Appendix A:

Key Definitions

Access request: A formal request by an individual for a determination of eligibility to access the Scheme.

Access requirements: The criteria someone must meet to become a participant in the NDIS. The access requirements are: age (under 65 years); residency (live in Australia and be an Australian citizen or have paperwork to live here permanently); disability: a disability which is permanent and significant, or early intervention (support is required early to help reduce the future needs for supports).

Active participant: Those who have been determined eligible and have an approved plan. (There are also cases where a participant's plan has expired and a new plan has not formally commenced, but they have not exited the Scheme. These individuals are also counted as active participants.)

Active provider: An approved person or provider of supports who has received payment for supporting Agency-managed participants.

Administrative Appeals Tribunal (AAT): An independent body that conducts reviews of administrative decisions made under Commonwealth laws.

Assistive Technology (AT): The full range of technological solutions that allow people with disability to be more independent and more connected. The primary purpose of AT is to maintain or improve an individual's functioning and independence to make participation possible (at home, school, workplace and/or community) and to enhance overall well-being.

Average annualised committed supports:

Annualised committed supports divided by the number of active participants. The annualised committed supports are the committed supports (on the current plan) scaled to a 12 month period.

Average payments: Total payments paid in a period divided by the average number of active participants in that period. The average number of active participants is the average of the active participants at the start and the end of the period.

Bilateral Agreement: An agreement between the Commonwealth and a State or Territory that formalises the commitments of each government in relation to NDIS.

Bilateral estimates: Estimates for the number of people expected to enter the NDIS by quarter in each State and Territory. These figures are estimates only.

Carer: Someone who provides personal care, support and assistance to a person with a disability and who is not contracted as a paid or voluntary worker.

Committed support: The cost of supports contained within a participant's plan, approved to be provided to support a participant's needs. In some sections of this report, this amount is annualised to allow for comparison of plans of different lengths.

Complaints: An expression of dissatisfaction indicating that an experience with the agency or a related entity is displeasing or unacceptable and requires a resolution.

Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD):

Country of birth is not Australia, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, Ireland, the United States of America, Canada or South Africa, or primary language spoken at home is not English. From September 2021, it excludes participants identifying as being part of First Nations Peoples.

Early Childhood Approach (ECA): An approach which supports children younger than 9 who have developmental delay or disability and their families/carers. Depending on individual circumstances a child may move through the ECA program to become an NDIS participant on either an s.24 Permanent Disability (PD) or s.25 Early Intervention (EI) participant.

First Nations Peoples: Identified as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander.

Individualised Living Options (ILO): Give people with disability more choice about where they live, who with and how they can use their NDIS funding. ILO funding supports participants to live where they choose, increase their independence and maximise their social and economic participation.

In-kind: Existing Commonwealth or State/Territory government programs delivered under existing block grant funding arrangements.

Internal Review of Decision request: An internal review of a decision the NDIA has made about participants under the NDIS Act (s.100).

Mainstream services: The government systems providing services to the Australian public e.g. health, mental health, education, justice, housing, child protection and employment services.

Market: Under the NDIS, the market is the place where participants and providers interact to trade for disability supports.

National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA):

The Commonwealth government organisation administering the NDIS. In this report the NDIA is also referred to as 'the Agency'.

National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS):

Provides support for Australians with disability, their families and carers. In this report the NDIS is also referred to as 'the Scheme'.

On paid provider: A provider of supports paid by a participant or plan manager.

Outcomes framework questionnaires: One way in which the Agency is measuring success for people with disability across eight different life domains.

Paid Provider: A provider with a bank account into which the NDIA has made a payment. For agency managed payments this will be the support provider. For plan managed payments this will be the plan manager. For self managed payments there is no paid provider as the participant is paid instead.

Participant Provider Pathway: The process by which participants, their families, carers and providers interact with the NDIS.

Participant Critical Incident (PCI):

Circumstances or information about allegations of serious harm occurring to a participant.

Participant Reassessment Request: A review of a participant's plan requested by the participant under the NDIS Act (s.48).

Participant: An individual whose access request has been determined 'eligible'. A participant can be made eligible under the permanent disability criteria of the NDIS Act (s.24) or the early intervention criteria of the NDIS Act (s.25).

Payment: Made to participants or their nominees for supports received as part of a participant's plan, and to providers on behalf of participants as part of a participant's plan.

Plan: A written agreement worked out with each participant, stating their goals and needs and the reasonable and necessary supports the NDIS will fund for them.

Plan manager: A registered plan management provider means a registered provider of support who is approved in relation to managing the funding of supports under plans mentioned in the NDIS Act s70(1)(a). (NDIS Act s9)

With respect to a payment request a plan manager is any provider that has submitted claims associated with a plan managed budget OR a provider that has submitted claims for plan management fees.

Pricing: Guidance on the price to be paid for each support item. For some items, such as personal care and community access, the amount indicates the maximum price the Agency will pay for that support.

Provider of support: The provider responsible for the provision of disability supports for a NDIS participant. With respect to a payment request, the support provider is the provider paid by the NDIA for agency managed payments (paid provider). For self and plan managed payments the support provider is the provider paid by the participant or plan manager respectively (on paid provider).

Registered provider: An approved person or provider of supports that has registered as a provider with the NDIS Quality and Safeguard Commission.

Revenue: The amount received from both States/Territories and the Commonwealth governments for participant supports as outlined in the bilateral agreement. This includes both cash and in-kind amounts.

