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Not-for-profit & Charitable Sector:

Some Comments on Research

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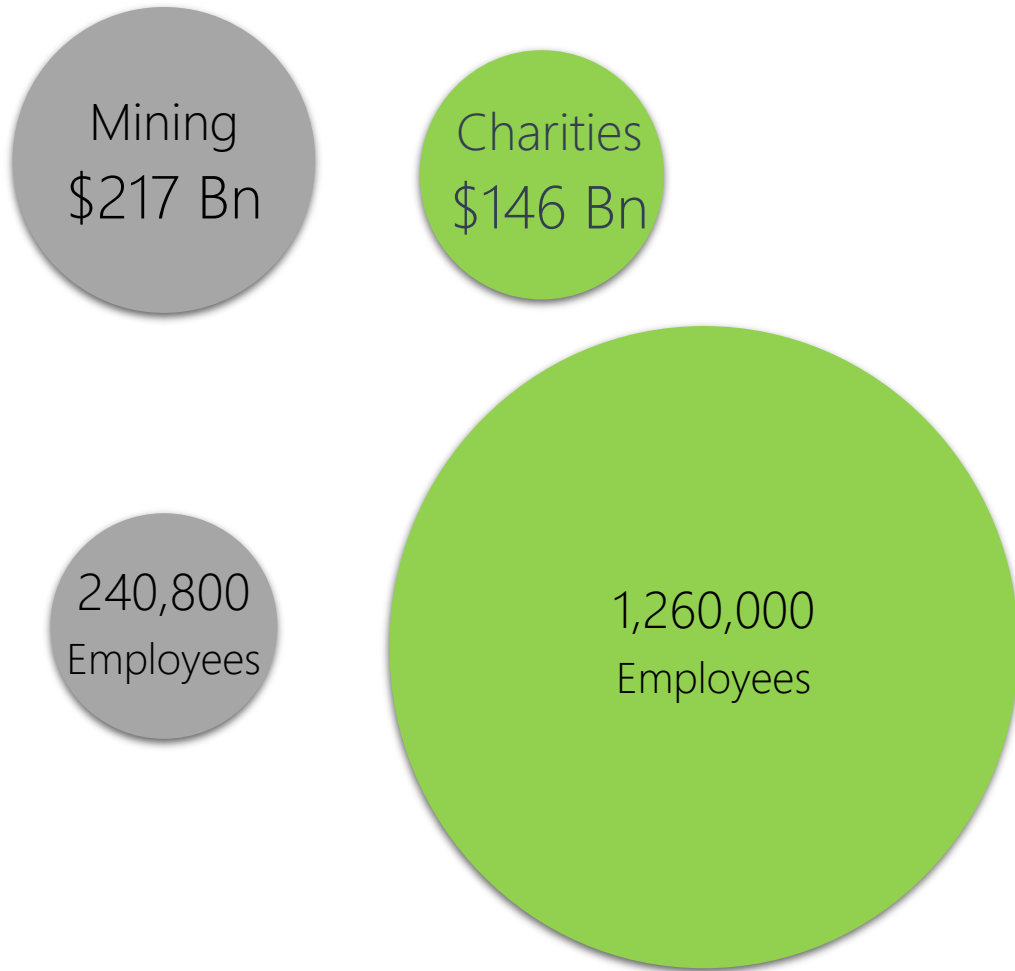


Sector Profile

- 600,000 Not-for-profits:
 - Associations: state jurisdiction
 - Companies Limited by Guarantee: Commonwealth
 - Trusts
 - Co-operatives: National
 - Unincorporated Associations
- 55,000 Registered Charities
 - Can be incorporated as above
 - Respond to state and Commonwealth regulator (ACNC)

Inconsistent Economic Narratives

- Less than half income from government
- 6.7% from donations
- 3.3m Volunteers Deployed



An example...

- Aged and disability carer employment has risen 36.2% over the past five years
 - Compared to 10.4% across ALL other occupations
 - Royal Commissions

The idea of Public Value

- Moore 1995: the value that accrues to society from the operations of the public sector
- Public managers' job is to create this value
- BUT: how can value be achieved if we only look at the public sector
- Cross sectoral collaboration is critical...

Centre for Public Value: Aspirations & Logics

- Purpose:
 - Environmental Issues
 - Economic Issues
 - Structural Issues

Engage the NFP Sector
Engage the Public Sector
Build capacity & support frameworks
Inform policy and structural arrangements
Bring university quality research to practical ends

International/National connections...

- Established Hebei GEO NGO Research Centre (PRC)
- Airlangga University, Surabaya, Indonesia
- Open University, UK
- Queensland University of Technology

Fashionable Topics

- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Strategic Planning
- Sustainability
- Mission v Money
- Organisational Structures for Impact
- Human Resources Management

Same topics as for commercial and public sector organisations

Centre for Public Value Current Research Themes

- Economics
- Sustainability
- Finance
- Governance
- Regulation / Supervision
- Taxation
- Accounting Standards
- Governance
- Sustainability
- Auditing
- Public Policy: Choice and Control; User Focus

Fundamental Issue is Systems!

System Focus

- National programs ↔ local governance
- Policy frameworks ↔ choice and control
- Commonwealth → State → Local KPIs
- Transparent Reporting of Outcomes

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