

Summary Statistics for Victorian Schools

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Size of the Victorian school education system

1. Numbers of schools, students and teachers

| | Government | Catholic | Independent | All Schools |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of schools by school type, February 2009 | | | | |
| Primary | 1,183 | 382 | 47 | 1,612 |
| Primary–secondary | 61 | 12 | 141 | 214 |
| Secondary | 250 | 87 | 21 | 358 |
| Special | 76 | 8 | 13 | 97 |
| Language | 4 | – | – | 4 |
| Total | 1,574 | 489 | 222 | 2,285 |
| Number (FTE) of students by year level, February 2008 | | | | |
| Preparatory | 43,967.5 | 14,489.2 | 6,245.7 | 64,702.4 |
| Year 1 | 42,880.8 | 14,172.4 | 5,828.2 | 62,881.4 |
| Year 2 | 43,291.5 | 14,291.9 | 5,873.0 | 63,456.4 |
| Year 3 | 43,771.8 | 14,127.2 | 5,966.0 | 63,865.0 |
| Year 4 | 43,683.4 | 14,003.0 | 6,316.0 | 64,002.4 |
| Year 5 | 43,523.2 | 13,884.4 | 7,020.8 | 64,428.4 |
| Year 6 | 43,886.3 | 14,010.8 | 7,404.6 | 65,301.7 |
| Ungraded | 1.4 | – | 52.5 | 53.9 |
| Primary total | 305,005.9 | 98,978.9 | 44,706.8 | 448,691.6 |
| Year 7 | 37,882.0 | 15,874.2 | 11,992.2 | 65,748.4 |
| Year 8 | 38,959.7 | 15,516.8 | 11,960.2 | 66,436.7 |
| Year 9 | 39,772.5 | 15,219.6 | 11,910.1 | 66,902.2 |
| Year 10 | 38,921.9 | 14,761.2 | 12,162.7 | 65,845.8 |
| Year 11 | 36,867.3 | 13,373.9 | 12,539.0 | 62,780.2 |
| Year 12 | 30,792.7 | 12,269.9 | 12,042.4 | 55,105.0 |
| Ungraded | 135.0 | 0.4 | 16.0 | 151.4 |
| Secondary total | 223,331.1 | 87,016.0 | 72,622.6 | 382,969.7 |
| Special | 8,579.2 | 182.3 | 430.4 | 9,191.9 |
| Language | 1,200.0 | – | – | 1,200.0 |
| Total | 538,116.2 | 186,177.2 | 117,759.8 | 842,053.2 |

Source: DEECD *February School Census* NB: Figures on student FTE include all changes from the 2008 school enrolment audit process.

| Number (FTE) of teaching staff in schools on pay by school type, as at end of quarter | | | | | |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | December 2007 | March 2008 | June 2008 | September 2008 | December 2008 |
| Primary | 18,794.3 | 18,869.7 | 18,829.5 | 18,894 | 18,754.5 |
| Secondary | 17,066.1 | 16,923.4 | 17,003.2 | 16,993 | 16,811.1 |
| Special/P–12/ Lang/Other | 4,177.5 | 4,503.7 | 4,614.5 | 4,640 | 4,622.8 |
| Total | 40,037.9 | 40,296.8 | 40,447.2 | 40,527.9 | 40,188.4 |




Source: DEECD *Quarterly Workforce Summary*

2. Historical trend in numbers of government schools & students, February

| Year | Number of Schools | Number of Students (FTE) | | | | |
|------|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---------|----------|-----------|
| | | Primary | Secondary | Special | Language | Total |
| 1999 | 1,635 | 306,218.0 | 216,367.4 | 5,413.6 | 1,073.0 | 529,072.0 |
| 2004 | 1,618 | 311,964.0 | 220,271.7 | 6,826.2 | 1,010.0 | 540,071.9 |
| 2005 | 1,617 | 309,972.6 | 221,618.3 | 7,219.4 | 1,142.0 | 539,952.3 |
| 2006 | 1,606 | 307,576.5 | 222,826.7 | 7,756.1 | 1,184.0 | 539,343.3 |
| 2007 | 1,594 | 306,223.2 | 223,290.4 | 8,005.3 | 1,339.0 | 538,857.9 |
| 2008 | 1,587 | 305,005.9 | 223,331.1 | 8,579.2 | 1,200.0 | 538,116.2 |

