



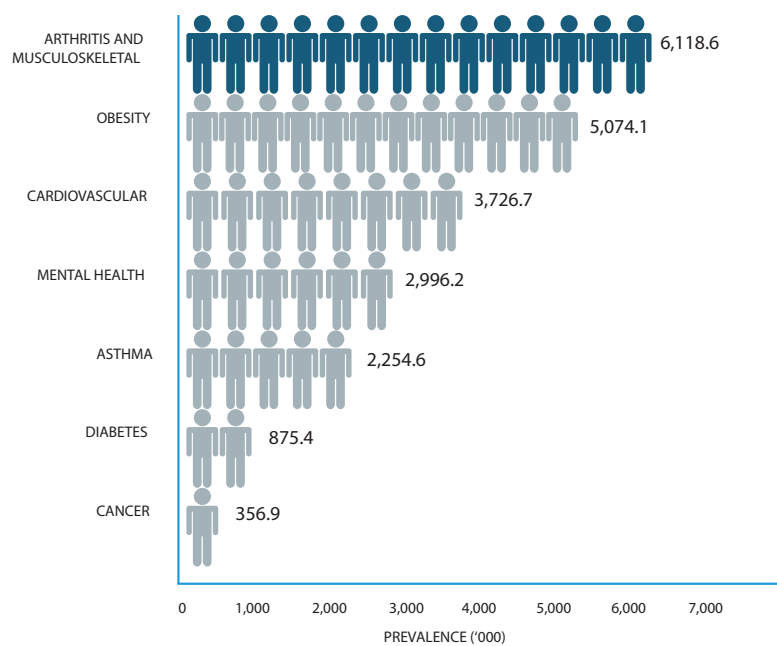
A PROBLEM WORTH SOLVING

THE RISING COST OF MUSCULOSKELETAL CONDITIONS IN AUSTRALIA

REPORT PRODUCED BY ARTHRITIS AND OSTEOPOROSIS VICTORIA
BASED ON ANALYSIS BY DELOITTE ACCESS ECONOMICS

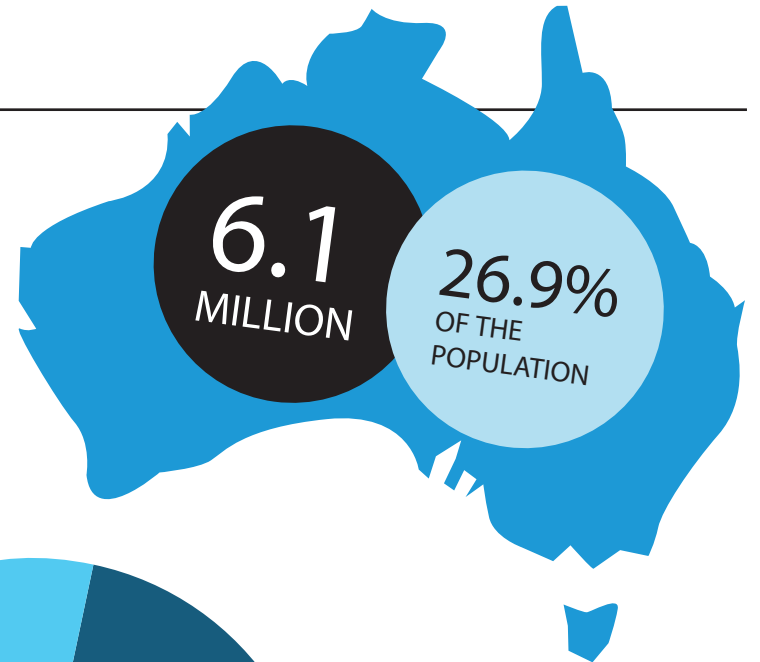
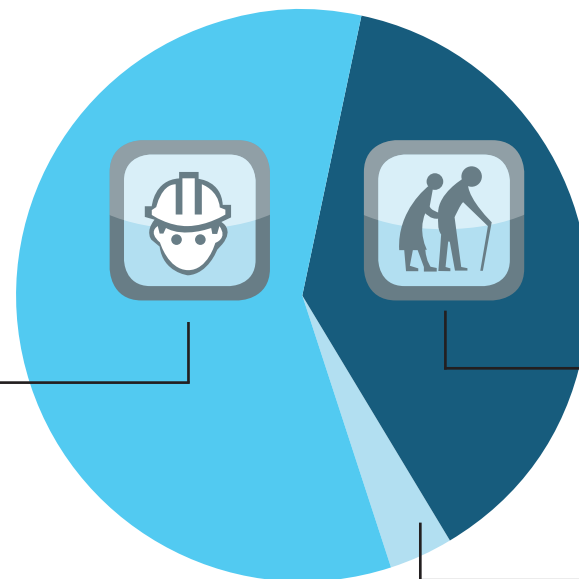
MSK CONDITIONS AFFECT LOTS OF PEOPLE

MORE THAN ANY OTHER NATIONAL HEALTH PRIORITY AREA



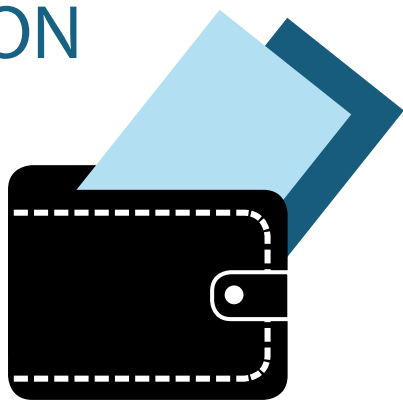
NOT JUST OLDER PEOPLE

58.4%
PRIME WORKING AGE (25-64)



THE COST IS ENORMOUS

\$55.1 BILLION



\$9.2 billion
HEALTH COSTS



\$11.7 billion
PRODUCTIVITY (\$7.4 billion)
OTHER FINANCIAL COSTS (\$4.3 billion)



\$34.2 billion
BURDEN OF DISEASE

THE PROBLEM IS GROWING RAPIDLY

43%

INCREASE TO 8.7 MILLION CASES BY 2032



SURGE IN OLDER PEOPLE AFFECTED



ACTION IS NEEDED NOW

There is a social and economic imperative for government and industry to take action now. We must invest to manage the rising cost of musculoskeletal conditions - for the benefit of our community and as a substantial step towards addressing the sustainability of health system expenditure in Australia.