need to get to.	6/24/2020 10:57 AM
51	See answer to 5.	6/24/2020 10:50 AM
52	Carry on with putting forward the variety as currently offered	6/24/2020 10:47 AM

Q11 Are there any other comments or suggestions you would like to make about the Commission's research or outreach activities?

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1	Its report some years ago on social services delivery was outstanding. There is scope for something similar on health and education. Central government gives itself major conflicts of interests when it is funder, provider and regulator and the first casualty commonly is lack of clarity about what the funding is intended to achieve.	7/20/2020 4:39 PM
2	No	7/17/2020 9:40 AM
3	Low carbon economy work was brilliant	7/16/2020 6:16 PM
4	Thanks	7/16/2020 4:19 PM
5	I find the work of generally good quality, but the analyses still tend to be a bit too conventional and insufficiently challenging, in my view. For example, in relation to urban development and housing affordability, the analysis in Local government insights placed too much weight in my view on a lack of land and new infrastructure, whereas a bigger issue, it seems to me, is the difficulty of redeveloping urban land, to increase density and rebuild existing housing areas. This is touched on (with refs to urban development authority powers; existing homeowner resistance, etc.) but a deeper analysis is still needed.	7/16/2020 12:40 PM
6	Thanks for the high-quality data, high-quality research and keeping our country's attention focused on the productivity in service of improving standards of living and wellbeing writ large.	7/16/2020 12:29 PM
7	none	7/16/2020 11:28 AM
8	Following a role change I have not been invited to attend many sessions (I think maybe because I am no longer directly working in the area of productivity my thoughts may be considered less relevant) However, I am passionate about New Zealand, its people and the inter-generational well-being and prosperity of both. and I see uplifting productivity as instrumental in delivering both. I think though that the PC can suffer from perception. I feel it is a story that needs to be shared with all New Zealanders, much of what is discussed requires mind set shifts top down and bottom up. To the typical NZer the PC can appear academic and stuffy, rather than forward thinking and practical. How you shift the mindset of everyday New Zealanders to shift political appetite could be really valuable.	7/16/2020 10:50 AM
9	I would like the commission to rethink the ideological underpinnings of its research work which appears to be very constrained by a more market/new public management approach which seriously limits the scope of options/recommendations which it makes. In many instances I believe that it's research findings would support quite different recommendations but for the apparent impact of that constraint	7/16/2020 10:20 AM
10	Please keep it up as you are working in areas where there is no real research being done elsewhere.	7/16/2020 10:14 AM
11	Probably need better marketing so we know that this activity is around	7/16/2020 10:07 AM
12	No	7/9/2020 5:34 PM
13	some sort of linkage between the research and the sector, e.g. response from the sector to the research findings.	7/9/2020 3:47 PM
14	A weekly productivity quiz! Have teams from around NZ, all competing. It could be a fun way to keep a sense of community and keep the topics front of mind.	7/8/2020 2:58 PM
15	The Commission does need to be cautious that's analyses are impartial and balanced to ensure that all perspectives are taken into account. Any recommendations need to be cognisant of extent to which they require major change and, if so, how such change might be resourced and implemented. Many studies come to conclusions but pay limited attention to the what next and how do we implement questions.	7/8/2020 1:39 PM
16	Keep the good work!	7/8/2020 12:46 PM
17	In the past I have read papers on housing affordability and urban issues and have engaged with the Productivity Commission, but have not found them very responsive. The Commission seems to prioritise an economic rather than a systems perspective. Aside from Conal's work I do not see the Productivity Commission engaging with a wellbeing approach or SDG thinking. I would like the Commission to reengage with the important policy overlaps between housing, transport, energy and urban development and broaden their horizons about who they consult with and what they consider relevant research. These are crucial areas in relation to the Zero Carbon Act.	7/8/2020 12:19 PM
18	Great work. Keep it up!	7/8/2020 10:59 AM

