

Transforming how we produce statistics: An inside perspective

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Abstract

Under the Micro-Economic Platform Programme, we are transforming how micro-economic surveys are processed at Statistics New Zealand. This is part of our organisation-wide business transformation programme, Statistics 2020 Te Kāpehu Whetū (Stats 2020), which aims to increase our relevance to government and public data users, and reduce the cost of producing statistical outputs. I report on insights into this programme and outline what the platform team has learned during the projects included in the Micro-Economic Platform. In particular, I report on the challenges involved in using standard methods and tools, increasing the level of automation in the system, introducing survey teams to the platform, and collaborating to achieve the migration of each survey to the platform. I also discuss what we learned from these challenges as part of achieving Statistics New Zealand's statistical system of the future