

OF KANGAROOS, KOALAS AND PLATYPI

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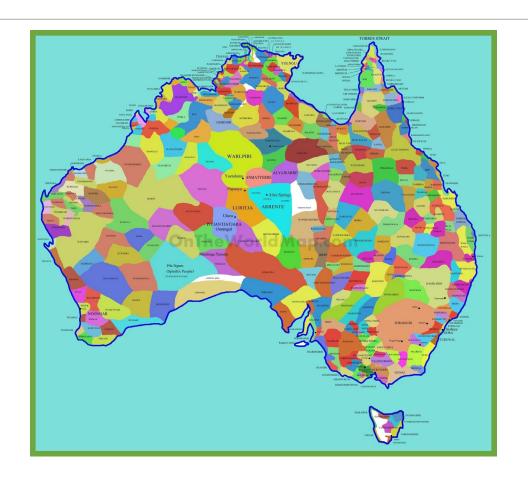






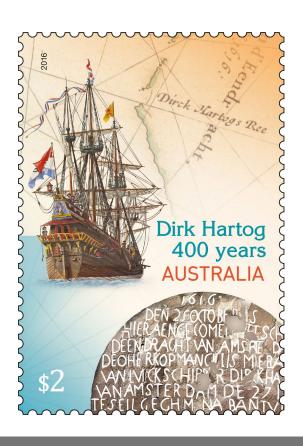
EUROPEAN ARRIVAL

- Spread across
 Australia
- Over 200 different languages
- Hunter gatherers
- Strong relationship to land and environment





EXPLORATION



- 1606 Willem Janszoon
- 1616 Dirk Hartog
- 1642 Abel Tasman
- 1770 Captain James Cook



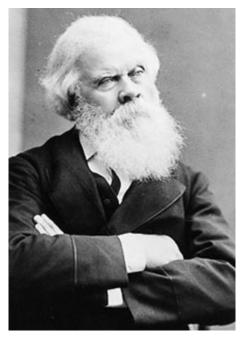


COLONISATION





FEDERATION



Sir Henry Parkes





AUSTRALIA'S GOVERNMENT













AUSTRALIA'S HEALTH



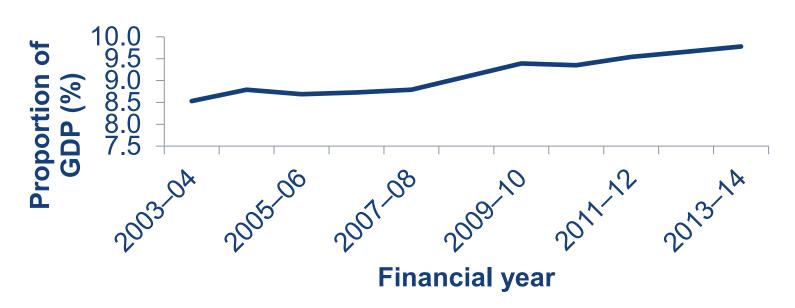


CHALLENGES





HEALTH COSTS

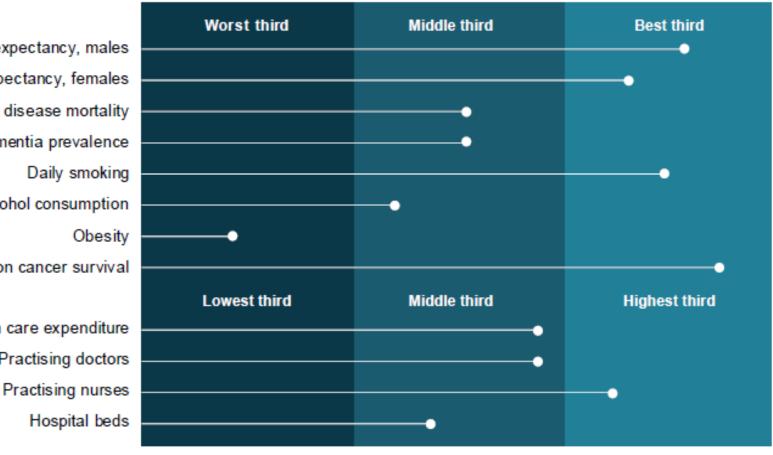


Source: AIHW: Health expenditure Australia 2013-14



AUSTRALIA'S HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

Life expectancy, males Life expectancy, females Coronary heart disease mortality Dementia prevalence Daily smoking Alcohol consumption Obesity Colon cancer survival Health care expenditure Practising doctors





