

AIDR Achievements 2015 — 2020

Since its establishment in 2015, the Australian Institute for Disaster Resilience (AIDR) has developed, maintained and shared knowledge to support a disaster resilient Australia.

Building on extensive knowledge and experience in Australia and internationally, AIDR has worked with government, communities, NGOs, not-for-profits, research organisations, education partners and the private sector to enhance disaster resilience through innovative thinking, professional development and knowledge sharing.

Throughout the past five years, AIDR has been supported by its partners: the Australian Government Department of Home Affairs, AFAC, the Australian Red Cross and the Bushfire & Natural Hazards Cooperative Research Centre.

This report outlines the achievements of AIDR from 2015-20, including drawing on the outcomes of an independent evaluation conducted in 2019 which measured the impact and effectiveness of AIDR.

EVALUATION

The evaluation included the analysis of reporting against contracted deliverables, along with interviews from 64 emergency management and disaster resilience stakeholders.

It demonstrated that AIDR was well governed and managed, had delivered considerable value for money and has made an impact on disaster resilience. The evaluators concluded that AIDR had delivered on its obligations, and in several areas had exceeded its contract deliverables.

The evaluation suggested AIDR could improve its service delivery through greater brand awareness, a more flexible work plan that responds to emerging needs and a national engagement process to garner input into planning.

ACHIEVEMENTS

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

69 Events
engaging over
2,800 participants

83%
rated events as very good or excellent

25 Volunteer Leadership Programs
engaging
653 participants

95%
rated the VLP as very good or excellent

290
Volunteer scholarships
Over **5** rounds

KNOWLEDGE

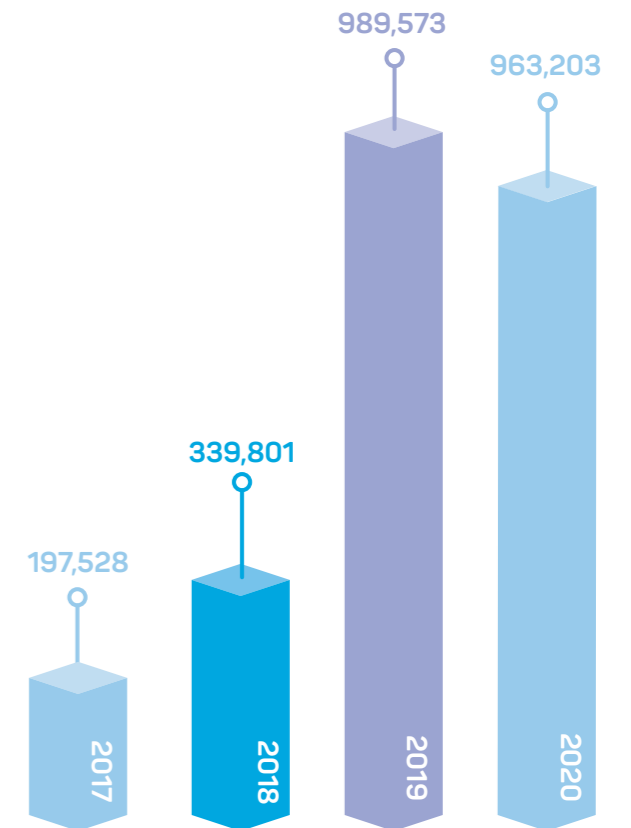
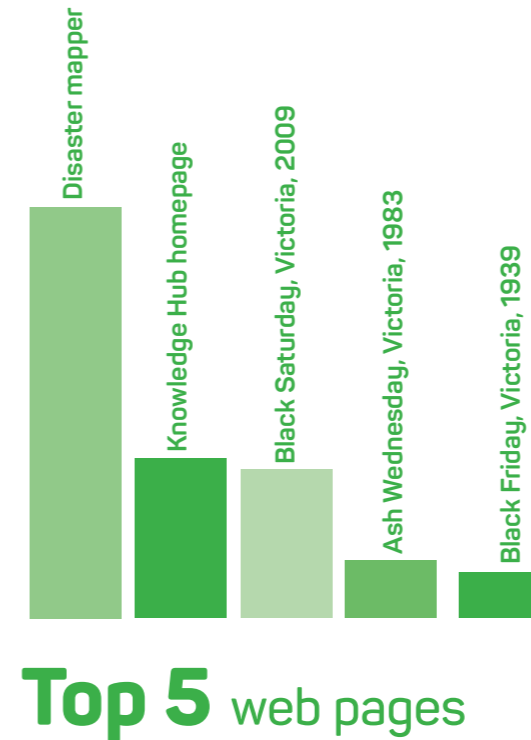
15 handbooks
Emergency management, resilience and disaster risk reduction handbooks

