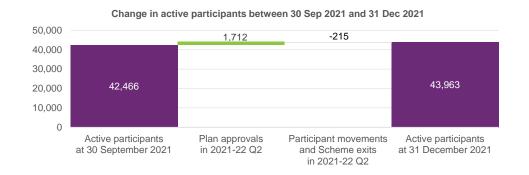
# Participants and planning

Participant experience	As at 31 Dec	As at 30 Sep
Active participants with approved plans	43,963	42,466
Children accessing early connections	612	700
Children waiting for early connections	39	11
Percentage of participants fully or partially self managing their plan	24%	24%
Percentage of plans activated within 90 days <sup>1</sup>	85%	85%
Number of participant plan reviews completed in quarter <sup>2</sup>	8,760	7,907



## Performance summary:

- 46,502 participants (excluding children accessing early connections) have had an approved plan since July 2013. 43,963 of these continue to be active.
- 28,337 active participants are receiving supports for the first time.
- In the current quarter, 1,712 participants have entered the Scheme and there are 612 children accessing early connections at the end of December 2021.
- 8,760 plans have been reviewed this quarter.
- 2,261 access decisions have been made in the quarter, of which 1,712 met access and are still active.
- 137 (8.0%) of the new active participants this quarter identified as Indigenous, taking the total number of Indigenous participants in SA to 2,640 (6.0%).
- 118 (6.9%) of the new active participants this quarter are Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) <sup>3</sup>, taking the total number of CALD participants in SA to 3,172 (7.2%).

## Participant outcomes and satisfaction

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Participant and Scheme Outcome metrics from the Corporate Plan as at 31 December 2021 ⁴		Baseline
Participant employment rate	26%	26%
Participant social and community engagement rate	41%	37%
Parent and carer employment rate	49%	46%
	Latest Review	First Review
Participant perception of choice and control	73%	64%
% of participants rating their overall experience as very good or good by pathway stage – current vs previous quarter	2021-22 Q2	2021-22 Q1
• Access	75%	72%
• Pre-planning	70%	73%
• Planning	81%	79%
• Plan review	61%	67%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Participants who joined the Scheme prior to 1 July 2016 and those with initial plans approved after the end of 2020-21 Q4 have been excluded.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Plans less than 31 days in duration have been excluded.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The number of CALD participants excludes Indigenous participants.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The Outcome results include participants who have been in the Scheme for at least two years. Trial participants are excluded. Except for the parent and carer employment rate, participants aged 15 and over are included. The Baseline results are at Scheme entry.

# **Participant Service Guarantee**

Percentage meeting the	Service Guarantee in quarter <sup>1</sup>	Service Guarantee	31 Dec	30 Sep
General	Explanation of a previous decision, after a request for explanation is received	28 days	100%	100%
Access	2. Make an access decision, or request for more information, after an access request has been received	21 days	100%	100%
	3. Allow sufficient time for prospective participants to provide information, after NDIA has requested further information	90 days	100%	100%
	4. Make an access decision, after the final information has been provided	14 days	99%	98%
Planning	5. Commence facilitating the preparation of a plan, after an access decision has been made	21 days	87%	85%
	6. Approve a participant's plan, after an access decision has been made	56 days	84%	83%
	7. Approve a plan for ECEI participants, after an access decision has been made	90 days	97%	96%
Implementation	9. If the participant accepts the offer, hold a plan implementation meeting	28 days	100%	100%
Reviews	11. Commence facilitating a scheduled plan review, prior to the scheduled review date <sup>2</sup>	56 days	18%	20%
	12. Decide whether to undertake a Participant Requested Plan Review, after the request is received	21 days	100%	84%
	13. Complete a Participant Requested Review, after the decision to accept the request was made	28 days	47%	53%
Amendments	14. Vary a plan, after the receipt of information that triggers the plan amendment process	28 days	91%	90%
	15. Vary a plan, after the receipt of information relating to a complex quote that triggers a plan amendment process	50 days	100%	75%
Reviewable Decisions	17. Complete an internal Review of a Reviewable Decision, after a request is received	60 days	91%	88%
	18. Implement an AAT decision to vary a plan, after receiving notification of the AAT decision	28 days	99%	98%
Nominee	19. Cancel participant requested nominee	14 days	100%	100%
	20. Cancel CEO initiated nominee	14 days	100%	100%

• The Participant Service Guarantee (PSGs) timeframes shown in the table above have not yet been legislated and continue to be developed.

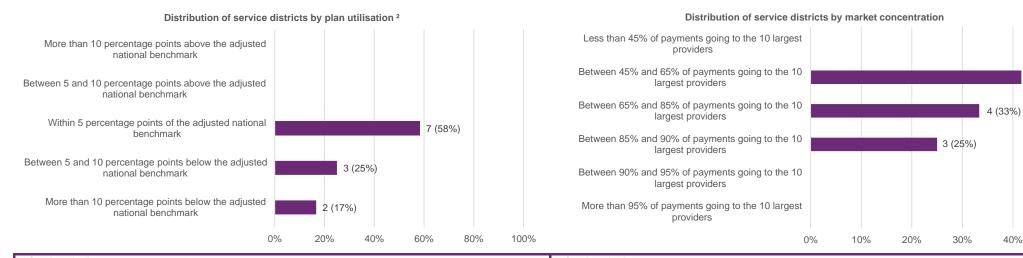
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The results for the timeframes shown are based on preliminary calculations and the methodology used to determine the timeframes may change going forward. As a result, PSG results in the previous quarter may be restated due to logic changes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The NDIA's new participant check-in process ensures that every scheduled review begins with a contact from the planner or partner to discuss review options well before any scheduled review date. Plans are extended automatically if they have not been reviewed before expiry so participants have continuity of support.