Specialist Disability Accommodation (SDA):

Accommodation for people who require specialist housing solutions, including to assist with the delivery of supports that cater for their extreme functional impairment or very high support needs.

SDA does not refer to the support services, but the homes in which these are delivered. SDA may include specialist designs for people with very high needs or may have a location or features that make it feasible to provide complex or costly supports for independent living.

Supported Independent Living (SIL): Help with and/or supervision of daily tasks to develop the skills of an individual to live as independently as possible. Assistance provided to a participant will be included as part of their plan depending on the level of support they require to live independently in the housing option of their choice.

Unregistered provider: A provider of supports that has not registered as a provider with the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission. An unregistered provider can support participants that are plan managed or self managed.

Appendix B:

Outcomes Framework Questionnaires

About the outcomes framework questionnaires

The NDIS outcomes framework questionnaires measure the medium and long-term benefits of the Scheme to participants. These questionnaires are one way the NDIA is measuring Scheme outcomes. The questionnaires collect baseline measures when participants enter the Scheme, and track future outcomes against baseline measures to assess progress. Baseline measures were collected from 99% of participants who received their initial plan since 1 July 2016.

The information collected from participants and their families and carers (for participants aged 14 or under) tracks how participants are progressing across eight life domains:

Choice and Control: Includes independence, decision-making and whether the participant would like to have more choice and control in their life.

Relationships: Relates to whether a participant has someone to call on for practical advice or emotional support, about contact with family and friends and about relationships with staff.

Health and Wellbeing: Relates to health, lifestyle and access to health services.

Work: Explores participants' experiences in the workforce and goals for employment.

Daily Living Activities: Explores how independent participants are in nine areas of daily living, for example shopping and home cleaning.

Home: Relates to participants' satisfaction in their home now and in five years' time, and whether they feel safe.

Lifelong Learning: Includes educational, training and learning experiences.

Social, Community and Civic Participation: Relates to hobbies, volunteering, involvement in community, voting, leisure activities and whether the participant feels they have a voice.

The outcomes framework questionnaires adopt a lifespan approach to measuring outcomes, recognising that different outcomes will be important to participants at different stages of their life. The information is collected as participants enter the Scheme, and as their plans are reviewed, so that the Agency can track the type of supports that lead to the best outcomes.

Appendix C:

Approved plans and children accessing early connections

Table C.1 compares plan approvals (including children accessing early connections) with bilateral estimates.

The scheme to date bilateral estimates for WA are as at 30 September 2023, for NT are as at 30 June 2020, and for all other States/Territories are unchanged from 30 June 2019.

A detailed summary of children younger than 9 in the Scheme by State/Territory is also included in Table C.2, including children accessing early connections.

Table C.1 Plan approvals to date (including children accessing early connections) compared to bilateral estimates 1 2 3 4 5

State/Territory	All plans approved (excl. children accessing early connections)	Children accessing early connections	All plans approved (incl. children accessing early connections)	Total bilateral estimates	Comparison for all plan approvals (incl. children accessing early connections) with bilateral estimates												
NSW	206,460	6,470	212,930	141,957	150%												
VIC	181,638	3,839	185,477	105,324	176%												
QLD	139,429	5,876	145,305	91,217	159%												
WA	56,089	56,089	56,089	56,089	56,089	56,089	56,089	56,089	56,089	56,089	56,089	56,089	,	1,300	57,389	45,423	126%
SA	58,547	1,592	60,139	32,284	186%												
TAS	14,508	84	14,592	10,587	138%												
ACT	12,628	188	12,816	5,075	253%												
NT	6,471	105	6,576	6,545	100%												
Total	675,772	19,454	695,226	438,412	159%												

¹ All plans approved includes participants who have left the Scheme since receiving an initial plan, in line with the measurement of progress against bilateral estimates.

² State/Territory in this table is defined by the address of first plan approval of the participant, in line with the method used to measure

progress against bilateral estimates. Under this original definition of jurisdiction, there are no participants recorded under Other

³ The definition used to report on Early Childhood Approach is the number of children accessing early connections. These include any early childhood therapy supports and/or mainstream referrals.

⁴ These results do not differentiate between approved plans for participants who met Section 25 of the NDIS Act for access (Early Intervention), compared with plans for those who met Section 24 of the NDIS Act for access (Permanent Disability). Table E.5 shows numbers of active participants split into these Early Intervention and Permanent Disability categories.

There are no children accessing early connections at 30 September 2023 with Missing jurisdiction information.

Table C.2 Summary of children younger than 9 who have approached the Scheme for support by jurisdiction and status 6 7

State/ Territory	Active approved plans (children younger than 9 as at 30 September 2023)	Access met but yet to have an approved plan (children younger than 9 as at 30 September 2023)	Access request (no decision) - Children accessing early connections	Access request (no decision) - Children waiting for early	Access request (no decision) - Neither accessing nor waiting for	Others accessing or waiting on early connections - Accessing early connections	Others accessing or waiting on early connections - Waiting for early connections	Total
NSW	46,851	1,156	854	<11	491	5,616	48	55,023
VIC	43,294	1,588	825	60	357	3,014	458	49,596
QLD	33,394	1,636	682	<11	390	5,194	46	41,347
SA	11,691	299	172	<11	102	1,420	56	13,742
WA	10,206	749	285	<11	71	1,015	33	12,364
TAS	2,572	39	11	<11	129	73	<11	2,826
ACT	2,175	38	40	<11	16	148	<11	2,417
NT	1,567	64	30	<11	43	75	<11	1,781
OT	<11	<11	<11	<11	<11	<11	<11	<11
Total	151,757	5,571	2,899	79	1,599	16,555	645	179,105

⁶ This table includes 7 children aged over 8 accessing early connections as at 30 September 2023, and a further 3 children aged over 8 who are waiting for early connections.

