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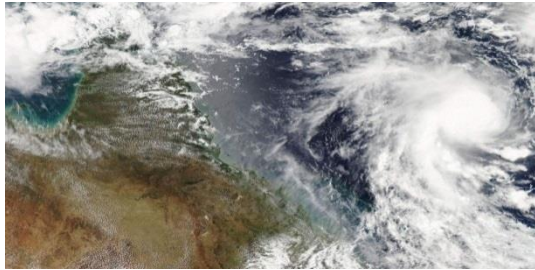
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# Natural Disasters in Australia

Bushfire	Cyclone
Severe Storms	Earthquake
Floods	Tsunami
Storm Surge	Heatwave

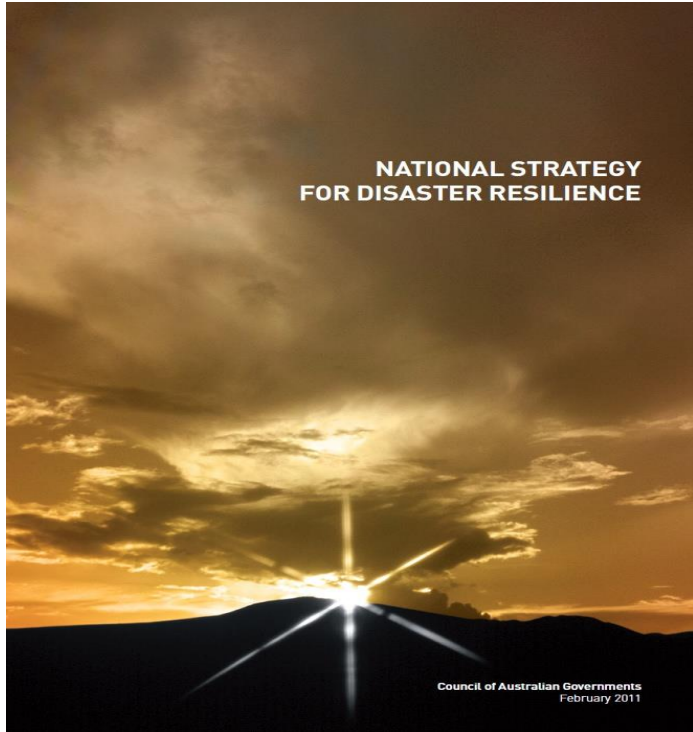


# The cost of disasters in Australia

- Devastating losses every year
- In an average year >\$9 billion AUD (6.5 billion U.S.D) total economic cost natural disasters in Australia = 0.6% GDP
- Climate change, demographic change, urbanisation

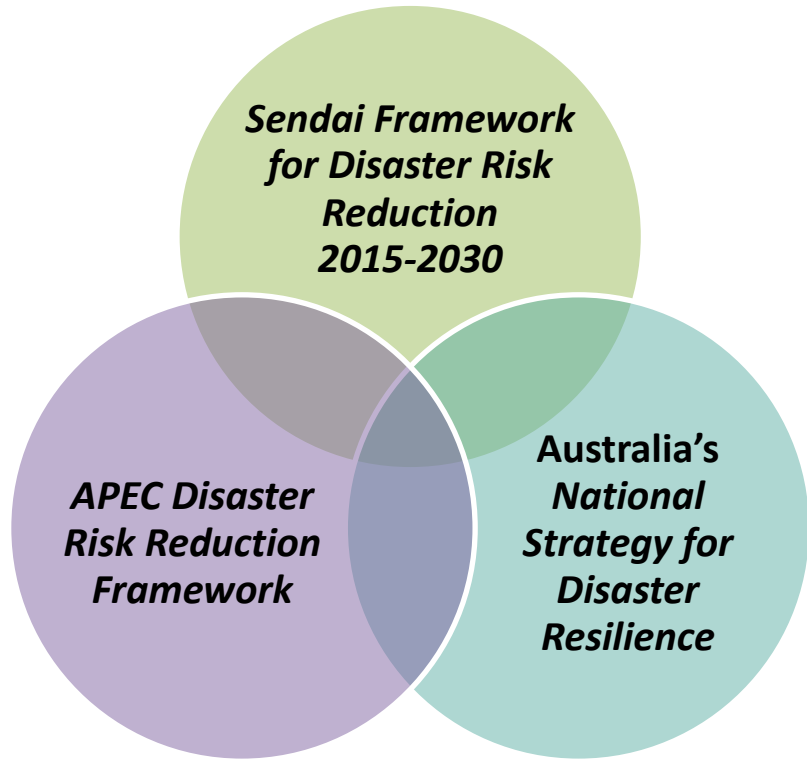


# Building Resilience



- *National Strategy for Disaster Resilience*
- Adopted in 2011 by all levels of government

