

# Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009, New South Wales

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## Details

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The Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 (GIPAA) replaces the Freedom of Information Act 1989. GIPAA creates new rights to information that are designed to meet community expectations of more open and transparent government. The Act encourages the routine and proactive release of government information. The GIPAA establishes four ways for government information to be made available to the public: mandatory disclosure of open access information (publishing on websites); proactive release (releasing as much government information as possible, free of charge); informal release (releasing information in response to a request) and formal release (information released after a formal application). People have a right to make formal applications for information unless the GIPAA provides a reason not to release the information. In 2014 this legislation was current.

## More info

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### Related Entries

#### Related Legislation

- [Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998, New South Wales \(1998 - current\)](#)  
The *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009* (GIPAA) and the *Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998* are the two pieces of legislation that regulate access to information from the New South Wales Government.

### Resources

- Parliamentary Counsel's Office, [NSW legislation](#), No date
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