## **Provider and market metrics**

Market supply and participant costs	As at 31 Dec	As at 30 Sep
Total number of active providers (with at least one claim ever) 1	2,442	2,375
Total number of active providers in last quarter <sup>1</sup>	891	892
Utilisation (6 month rolling average with 3 month lag) (%)	74%	71%
Plan utilisation by service district (% of service districts that are more than 10 percentage points below the benchmark) <sup>2</sup>	17%	17%
Market concentration (% of service districts where more than 85% of payments for supports go to the top 10 providers)	25%	17%
Payments paid within 5 days (portal) (%)	99.9%	99.9%
Total payments from 1 July 2021 (\$m)	\$1,146m	\$567m
Total annualised plan budgets (\$m)	\$2,841m	\$2,777m
Growth in annualised plan budgets (current quarter reviews %)	-2.0%	-2.8%
Socioeconomic equity (%) <sup>3</sup>	111%	111%

- Total annualised plan budgets at 31 December 2021 were \$2,841m and payments from 1 July 2021 were \$1,146m.
- The number of active providers at the end of December is 2,442, growing by 3% in the quarter.
- Utilisation was 74% from 1 April 2021 to 30 September 2021, with 17% (2 out of 12) of service districts in South Australia more than 10 percentage points below the adjusted national benchmark.
- In 25% (3 out of 12) of service districts, the top 10 providers provide more than 85% of payments.



### Service districts below benchmark:

- Far North (SA): 56% vs 72% benchmark
- Eyre and Western: 60% vs 72% benchmark
- Murray and Mallee: 69% vs 75% benchmark
- Limestone Coast: 71% vs 77% benchmark
- · Yorke and Mid North: 69% vs 74% benchmark

### Service districts closest to benchmark:

- Far North (SA): 87% vs 85% benchmark
- · Limestone Coast: 86% vs 85% benchmark
- Eyre and Western: 85% vs 85% benchmark

5 (42%)

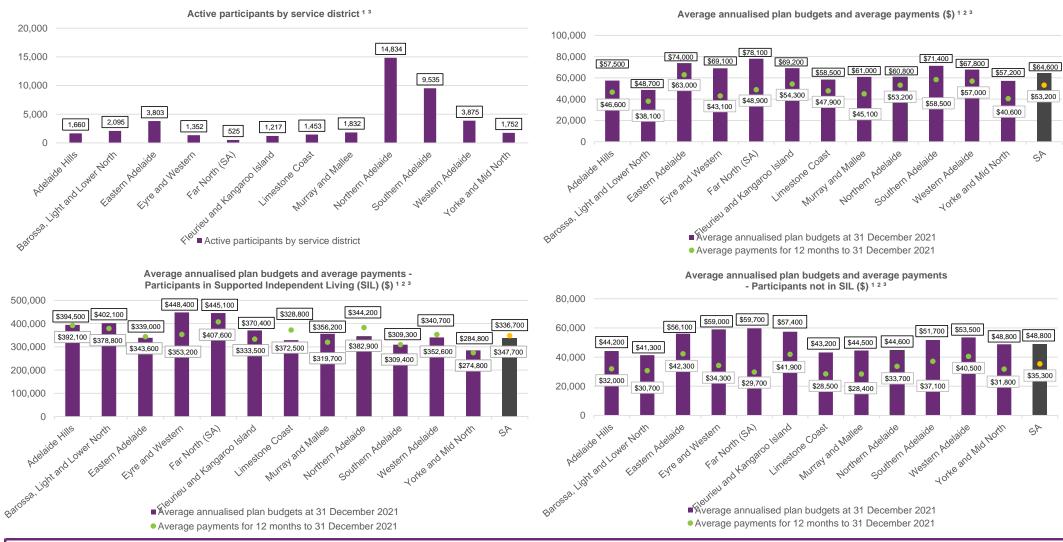
50%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Active providers refer to those who have received payment for supporting Agency-managed participants.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The 'benchmark' in this analysis is the national average after adjusting for the proportion of participants in supported independent living in each service district and the length of time participants have been in the Scheme.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Socioeconomic status uses deciles from the ABS Index of Education and Occupation (IEO). A higher decile indicates that people residing in that area have a higher level of skills and qualifications on average. The socioeconomic equity metric is equal to the average annualised plan budget of participants residing in the top two IEO deciles divided by the average annualised plan budget of participants residing in the bottom two IEO deciles (participants not in SIL and aged 0 to 64).

# Summaries by service district



- Northern Adelaide has the highest number (14,834) of active participants, while Far North (SA) has the lowest (525).
- The average annualised plan budget at the end of December for active participants is \$64.600 (\$48.800 for participants not in SIL and \$336.700 for participants in SIL).
- The average payment for the 12 months ending 31 December 2021 is \$53,200 (\$35,300 for participants not in SIL and \$347,700 for participants in SIL).
- Eastern Adelaide has the highest average annualised plan budgets and payments across all participants.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> There are 30 active participants at 31 December 2021 residing in 'Other' service districts. 'Other' includes participants with service district information missing. The average annualised plan budgets and average payments for this group are not shown.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Figures are not shown if there is insufficient data in the service district.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Since October 2021, there has been a change in reporting from 2011 to 2020 boundary definitions of service districts. For SA, this has mainly impacted the service district of 'Eyre and Western'.