# Schools and Students: 2015 Statistical Bulletin 



## 2015 Statistical Bulletin Summary

## NSW Government

Full-time equivalent (FTE) enrolments
Primary enrolments
Secondary enrolments
SSP enrolments
Total enrolments
Attendance rate (Semester 1)
465,767.0 Primary (Years 1-6) ..... 93.9
300,871.1 Secondary (Years 7-10) ..... 89.8
5,340.0
771,978.1
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander studentsTotal Aboriginal \& Torres Strait Islander enrolments 54,150.4Per cent Aboriginal \& Torres Strait Islander enrolments 7.0\%
Part-time students
Number of part-time students ..... 2,220
FTE enrolments ..... 1,404.1
Preschool students
Number of preschool students4,278
2,306.6
Students with language background other thanEnglish (LBOTE)
LBOTE enrolments ..... 251,336
LBOTE enrolments as per cent of total enrolments ..... 32.3\%
NSW Non-Government
Full-time equivalent (FTE) enrolments
Primary enrolmentsSecondary enrolments
Total enrolments
202,917.8 Primary schools ..... 494
206,709.4 Secondary schools ..... 143
409,627.2 Primary/Secondary schools ..... 239
Special schools ..... 52
Total non-government schools ..... 928

## Data Sources

The 2015 Statistical Bulletin reports NSW government schools data from:

- The census of students undertaken on Friday, 7 August 2015.
- The census of students of language background other than English undertaken on Friday, 6 March 2015.
- The K-6 Class Size Audit undertaken on Friday, 13 March 2015.
- The K-6 languages programs: includes languages programs (in school hours) collection undertaken in May 2015.
- The Years 7-9 language participation collection under taken in August 2015.
- The attendance collection undertaken in June 2015 for Semester 1.

The bulletin also includes non-government schools data which were collected by the Australian Government Department of Education and Training on Friday, 7 August 2015.

## Further Reference

Additional information about schools and students in NSW is available from the Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation's (CESE) other statistical publications:

- CESE Bulletin Issue 14 - Schools: Language Diversity in
- CESE Bulletin Issue 16 - Inbrief Mid-year Census 2015 NSW, 2015.
- CESE Bulletin Issue 15-Government School Student Attendance 2015 (Semester 1).

The publications can be obtained from CESE's website:
http://www.cese.nsw.gov.au/publications

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NSW government schools by classification, 2005-2015

| Classification | $\mathbf{2 0 0 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 1 5}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Primary and infants schools | 71 | 59 | 59 | 58 | 58 | 56 | 62 | 67 | 74 | 85 | 96 |
| Class 1 | 266 | 261 | 261 | 262 | 262 | 262 | 267 | 266 | 262 | 265 | 262 |
| Class 2 | 358 | 342 | 342 | 343 | 343 | 324 | 308 | 313 | 307 | 296 | 298 |
| Class 3 | 348 | 377 | 375 | 381 | 383 | 391 | 393 | 377 | 378 | 378 | 372 |
| Class 4 | 455 | 443 | 433 | 424 | 423 | 425 | 419 | 425 | 412 | 406 | 391 |
| Class 5 | 137 | 145 | 155 | 156 | 147 | 154 | 164 | 157 | 167 | 170 | 170 |
| Class 6 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 |
| Separate Infants | $\mathbf{1 , 6 5 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 6 4 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 6 4 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 6 4 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 6 3 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 6 2 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 6 3 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 6 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 6 1 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 6 1 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 6 0 6}$ |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Central and community schools |  |  | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Class 1 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 9 | 9 | 7 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 5 |
| Class 2 | 9 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 21 | 20 | 19 | 21 | 22 | 22 |  |
| Class 3 | 23 | 23 | 24 | 22 | 22 | 21 | 29 | 29 |  |  |  |
| Class 4 | 25 | 25 | 24 | 26 | 26 | 29 | 31 | 31 | 30 | 30 | 4 |
| Class 8 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Class 9 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Total | $\mathbf{6 6}$ | $\mathbf{6 7}$ | $\mathbf{6 7}$ | $\mathbf{6 7}$ | $\mathbf{6 7}$ | $\mathbf{6 7}$ | $\mathbf{6 7}$ | $\mathbf{6 7}$ | $\mathbf{6 7}$ | $\mathbf{6 7}$ | $\mathbf{6 7}$ |


| Secondary schools |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Class 8 | 142 | 141 | 134 | 132 | 132 | 139 | 138 | 140 | 140 | 137 | 137 |
| Class 9 | 255 | 256 | 263 | 265 | 266 | 259 | 260 | 258 | 258 | 261 | 264 |
| Total | 397 | 397 | 397 | 397 | 398 | 398 | 398 | 398 | 398 | 398 | $\mathbf{4 0 1}$ |