Source: DEECD *February School Census*

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Profile of Victorian government school students

3. Number (FTE) of students by sex in government schools, February

| Year | Male | Female | Percentage of male students | | | |
|------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------|---------|----------|--------------|
| | | | Primary | Yr 7–10 | Yr 11–12 | All Students |
| 1999 | 271,859.0 | 257,213.0 | 51.7 | 51.7 | 47.6 | 51.4 |
| 2004 | 278,370.3 | 261,701.6 | 51.7 | 52.0 | 48.4 | 51.5 |
| 2005 | 278,333.8 | 261,618.5 | 51.7 | 52.0 | 48.1 | 51.5 |
| 2006 | 278,111.9 | 261,231.4 | 51.7 | 52.1 | 48.1 | 51.6 |
| 2007 | 278,343.8 | 260,514.1 | 51.7 | 52.1 | 48.6 | 51.7 |
| 2008 | 277,867.2 | 260,249.0 | 51.7 | 51.9 | 48.7 | 51.6 |

Source: DEECD *February School Census*. NB: Yr 7–10 includes secondary ungraded students.

4. Number (FTE) of students with disabilities in government schools, August

| Year | In regular schools | In special schools | Total | % of total student cohort |
|------|--------------------|--------------------|--------|---------------------------|
| 1999 | 8,262 | 5,506 | 13,768 | 2.6 |
| 2004 | 13,964 | 7,180 | 21,144 | 3.9 |
| 2005 | 8,824 | 7,618 | 16,442 | 3.0 |
| 2006 | 9,419 | 7,252 | 16,671 | 3.1 |
| 2007 | 9,640 | 7,658 | 17,298 | 3.2 |
| 2008 | 9,901 | 7,970 | 17,871 | 3.3 |

Source: DEECD *August School Census* and records. NB: Figures from 2005 onwards exclude students in the Language Support Program.

5. Number (FTE) of Indigenous students in government schools and per cent of student cohort, August

| Year | Primary | | Years 7–10 | | Years 11–12 | | Special | | Total | |
|------|---------|-----|------------|-----|-------------|-----|---------|-----|---------|-----|
| | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % | Number | % |
| 1999 | 3,376.4 | 1.1 | 1,387.1 | 0.9 | 277.8 | 0.5 | 70.9 | 1.3 | 5,112.2 | 1.0 |
| 2004 | 4,263.3 | 1.4 | 1,836.1 | 1.2 | 387.7 | 0.6 | 138.5 | 2.0 | 6,625.6 | 1.2 |
| 2005 | 4,368.5 | 1.4 | 1,983.1 | 1.3 | 432.9 | 0.7 | 151.9 | 2.1 | 6,938.4 | 1.3 |
| 2006 | 4,502.7 | 1.5 | 2,104.1 | 1.3 | 448.7 | 0.7 | 158.0 | 2.0 | 7,213.5 | 1.3 |
| 2007 | 4,629.0 | 1.5 | 2,252.9 | 1.4 | 536.9 | 0.8 | 176.3 | 2.2 | 7,595.1 | 1.4 |
| 2008 | 4,824.4 | 1.6 | 2,288.5 | 1.5 | 536.5 | 0.8 | 201.7 | 2.3 | 7,851.1 | 1.5 |

Source: DEECD *August School Census*

NB Years 7–10 includes secondary ungraded students.

6. Number of students – language backgrounds other than English, August

| Year | Speak mainly English at home | | | Most common non-English languages spoken at home | | |
|------|------------------------------|--------|---------|--|--|--|
| | Yes | No | Total | | | |
| 1999 | 63,205 | 68,981 | 132,186 | Vietnamese, Turkish, Arabic, Cantonese | | |
| 2004 | 63,090 | 72,733 | 135,823 | Vietnamese, Arabic, Cantonese, Turkish | | |
| 2005 | 61,596 | 74,945 | 136,541 | Vietnamese, Arabic, Cantonese, Turkish | | |
| 2006 | 61,166 | 76,799 | 137,965 | Vietnamese, Arabic, Cantonese, Turkish | | |
| 2007 | 33,423 | 79,801 | 113,224 | Vietnamese, Arabic, Cantonese, Turkish | | |
| 2008 | 35,539 | 82,800 | 118,339 | Vietnamese, Arabic, Cantonese, Turkish | | |

Source: DEECD *August School Census*

NB: 2007 figures can not be compared to previous years due to a change in definition. From 2007 onwards, a student is from a language background other than English if either the student or one parent/guardian speaks a language other than English at home.

