

## Australian vocational education and training statistics

# VET in Schools 2015

National Centre for Vocational Education Research

#### Introduction

This publication presents information on VET in Schools, the vocational education and training (VET) undertaken by school students as part of their senior secondary certificate. The VET in Schools arrangement offers two main options: students can undertake school-based apprenticeships and traineeships; or they can take VET subjects and courses as part of their school curriculum (the latter is referred to as 'other VET in Schools programs').

### **Highlights**

In 2015, there were:

- 257 100 VET in Schools students
- 20 100 school-based apprentices and trainees, representing 7.8% of all VET in Schools students
- 237 000 other VET in Schools students, representing 92.2% of all VET in Schools students.

Between 2014 and 2015:

- the overall number of VET in Schools students increased by 4.0%
- school-based apprentices and trainees declined by 4.2%
- other VET in Schools students increased by 4.8%.

#### Data scope

The information contained in this publication is, unless stated otherwise, derived from the NCVER National VET in Schools Collection, which is compiled under the Australian Vocational Education and Training Management Information Statistical Standard (AVETMISS), Release 7.0. The scope of VET in Schools reporting is all activity encompassed by the definition developed by the former Ministerial Council for Education, Early Childhood Development and Youth Affairs (MCEECDYA). MCEECDYA's definition covers programs undertaken as part of a student's senior secondary certificate that provide credit towards a nationally recognised VET qualification.

#### **More information**

More detailed tables containing VET in Schools data are available in the Excel tables associated with this publication, see <a href="http://www.ncver.edu.au/publications/2877.html">http://www.ncver.edu.au/publications/2877.html</a>.

#### **Tables**

Table 1	Number of VET in Schools students by age group and state or territory, 2015 ('000)
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	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	АСТ	Australia
14 years and under	0.1	1.2	6.6	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.0	8.6
15 to 19 years	53.8	49.5	87.5	12.3	33.2	4.8	1.9	3.6	246.5
20 years and over	0.3	0.8	0.2	0.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0
Not known	-	0.0	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	0.0
Total	54.1	51.5	94.2	13.0	33.4	4.8	2.3	3.6	257.1

Notes: A dash (-) represents a true zero figure, with no data reported in this category.

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#### Table 2 State and territory summaries of VET in Schools students, 2011–15

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2014–15
	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	('000)	% change
School-based apprentices and trainees						
New South Wales	2.4	2.3	2.5	2.8	2.2	-21.0
Victoria	3.9	4.2	3.6	3.9	3.6	-8.2
Queensland	8.9	13.2	13.1	11.7	11.1	-4.6
South Australia	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.3	1.1	**
Vestern Australia	1.1	1.2	1.1	1.2	1.2	-0.1
asmania	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.6	-7.0
Northern Territory	0.1	0.1	-	0.2	0.2	0.6
Australian Capital Territory	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.1	**
otal school-based apprentices and rainees	18.5	23.0	22.1	21.0	20.1	-4.2
Other VET in Schools students						
lew South Wales	62.0	59.5	58.3	58.4	51.9	-11.2
lictoria	44.5	45.6	45.7	46.6	47.9	2.8
Queensland	78.4	76.7	78.0	71.6	83.1	16.1
South Australia	11.2	11.3	11.7	12.5	11.9	-4.2
Vestern Australia	24.4	23.7	23.8	26.1	32.3	23.5
asmania	5.1	6.7	4.5	5.5	4.2	-22.9
lorthern Territory	1.8	1.7	1.7	2.2	2.2	-2.1
Australian Capital Territory	3.5	4.5	4.5	3.3	3.6	6.9
otal other VET in Schools students	230.9	229.6	228.2	226.2	237.0	4.8
otal VET in Schools students						
New South Wales	64.4	61.8	60.8	61.2	54.1	-11.6
/ictoria	48.3	49.8	49.3	50.5	51.5	1.9
Queensland	87.3	89.9	91.1	83.2	94.2	13.2
South Australia	12.3	12.2	12.6	12.8	13.0	2.0
Vestern Australia	25.6	24.9	24.9	27.3	33.4	22.4
asmania	5.7	7.3	5.1	6.1	4.8	-21.2
lorthern Territory	1.9	1.8	1.7	2.4	2.3	-1.9
Australian Capital Territory	4.0	4.9	4.8	3.6	3.6	1.4
otal VET in Schools students	249.4	252.6	250.3	247.2	257.1	4.0

Notes: \*\* Percentage change not included due to small base numbers and large year-on-year percentage change.

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