

HREOC Website : Face The Facts

Face the Facts was first published in 1997 at a time of heated debate over race issues in Australia. This debate has not cooled. Recent events such as the furor over refugees, anti-Muslim and anti-Arab prejudice and the stalled Aboriginal reconciliation process have fanned the flames of this debate.

Race and racism are still burning issues in Australian society. Today, there is even more need for clear information that addresses prevailing myths about immigrants, refugees and Indigenous people.

Face the Facts draws on information from a wide variety of sources, to correct some common myths. Our aim is to bring all the major issues together and present reliable information in an easy-to-read publication.

This is the third edition of *Face the Facts* - and it remains our most popular publication. To make sure that we continue to provide useful, relevant information, we would value your feedback.

I hope that you find *Face the Facts* to be a useful resource and that it stimulates your thinking and encourages debates based on facts not prejudice.

Dr Bill Jonas
Acting Race Discrimination Commissioner
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