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The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) today released the latest quarterly report on the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

The report shows delivery of the NDIS continues to be on time and on budget. More than 19,700 people are now benefitting from the NDIS, with more than $1.2 billion invested in the services and equipment Australians with disability need to live more independent lives.

The Report to the COAG Disability Reform Council for the September Quarter 2015 contains detail from the NDIA's ongoing monitoring of the Scheme's roll out. Key findings of the report include:

- 19,758 people with disability had an approved NDIS plan, at a total cost of $1,201.1 million. This represents 94 per cent of the bilateral targets.
- The cost of the average package (excluding residents of large institutions) is $34,831. This remains below the expected full Scheme average of $38,600.
- Participant satisfaction levels with the NDIS remain very high.

NDIA Chief Executive Officer, David Bowen said the NDIS has now been operating in trial sites across the country for more than two years.

"The Scheme is making a real difference to the lives of people with disability, their families and carers," Mr Bowen said.

"From July next year the NDIS will roll out more widely across Australia. Ultimately, around 460,000 Australians, their families and carers will benefit from the NDIS."

Mr Bowen said the Quarterly Report was an important document in tracking the roll-out of the NDIS and showed the Scheme's financial sustainability was being closely monitored.

"The report shows that the NDIS is being delivered on time and on budget," Mr Bowen said.

"We will continue to closely monitor the Scheme's roll-out to ensure the NDIS is sustainable for generations to come."

The full report is available from the NDIS website Quarterly Reports page.

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