

Australia's National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)

Country report - Australia

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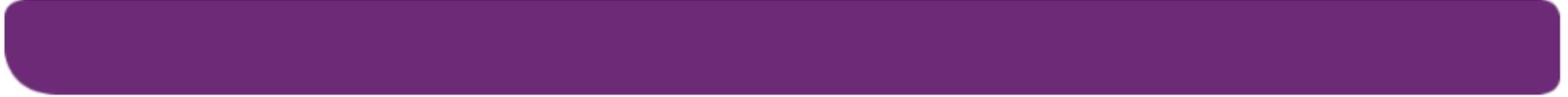
A new way

- Supports tailored to individual needs
- Insurance approach for sustainable costs
- Choice and control is central
- Needs driven
- Delivered in local communities
- National coverage



Background to NDIS

- 2008: Commonwealth 2020 Summit proposes a national disability scheme
- 2010: Productivity Commission conducts enquiry in to long term disability care
- July 2011: Productivity Commission submits report to government
- Oct 2011: COAG agrees to need for reform – taskforce develops scheme design
- Dec 2012: COAG sign agreement to trial the Scheme
- Mar 2013: NDIS Act 2013 establishing the NDIS and NDIA passed
- Apr 2013: Bilateral agreements with trial sites signed
- 1 July 2013: Trial sites in VIC, NSW, SA and TAS start
- 1 July 2014: Trial sites in ACT, NT and WA start
- 1 July 2015: Early transition in Nepean Blue Mountains NSW begins
- Sept 2015: VIC and NSW bilateral agreements signed
- Dec 2015: SA and Tas bilateral agreements signed
- April 2016: Early transition in QLD begins
- July 2016: Roll out begins in VIC, NSW, SA, ACT and Tas





NDIS and the NDIA



The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) administers the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

The Agency's job is to:

- Deliver the NDIS
- Build community awareness of disability
- Ensure financial sustainability of the NDIS
- Develop and enhance the disability sector

The NDIA Board governs the NDIS





Three key pillars

- Insurance approach
- Choice and control
- Community and mainstream



NDIA strategic goals



People with disability are in control and have choices, based on the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

The National Disability Insurance Scheme is financially sustainable and is governed using insurance principles.

The community has ownership, confidence and pride in the National Disability Insurance Scheme and the National Disability Insurance Agency.



Corporate Plan 2016 - 2021



How things are changing

Feature	Former system	NDIS
Access criteria	Varies from state to state	Nationally consistent as set out in legislation
Choice and control	Varies from state to state - most people have little say over the supports they receive	Individual has control over the type and mix of supports, delivery and how their funding is managed
Level of assistance	Capped – people may be eligible but may spend years on waiting lists	Demand driven – people with disability get the support they need, when they need it, to make progress towards their goals
Funding	Multiple programs within and across governments	Single pool of government funding administered by NDIA

Scheme achievements



NDIS roll out

Quarter 3, 2017–18 Report

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More than 162,000 Australians are benefiting from the NDIS

151,970 people

have received individualised plans, helping them change their lives by accessing the supports and services they need to live more independently and engage with their community.

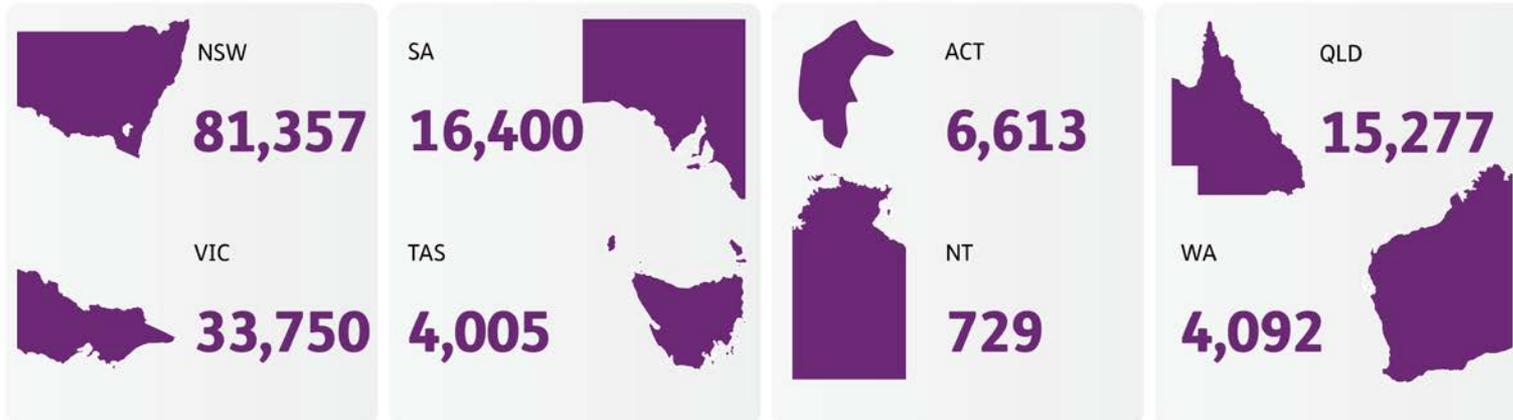
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has been committed for participant support to date.