Updates from AIDR

8,225 newsletter subscribers

18 Editions of *Australian Journal of Emergency Management*

4,910 AJEM online subscribers

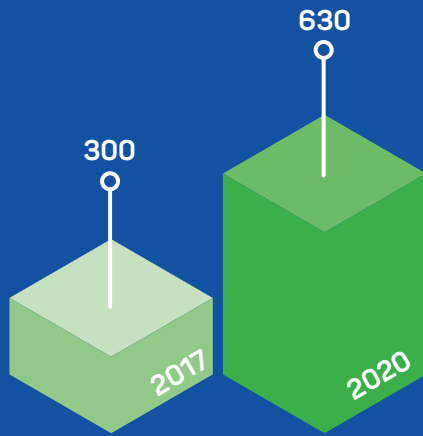


Knowledge hub
page views

Note: data collected July 2015 - June 2020

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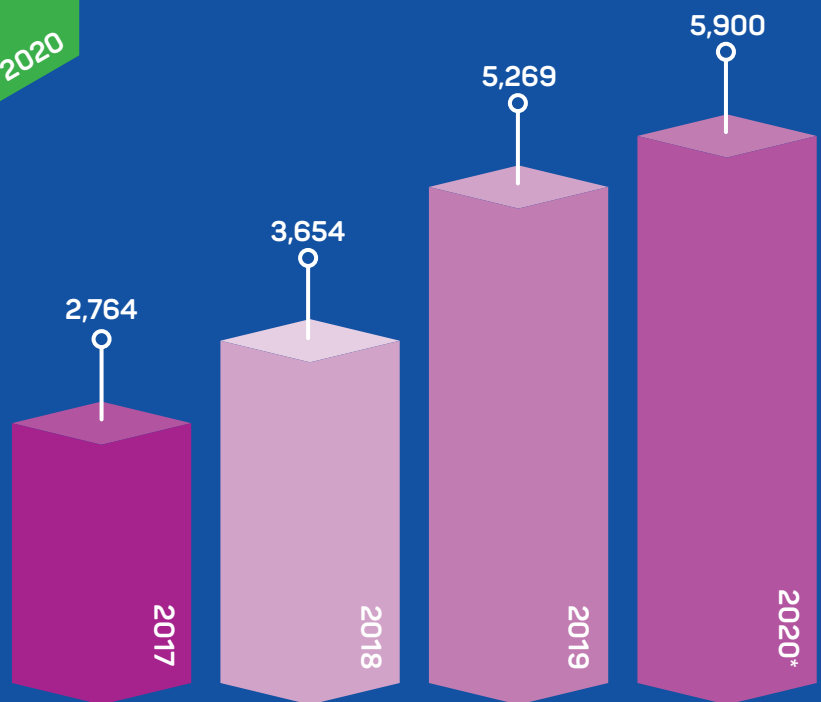
ENGAGEMENT



Participants in **DRANZSEN**

(Disaster Resilient Australia-New Zealand
School Education Network)

Social media followers



THE FUTURE

Five years on, AIDR is in a strong position to provide leadership in the disaster resilience sector and continue its role in developing a disaster resilient Australia.

The evaluation highlighted changes to the national disaster risk environment, indicating that national leadership in this evolving and hazardous time will be critical. AIDR is uniquely positioned to address these, building on the feedback from the evaluation and stakeholder engagement.

AIDR is committed to making a meaningful impact on disaster resilience in Australia and to deliver knowledge and professional development services on behalf of the Australian Government.