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## National Redress Scheme

1 July 2018 – 30 April 2019

### Total calls and clients



**16,193**

Total 1800 calls nationally



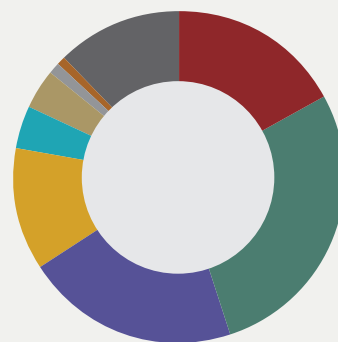
**4,115**

clients (intake completed)

**58%**

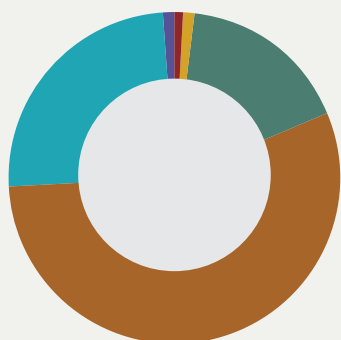
new clients

### Calls came from



NSW	19%
QLD	28%
VIC	20%
WA	13%
SA	5%
TAS	4%
ACT	1%
NT	1%
International/Other	9%

### Age



0-18	<1%
19-25	1%
26-45	16%
46-65	57%
66-85	25%
86+	<1%

### Our clients



**21%**

priority clients



**25%**

identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander



**38%**

identified as female



**61%**

identified as male

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\* Notes re Priority Clients

Clients are allocated priority where they are of advanced age, and/or have identified immediate and serious health concerns such as a diagnosis of terminal cancer or other life-threatening illnesses.

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### Service delivery

Lawyers and paralegals



34

Social workers/counsellors



7

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander



7

Intake and client services staff



11

Financial Counsellors



4

### Client Feedback

"...thank you to all the people in the office...I wouldn't have been able to get through without the kindness and support you've given me"

"...[the panel lawyers] were caring, empathetic and reassuring. It made a huge difference to how I am feeling. I slept a lot better last night."

"...I will always remember you with so much respect and fondness as to the way you handled my problems. THANK YOU again."

### Law Reform



knowmore has contributed a number of submissions addressing the legislation that established the National Redress Scheme and governs its operation, including to a Joint Select Committee of the Parliament of Australia that was inquiring into the scheme's implementation.

We have also given evidence to that Committee about our clients' experiences with the NRS.

The Committee delivered its report - **Getting the National Redress Scheme right: An overdue step towards justice** in April 2019.

You can read our submissions here: [knowmore.org.au](http://knowmore.org.au)

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