# Links between international disaster risk reduction frameworks



- Understanding risk is fundamental
- Encouraging investment in disaster risk reduction for resilience
- Strengthening technical and scientific capacity
- Promoting public/private partnerships
- Ensuring integration of gender, age and disability perspectives

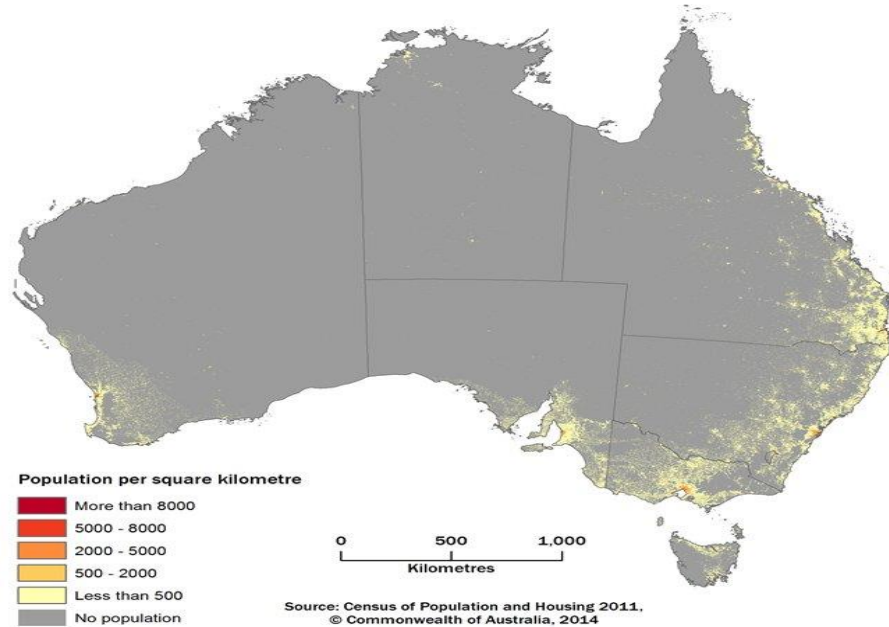
# Cross sectoral collaboration

- Australian Government Disaster and Climate Resilience Reference Group - considers cross-cutting issues – climate change/disaster risks





# Collaboration across all levels of government



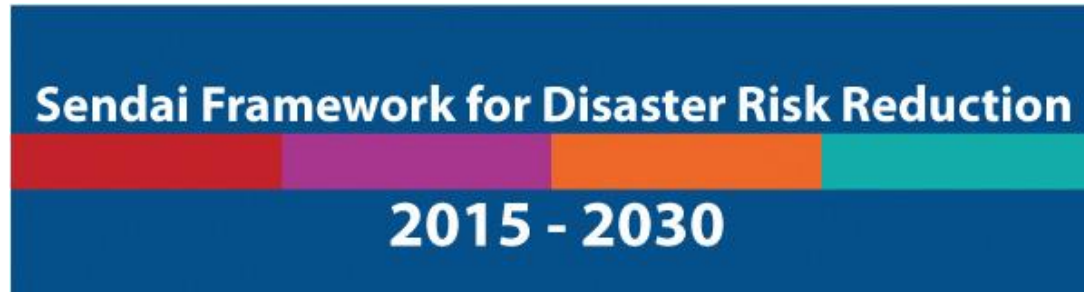
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# Public-private partnerships

- Espouses the National Strategy for Disaster Resilience's principle of 'shared responsibility'
- Fundamental role in supporting community resilience to disasters
- Insurance sector



# Sendai Framework Implementation: Current progress





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