⁷ Early connections include any early childhood therapy supports and/or mainstream referrals.

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Appendix D:

State/Territory - comparison of key metrics

This appendix compares key metrics presented in this report by State/Territory.

The new Information and Communications Technology (ICT) system test commenced in Tasmania in the December 2022 quarter. The Quarterly Report to the Disability Minister combines data from the current and new ICT systems. This may lead to some minor restatements of information in this and future reports.

For 30 September 2023, refinements have been made to the logic for identifying participants receiving Supported Independent Living (SIL) to reduce known issues with under-identification following plan reassessments. The improved logic at 30 September increases the number of SIL participants identified.

Table D.1 Active participants including ECA at 30 September 2023 8 9

State/Territory	Active participant plans (Count)	Active participant plans (Percentage)	Early Childhood Approach (ECA) (Count)	Active participant plans including ECA (Count)	Active participant plans including ECA (Percentage)
NSW	187,116	29.6%	6,470	195,503	30.0%
VIC	168,867	26.7%	3,839	172,706	26.5%
QLD	134,964	21.4%	5,876	140,840	21.6%
WA	54,165	8.6%	1,300	55,465	8.5%
SA	54,311	8.6%	1,592	55,903	8.6%
TAS	13,702	2.2%	84	13,786	2.1%
ACT	10,595	1.7%	188	10,783	1.7%
NT	5,838	0.9%	105	5,943	0.9%
ОТ	51	0.0%	<11	51	0.0%
Missing	<11	n/a	<11	<11	n/a
National	631,529	100.0%	19,454	650,983	100.0%

The results for participants in OT and participants with Missing residing state information are not shown separately in tables on participant characteristics due to small numbers. However, they are included in the National totals for each table.

Table D.2 Number of active participant plans by age group at 30 September 2023

Age group	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
0 to 6	32,681	30,057	22,852	6,680	7,656	1,784	1,406	1,069	104,188
7 to 14	48,678	45,191	37,002	13,630	15,428	3,150	2,787	1,531	167,415
15 to 18	15,647	13,486	12,587	5,344	5,755	1,291	923	469	55,508
19 to 24	15,851	12,441	10,528	5,206	4,725	1,412	1,013	407	51,591
25 to 34	16,679	14,071	11,105	5,472	4,209	1,536	991	475	54,544
35 to 44	13,808	13,376	9,928	4,524	3,909	1,069	841	561	48,018
45 to 54	16,293	15,400	11,497	4,911	4,485	1,296	973	571	55,427
55 to 64	19,919	17,486	13,676	5,936	5,620	1,542	1,000	564	65,750
65+	9,477	7,359	5,789	2,462	2,524	622	661	191	29,088
Total	189,033	168,867	134,964	54,165	54,311	13,702	10,595	5,838	631,529

⁸ The number reported for the Early Childhood Approach is the number of children accessing early connections. Initial supports include any early childhood therapy supports and/or mainstream referrals.

9 OT includes participants residing in Other Territories including Norfolk Island, Christmas Island and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands.

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Table D.3 Proportion of active participant plans by age group at 30 September 2023

Age group	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
0 to 6	17%	18%	17%	12%	14%	13%	13%	18%	16%
7 to 14	26%	27%	27%	25%	28%	23%	26%	26%	27%
15 to 18	8%	8%	9%	10%	11%	9%	9%	8%	9%
19 to 24	8%	7%	8%	10%	9%	10%	10%	7%	8%
25 to 34	9%	8%	8%	10%	8%	11%	9%	8%	9%
35 to 44	7%	8%	7%	8%	7%	8%	8%	10%	8%
45 to 54	9%	9%	9%	9%	8%	9%	9%	10%	9%
55 to 64	11%	10%	10%	11%	10%	11%	9%	10%	10%
65+	5%	4%	4%	5%	5%	5%	6%	3%	5%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table D.4 Number of active participant plans (participants in SIL) by age group at 30 September 2023

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Age group	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
0 to 6	<11	<11	<11	<11	<11	<11	<11	<11	<11
7 to 14	<11	<11	11	<11	<11	<11	<11	<11	34
15 to 18	96	59	77	33	45	13	<11	<11	335
19 to 24	915	450	581	208	267	101	51	62	2,635
25 to 34	1,669	999	1,137	467	457	191	92	87	5,099
35 to 44	1,792	1,204	1,121	533	497	159	114	117	5,537
45 to 54	2,466	1,550	1,383	657	665	191	132	113	7,157
55 to 64	2,942	1,956	1,699	793	789	268	151	133	8,731
65+	1,271	725	610	294	319	111	67	45	3,443
Total	11,155	6,951	6,619	2,988	3,044	1,036	614	565	32,973

Table D.5 Proportion of active participant plans (participants in SIL) by age group at 30 September 2023

