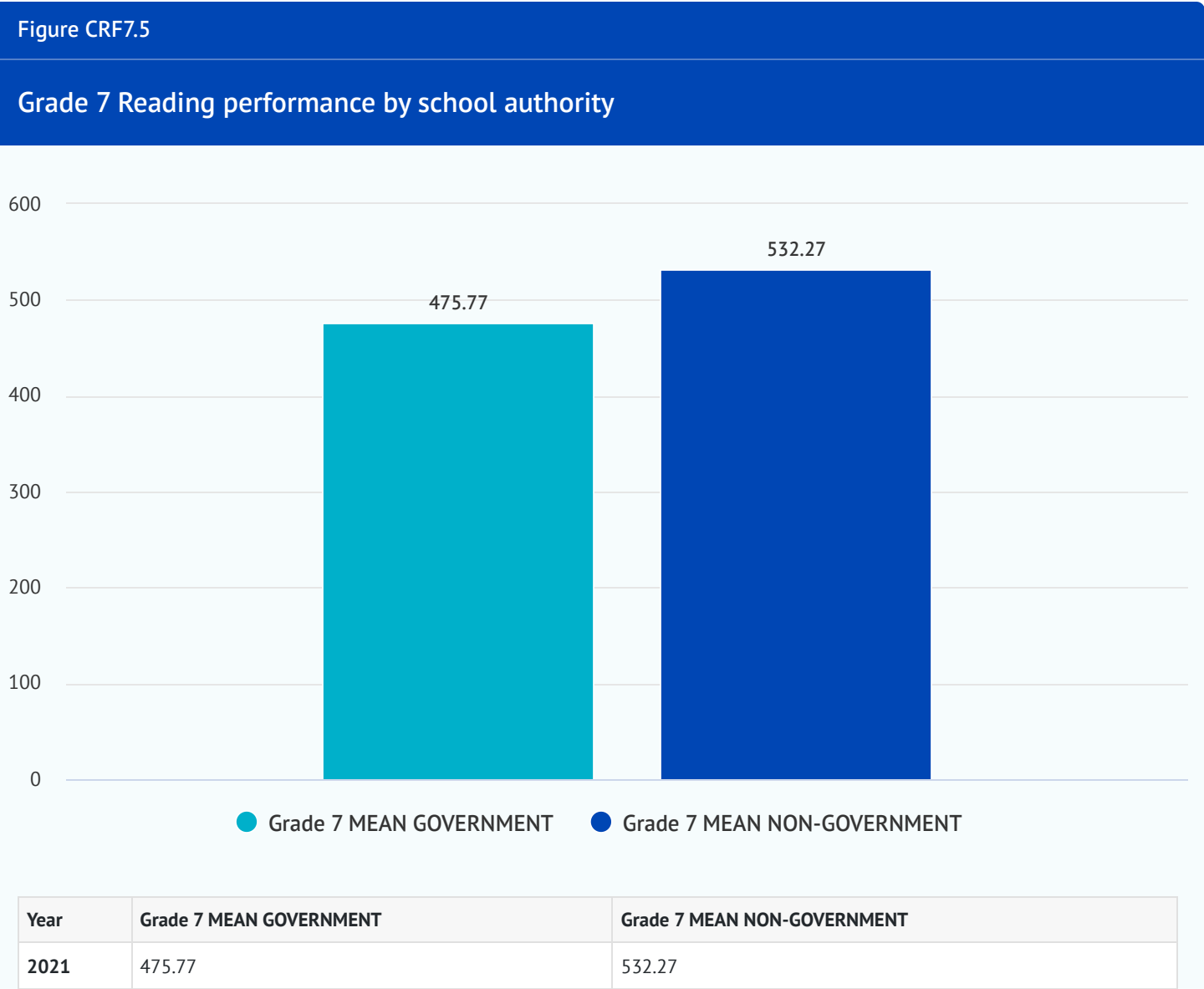


Grade 7 reading performance by school authority

Eight out of 10 grade seven students are enrolled in government schools in Marshall Islands.