AUSTRALIA'S HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

- Higher than OECD average for caesarean section rates and a 3 fold variation in selected women aged 20-34 years
- Third and fourth degree perineal tears 12 fold variation
- Hysterectomy rate is one of the highest in the OECD







MEDICARE

- Universal health scheme
- Medical Benefits Scheme:
 - Primary health care
 - Some allied health
 - Some optometry
 - Selected diagnostic and imaging tests
- Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme
 - Subsidised medicines









HEALTH INITIATIVES

- Health Care Homes
- Mental health care
- Aged Care
- My Health Record
- Research





INDIGENOUS HEALTH





INDIGENOUS HEALTH

- Significant decline (33%) in the mortality rate of children 0-4 years (1998-2015)
- Low birthweight rate declined by 13% (2000-2014) for babies born to Indigenous mothers





CLOSING THE GAP

- life expectancy
- child mortality
- in early childhood education
- reading, writing and numeracy
- year 12 attainment
- employment
- school attendance









NURSING AND MIDWIFERY



Lucy Osburn



Sydney Hospital



KEY MILESTONES

Year	
1970s	Diploma programs established
1973 - 1975	Working party and development of Goals in Nursing Education Part 1
1978	Sax Report recommends transfer of nursing education to tertiary sector
1984	Legislation enabled transfer to University based education
2000	First Nurse Practitioner endorsed
2002	Senate Committee recommends appoint Commonwealth Chief Nurse
2008	Commonwealth CNMO appointed
2008/9	Access to MBS and PBS for NPs
2010	National Registration and Accreditation Scheme



NURSING AND MIDWIFERY TODAY









NURSES AND MIDWIVES

DIVISION	NUMBER
Enrolled Nurse (EN)	62,727
Registered Nurse (RN) (incl 1674 Nurse Practitioners)	289,616
EN & RN	7,821
Midwife (RM)	5,051
Nurse & Midwife	27,618
Non practising Nurses & Midwives	5697
Total Nurses & Midwives	398,530

31 October, 2018 As at March 2018 NMBA 22



NURSING & MIDWIFERY IN AUSTRALIA – THE FUTURE





ADVANCED PRACTICE





PRESCRIBING

- Enhancing access to medicines
- Improved patient experience
- Efficiency & cost effectiveness
- Workforce flexibility
- Hospital avoidance





TEEN CLINIC

The Bega Teen Clinic: improving access to care and health education for young people in rural towns.







AVAILABILITY AND EASY TO REACH SERVICES





POP-UP HOMELESS HEALTHCARE CLINICS







KANGAROOS

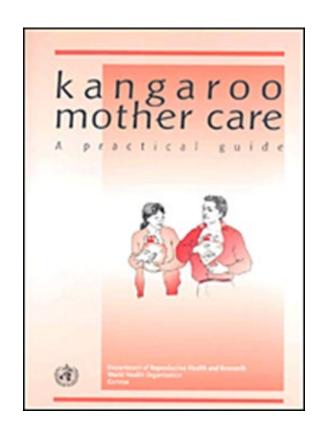






KANGAROO MOTHER CARE

- Kangaroo Mother Care (KMC) fosters health and well being by promoting effective thermal control, breastfeeding, infection prevention and bonding.
- Skin to skin
- Exclusive breastfeeding





KOALAS





PLATYPUS



Echidna



Platypus



FUTURE POTENTIAL

Type 2 diabetes

Antimicrobial resistance











