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After Pandemic Recovery, Focus Needed on Achieving Long-Term Fiscal Sustainability
High-Risk Progress Criteria Ratings

Source: GAO analysis. | GAO-21-119SP
High Risk Areas showing improvement

• Department of Defense (DOD) Support Infrastructure Management (removed)
• Managing Federal Real Property
• DOD Financial Management
• Government-wide Personnel Security Clearance Process
• DOE’s Contract and Project Management for the National Nuclear Security Administration and Office of Environmental Management
• NASA Acquisition Management
• Managing Risks and Improving VA Health Care
High Risk Areas that regressed

- U.S. Postal Service financial viability
- The decennial census
- Ensuring the nation’s cybersecurity
- Strategic human capital management
- The Environmental Protection Agency’s process for assessing and controlling toxic chemicals