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# COVID-19 Stage 2 -Recovery for Organisations and Creative Practitioners

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Culture Counts' second phase of research into the impact of COVID-19 on cultural industries explores what recovery might look like as restrictions start to ease. Following a recent survey of organisations and creative practitioners, this document provides a snapshot of where the sector is at, how their strategies have evolved and what support is required to get through this period.



252

Respondents

86%

Respondents from Australia

3 - 19 June 2020

Survey Time Period

# **IMPACT**



Are uncertain of future demand



Have stood down full-time or part-time staff

#### **ADAPT**



Are rethinking logistics of planned performances/ venues/audiences



Will deliver reduced activity with a combination of in-person and online offerings

#### **SUPPORT**



Would like resources to help gauge if audiences are ready to return



Require additional funds

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#### **IMPACT**

As cultural organisations adjust to the various phases of social distancing restrictions in their state or country, the roll-on effects continue to be felt by their business/practice. The below section highlights the most notable impacts that COVID-19 has had on cultural organisations and their workers.

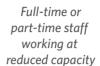
How have you had to decrease your personnel? n=55

53%



Stood down

casual staff





Full-time or part-time staff stood down

At this stage, what adverse impact(s) of COVID-19 have been felt by your organisation? n=219



Have lost revenue



Are uncertain of future demand

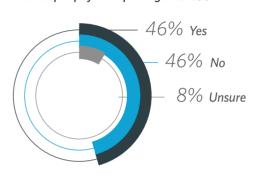


Have experience reduced customer demand



Experienced lack of business development activities

Has your organisation been eligible for the JobKeeper payment package? n=100



# **ADAPT**

Cultural organisations continue to demonstrate their creativity by continually adapting their strategy to suit the evolving restrictions. This unprecedented situation has forced them to rethink their artistic vision and programming strategies, and to think of new, innovative ways to reach their audiences.



Plan to deliver all activity as planned prior to the shutdown to their best ability



Will deliver reduced activity with a combination of in-person and online offerings



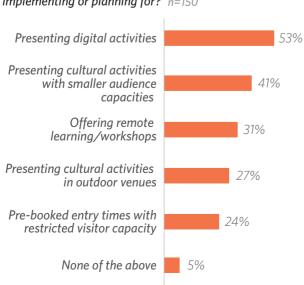
Will produce online activity(s) only



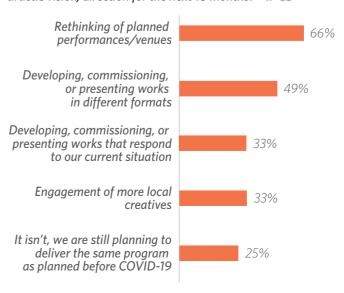
Will postpone all activity

n=179

Which of the below strategies are you already implementing or planning for? n=150



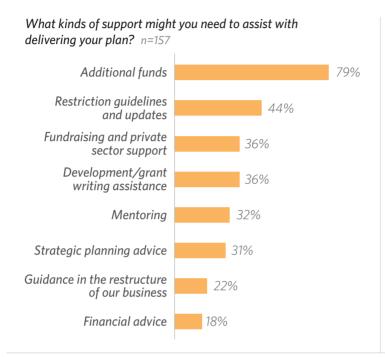
How has the current situation changed your organisation's artistic vision/direction for the next 18 months? n=85

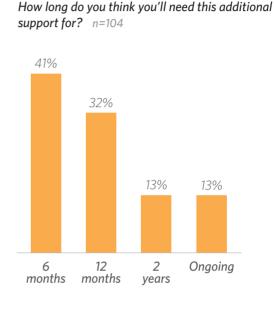




# **SUPPORT**

Survey respondents were asked what support would help them to implement their recovery strategy and how long they anticipate they'll need the extra support. In addition, they were asked what resources and topics they would find useful as they navigate their way through this challenging period.





What support resources or topics would you find most beneficial throughout this period? n=48





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