## Other schools

| Schools for Specific <br> Purposes | 108 | 108 | 114 | 114 | 113 | 113 | 113 | 113 | 113 | 114 | 113 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Environmental | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 |
| Education Centres | $\mathbf{2 , 2 4 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 , 2 3 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 , 2 4 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 , 2 4 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 , 2 3 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 , 2 3 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 , 2 3 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 , 2 2 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 , 2 1 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 , 2 1 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 , 2 0 9}$ |
| Total Schools |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Classifications:

Primary and infants schools:
Class 1 - More than 700 enrolments
Class 2-451 to 700 enrolments
Class 3-301 to 450 enrolments
Class 4-160 to 300 enrolments
Class 5-26 to 159 enrolments
Class 6 - Less than 26 enrolments

Central schools:
Class 1 - More than 450 enrolments
Class 2-301 to 450 enrolments
Class 3-160 to 300 enrolments
Class 4-26 to 159 enrolments
Community schools:
Class 8 - More than 900 enrolments
Class 9-900 or less enrolments

Secondary schools:
Class 8 - More than 900 enrolments
Class 9-900 or less enrolments

Notes:

- The classifications used in the table are not based on the 2015 actual enrolments collected through the mid-year census. The classifications are based on the staffing entitlement classifications reviewed periodically by the Classification Review Committee.
- See explanatory notes 1,2 and 3 .

Figure 1
NSW government schools, 2005-2015
Primary and infants schools


Central/community schools


## Secondary schools



Schools for specific purposes


Table 2
NSW government schools by type and SA4 groupings, mid-year 2015

| SA4 Groupings | Primary | Central/ Community | Secondary | SSPs | EECs | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sydney-North | 98 | 0 | 34 | 13 | 2 | 147 |
| Sydney-Inner | 90 | 1 | 28 | 10 | 1 | 130 |
| Sydney-South | 117 | 1 | 38 | 15 | 2 | 173 |
| Sydney-South West | 113 | 0 | 38 | 12 | 3 | 166 |
| Sydney-West | 113 | 0 | 36 | 16 | 0 | 165 |
| Sydney-North West | 108 | 0 | 28 | 4 | 3 | 143 |
| Sydney Total | 639 | 2 | 202 | 70 | 11 | 924 |
| North East NSW | 216 | 8 | 39 | 4 | 2 | 269 |
| North West NSW | 216 | 28 | 44 | 7 | 3 | 298 |
| South West NSW | 207 | 23 | 41 | 11 | 2 | 284 |
| South East NSW | 186 | 3 | 39 | 8 | 2 | 238 |
| Central Coast, Newcastle | 142 | 2 | 36 | 13 | 3 | 196 |
| Regional Total | 967 | 64 | 199 | 43 | 12 | 1,285 |
| NSW | 1,606 | 66 | 401 | 113 | 23 | 2,209 |

## Notes:

- Alexandria Park Community School, Batlow Technology School, Dubbo School of Distance Education, Evans River Community School, Hunter School of Performing Arts, Lucas Heights Community School, Southern Cross School, and Wadalba Community School are included with central/ community schools.
- See explanatory notes 1, 2, 3 and 16.

Table 3
NSW government schools by FOEl bands and SA4 groupings, mid-year 2015

| SA4 Groupings | Less than 50 | 50 to 90 | 90 to 110 | 110 to 150 | 150 or more | N/A | Total | $\geq 110$ (\%) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sydney-North | 124 | 15 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 147 | 2.0\% |
| Sydney-Inner | 82 | 30 | 6 | 9 | 1 | 2 | 130 | 7.7\% |
| Sydney-South | 42 | 63 | 26 | 29 | 11 | 2 | 173 | 23.1\% |
| Sydney-South West | 1 | 24 | 23 | 66 | 49 | 3 | 166 | 69.3\% |
| Sydney-West | 27 | 27 | 28 | 40 | 43 |  | 165 | 50.3\% |
| Sydney-North West | 29 | 45 | 20 | 37 | 9 | 3 | 143 | 32.2\% |
| Sydney Total | 305 | 204 | 104 | 182 | 115 | 14 | 924 | 32.1\% |
| North East NSW | 9 | 51 | 55 | 110 | 42 | 2 | 269 | 56.5\% |
| North West NSW | 3 | 41 | 40 | 125 | 85 | 4 | 298 | 70.5\% |
| South West NSW | 25 | 57 | 59 | 75 | 20 | 2 | 238 | 39.9\% |
| South East NSW | 5 | 44 | 64 | 124 | 45 | 2 | 284 | 59.5\% |
| Central Coast, Newcastle | 21 | 47 | 31 | 78 | 16 | 3 | 196 | 48.0\% |
| Regional Total | 63 | 240 | 249 | 512 | 208 | 13 | 1,285 | 56.0\% |
| NSW | 368 | 444 | 353 | 694 | 323 | 27 | 2,209 | 46.0\% |

## Notes

The list of schools with FOEI values and quarters:

- Includes:-
» All hospital schools (all assigned a notional FOEI of 100)
» Stewart House School (assigned a notional FOEI of 150)
» Royal Far West School (assigned a notional FOEI of 150)
- Excludes:-
» Palm Avenue School
» Open High School
» All Environmental Education Centres