7. Provision of languages other than English – government schools, August

| Year | Primary LOTE | | Secondary LOTE | | Languages with highest enrolments in VCE* |
|------|--------------|------|----------------|------|---|
| | Students | % | Students | % | |
| 1999 | 272,696 | 88.7 | 115,015 | 54.2 | French, German, Japanese, Indonesian |
| 2003 | 267,827 | 85.5 | 115,109 | 53.3 | Chinese, French, Japanese, German |
| 2004 | 271,192 | 86.7 | 121,445 | 56.0 | Chinese, French, Japanese, Indonesian |
| 2005 | 265,989 | 85.5 | 117,655 | 53.9 | Chinese, French, Japanese, Indonesian |
| 2006 | 248,873 | 80.6 | 114,498 | 52.1 | Chinese, French, Japanese, Italian |
| 2007 | 229,501 | 74.7 | 108,122 | 49.1 | Chinese, French, Japanese, German |
| 2008 | 215,739 | 70.4 | 100,190 | 45.5 | Chinese, French, Japanese, Indonesian |

Source: DEECD *August LOTE Surveys*

*NB: From 2007 onwards, languages with highest enrolments are based on VCE Units 1–4 (Years 11 and 12).

8. International students (fee paying) in government schools

| Year | At June 30th | Main countries of origin |
|------|--------------|---|
| 1999 | 787 | Japan, China, Indonesia, Hong Kong, Vietnam |
| 2004 | 2,378 | China, Korea, Japan, Vietnam, Hong Kong |
| 2005 | 2,148 | China, Korea, Japan, Vietnam, Hong Kong |
| 2006 | 2,128 | China, Korea, Japan, Vietnam, Hong Kong |
| 2007 | 2,589 | China, Korea, Vietnam, Japan, Hong Kong |
| 2008 | 2,747 | China, Vietnam, Korea, India, Japan |

Source: DEECD International Education database.

9. VET in schools programs – certificate enrolments

| Year | Government schools | Non-government schools | Total certificate enrolments |
|------|--------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1999 | 10,103 | 4,773 | 14,876 |
| 2004 | 25,985 | 11,976 | 37,961 |
| 2005 | 28,877 | 13,352 | 42,229 |
| 2006 | 30,134 | 15,433 | 45,567 |
| 2007 | 31,759 | 17,008 | 48,767 |
| 2008 | 33,247 | 18,322 | 51,569 |

Source: VCAA database NB: Excludes students whose home enrolment is a non-school setting. Students may enrol in more than one VET certificate.

Retention and transition rates

10. Apparent retention rates¹ by sex and sector, February (per cent)

| Year | Apparent retention Years 10–12 | | | Apparent retention Years 7–12 | | |
|--------|--------------------------------|---------|-------------|-------------------------------|---------|-------------|
| | Govt | Non-gov | All schools | Govt | Non-gov | All schools |
| 1999 | 79.2 | 89.0 | 82.8 | 76.5 | 89.2 | 81.2 |
| 2004 | 82.9 | 94.1 | 87.2 | 81.3 | 94.2 | 86.2 |
| 2005 | 82.7 | 92.0 | 86.4 | 80.3 | 92.7 | 85.1 |
| 2006 | 81.1 | 93.0 | 85.8 | 78.8 | 93.0 | 84.4 |
| 2007 | 81.3 | 91.7 | 85.5 | 79.9 | 91.1 | 84.4 |
| 2008 | 79.7 | 93.1 | 85.1 | 78.2 | 93.2 | 84.2 |
| Male | 72.5 | 88.4 | 78.7 | 70.4 | 87.8 | 77.2 |
| Female | 87.3 | 97.6 | 91.6 | 86.6 | 98.6 | 91.5 |

Source: DEECD *February School Census*. Refer footnote¹ under Table 16 for definition of apparent retention rate and explanation of differences between February and August figures.

