

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO**  
**2015-16 Supplementary Estimates Hearings**

**Question No: SQ15-000912**

**Outcome Number: 5.2 National Disability Insurance Scheme**

**Topic: NDIS**

**Hansard page: Written**

**Senator Jan McLucas** asked:

Can you provide some further detail of the rollout in New South Wales and in Victoria? How many people are likely to be eligible for the NDIS in each of the rollout areas, broken down by electorate and Local Government Area?

**Answer:**

New South Wales (NSW) transition arrangements

- The NSW transition agreement provides for 115,000 eligible people entering the scheme by July 2018. It is estimated another 26,000 eligible people in NSW may enter at full scheme from July 2018.
- 78,000 will be from existing NSW specialist disability services; and 37,000 will be people with unmet need, who have new incidence of disability, or are eligible Commonwealth clients.
- The agreement provides for entry to the scheme for approximately 43,000 participants in 2016-17 and approximately 60,000 participants in 2017-18. This is in addition to the anticipated 12,000 people who will come into the NDIS in trial and the early transition site in the Nepean Blue Mountains region.
- Detailed information on the schedule for the transition to full scheme in NSW is provided in **Attachment A**.

Victorian transition arrangements

- The Victorian transition agreement provides for 105,000 eligible people entering the scheme by July 2019, including the 5,000 people in trial, 76,000 from existing Victorian specialist disability services and 27,000 eligible Commonwealth clients, people with unmet need or new incidence of disability.
- The agreement provides for entry to the scheme for approximately 20,000 participants in 2016-17, approximately 30,000 participants in 2017-18; and 55,000 in 2018-19.
- The phasing arrangements include capacity for around 2,700 eligible clients across Victoria in urgent need of supports on the Victorian Disability Services Register or the Early Childhood Intervention Services waitlist, to move into the NDIS in advance of the scheduled geographic phasing timetable.
- Detailed information on the schedule for the transition to full scheme in Victoria is provided in **Attachment B**.
- The Department is unable to supply participant numbers at the electorate or Local Government Area level, as the transition arrangements have been estimated by the Commonwealth Government on a service region basis.