10,253 children

have been referred through the NDIS Early Childhood Early Intervention (ECEI) approach to access supports.

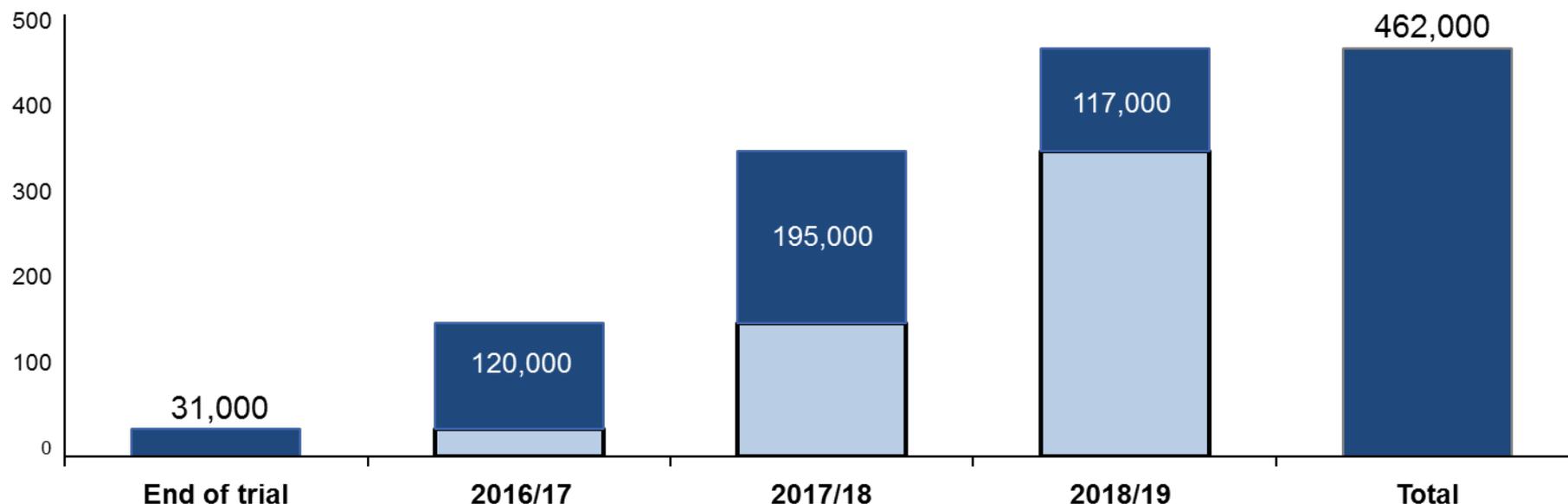
Plan approvals including ECEI by State and Territory



