

Australian Charities Report 2014

The Australian Charities Report 2014 is the first analysis of its kind, revealing previously unknown facts about the finances and sustainability of Australia's charity sector.

Produced by the Centre for Social Impact in partnership with the Social Policy Research Centre at the University of New South Wales, the report analyses data submitted through the 2014 Annual Information Statement from almost 38 000 charities registered with the ACNC.

Charities have combined
total income over
\$103.3 billion



- > The largest **5%** of charities receive **80%** of the sector's income
- > **10%** of charities control **90%** of the sector's assets
- > **31.5%** have less than **\$50,000** in income

Charities spent
\$95 billion
pursuing their charitable purpose

44%
of charities operate
with no paid staff



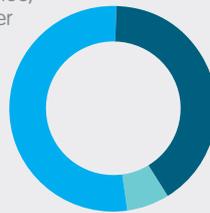
6% are over
100
years old



On average,
charities are
33
years old

Income sources

- **\$54.5 billion** is from other income and revenue, including sales, member fees and user pays
- **\$42 billion** is from government grants
- **\$6.8 billion** is from other donations and bequests*



64% had no income from government grants

* Donations contribute to: **13%** of total income for large charities, **23%** for medium charities and **32%** for small charities

Around 40% of charities have Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status

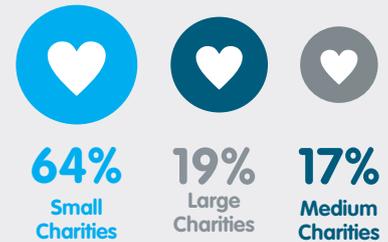


- **30%** of small charities have DGR status
- **51%** of medium charities have DGR status
- **66%** of large charities have DGR status



4 out of 5 charities engage volunteers

Charity size



64%
Small
Charities

19%
Large
Charities

17%
Medium
Charities



Charities are
financially healthy

Charities employ over
1 million staff



This is **9.7%** of the workforce



Most charities operate
a balanced budget

They have a surplus or deficit of no more than 20% of their total income and were more likely to have a surplus.



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