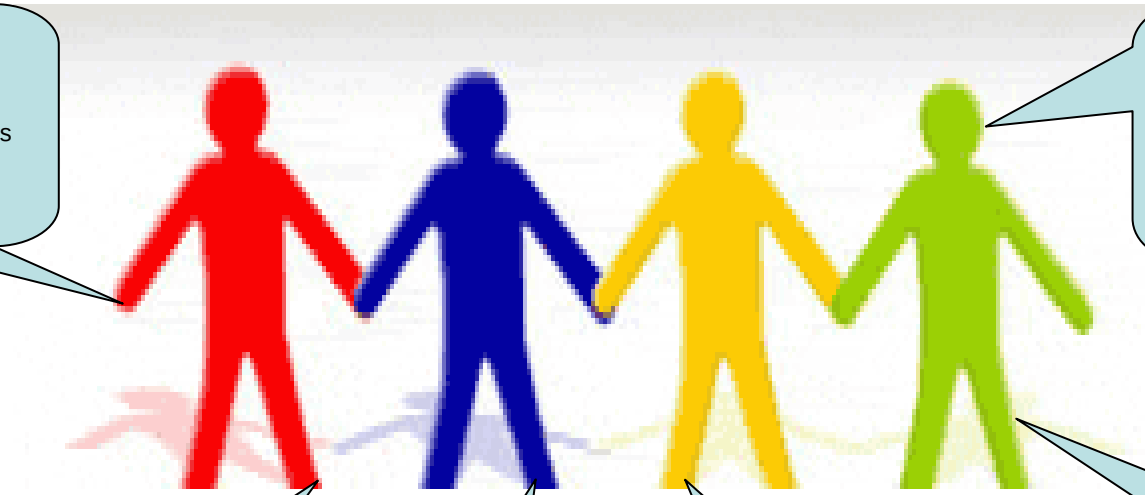
Typical NSW Volunteer



- Most volunteers preferred fundraising /sales type of voluntary activities
- However many volunteers also liked management committee work

- Australian born
- Aged 35-64
- Family member
- With dependent children
- Work full-time as a professional

- Younger people are involved in sport/recreation but as they age become more involved in Community/welfare activities
- Short term volunteering (1-5 years) is in sport/recreation organisations but long term (more than ten years) is in the Community/Welfare sector
- A typical volunteers does more hours of voluntary work for Community/Welfare organisations per year.

- The main expenses incurred by volunteers are travel costs and phone calls
- Mostly these are not reimbursed

- Most volunteer less regularly than once per fortnight.
- However many volunteer at least once per week.
- It is more than ten years since first volunteered

- First became involved in voluntary work by someone asking them
- Most common reasons for being a volunteer are helping others or the community
- Mostly volunteer for one organization

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Voluntary Work, State Tables 2000 – NSW Summary Tables - Companion Data Catalogue no 4441.0.55.001
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