## Accountability report of the Government of Spain

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**Executive report** 



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#### Background

At the beginning of this term of Office, the president of the Government of Spain undertook the commitment to give the general public regular account of the Government's actions.

As in previous editions, this report, *Meeting Our Commitments*, reflects said commitment, systematically describing the progress made towards meeting the commitments undertaken by the Government up to 31 December 2021, as well as the forecast for the first half of 2022.

This document also includes an up-to-date summary of the initiatives implemented in 2021 in response to the economic, social, and health consequences of the Covid-19 pandemic.

This third edition, once again, takes a multiple perspective, informing the public of the Government's actions and its achievement of commitments using three approaches: global, sectoral and territorial. All of the information corresponding to each of these spheres will be published on the website of the Presidency of the Government.

Likewise, work is still being done to gradually institutionalize and consolidate accountability exercises, with different national and international reporting actions.

The methodology for preparing this report is the result of updating previous methodologies, and was analysed and validated by the group of 12 independent experts from academia who also participated in this work regarding the first half of 2021.

The main innovations of this edition comprise the tools for displaying the information and results on the *Meeting Our Commitments* microsite that can be found on the Presidency of the Government website, as well as the definition of the criterion for determining the achievement of each commitment and the verification sources of the initiatives carried out to meet them, all of which can be found in a downloadable open data file on said microsite.



### **Updating of commitments**

- The total number of commitments has increased by 19.6% since December 2020, reaching a new total of 1,481 commitments at 31 December 2021. This increase largely took place in the first half of 2021 with the inclusion of 169 commitments linked to the **Recovery, Transformation and Resilience Plan** (hereinafter, the RTRP or the Plan). A total of 20 new commitments have been incorporated in the second half of the year.
- In this second half of the reporting period, only **1 commitment has been** relinquished. At the same time, one of the commitments that had previously been considered relinquished has been recovered, because measures have been taken towards its achievement. Therefore, a total of 10 commitments have been considered relinquished since the beginning of this term of Parliament.

#### **Global assessment of commitments met**

- COMMITMENTS MET. Since taking office, the Government has adopted 1,481 commitments, of which 42.7% have already been met, with this figure expected to rise to 48.3% over the next six months.
- DEVIATION WITH REGARD TO THE JUNE FORECAST. Of the 1,463 commitments from the preceding six-month period, 43.1% have been met. Therefore, in comparable terms, the result achieved exceeds the June 2021 forecast by +4.9%.
- YEAR-ON-YEAR EVOLUTION. During 2021, 19.3% of the total commitments, 26.4% of the commitments undertaken in the president of the Government's inaugural address, and 24.1% of the commitments undertaken in the progressive coalition agreement, have been met.
- COMMITMENTS ACTIVATED. If the commitments on which work is currently underway are added to those already met, nearly all of the commitments have been activated, namely 97.1% of the total.
- INAUGURAL ADDRESS. At mid-term, 50.2% of the commitments solemnly undertaken by the president of the Government at Parliament have already been met.
- PROGRESSIVE COALITION AGREEMENT. Of the 428 commitments deriving from this coalition agreement, 44.4% have been met, with this figure forecast to increase to 51.2% by December 2022. In this sphere, the forecast made in the preceding six-month period has been exceeded by 2.8%.



RECOVERY, TRANSFORMATION AND RESILIENCE PLAN. Currently, 21.3% of the Government's total commitments are linked to the Plan.

At 31 December, 27.5% of the commitments linked to the Plan have been met, and it is forecast that this figure will have reached 32.9% by June 2022.

The figures regarding the progress made towards meeting the commitments are the result of analyses aimed at supporting the management of what truly matters, because meeting the commitments undertaken by the Government means **transforming and improving people's living conditions and future prospects.** 

Source of commitment [no. of commitments]	Commitments met at December 2021	Forecast of commitments to be met by June 2022	
<b>Total</b> [1481]	42.7%	48.3%	
Inaugural address [239]	50.2%	58.6%	
PSOE-UP progressive coalition agreement [428]	44.4%	51.2%	
Other inaugural agreements [161]	41.6%	43.5%	
Commitments related to the RTRP [316]	27.5%	32.9%	
Public statements and declarations [715]	48.3%	54.7%	

Table 1. Assessment of commitments met at 31 December 2021.



Table 2. Assessment and deviation with regard to progress towards meeting the			
commitments of the June 2021 report.			

Source of commitment [no. of commitments in June 2021]	Forecast of commitments met by December 2021 made in June 2021	Commitments met at December 2021 (of those existing at June 2021)	Deviation with regard to the forecast
<b>Total</b> [1463]	38.2%	43.1%	+4.9%
Inaugural address [239]	46.9%	50.2%	+3.3%
PSOE-UP progressive coalition agreement [428]	41.6%	44.4%	+2.8%
Other inaugural agreements [161]	34.2%	41.6%	+7.5%
Commitments related to the RTRP [317]	21.8%	27.4%	+5.6%
Public statements and declarations [696]	43.7%	49.3%	+5.6%



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#### Graph. Progress made on commitments.