11. Transition rates for government schools, February (per cent)

| | 1999–00 | 2003–04 | 2004–05 | 2005–06 | 2006–07 | 2007–08 |
|------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Year 9–10 | 97.1 | 97.1 | 97.1 | 97.6 | 97.2 | 97.5 |
| Year 10–11 | 95.4 | 98.1 | 97.2 | 98.1 | 97.1 | 97.0 |
| Year 11–12 | 82.6 | 85.6 | 84.3 | 83.4 | 82.8 | 82.1 |

Source: DEECD *February School Census*

Size of classes

12. Class sizes in government schools, February

| | 1999 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 |
|---------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Primary classes | | | | | | |
| Average class size – all classes | 25.4 | 22.8 | 22.6 | 22.4 | 22.3 | 22.2 |
| Percent of all classes over 30 (%) | 4.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Average class size – Prep | 23.2 | 19.7 | 19.6 | 19.4 | 19.4 | 19.3 |
| Average class size – P–2 | 24.3 | 20.9 | 20.8 | 20.8 | 20.7 | 20.6 |
| Percent of P–2 classes 21 or less (%) | 17.4 | 54.4 | 55.6 | 55.0 | 54.4 | 54.7 |
| Average class size – Years 3–6 | 26.2 | 24.3 | 24.0 | 23.7 | 23.4 | 23.4 |
| Secondary English classes | | | | | | |
| Average class size – all classes | 22.7 | 21.9 | 21.9 | 21.5 | 21.6 | 21.6 |
| Average class size – Year 12 | 21.0 | 20.2 | 19.9 | 19.5 | 19.7 | 19.7 |

Source: DEECD *February School Census* NB: Comparable interstate data is not readily available as class size is not part of the National Schools Statistics Collection.

Regional summary – government schools

13. Schools, students, apparent retention (ARR) and class sizes by region, February

| Region | February, 2008 | | | | Feb, 1999 | | Feb, 2008 | |
|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Schools | Students (FTE) | ARR | | Average class size | | | |
| | | | 10–12 | 7–12 | P–2 | All Prim | P–2 | All Prim |
| Western Metropolitan | 143 | 69,511.7 | 81.1 | 82.3 | 25.1 | 26.1 | 21.0 | 22.8 |
| Northern Metropolitan | 199 | 77,983.0 | 88.0 | 87.0 | 25.1 | 26.2 | 21.0 | 22.4 |
| Eastern Metropolitan | 248 | 104,729.4 | 85.3 | 84.5 | 25.2 | 26.3 | 21.1 | 22.7 |
| Southern Metropolitan | 247 | 118,206.0 | 79.5 | 82.8 | 25.3 | 26.3 | 21.1 | 22.8 |
| Barwon South Western | 140 | 40,255.3 | 72.2 | 68.5 | 23.2 | 24.3 | 20.2 | 21.9 |
| Grampians | 131 | 25,556.1 | 71.6 | 66.2 | 22.7 | 23.7 | 19.0 | 20.6 |
| Loddon Mallee | 166 | 39,562.8 | 78.0 | 72.8 | 22.8 | 24.0 | 19.8 | 21.3 |
| Hume | 162 | 32,468.7 | 67.6 | 61.4 | 22.7 | 23.9 | 19.0 | 20.7 |
| Gippsland | 151 | 29,843.2 | 69.9 | 64.1 | 22.4 | 23.8 | 19.6 | 21.0 |
| Metropolitan | 837 | 370,430.1 | 83.3 | 84.1 | 25.2 | 26.3 | 21.1 | 22.7 |
| Non-metropolitan | 750 | 167,686.1 | 72.2 | 67.0 | 22.8 | 23.9 | 19.6 | 21.2 |
| Total | 1587 | 538,116.2 | 79.7 | 78.2 | 24.3 | 25.4 | 20.6 | 22.2 |