Age group	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
0 to 6	n/a								
7 to 14	n/a	n/a	0%	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0%
15 to 18	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	n/a	n/a	1%
19 to 24	8%	6%	9%	7%	9%	10%	8%	11%	8%
25 to 34	15%	14%	17%	16%	15%	18%	15%	15%	15%
35 to 44	16%	17%	17%	18%	16%	15%	19%	21%	17%
45 to 54	22%	22%	21%	22%	22%	18%	21%	20%	22%
55 to 64	26%	28%	26%	27%	26%	26%	25%	24%	26%
65+	11%	10%	9%	10%	10%	11%	11%	8%	10%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table D.6 Number of active participant plans (participants not in SIL) by age group at 30 September 2023

Age group	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
0 to 6	32,679	30,057	22,852	6,680	7,656	1,784	1,406	1,069	104,186
7 to 14	48,676	45,183	36,991	13,627	15,423	3,148	2,784	1,531	167,381
15 to 18	15,551	13,427	12,510	5,311	5,710	1,278	919	461	55,173
19 to 24	14,936	11,991	9,947	4,998	4,458	1,311	962	345	48,956
25 to 34	15,010	13,072	9,968	5,005	3,752	1,345	899	388	49,445
35 to 44	12,016	12,172	8,807	3,991	3,412	910	727	444	42,481
45 to 54	13,827	13,850	10,114	4,254	3,820	1,105	841	458	48,270
55 to 64	16,977	15,530	11,977	5,143	4,831	1,274	849	431	57,019
65+	8,206	6,634	5,179	2,168	2,205	511	594	146	25,645
Total	177,878	161,916	128,345	51,177	51,267	12,666	9,981	5,273	598,556

Table D.7 Proportion of active participant plans (participants not in SIL) by age group at 30 September 2023

Age group	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
0 to 6	18%	19%	18%	13%	15%	14%	14%	20%	17%
7 to 14	27%	28%	29%	27%	30%	25%	28%	29%	28%
15 to 18	9%	8%	10%	10%	11%	10%	9%	9%	9%
19 to 24	8%	7%	8%	10%	9%	10%	10%	7%	8%
25 to 34	8%	8%	8%	10%	7%	11%	9%	7%	8%
35 to 44	7%	8%	7%	8%	7%	7%	7%	8%	7%
45 to 54	8%	9%	8%	8%	7%	9%	8%	9%	8%
55 to 64	10%	10%	9%	10%	9%	10%	9%	8%	10%
65+	5%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	6%	3%	4%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table D.8 Number of active participant plans by primary disability group at 30 September 2023 10 11

Primary disability group	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
Autism	64,924	56,217	50,174	20,253	22,244	4,723	3,761	1,333	223,650
Intellectual disability	31,817	27,332	19,083	9,042	8,709	2,997	1,529	1,124	101,647
Psychosocial disability	18,770	19,976	12,121	5,396	3,838	1,152	1,178	576	63,010
Developmental delay	20,612	24,847	17,156	3,777	4,871	1,070	1,150	878	74,364
Hearing impairment	8,342	6,889	6,274	2,294	1,972	497	454	227	26,951
Other neurological	7,234	5,553	4,872	2,317	1,784	502	416	222	22,903
Other physical	5,857	4,594	4,833	1,856	1,818	409	524	209	20,103
Cerebral palsy	5,668	4,209	3,804	1,846	1,297	435	305	198	17,762
Acquired brain injury	5,028	4,735	4,132	1,613	1,798	476	234	318	18,335
Global developmental delay	6,085	2,920	2,955	1,373	2,000	233	202	187	15,956
Visual impairment	3,253	2,964	1,880	900	824	215	183	69	10,288
Multiple sclerosis	2,888	3,248	1,811	1,034	987	379	231	25	10,603
Stroke	3,174	2,036	2,061	719	690	179	146	191	9,198
Spinal cord injury	1,885	1,024	1,582	689	475	134	81	84	5,955
Other	2,716	1,889	1,994	947	656	261	138	170	8,771
Other sensory/speech	780	434	232	109	348	40	63	27	2,033
Total	189,033	168,867	134,964	54,165	54,311	13,702	10,595	5,838	631,529

Table D.9 Proportion of active participant plans by primary disability group at 30 September 2023

Primary disability group	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
Autism	34%	33%	37%	37%	41%	34%	35%	23%	35%
Intellectual disability	17%	16%	14%	17%	16%	22%	14%	19%	16%
Psychosocial disability	10%	12%	9%	10%	7%	8%	11%	10%	10%
Developmental delay	11%	15%	13%	7%	9%	8%	11%	15%	12%
Hearing impairment	4%	4%	5%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%
Other neurological	4%	3%	4%	4%	3%	4%	4%	4%	4%
Other physical	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%	3%	5%	4%	3%
Cerebral palsy	3%	2%	3%	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Acquired brain injury	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%	5%	3%
Global developmental delay	3%	2%	2%	3%	4%	2%	2%	3%	3%
Visual impairment	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%
Multiple sclerosis	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	3%	2%	0%	2%
Stroke	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%	1%
Spinal cord injury	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Other	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%
Other sensory/speech	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

¹⁰ Since 2017-18 Q1, the disability groups developmental delay and global developmental delay have been reported separately to the intellectual disability group.

¹¹ Down syndrome is included in intellectual disability.