19	na	7/8/2020 10:59 AM
20	Keep up the good work and particularly bringing people together in discussion. I would also like to see a more tripartite approach as attendees to events often focus on business and government policy people. A union voice at the events would be valuable in rounding the perspectives.	7/8/2020 10:56 AM
21	no	7/8/2020 10:35 AM
22	Maybe emailing a pdf of research results when they are complete to those who receive this survey	7/7/2020 8:22 AM
23	Hosting more round-table discussions and dissemination to wider research community	7/2/2020 10:10 PM
24	Please keep on with your good work !	7/2/2020 10:01 AM
25	--	7/1/2020 7:50 PM
26	The Commission serves a vital role in producing high quality, relevant and independent advice on government policy. Please keep doing it, including social sector topics.	7/1/2020 5:10 PM
27	The effort is appreciated	7/1/2020 3:12 PM
28	7/1/2020 1:48 PM
29	The Commission has a valuable role to inform and does that well	7/1/2020 1:43 PM
30	Doing a great job. Keep it up.	7/1/2020 1:23 PM
31	The Commission needs to pay wider regard to topics. Treasury has adopted a wider framework. Local government is returning to the 4 wellbeings. The Commission should reframe it's analysis and be open to a wider range of policy responses	7/1/2020 12:41 PM
32	The Commission could work better with other organisations, especially in using expertise from others and in coordinating research frameworks.	7/1/2020 12:10 PM
33	Maori values and Taonga and land , sea , air and water must be protected at all costs .	7/1/2020 11:56 AM
34	Perhaps on occasion there's more scope for the PC to work collaboratively with stakeholders. PC is quite an introverted organisation (like most Wgtn policy shops), but some issues being debated in the public by industry bodies require a more extroverted approach.	7/1/2020 11:24 AM
35	Greater representation accross our whole society.	7/1/2020 11:16 AM
36	Could/should they reach a larger audience?	6/25/2020 3:26 PM
37	It is valuable work and a good job. Host some webinars as papers are released that we can tap into. Also - I can't remember seeing an invites to the launch of papers - so would be good to receive. We have to travel so need to know well in advance. make sure you aren;t too Wellington or Auckland centric in your analysis (consdier regional economies and real practical applications) and also your engagement wiht the provinces and the key sectors driven from these areas.	6/25/2020 5:21 AM
38	No	6/24/2020 7:18 PM
39	I work at New Zealand Trade and Enterprise, we are one of the few front line crown agencies working with both New Zealand and international businesses. I would certainly appreciate the opportunity to have a closer dialogue with the productivity commission in helping with insights that may be useful to your research and policy program. Please feel free to reach out to me at [REDACTED] and let me know how I can contribute.	6/24/2020 3:34 PM
40	Have not had involvement for many years, and can't meaningfully answer questions	6/24/2020 1:25 PM
41	keep doing good work	6/24/2020 12:43 PM
42	Quantitative research to date has predominately statistical analysis (eg using the LBD). Now, more could be made of modelling the drivers of New Zealand's productivity	6/24/2020 11:28 AM
43	Yes. Can't get aany results where rpsonce required	6/24/2020 11:15 AM
44	The Commission's research makes a very valuable contribution to our understanding of productiivty-related issues. Patrick does a great job connecting and promoting research, and extending the supply of LBD practitioners. The Commission has done relatively few deep LBD studies recently - would be good to see them focusing again on this as the pool is thin.	6/24/2020 11:02 AM
45	Your reports are fantastic, but can be a little long. We'd suggest short summaries or	6/24/2020 11:01 AM

infographics to provide a quick look into your research topics.

46	Keep up the good work!	6/24/2020 10:59 AM
47	Keep it up - there's no such thing as too many policy chats as far as I'm concerned! NB in your survey above, the "strongly agree" switches from right to left halfway through the questions, so someone not paying close attention might inadvertently give you a much more negative (or positive) second set of answers than they intended.	6/24/2020 10:50 AM
48	Just keep up the good work	6/24/2020 10:47 AM
49	Zoom webinars are a better way to get the research out there as numbers attending over last few months have been phenomenal. lets keep this going	6/24/2020 10:43 AM