Source: DEECD *February School Census*

Projected growth in school enrolments

Interstate comparisons including some key indicators

Apparent retention rates

15. Year 10–12 apparent retention rates¹, August (per cent) Full-time students

| August | NSW | Vic | Qld | SA | WA | Tas | NT | ACT | Australia |
|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-----------|
| Government | | | | | | | | | |
| 1999 | 64.7 | 73.5 | 73.2 | 64.8 | 67.8 | 67.5 | 70.0 | 107.1 | 69.6 |
| 2004 | 68.6 | 77.2 | 75.0 | 62.9 | 66.7 | 76.5 | 90.8 | 100.8 | 72.2 |
| 2005 | 68.5 | 77.0 | 72.7 | 64.4 | 66.3 | 67.2 | 76.2 | 99.5 | 71.3 |
| 2006 | 68.2 | 75.8 | 72.2 | 64.6 | 66.0 | 64.4 | 79.0 | 101.1 | 70.8 |
| 2007 | 67.8 | 76.2 | 72.3 | 65.7 | 63.7 | 63.7 | 75.7 | 96.6 | 70.5 |
| 2008 | 67.6 | 74.2 | 70.7 | 66.0 | 67.6 | 61.8 | 74.6 | 96.6 | 70.1 |
| All schools | | | | | | | | | |
| 1999 | 70.0 | 78.7 | 78.3 | 71.4 | 71.5 | 68.9 | 64.7 | 92.5 | 74.4 |
| 2004 | 73.2 | 83.0 | 80.8 | 71.6 | 72.4 | 76.3 | 75.2 | 88.4 | 77.2 |
| 2005 | 73.2 | 82.2 | 79.3 | 72.1 | 72.2 | 67.8 | 69.5 | 88.1 | 76.5 |
| 2006 | 73.0 | 82.1 | 78.6 | 72.7 | 71.4 | 65.0 | 68.0 | 88.9 | 76.2 |
| 2007 | 72.4 | 81.8 | 78.6 | 73.3 | 69.5 | 65.3 | 65.5 | 85.9 | 75.6 |
| 2008 | 72.2 | 80.9 | 77.5 | 74.3 | 72.2 | 64.9 | 66.5 | 86.4 | 75.6 |
| Male | 67.3 | 74.8 | 73.1 | 67.5 | 67.1 | 59.2 | 61.3 | 84.9 | 70.3 |
| Female | 77.4 | 87.1 | 81.9 | 81.4 | 77.4 | 70.9 | 72.2 | 88.0 | 81.0 |

16. Year 7–12 apparent retention rates¹, August (per cent) Full-time students

| August | NSW | Vic | Qld | SA | WA | Tas | NT | ACT | Australia |
|-------------|------|------|-------|------|------|-------|------|-------|-----------|
| Government | | | | | | | | | |
| 1999 | 61.2 | 69.8 | 71.8 | 58.1 | 66.5 | 65.7 | 60.0 | 110.0 | 66.4 |
| 2004 | 65.8 | 74.4 | 75.3 | 58.0 | 65.9 | r76.0 | 72.0 | 100.5 | r69.9 |
| 2005 | 65.8 | 74.0 | 73.0 | 61.7 | 65.4 | 65.5 | 70.5 | 99.6 | 69.4 |
| 2006 | 65.1 | 72.6 | 71.6 | 61.9 | 65.1 | 63.2 | 72.3 | 103.2 | 68.5 |
| 2007 | 64.5 | 73.9 | 71.1 | 64.0 | 63.1 | 63.3 | 69.4 | 96.6 | 68.3 |
| 2008 | 64.6 | 71.9 | 70.3 | 64.7 | 68.2 | 61.3 | 67.6 | 95.9 | 68.3 |
| All schools | | | | | | | | | |
| 1999 | 67.6 | 76.2 | 77.5 | 67.0 | 71.5 | 66.7 | 52.9 | 92.5 | 72.3 |
| 2004 | 71.1 | 81.1 | 81.2 | 68.0 | 72.6 | 76.4 | 59.0 | 88.5 | 75.7 |
| 2005 | 71.1 | 80.6 | 79.9 | 70.7 | 72.5 | 67.1 | 59.1 | 87.5 | 75.3 |
| 2006 | 70.5 | 79.9 | r78.8 | 71.5 | 71.8 | 64.8 | 58.4 | 88.7 | 74.7 |
| 2007 | 69.7 | 80.1 | 78.5 | 72.7 | 70.3 | 65.4 | 61.7 | 85.2 | 74.3 |
| 2008 | 69.6 | 79.4 | 78.0 | 74.4 | 73.6 | 64.8 | 60.1 | 85.2 | 74.5 |
| Male | 64.5 | 72.4 | 73.0 | 66.9 | 68.0 | 58.9 | 56.6 | 84.2 | 68.8 |
| Female | 74.9 | 86.7 | 83.1 | 82.2 | 79.5 | 71.1 | 63.9 | 86.3 | 80.5 |

Source: ABS, *Schools Australia*
www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/DetailsPage/4221.02008?OpenDocument
¹ABS Year 10–12 & 7–12 apparent retention rates refer to Year 12 enrolment of students in full-time school education expressed as a proportion of Year 10/7 enrolments two/five years earlier. DEECD calculates its retention rate on an FTE basis. Note that apparent retention rates calculated for February are higher than for August as a number of Year 12 students leave during the year.

