

## **NDIS Data Highlights from the last Quarterly Report**



National Disability  
Insurance Scheme

The latest NDIS Annual Report is packed with interesting information about the NDIS. It provides insights into the growth of the scheme, participant satisfaction levels and what we can expect over the coming years.

There are now 484,700 participants receiving NDIS support across Australia a 4% increase over the previous QTR and statistics are listed below ([Ref: NDIS Annual Report 30/09/2021](#))

- 74,840 of these participants were children aged younger than 7 (15%)
- 20,482 new participants received an approved plan this quarter, a 4% increase from last quarter
- 8.8% identified as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders
- 9.7% identified as from a Culturally and Linguistically Diverse community
- 1.8% were Australians living in remote and very remote areas

### **Participates Participating in work**

- nine percentage increase from 12% to 21% for participants aged 15-24 years
- one percentage decrease from 24% to 23% for participants aged 25+ years, which is concerning
- no change from 22% for participants aged 15+ years

### Participants participating in community and social activities

- nine percentage increase from 34% to 43% for participants aged 15–24 years
- eight percentage increase from 37% to 45% for participants aged 25+ years
- nine percentage increase from 36% to 45% for participants aged 15+ years

The Scheme continues to work hard to reduce the number of participants living in residential aged care.

While 38% of plans increased by more than 5% in the 12 months to 30 September 2021, and 38% decreased by more than 5% in the same period, a much higher proportion of plans increased by more than 5% in the prior two years.

### The Annual Financial Sustainability Report (AFSR) projects that:

- There will be 670,400 participants in the Scheme at the end of June 2025 (of which 633,600 are under the age of 65 years), and 859,300 at the end of June 2030 (of which 798,300 are under the age of 65 years). These figures are significantly higher than estimated by the Productivity Commission in 2017.
- Total participant costs are projected to be \$29.2 billion in 2021-22, growing to \$41.4 billion in 2024-25, and \$59.3 billion in 2029-30 (on an accrual basis).



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