

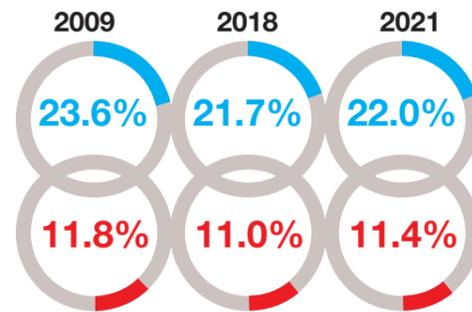
## ABOUT THE AEDC. The AEDC is Australia's national progress measure of children's early development



**1,467,091** children have been included over five data collections (2009, 2012, 2015, 2018, 2021)

**305,015** children were included in the 2021 data collection

That's **95.5%** of children who started school in 2021

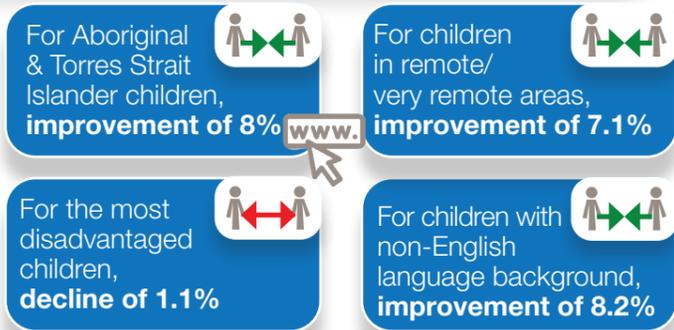


of children were developmentally vulnerable in **at least one** area of their development in 2021

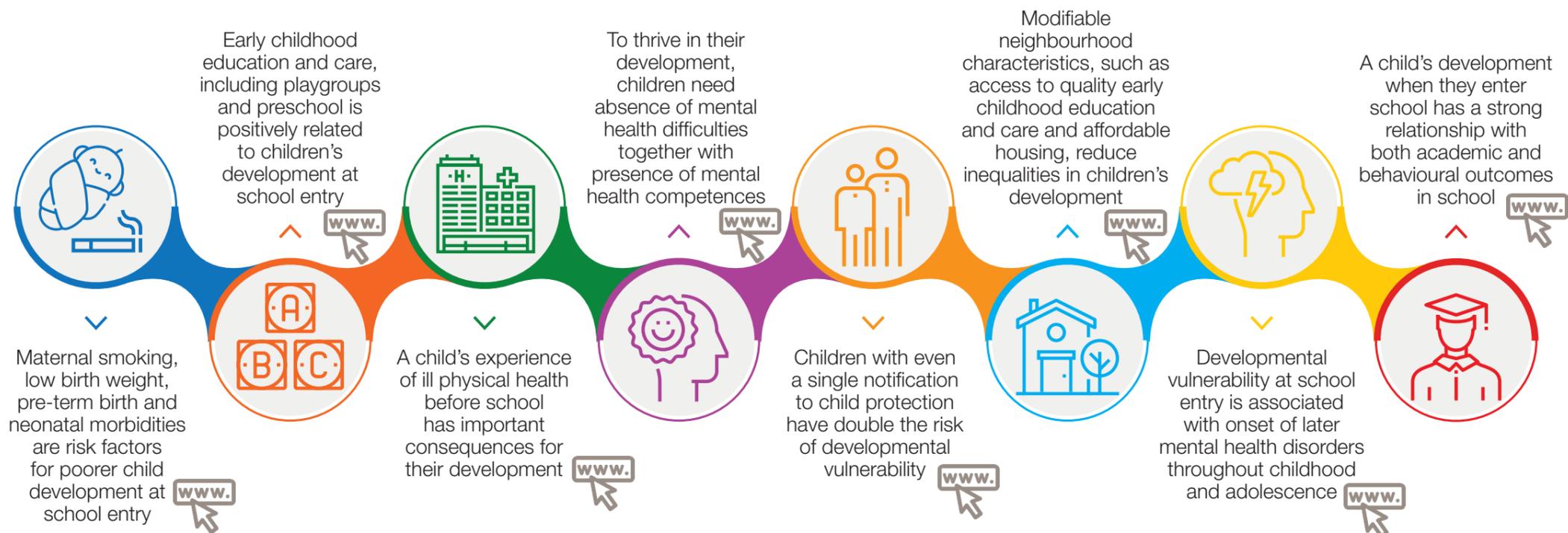
of children were developmentally vulnerable in **two or more** areas of their development in 2021

There has been a significant increase in vulnerability since 2018 but a significant decrease in vulnerability overall since 2009

**On Track on 5 domains** (OT5), over five data collections, **improvement of 4.1% nationally** with the gap closing for some children but widening for others:



## WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED?



## RELEVANT FACTS



## WHAT ARE THE KEY GAPS?