Table D.10 Number of active participant plans by other characteristics at 30 September 2023 12

Characteristics	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
First Nations Participants	16,559	5,772	13,977	4,361	3,518	1,354	474	2,950	48,966
Culturally and linguistically diverse participants	20,644	19,788	7,160	4,320	3,880	346	1,050	354	57,554
Participants residing in remote and very remote areas	786	59	2,304	2,458	1,364	171	<11	2,363	9,556
Younger people in residential aged care (under 65)	506	550	230	144	85	35	<11	<11	1,565
Participants with supported independent living	11,155	6,951	6,619	2,988	3,044	1,036	614	565	32,973
Participants with specialised disability accommodation	7,558	6,822	3,588	1,745	2,367	587	338	272	23,277

Table D.11 Proportion of active participant plans by other characteristics at 30 September 2023 13

Characteristics	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
First Nations Participants	8.8%	3.4%	10.4%	8.1%	6.5%	9.9%	4.5%	50.5%	7.8%
Culturally and linguistically diverse participants	10.9%	11.7%	5.3%	8.0%	7.1%	2.5%	9.9%	6.1%	9.1%
Participants residing in remote and very remote areas	0.4%	0.0%	1.7%	4.5%	2.5%	1.2%	n/a	40.5%	1.5%
Younger people in residential aged care (under 65)	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%	0.3%	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
Participants with supported independent living	5.9%	4.1%	4.9%	5.5%	5.6%	7.6%	5.8%	9.7%	5.2%
Participants with specialised disability accommodation	4.0%	4.0%	2.7%	3.2%	4.4%	4.3%	3.2%	4.7%	3.7%

Table D.12 Participation rates by gender at 30 September 2023

Gender	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
Male	3.3%	3.5%	3.5%	2.7%	4.4%	3.4%	3.0%	3.1%	3.4%
Female	1.9%	2.2%	2.2%	1.6%	2.5%	2.2%	1.8%	1.6%	2.0%
Total	2.6%	2.9%	2.9%	2.2%	3.5%	2.9%	2.5%	2.4%	2.8%

Table D.13 Participation rates by age group at 30 September 2023 ¹⁴

Age group	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
0 to 6	4.8%	5.5%	5.2%	2.8%	5.5%	4.2%	3.6%	4.2%	4.8%
7 to 14	6.0%	6.9%	6.6%	4.7%	8.9%	5.9%	6.0%	5.5%	6.4%
15 to 18	3.9%	4.2%	4.5%	3.8%	6.6%	4.7%	4.3%	3.6%	4.3%
19 to 24	2.6%	2.5%	2.6%	2.6%	3.5%	3.8%	2.5%	1.9%	2.6%
25 to 44	1.3%	1.4%	1.4%	1.2%	1.7%	1.7%	1.2%	1.2%	1.4%
45 to 64	1.8%	2.1%	1.9%	1.6%	2.2%	1.9%	1.9%	1.9%	1.9%
Total (aged 0 to 64)	2.6%	2.9%	2.9%	2.2%	3.5%	2.9%	2.5%	2.4%	2.8%

Table D.14 Proportion of participants rating their overall experience as good or very good in 2023-24 Q1 ¹⁵

Agency planning process	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
The Access Process	81%	78%	78%	74%	72%	n/a	n/a	n/a	77%
The Pre-Planning Process	79%	84%	82%	70%	78%	n/a	n/a	n/a	80%
The Planning Process	87%	88%	87%	84%	82%	n/a	73%	83%	86%
The Reassessment Process	69%	67%	66%	65%	65%	n/a	67%	64%	67%

¹⁴ Participation rate refers to the proportion of general population that are NDIS participants.

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¹² The numbers of participants residing in remote and very remote areas are based on the Modified Monash Model (MMM) measure of remoteness. ¹³ Ibid.

¹⁵ A new survey process was recently introduced for participants in Tasmania, but it is still in the testing phase. As a result, the number of participants taking the satisfaction survey has decreased significantly this quarter.

Table D.15 Progress against the NDIA's corporate plan metrics for 'participant employment rate', 'participant social and community engagement rate', 'parent and carer employment rate' and 'participant choice and control'

Participant breakdown	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
Participants (15 and over) in work - Baseline	22%	19%	17%	23%	25%	18%	28%	12%	20%
Participants (15 and over) in work - Latest Reassessment	24%	20%	18%	24%	25%	18%	29%	14%	22%
Participants (15 and over) in community - Baseline	34%	34%	37%	37%	37%	30%	36%	42%	35%
Participants (15 and over) in community - Latest Reassessment	45%	39%	42%	40%	39%	34%	42%	45%	42%
Parent and carer employment rate - Baseline	48%	45%	43%	46%	46%	40%	56%	51%	46%
Parent and carer employment rate - Latest Reassessment	53%	50%	47%	51%	49%	43%	62%	56%	50%
Participant (15 and over) choice and control - First Reassessment	66%	64%	73%	72%	64%	68%	71%	57%	67%
Participant (15 and over) choice and control - Latest Reassessment	76%	76%	81%	77%	74%	74%	78%	69%	77%

Table D.16 Distribution of active participant by method of financial plan management at 30 September 2023 17

Plan management	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
Self-managed fully	22%	27%	23%	19%	18%	15%	36%	9%	23%
Self-managed partly	6%	7%	5%	11%	4%	17%	8%	5%	7%
Plan-managed	57%	62%	65%	54%	72%	58%	48%	80%	61%
Agency-managed	15%	5%	7%	17%	6%	9%	7%	6%	10%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table D.17 Distribution of plan budget amount by method of financial plan management at 30 September 2023