School participation rates

17. School participation rates – all schools, August (per cent of population)

| Age | Year | NSW | Vic | Qld | SA | WA | Tas | NT | ACT | Aust. |
|-----|------|------|------|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|-------|
| 14 | 2004 | 97.1 | 98.6 | 97.8 | 97.5 | 98.2 | 99.0 | 91.9 | 108.4 | 97.9 |
| | 2005 | 97.1 | 98.4 | 97.5 | 98.0 | 98.8 | 98.1 | 89.2 | 110.9 | 97.9 |
| | 2006 | 97.0 | 98.8 | 97.1 | 98.6 | 98.4 | 100.4 | 90.1 | 110.9 | 97.9 |
| | 2007 | 97.8 | 99.4 | 97.7 | 99.3 | 98.0 | 99.6 | 85.9 | 113.1 | 98.4 |
| | 2008 | 97.8 | 99.6 | 98.3 | 100.2 | 98.8 | 99.8 | 89.1 | 113.6 | 98.8 |
| 15 | 2004 | 92.9 | 94.7 | 92.4 | 95.8 | 92.2 | 99.2 | 86.7 | 104.9 | 93.7 |
| | 2005 | 93.2 | 95.7 | 91.7 | 96.1 | 92.0 | 99.2 | 86.4 | 106.7 | 93.9 |
| | 2006 | 93.3 | 96.1 | 92.3 | 96.2 | 95.3 | 98.6 | 84.5 | 109.8 | 94.5 |
| | 2007 | 93.1 | 96.3 | 92.8 | 97.5 | 94.1 | 100.8 | 83.9 | 109.4 | 94.5 |
| | 2008 | 93.9 | 97.3 | 93.0 | 98.7 | 93.9 | 100.0 | 78.4 | 111.1 | 95.1 |
| 16 | 2004 | 79.7 | 88.6 | 83.6 | 87.4 | 78.2 | 89.0 | 75.8 | 99.4 | 83.6 |
| | 2005 | 79.4 | 88.5 | 82.7 | 87.8 | 78.0 | 87.4 | 74.0 | 101.7 | 83.3 |
| | 2006 | 80.0 | 89.9 | 82.3 | 88.3 | 80.1 | 87.3 | 72.6 | 102.4 | 83.9 |
| | 2007 | 79.9 | 90.0 | 82.8 | 90.5 | 79.5 | 86.6 | 71.6 | 104.0 | 84.1 |
| | 2008 | 79.8 | 89.4 | 82.1 | 90.6 | 80.5 | 88.5 | 70.0 | 103.4 | 83.9 |
| 17 | 2004 | 68.5 | 78.7 | 51.4 | 67.7 | 41.5 | 70.0 | 54.7 | 90.0 | 65.0 |
| | 2005 | 68.4 | 77.5 | 50.3 | 69.1 | 42.6 | 67.5 | 51.9 | 88.4 | 64.6 |
| | 2006 | 68.6 | 78.7 | 49.5 | 70.3 | 41.5 | 67.9 | 51.3 | 91.5 | 64.7 |
| | 2007 | 68.0 | 79.3 | 48.6 | 70.8 | 40.5 | 67.5 | 48.8 | 90.7 | 64.3 |
| | 2008 | 67.9 | 78.5 | 48.0 | 71.9 | 41.8 | 64.9 | 48.6 | 91.3 | 64.1 |
| 18 | 2004 | 15.9 | 21.7 | 6.3 | 14.2 | 4.9 | 18.8 | 16.9 | 21.7 | 14.3 |
| | 2005 | 15.6 | 21.6 | 5.7 | 13.5 | 4.3 | 25.7 | 14.2 | 24.6 | 14.2 |
| | 2006 | 15.8 | 22.8 | 5.3 | 14.5 | 4.0 | 28.1 | 13.0 | 23.5 | 14.5 |
| | 2007 | 15.9 | 23.0 | 5.1 | 14.5 | 3.5 | 28.1 | 13.5 | 23.0 | 14.5 |
| | 2008 | 16.0 | 25.8 | 5.2 | 15.1 | 3.4 | 29.1 | 11.4 | 23.3 | 15.2 |
| 19 | 2004 | 2.2 | 2.8 | 1.3 | 4.0 | 1.3 | 4.4 | 4.0 | 2.5 | 2.3 |
| | 2005 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 1.1 | 3.7 | 1.2 | 3.8 | 4.3 | 2.1 | 2.1 |
| | 2006 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 0.9 | 3.6 | 0.9 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 2.1 | 1.9 |
| | 2007 | 1.6 | 2.3 | 0.8 | 4.0 | 0.8 | 3.7 | 2.7 | 1.6 | 1.8 |
| | 2008 | 1.6 | 2.6 | 0.9 | 4.2 | 0.7 | 3.7 | 3.3 | 2.4 | 1.9 |

