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SUPPORTED ACCOMMODATION AND ASSISTANCE SERVICES (CHAPTER 15)

This chapter reports on the performance of governments in providing child protection, out of home care, juvenile justice and supported accommodation and assistance services. This fact sheet focuses on the performance of jurisdictions providing services through the Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP).

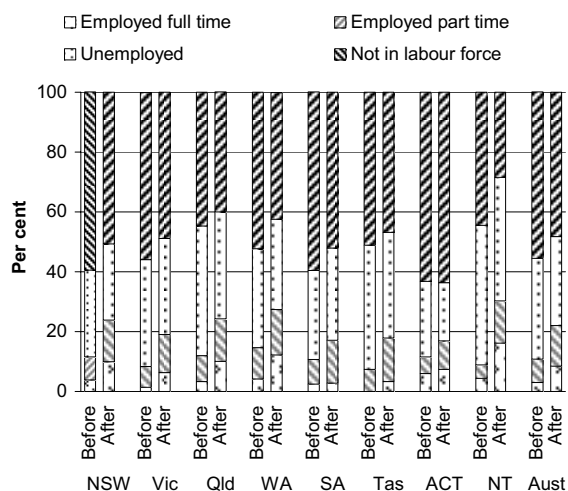
- Nationally, in 2007-08, SAAP agencies provided support to 202 500 people (125 600 clients and 76 900 accompanying children) (p.15.77). SAAP agencies provided a range of services to clients, including housing and accommodation services (53.9 per cent), general support and advocacy (77.6 per cent), counselling (54.5 per cent), financial and employment assistance (35.7 per cent), and other specialist services (20.9 per cent) (p.15.78). The SAAP program was subsumed by the National Affordable Housing Agreement on 1 January 2009.

Objectives of supported accommodation and assistance services

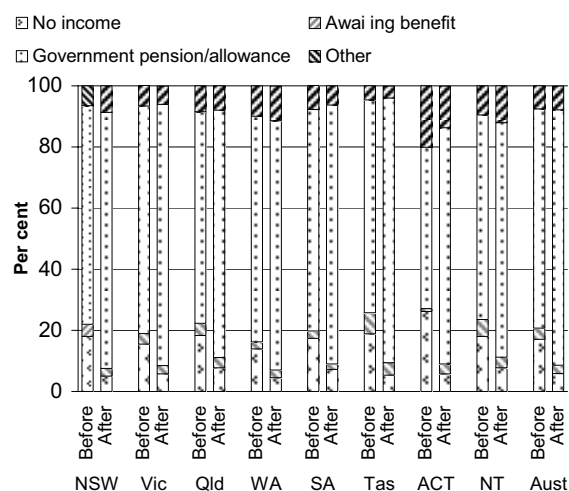
- The overall aim of SAAP services is to provide transitional supported accommodation and a range of related services, to help people who are homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness to achieve the maximum possible degree of self-reliance and independence.

Selection of results

Labour force status of clients who needed assistance to obtain/maintain employment and training before/after SAAP support, 2007-08^a (p. 15.97)

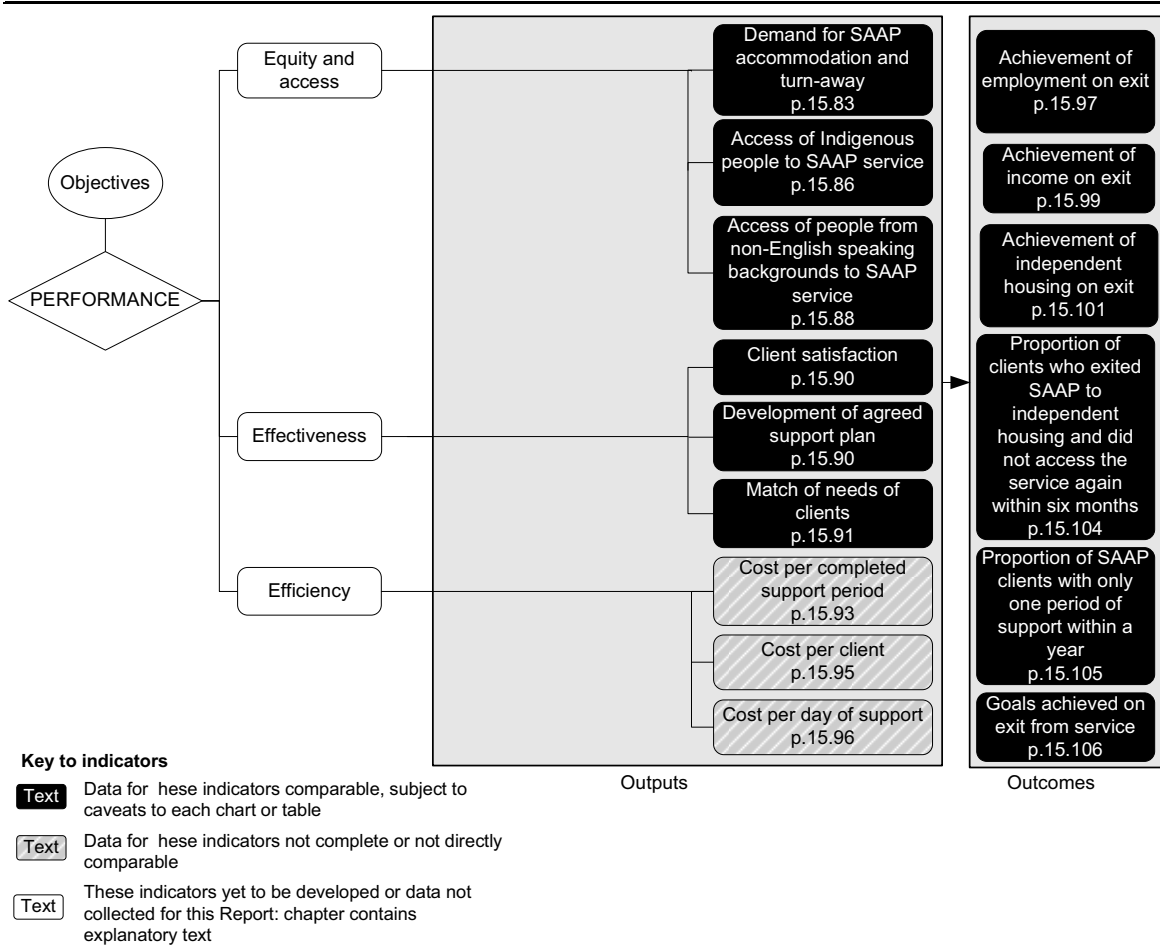


Source of income immediately before/after SAAP support of clients who needed assistance to obtain/maintain a pension or benefit, 2007-08^a (p. 15.99)



^a Data and caveats for these figures are available electronically on the CD-ROM enclosed with the Report and from the website for the Review of Government Service Provision (www.pc.gov.au/gsp/reports/rogs/2010). Data may be subject to revision. The most recent data will be available on the Review website.

Performance indicators for SAAP (figure 15.24, p. 15.82)



Developments in reporting since the 2009 Report

The 2010 Report provides an overview of the implications of the new National Affordable Housing Agreement for the SAAP and associated reporting.

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