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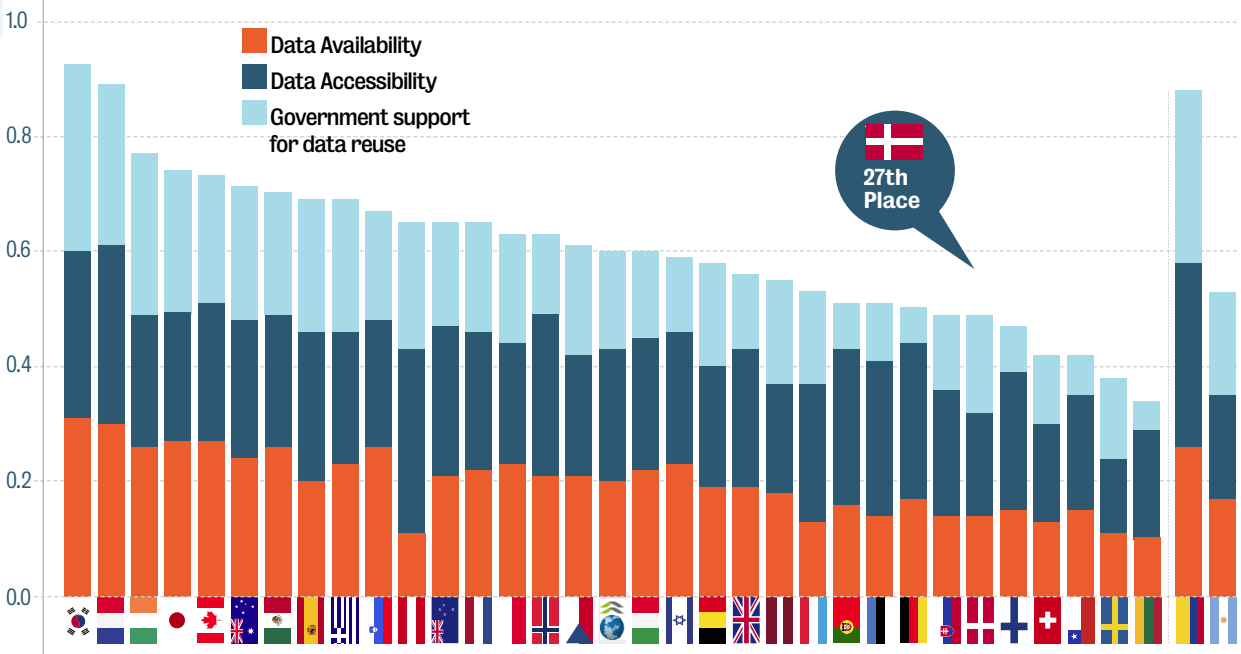

Governance for Open Government Data

Institutional Governance	Policy Framework	Legal and Regulatory instruments
The Agency for Digitisation within the Ministry of Finance coordinates the digitalisation of the Danish central administration, including its policy for re-use of public sector data. The Danish government has established a steering committee to help monitor the implementation of the Digital Strategy and Basic Data Programme.	The National Digital Strategy 2016-2020 and the "World-class digital service" policy from 2018 both emphasise the importance of accessible public sector data for business growth, public sector efficiency and innovation. In 2012, the government launched the Basic Data Initiative to promote re-use of core administrative data within and outside the public sector.	The Danish PSI Act is one of the most relevant legal instrument concerning open government data in Denmark In May 2009, The Act on Infrastructure for Geographic Information came into force, which transposed the EU INPSPIRE directive into Danish legislation and ensures the interoperability, quality and sharing of spatial data.

Enabling coherent policy implementation

- The White Paper on a Common Public Sector Digital Architecture covers the standardisation of public sector data across local, regional and central governments.

Open Government Data Portal

- Basic public data registers are provided via standard protocols WMS, WFS and REST Web Services on the platform datafordeler.dk.
- By promoting the re-use of high-quality administrative data within the public sector, the portal demonstrates the Danish government's attention to the entire data value cycle.