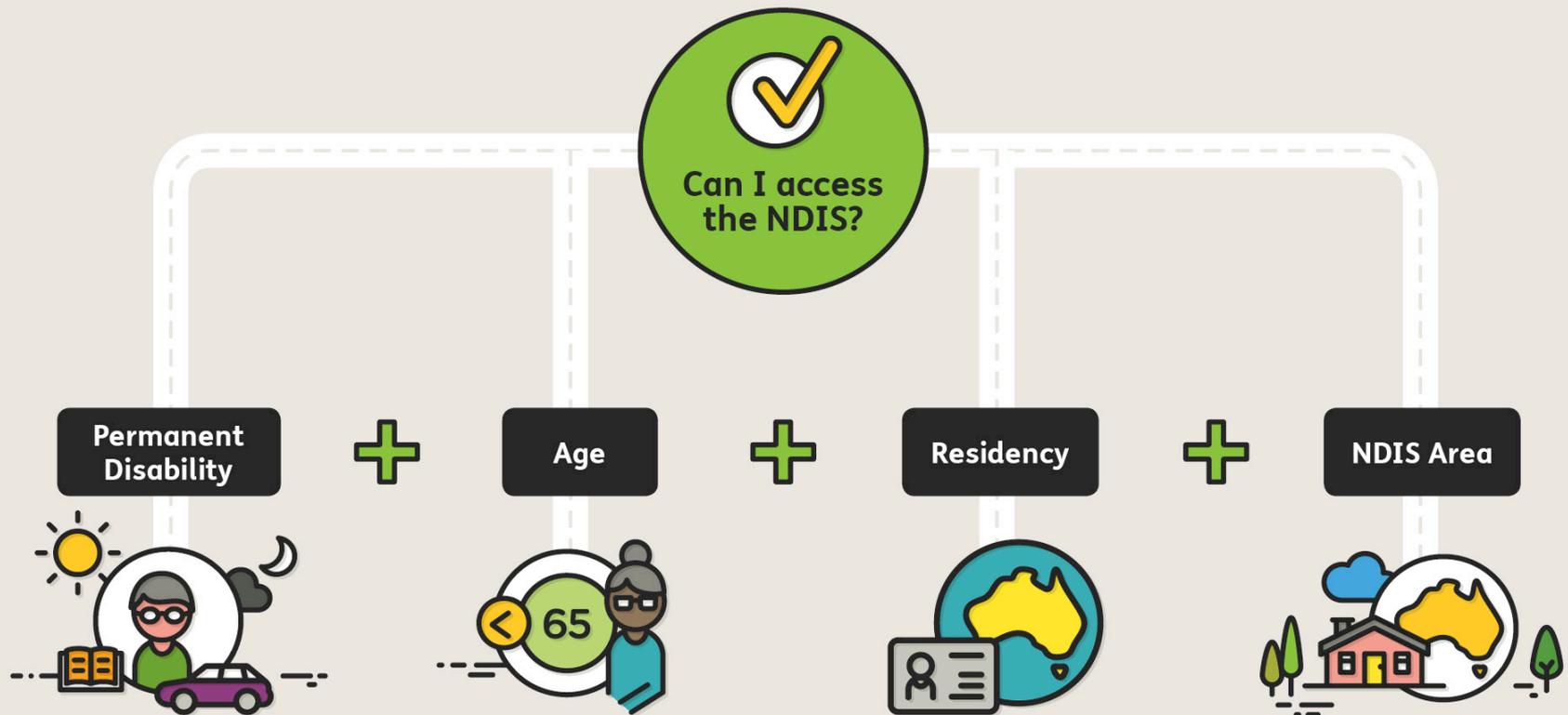


Estimated intake

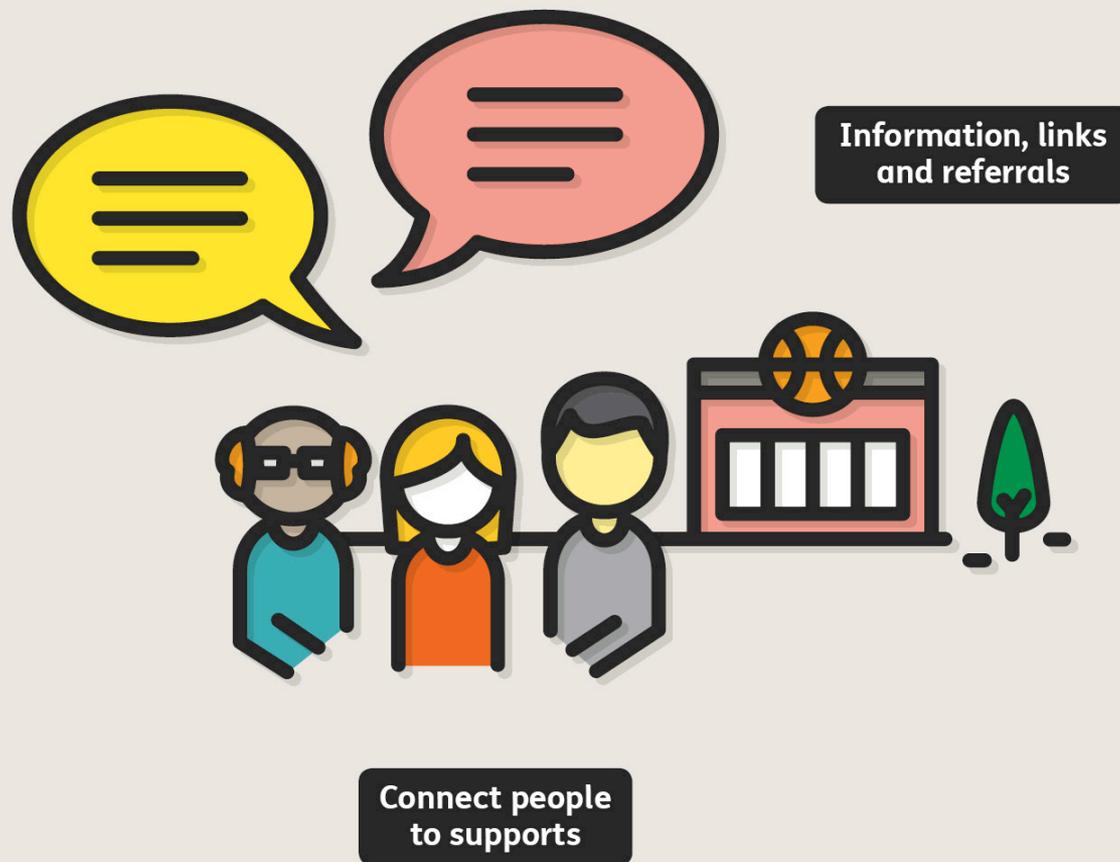
It is estimated that around 460,000 Australians will be supported by the NDIS by 2020



Who can access the NDIS?



What if people do not meet the requirements?





Key Areas and Examples

- Outcomes framework
- Information, Linkages, and Capacity Building (ILC)
- Partners in the Community - Early Childhood Early Intervention and
- Local Area Coordination
- Mental Health and Psychosocial Disability



Some Key Updates

- Pathway Reform Project
- Productivity Commission Report on NDIS Costs
- Quality and Safeguards
- Independent Pricing Review



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