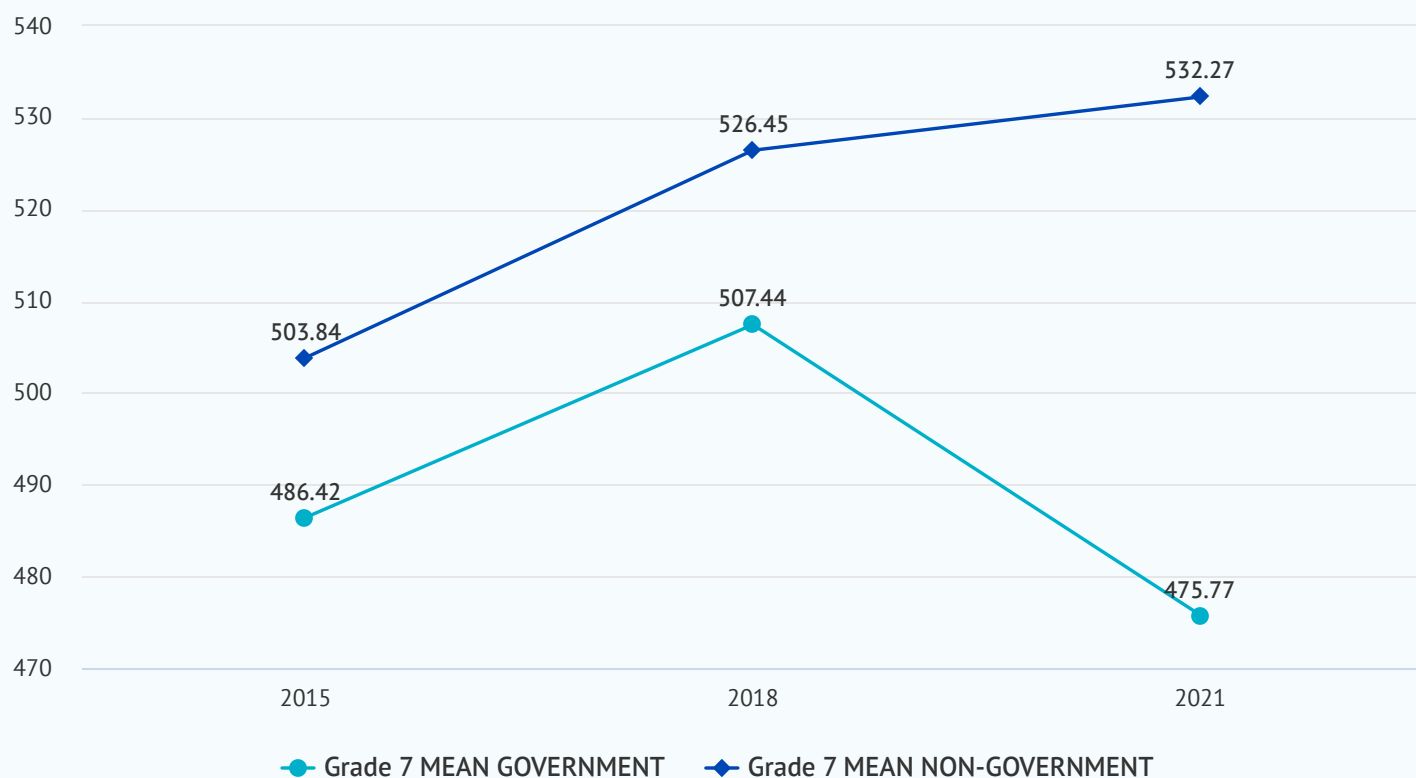
Mean performance of Grade 7 students in domain and strands by school authority, RMI, PILNA 2021

Figure CRF7.5 shows the average performance of grade seven students by school authority. Students in non-government schools had higher reading scores on average in the overall reading domain than those enrolled in government schools. While the difference in average reading scores at grade seven was consistent with the previous two PILNA cycles, 2021's

results show a greater disparity. In that year, students in government schools had average reading scores 19 points lower than in 2018, Figure CRF7.6.

Figure CRF7.6

Grade 7 Reading performance by school authority over time



Year	Grade 7 MEAN GOVERNMENT	Grade 7 MEAN NON-GOVERNMENT
2015	486.42	503.84
2018	507.44	526.45
2021	475.77	532.27

Mean performance of Grade 7 students in reading by school authority, RMI, PILNA 2015, 2018 and 2021