Plan management	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
Self-managed	11%	15%	13%	13%	8%	9%	19%	4%	12%
Plan-managed	40%	54%	51%	38%	52%	34%	50%	40%	47%
Agency-managed	49%	32%	37%	49%	39%	57%	30%	57%	41%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table D.18 Number and rates of participant complaints 18

Participant complaints	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
Participant complaints in 2023-24 Q1	2,460	2,286	2,012	719	771	45	138	52	8,823
% of the number of active participants	5.3%	5.5%	6.1%	5.4%	5.8%	1.3%	5.3%	3.6%	5.7%
All participant complaints	46,631	38,273	26,265	10,356	16,541	2,645	3,368	978	155,756
% of the number of active participants	5.8%	6.1%	5.8%	5.6%	7.4%	4.8%	6.2%	4.8%	6.4%

Table D.19 Number and rates of Participants Critical Incidents (PCIs) 19

PCIs	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
PCIs in 2023-24 Q1	1,119	1,368	806	517	403	75	51	59	4,402
% of the number of active participants	2.4%	3.3%	2.4%	3.9%	3.0%	2.2%	2.0%	4.1%	2.8%
All PCIs	7,763	8,928	5,885	3,473	3,684	543	326	523	31,182
% of the number of active participants	1.0%	1.4%	1.3%	1.9%	1.7%	1.0%	0.6%	2.6%	1.3%

¹⁶ Results are drawn from participants' responses to SFOF questionnaires, and only include participants who had their first plan

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approved between 1 July 2016 and 30 September 2021 and have had a second plan reassessment to date.

17 Participants can use more than one method to manage their funding. This table is a hierarchy whereby each participant is only captured once. The hierarchy is: (1) self-managed fully, (2) self-managed partly (regardless of other methods being used), (3) anyone who does not fall into 'self-managed partly' and has a plan manager, and (4) anyone else.

18 The National totals include participant complaints where jurisdiction information was missing.

¹⁹ Ibid.

Table D.20 Number of ever active providers by legal entity type 20 21

Legal entity type	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
Individual / Sole Trader	3,567	2,489	2,534	679	863	429	386	176	7,521
Company / Organisation	7,066	5,351	5,747	2,569	2,389	1,376	1,361	902	12,819
Total active providers	10,633	7,840	8,281	3,248	3,252	1,805	1,747	1,078	20,340

Table D.21 Number of active providers in 2023-24 Q1 by legal entity type ²² ²³

Legal entity type	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
Individual / Sole Trader	878	485	535	202	146	95	64	41	1,943
Company / Organisation	3,508	2,356	2,310	1,105	891	406	416	308	7,540
Total active providers	4,386	2,841	2,845	1,307	1,037	501	480	349	9,483

Table D 22 Committed supports by financial year (\$m)

Table D.22 Committed supports by finance	iai year (\$i	m)							
Financial year	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
2017-18	4,276	1,440	866	226	370	190	305	100	7,773
2018-19	5,907	3,456	2,524	549	1,158	401	367	202	14,566
2019-20	8,043	6,020	5,135	1,538	2,124	661	462	391	24,375
2020-21	10,190	7,925	6,818	2,731	2,770	846	556	516	32,357
2021-22	11,508	9,261	7,921	3,190	3,169	962	609	546	37,170
2022-23	13,904	11,437	9,762	4,039	3,891	1,133	708	691	45,570
2023-24 YTD	12,176	10,247	8,898	3,686	3,595	1,121	628	616	40,974
% increase from 2017-18 to 2018-19	38%	140%	191%	143%	213%	111%	20%	101%	87%
% increase from 2018-19 to 2019-20	36%	74%	103%	180%	83%	65%	26%	93%	67%
% increase from 2019-20 to 2020-21	27%	32%	33%	78%	30%	28%	20%	32%	33%
% increase from 2020-21 to 2021-22	13%	17%	16%	17%	14%	14%	9%	6%	15%
% increase from 2021-22 to 2022-23	21%	23%	23%	27%	23%	18%	16%	27%	23%

Table D.23 Payments by financial year in which support was provided (\$m)

Financial year	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
2017-18	3,104	957	551	168	221	154	221	67	5,443
2018-19	4,479	2,369	1,658	394	793	297	277	137	10,405
2019-20	5,991	4,130	3,595	1,025	1,490	478	339	266	17,315
2020-21	7,723	5,458	4,996	1,934	1,998	632	418	376	23,538
2021-22	8,953	6,811	6,118	2,356	2,416	758	476	421	28,440
2022-23	10,868	8,495	7,456	2,923	2,942	870	538	526	34,667
2023-24 YTD	2,689	2,082	1,861	721	733	200	125	124	8,536
% increase from 2017-18 to 2018-19	44%	147%	201%	135%	259%	93%	25%	105%	91%
% increase from 2018-19 to 2019-20	34%	74%	117%	160%	88%	61%	22%	94%	66%
% increase from 2019-20 to 2020-21	29%	32%	39%	89%	34%	32%	23%	41%	36%
% increase from 2020-21 to 2021-22	16%	25%	22%	22%	21%	20%	14%	12%	21%
% increase from 2021-22 to 2022-23	21%	25%	22%	24%	22%	15%	13%	25%	22%

²⁰ Active providers refer to those who have received payment for supporting Agency-managed participants and plan managers. ²¹ Providers can be active in more than one State/Territory. Hence, the National totals do not equal the sum of the number of active

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Average annualised committed supports are derived from total annualised committed supports in the current plans of active participants at 30 September 2023. Average payments are calculated as the average of the annualised monthly payments in 12 months period to 30 September 2023, weighted by the participants that are active in each month over the same period. They have been rounded to the nearest hundred dollars. Figures are not shown if there is insufficient data in the group.

