



# Governance of Indigenous Data

## Framework on a page

Australian Public Service (APS) agencies now have a single Framework for working with Indigenous data.

The *Framework for Governance of Indigenous Data* (GID) enshrines the importance of partnering with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities on data.

Acknowledging data's significance for self-determination, the Framework provides a stepping stone towards greater support by the APS of the principles of Indigenous Data Sovereignty.

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### 1. Partner with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

**Insight:** Better outcomes are achieved if Indigenous communities have a genuine say in matters affecting them, including use of data to inform policy-making in government.

**Intended outcome:** Government meaningfully partners with Indigenous communities across all stages of the data lifecycle.



### 2. Build data-related capabilities

**Insight:** The APS needs to partner better with Indigenous communities to support data-related capability building.

**Intended outcome:** The APS effectively supports Indigenous communities to use their own data, tell their own stories, make their own decisions, and set their own priorities.

### Vision

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have greater agency over how their data are governed within the Australian Public Service so that their priorities and aspirations are reflected.



### 3. Provide knowledge of data assets

**Insight:** APS agencies need to identify the Indigenous data they hold, and make it easy for communities to access and use these data.

**Intended outcome:** Indigenous peoples can easily access and use their data for self-determination and community development.



### 4. Build an inclusive data system

**Insight:** APS data systems need to better reflect what Indigenous people say are their own priorities.

**Intended outcome:** A more accessible and culturally competent public service that is inclusive, responsive, transparent and coordinated.