Source: ABS *Schools Australia*
<http://www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/DetailsPage/4221.02008?OpenDocument>
NB: School participation rates are based on full time plus part time students. Published data prior to 2007 showed rates based on full time students only for 15 to 19 year olds.

Year 12 completion rates

18. Young people successfully completing Year 12 or equivalent (per cent)

(a) Per cent of young people (aged 19) who have successfully completed Year 12 or qualification at Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) 2 or above

| | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |
|----------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Victoria | 73.6 | 74.4 | 75.7 | 75.8 | r78.4 | r78.8 | r77.2 | r78.5 | 77.6 |

Source: VCAA & DIIRD certificate completion data and ABS population estimates. r = revised
NB: The rate from 2003 includes actual completions in the VET sector. The rate up to 2002 includes an estimate of VET completions based on the ABS Census.

(b) Percent of 20–24 year-olds who have completed Year 12 or a qualification at AQF 2 or above

| | 1999 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 |
|-----------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| Victoria | 82.9 | r82.1 | r82.8 | r84.9 | r84.7 | r83.9 | r85.5 | 86.1 | 88.7 |
| Australia | 80.1 | r79.1 | r80.0 | r80.4 | r81.3 | r81.2 | 81.9 | 83.5 | 84.2 |

Source: ABS *Survey of Education and Work*
NB: In 2008 the ABS issued a revision of this series which has resulted in a change to the historical series.

Number of schools

19. Number of schools by sector, August 2008

| Sector | NSW | Vic | Qld | SA | WA | Tas | NT | ACT | Australia |
|----------------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----------|
| Government | 2,189 | 1,585 | 1,250 | 596 | 768 | 210 | 151 | 84 | 6,833 |
| Non-government | 920 | 703 | 463 | 199 | 297 | 67 | 36 | 44 | 2,729 |
| Total | 3,109 | 2,288 | 1,713 | 795 | 1,065 | 277 | 187 | 128 | 9,562 |

Source: ABS *Schools Australia*:
<http://www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/DetailsPage/4221.02008?OpenDocument>

Number of students

20. Government and non-government full-time enrolments, August

| Sector | NSW | Vic | Qld | SA | WA | Tas | NT | ACT | Australia |
|--------|-----------|---------|----------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------|------------|
| 1999 | | | | | | | | | |
| Govt | 763,169 | 524,849 | 425,876 | 176,303 | 227,232 | 62,954 | 28,487 | 38,804 | 2,247,674 |
| N-govt | 326,423 | 269,705 | 168,708 | 73,920 | 89,377 | 20,859 | 8,280 | 21,704 | 978,976 |
| Total | 1,089,592 | 794,554 | 594,584 | 250,223 | 316,609 | 83,813 | 36,767 | 60,508 | 3,226,650 |
| 2004 | | | | | | | | | |
| Govt | 744,229 | 536,216 | 448,806 | 165,866 | 229,766 | 60,685 | 28,335 | 35,821 | 2,249,724 |
| N-govt | 362,820 | 286,084 | 190,149 | 82,656 | 106,300 | 21,577 | 8,695 | 23,959 | 1,082,240 |
| Total | 1,107,049 | 822,300 | 638,955 | 248,522 | 336,066 | 82,262 | 37,030 | 59,780 | 3,331,964 |
| 2005 | | | | | | | | | |
| Govt | 740,439 | 536,635 | 450,964 | 164,714 | 228,817 | 60,605 | 28,554 | 35,359 | 2,246,087 |
| N-govt | 367,247 | 289,312 | 196,290 | 84,711 | 109,483 | 21,899 | 8,819 | 24,291 | 1,102,052 |
| Total | 1,107,686 | 825,947 | 647,254 | 249,425 | 338,300 | 82,504 | 37,373 | 59,650 | 3,348,139 |
| 2006 | | | | | | | | | |
| Govt | 739,307 | 536,117 | 455,075 | 163,848 | 230,293 | 60,007 | 28,506 | 35,076 | 2,248,229 |
| N-govt | 369,640 | 293,718 | r202,722 | 86,078 | 112,349 | 22,447 | 9,074 | 24,460 | r1,120,488 |
| Total | 1,108,947 | 829,835 | r657,797 | 249,926 | 342,642 | 82,454 | 37,580 | 59,536 | r3,368,717 |
| 2007 | | | | | | | | | |
| Govt | 737,637 | 535,883 | 478,883 | 163,904 | 229,611 | 58,926 | 28,916 | 34,617 | 2,268,377 |
| N-govt | 371,566 | 297,970 | 219,020 | 87,545 | 114,977 | 22,933 | 9,355 | 24,780 | 1,148,146 |
| Total | 1,109,203 | 833,853 | 697,903 | 251,449 | 344,588 | 81,859 | 38,271 | 59,397 | 3,416,523 |
| 2008 | | | | | | | | | |
| Govt | 734,642 | 535,159 | 479,850 | 162,473 | 230,947 | 58,280 | 29,175 | 34,028 | 2,264,554 |
| N-govt | 373,909 | 303,174 | 226,612 | 88,988 | 118,710 | 23,311 | 9,882 | 25,151 | 1,169,737 |
| Total | 1,108,551 | 838,333 | 706,462 | 251,461 | 349,657 | 81,591 | 39,057 | 59,179 | 3,434,291 |

