

Universal design means... designing for people with DEMENTIA



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Why is this important*?



Dementia is the **single greatest cause of disability** in older Australians (aged 65 years or older)*



In 2018, there is an estimated **425,416** Australians living with **dementia**.



In 2018, there is an estimated **26,443** people with **younger onset dementia** (under 65 years)



Dementia affects almost **50 million people** worldwide



People with dementia need to **continue to do** the things that have always been **an important part of their life**



People with dementia continue to **live meaningful lives** in the community



People with dementia **continue to engage** with the wider community including national and international travel

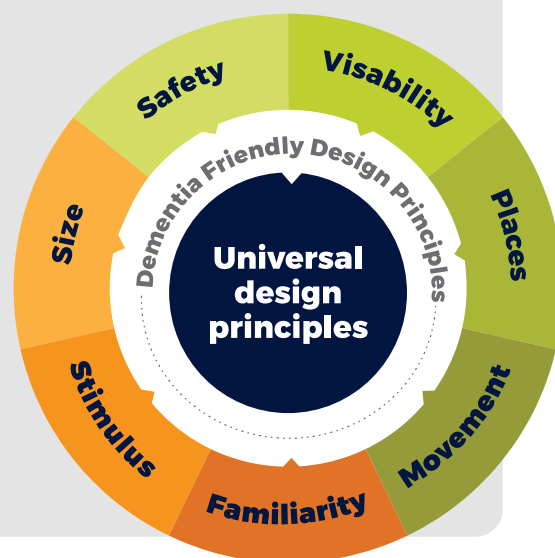
*Data from Dementia Australia - <http://bit.ly/dementiafacts>

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What needs to be considered?

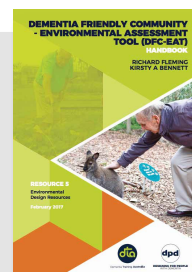
There are key dementia friendly design principles that play a major role in designing public buildings to be enabling for people living with dementia.

These principles align with and can also enhance the principles of Universal Design.



How is this achieved?

The **Dementia Friendly Community - Environmental Assessment Tool (DFC-EAT)**. This 'principles based' tool is one of many (free) assessment tools available from DTA.



Download > dta.com.au/dfc-eat-handbook

Using the DFC-EAT



Visibility: The way to a toilet can be easily seen



Places: Seating or nooks enable a person to sit and rest