Using data as a platform: ecosystem engagement and collaboration

- A partnership has been established between the Danish Business Authority, Danish Regions, Local Government Denmark, and the CSO Open Data DK, to help promote open government data in Denmark.
- This same partnership compiled a catalogue of specific initiatives that could further incentivise the use of open public sector data among Danish businesses.
- Denmark's 3rd Open Government Partnership National Action Plan 2017-2019 featured the theme more and better open data.

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Good practice

Freely available digital maps of the ice-free areas of Greenland

From 2018 to 2022, The Agency for Data Supply and Efficiency will make a new map of the ice-free areas of Greenland in collaboration with the Autonomous Government of Greenland. With new data and maps, everyone will gain access to the exact location of, for instance, cabins, footpaths, and fjord systems. A total area of 450,000 square feet will be mapped using satellite images and freely available to everyone. These efforts by the Danish Government show a good practice in terms of using open geospatial data as a tool in monitoring the effects of global warming and other important environmental concerns.

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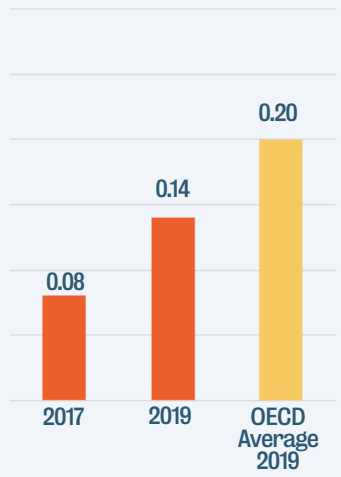
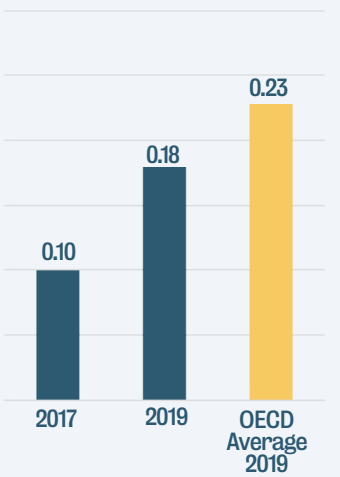
Data Availability



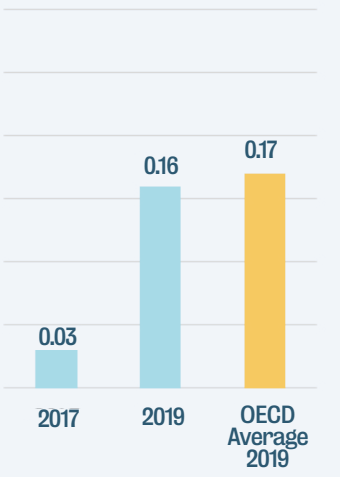
Some requirements related to open by default are applied to data providers that are part of the Basic Data Programme. However, a majority of high-value taxonomy open data are not available on the portal datfordeler.dk for re-use due to the strategic focus on basic data as opposed to open data.

Data Accessibility



Requirements for data to be accessible are applied to data providers in the Basic Data Programme. The accessibility of data on datafordelar.dk remains low due to users having to register (and in some instances pay) to access data, as well as the lack of feedback channels, and users not being able to provide data.

Government support for data reuse



Demark has improved efforts to engage users outside the public sector around open data as well as provide training for public servants. Still, Denmark fails at monitor the impact of open data due to the lack of re-use examples provided on datafordeler.dk

- 2019 OURdata Index data was collected through the 2018 OECD OGD Survey. Some written information was collected in 2019/2020. Data unavailable for Hungary, Turkey, Iceland and United States.
- The index ranges from 0 to 1 and is composed of three indicators with an equal weight of 0.33. Each indicator ranges from 0 to 0.33.

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