Source: ABS *Schools Australia*
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21. Full-time students in government sector, August (per cent)

| Year | NSW | Vic | Qld | SA | WA | Tas | NT | ACT | Australia |
|------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----------|
| 1999 | 70.0 | 66.1 | 71.6 | 70.5 | 71.8 | 75.1 | 77.5 | 64.1 | 69.7 |
| 2004 | 67.2 | 65.2 | 70.2 | 66.7 | 68.4 | 73.8 | 76.5 | 59.9 | 67.5 |
| 2005 | 66.8 | 65.0 | 69.7 | 66.0 | 67.6 | 73.5 | 76.4 | 59.3 | 67.1 |
| 2006 | 66.7 | 64.6 | 69.3 | 65.6 | 67.2 | 72.8 | 75.9 | 58.9 | 66.8 |
| 2007 | 66.5 | 64.3 | 68.6 | 65.2 | 66.6 | 72.0 | 75.6 | 58.3 | 66.4 |
| 2008 | 66.3 | 63.8 | 67.9 | 64.6 | 66.0 | 71.4 | 74.7 | 57.5 | 65.9 |
| Difference | -0.2 | -0.5 | -0.7 | -0.6 | -0.6 | -0.6 | -0.9 | -0.8 | -0.5 |

Source: ABS *Schools Australia*
NB: Difference from 2007-2008 reflects the percentage point difference between the 2008 and 2007 rate. <http://www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/DetailsPage/4221.02008?OpenDocument>

Staffing details

22. Number (FTE) of teachers in government sector, August

| Year | NSW | Vic | Qld | SA | WA | Tas | NT | ACT | Australia |
|------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|
| 1999 | 50,108.0 | 35,157.0 | 29,164.0 | 11,952.0 | 14,866.0 | 4,351.0 | 2,221.0 | 2,665.0 | 150,484.0 |
| 2004 | 50,215.0 | 37,783.0 | 31,191.0 | 11,542.0 | 16,129.0 | 4,252.0 | 2,286.0 | 2,757.0 | 156,156.0 |
| 2005 | 50,704.0 | 38,141.0 | 31,221.0 | 11,473.0 | 15,826.0 | 4,201.0 | 2,244.0 | 2,754.0 | 156,564.0 |
| 2006 | 51,384.5 | 38,608.2 | 31,609.3 | 11,630.1 | 15,732.5 | 4,185.2 | 2,309.1 | 2,735.2 | 158,194.2 |
| 2007 | 51,286.0 | 38,943.2 | 33,203.0 | 11,608.8 | 16,635.7 | 4,148.2 | 2,293.1 | 2,673.1 | 160,791.1 |
| 2008 | 51,619.3 | 38,914.5 | 33,379.8 | 11,575.4 | 16,738.6 | 4,121.7 | 2,356.1 | 2,645.9 | 161,351.3 |