

EYE AND TISSUE DONATION AND TRANSPLANTATION OUTCOMES

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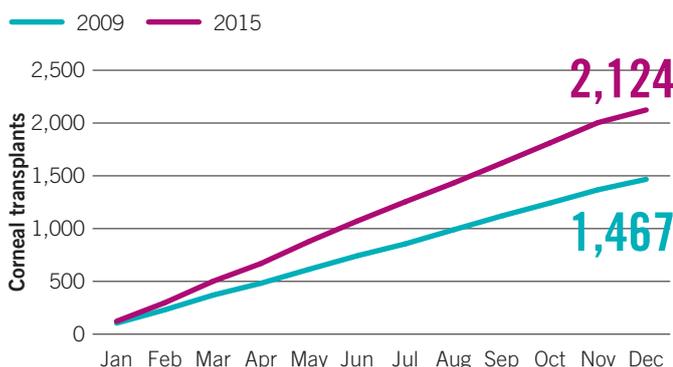
Each year the lives of thousands of Australians are transformed through eye and tissue donations.

While only 1–2% of people die in circumstances in hospital that will enable organ donation, a far greater number of people have the opportunity to donate tissues (including eye tissue) and benefit from receiving tissue transplants. Tissue donation does not require a donor's death to have occurred within such limited clinical circumstances as organ donation.

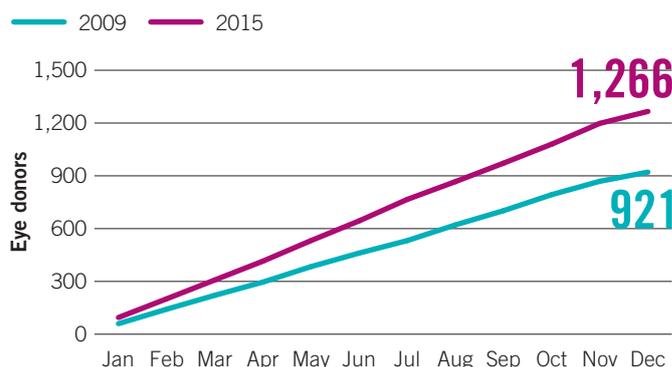
In 2015, **2,124 Australians** received a corneal transplant through the generosity of **1,266 eye donors and their families**.

This represents a **45% increase** in the number of corneal transplants compared with 2009.

Corneal transplants



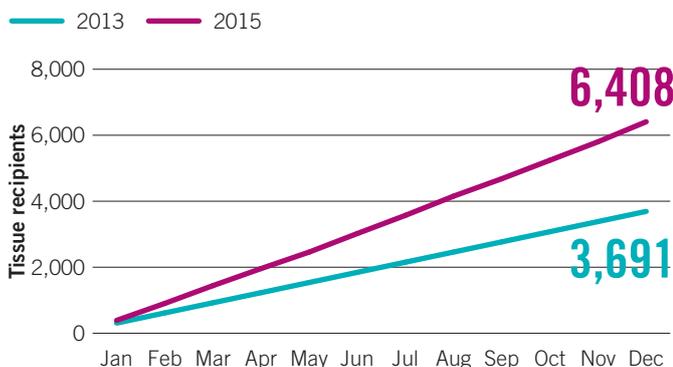
Eye donors



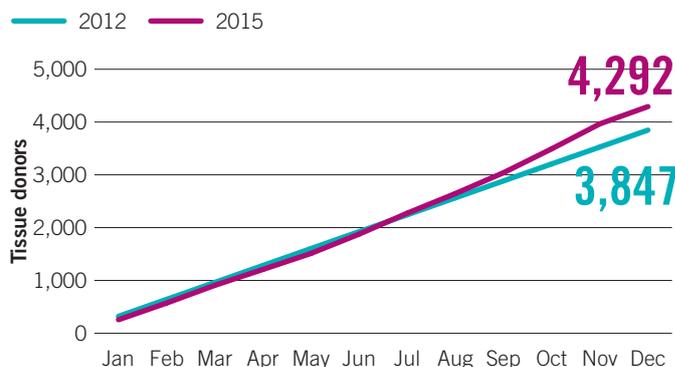
In 2015, **6,408 notified tissue transplant recipients** resulted from the generosity of **4,292 tissue donors**, including 3,928 living tissue donors and 364 deceased tissue donors.

This represents a **74% increase** in the number of tissue graft recipients compared with 2013.

Tissue graft recipients



Tissue donors



Note: In 2015 there were also 13 recipients of pancreas islets tissue not included in the totals above.

Source: Australia and New Zealand Organ Donation Registry