# Telling the First Nations media story: By the numbers 

THE INDIGENOUS COMMUNICATIONS \& MEDIA SURVEY

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## Numbers, numbers, <br> numbers <br> Sector size

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## NATIONALLY

Remote, Regional and Urban radio services has the potential to reach:

- Around 320,000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander persons, including around 101,000 very hard to reach people in remote Indigenous communities
- Approximately $47 \%$ of the Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population.


## Breaking down the numbers: The Indigenous Communications and Media Survey

## When

- 2016

Who

- First component: Very remote Australia (11 communities in 4 states). Surveys conducted face-to-face, and coordinated with Remote Indigenous Media Organisations. IRCA project in partnership with McNair.
- Second component: Other remote plus regional and metro. These surveys were conducted by telephone. The $2^{\text {nd }}$ component was a DPMC project conducted by McNair.



## The Survey: what was surveyed

- Indigenous media (radio and TV) audience engagement with participating Indigenous media organisations.
- Communications and IT used, including patterns of usage (individual, shared with family, community facility) for access to radio.
- Phone accessibility (landline, mobile, smartphone).
- News sources.
- Level of individual media production.
- Status of VAST TV digital switchover (2013) equipment.
- The aggregated survey at the national level can be downloaded from the IRCA website.


## What the survey found: quick snapshots




## How many First Nations people listen



## ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER RADIO: WHY PEOPLE LISTEN

## Engagement



Figures from the 2016 Australian Indigenous Media and Communications Survey conducted by McNai Ingenuity Research. Remote survey component conducted in partnership with the Indigenous Remote Communications Association.
 Communications Association


## Who listens (remote)

## Drilling down: the McNair dashboard



## Thank you. Questions?