Total annualised committed supports refer to those in the current plans of active participants at 30 September 2023. Total payments refer to those paid over the 12 months to 30 September 2023. Figures are not shown if there is insufficient data in the group.

Table D.24 Annualised committed supports as at 30 September 2023

Туре	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
Total (\$m)	14,715	12,174	10,521	4,437	4,137	1,222	745	707	48,665
Average (\$)	77,800	72,100	78,000	81,900	76,200	89,200	70,300	121,200	77,100
Total - SIL (\$m)	4,681	3,057	2,888	1,269	1,400	469	258	354	14,376
Average - SIL (\$)	419,600	439,900	436,400	424,700	459,800	453,100	419,600	625,900	436,000

Table D.25 Payments as at 30 September 2023

Туре	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
Total (\$m)	11,482	8,977	7,836	3,099	3,114	899	559	565	36,566
Average (\$)	64,700	56,800	62,500	60,900	61,000	68,800	55,600	102,700	61,800
Total - SIL (\$m)	4,033	2,544	2,506	1,023	1,232	394	218	304.7	12,254
Average - SIL (\$)	382,700	394,100	408,300	377,000	430,300	396,400	378,500	583,100	397,900

Table D.26 Total annualised committed supports by support category as at 30 September 2023 (\$m)

Support category	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
Core - Daily Activities	7,096	5,258	5,129	2,084	2,135	610	377	394	23,085
Core - Consumables	241	235	209	87	74	19	13	8	887
Core - Social and Civic	3,213	2,864	2,246	880	773	286	137	123	10,523
Core - Transport	159	143	101	44	40	13	9	5	513
Capacity Building - Choice and Control	160	157	131	47	57	14	8	8	583
Capacity Building - Daily Activities	2,287	2,179	1,674	715	632	147	117	87	7,840
Capacity Building - Employment	105	70	65	43	29	9	6	5	333
Capacity Building - Health and Wellbeing	29	17	13	5	4	2	3	0.3	74
Capacity Building - Home Living	1	2	1	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.02	0.03	4
Capacity Building - Lifelong learning	0.03	0.1	0.05	0.04	0.2	0.01	0.002	n/a	0.4
Capacity Building - Relationships	340	260	161	118	99	26	15	17	1,035
Capacity Building - Social and Civic	127	111	66	60	21	16	12	11	424
Capacity Building - Support Coordination	359	397	279	127	107	30	17	30	1,346
Capital - Assistive Technology	418	319	318	179	117	30	23	15	1,419
Capital - Home Modifications	180	162	129	48	48	17	9	5	599
Total	14,715	12,174	10,521	4,437	4,137	1,222	745	707	48,665

Table D.27 Total payments by support category for the year ending 30 September 2023 (\$m)

Support category	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
Core - Daily Activities	5,997	4,341	4,096	1,610	1,788	510	318	373	19,064
Core - Consumables	184	164	154	56	55	14	9	6	641
Core - Social and Civic	2,583	2,109	1,815	638	558	211	101	88	8,103
Core - Transport	324	216	126	51	44	13	14	7	795
Capacity Building - Choice and Control	138	138	114	40	50	12	7	7	506
Capacity Building - Daily Activities	1,377	1,251	976	427	398	72	68	40	4,611
Capacity Building - Employment	43	27	18	10	10	3	2	1	114
Capacity Building - Health and Wellbeing	17	7	6	2	2	1	2	0.1	37
Capacity Building - Home Living	0.1	1	0.1	0.05	0.04	0.1	0.01	0.01	1
Capacity Building - Lifelong learning	0.003	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.004	0	n/ a	0.1
Capacity Building - Relationships	175	124	73	58	46	12	7	9	504
Capacity Building - Social and Civic	53	40	27	25	6	6	5	5	168
Capacity Building - Support Coordination	267	305	201	83	77	23	12	22	990
Capital - Assistive Technology	205	146	149	71	51	14	11	7	653
Capital - Home Modifications	118	109	81	20	29	7	5	2	371
Total	11,482	8,977	7,836	3,099	3,114	899	559	565	36,566

Table D.28 Distribution of the percentage change in plan budgets for plans reviewed in this financial year (1 July 2023 to 30 September 2023) - all participants

Percentage change in plan budgets	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
below -80%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
-80% to -65%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
-65% to -50%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%
-50% to -35%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	3%	2%	1%	2%
-35% to -20%	4%	4%	3%	4%	3%	4%	4%	4%	4%
-20% to -5%	8%	9%	8%	8%	8%	11%	8%	10%	9%
-5% to 0%	8%	9%	10%	9%	9%	15%	9%	7%	9%
0% to 5%	16%	17%	17%	17%	16%	14%	15%	17%	17%
5% to 20%	22%	20%	20%	20%	20%	19%	24%	20%	20%
20% to 35%	9%	9%	8%	8%	9%	8%	7%	8%	8%
35% to 50%	6%	6%	5%	6%	7%	5%	5%	5%	6%
50% to 65%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	3%	4%	4%	4%
65% to 80%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%	3%	4%	3%
above 80%	16%	16%	19%	18%	18%	12%	17%	18%	17%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table D.29 Utilisation rates split by participants in SIL and those not in SIL, and first and subsequent plans 24 25 26

