



## Strengthening the National Disability Insurance Scheme

This Budget provides a total of **\$175.4 million** over 4 years from 2025–26 to further safeguard the integrity of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) and support people with disability.

Over the past few years, the Australian Government's significant reforms and investment have put the NDIS back on track.



Stronger, fairer,  
more equitable



Participant-centred



More sustainable

The latest data shows the Scheme is tracking at approximately **\$700 million** lower than forecast this financial year.

This puts the year-on-year growth rate at around **10%**, down from **22%** in 2021–22 financial year.

### What has been announced



Expanded crackdown  
on fraud



Increased workforce  
capacity and capability



More funding  
for participants  
with appeals



## Expanded crackdown on fraud

- ▶ An additional **\$151.0 million** over 4 years from 2025–26 for the existing Crack Down on Fraud program.
- ▶ **\$43.8 million** per year from 2029–30 on an ongoing basis.

### The program is:

- ▶ Strengthening the National Disability Insurance Agency's (NDIA) systems.
- ▶ Improving processes to detect, prevent and respond to fraud.



The Crack Down on Fraud program has already helped identify more than **2100** providers with problematic claiming behaviours.

## Increased workforce capacity and capability

- ▶ **\$17.1 million** in 2025–26 to maintain the NDIA's payment integrity workforce.
- ▶ This will ensure the NDIA's ability to detect, respond to and reduce fraud and non-compliant payments remains optimal.



The NDIS is projected to spend **\$46.2 billion** this year, and the NDIA processes **500,000 claims** per day, second only to Medicare.

## More funding for participants with appeals

- ▶ An additional **\$7.3 million** in 2025–26 for up to 49 individual advocacy organisations, including 8 Legal Aid Commissions, through the NDIS Appeals Program.
- ▶ Funding will help organisations support more people with disability through:
  - ▶ Administrative Review Tribunal (ART)
  - ▶ Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) pathways



The NDIS measures in this year's Budget align with, and reflect, some of the findings of the Independent Review of the NDIS.

## For more information

Visit the [Department of Social Services](https://dss.gov.au) (dss.gov.au) to find out more about these measures and other Department of Social Services' Budget measures.

Visit the [Australian Government Budget](https://budget.gov.au) website (budget.gov.au) to find out more about the 2025–26 Budget.