Participant breakdown	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
SIL - First plan	82%	82%	76%	76%	93%	85%	79%	90%	81%
SIL - Subsequent plans	90%	88%	89%	87%	88%	90%	89%	90%	89%
SIL - Total	90%	88%	89%	87%	88%	90%	88%	90%	89%
Non SIL - First plan	62%	58%	60%	57%	59%	51%	55%	49%	59%
Non SIL - Subsequent plans	75%	72%	74%	68%	73%	69%	71%	65%	73%
Non SIL - Total	73%	70%	72%	67%	71%	67%	70%	62%	71%
First plan (SIL and Non SIL)	63%	59%	61%	58%	60%	53%	56%	55%	60%
Subsequent plans (SIL and Non SIL)	80%	76%	78%	74%	78%	77%	78%	79%	78%
Total (SIL and Non SIL)	79%	75%	77%	73%	77%	75%	76%	77%	77%

Table D.30 Percentage change in plan budgets for active participants as at 30 September 2023

Inflation type	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	National
Intraplan Inflation	8.9%	11.0%	10.1%	7.9%	11.0%	8.0%	7.7%	8.4%	9.7%
Interplan Inflation	5.0%	3.4%	6.3%	8.2%	6.0%	10.6%	4.8%	7.7%	5.4%
Total Inflation	13.8%	14.4%	16.4%	16.1%	17.1%	18.6%	12.5%	16.1%	15.1%

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²⁴ Utilisation of committed supports from 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023 is shown in the table – experience in the most recent 3 months

²⁵ Participants receiving in-kind supports are excluded from this analysis as it is not possible to accurately separate in-kind payments and committed amounts between plans. Hence, utilisation in this table is higher in reality when in-kind is included.

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Table D.31 Participant Service Guarantee Timeframes (% guarantees met) for the quarter ending 30 September 2023 27 28 29 30 31

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PSG	Service Guarantee	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	NAT
Explain a previous decision, after a request for explanation is received	28 days	98%	98%	98%	93%	94%	n/a	100%	100%	97%
Make an access decision, or request for more information, after an access request has been received	21 days	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	n/a	99%	100%	100%
Allow sufficient time for prospective participants to provide information, after NDIA has requested further information	90 days	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	n/a	100%	100%	100%
Make an access decision, after more information has been provided.	14 days	91%	90%	91%	87%	92%	n/a	93%	97%	91%
Commence facilitating the preparation of a plan, after an access decision has been made	21 days	97%	94%	95%	96%	94%	n/a	99%	79%	95%
Approve a participant's plan, after an access decision has been made (excludes those ECA that have received initial supports)	56 days	96%	93%	93%	92%	93%	n/a	97%	72%	93%
7. Approve a plan for ECA participants, after an access decision has been made	90 days	99%	98%	94%	95%	98%	n/a	100%	91%	97%
If the participant accepts the offer, hold a plan implementation meeting	28 days	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	n/a	100%	100%	100%
Commence facilitating a scheduled plan reassessment, prior to the scheduled reassessment date	56 days	76%	78%	78%	76%	74%	n/a	75%	62%	73%
12. Decide whether to undertake a Participant Requested Plan reassessment, after the request is received	21 days	71%	72%	73%	74%	78%	n/a	77%	75%	72%
13. Complete a reassessment, after the decision to accept the request was made	28 days	64%	72%	59%	54%	66%	n/a	68%	35%	64%
14. Amend a plan, after the receipt of information that triggers the plan amendment process	28 days	93%	94%	94%	93%	92%	n/a	93%	89%	93%
15. Amend a plan, after receipt of information relating to a complex quote that triggers a plan amendment process	50 days	100%	71%	100%	100%	n/a	n/a	n/a	100%	88%
17. Complete an internal Review of a Reviewable Decision, after a request is received	60 days	94%	95%	94%	93%	93%	n/a	95%	94%	94%
18. Implement an AAT decision to amend a plan, after the AAT decision is made	28 days	100%	99%	99%	99%	98%	n/a	94%	100%	99%
19. Cancel participant requested nominee	14 days	100%	96%	96%	97%	100%	n/a	100%	n/a	97%
20. Cancel CEO initiated nominee	14 days	100%	100%	100%	67%	100%	n/a	n/a	n/a	97%

²⁷ The Participant Service Guarantee timeframes continue to be refined and further developed. The results for the timeframes shown are based on preliminary calculations and the methodology used to determine the timeframes may change going forward.

28 Results are rounded to the nearest percent. Where 100% is shown, there are still a small number of cases which did not meet the

required timeframe.

²⁹ The target timeframe for PSG #6 has been reduced from 70 to 56 days in early 2021. ³⁰ The target timeframe for PSG #13 has been reduced from 42 to 28 days in late 2021.

³¹ The target timeframe for PSG #17 has been reduced from 90 to 60 days in late 2021.

³² The PSG measures for participants who have migrated to the new Information and Communications Technology (ICT) system are expected to be available from 2023-24 Q3.