See explanatory notes 15 and 16

Table 4
NSW government schools by MCEECDYA remoteness and SA4 groupings, mid-year 2015

| SA4 Groupings | Metropolitan | Provincial | Remote | Very Remote | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sydney-North | 146 | 1 |  |  | 147 |
| Sydney-Inner | 130 |  |  |  | 130 |
| Sydney-South | 173 |  |  |  | 173 |
| Sydney-South West | 166 |  |  |  | 166 |
| Sydney-West | 165 |  |  |  | 165 |
| Sydney-North West | 143 |  |  |  | 143 |
| Sydney Total | 923 | 1 |  |  | 924 |
| North East NSW | 13 | 255 |  | 1 | 269 |
| North West NSW | 63 | 191 | 32 | 12 | 298 |
| South West NSW |  | 275 | 9 |  | 284 |
| South East NSW | 99 | 139 |  |  | 238 |
| Central Coast, Newcastle | 196 |  |  |  | 196 |
| Regional Total | 371 | 860 | 41 | 13 | 1,285 |
| NSW | 1,294 | 861 | 41 | 13 | 2,209 |

## Notes:

- See explanatory note 16.

Table 5
List of college arrangements, mid-year 2015

| College | Senior Campus | Other Campuses |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brisbane Water Secondary College | Woy Woy Campus | Umina Campus |  |  |  |
| Callaghan College | Jesmond Campus | Wallsend Campus | Waratah Campus |  |  |
| Chifley College | Senior Campus | Bidwill Campus | Dunheved Campus | Mount Druitt Campus | Shalvey Campus |
| Denison College of Secondary Education |  | Bathurst High | Kelso High |  |  |
| Dubbo College | Senior Campus | Delroy Campus | South Campus |  |  |
| Georges River College | Oatley Senior Campus | Hurstville Boys Campus | Penshurst Girls Campus | Peakhurst Campus |  |
| Great Lakes College | Senior Campus | Forster Campus | Tuncurry Campus |  |  |
| Hastings Secondary College |  | Port Macquarie Campus | Westport Campus |  |  |
| Moree Secondary College | Albert St Campus | Carol Ave Campus |  |  |  |
| Nirimba College | Wyndham College | Quakers Hill High School | Riverstone High School | Seven Hills High School |  |
| Northern Beaches College | Freshwater Senior Campus | Balgowlah Boys Campus | Cromer Campus | Mackellar Girls Campus | Manly Campus |
| Sydney Secondary College | Blackwattle Bay Campus | Balmain Campus | Leichhardt Campus |  |  |
| The Rivers Secondary College |  | Kadina High Campus | Lismore High Campus | Richmond River High Campus |  |
| Tuggerah Lakes College | The Entrance Campus | Berkeley Vale Campus | Tumbi Umbi Campus |  |  |

## Notes:

- Denison College of Secondary Education, Hastings Secondary College and The Rivers Secondary College do not have senior campuses.
- See explanatory note 14.

Table 6
Secondary education schools by selective, specialist and coeducational status, mid-year 2015

| Selective Status <br> Fully Selective | Specialty Name | Coeducational | Boys | Girls | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Agricultural | 3 | 1 |  | 4 |
|  | Comprehensive | 10 | 4 | 4 | 18 |
| Partially Selective | Comprehensive | 17 | 1 | 2 | 20 |
|  | Junior College | 2 |  |  | 2 |
|  | Language | 2 |  |  | 2 |
|  | Senior College | 1 |  |  | 1 |
| Total Selective |  | 35 | 6 | 6 | 47 |
| Non-Selective | Comprehensive | 326 | 12 | 15 | 353 |
|  | Creative Arts | 1 |  |  | 1 |
|  | Intensive English | 1 |  |  | 1 |
|  | Junior College | 16 | 1 | 1 | 18 |
|  | Language | 2 |  | 1 | 3 |
|  | Marine Technology | 1 |  |  | 1 |
|  | Performing Arts | 8 |  |  | 8 |
|  | Rural Technology | 1 |  |  | 1 |
|  | Senior College | 15 |  |  | 15 |
|  | Sports | 7 |  |  | 7 |
|  | Technology | 8 | 2 | 1 | 11 |
|  | Visual Arts | 1 |  |  | 1 |
| Total Non-Selective |  | 387 | 15 | 18 | 420 |
| Total Secondary Schools |  | 422 | 21 | 24 | 467 |

## Notes:

- Includes secondary schools and central/community schools. The Conservatorium High School is included with performing arts schools.
- Aurora College (NSW Virtual Selective High School) is included with fully selective schools.
- See explanatory note 1.

Table 7
Average primary class sizes by year, 1997 and 2005-2015

| Year | 1997 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Kindergarten | 24.1 | 19.7 | 19.3 | 19.2 | 19.2 | 19.3 | 19.2 | 19.2 | 19.3 | 19.4 | 19.3 | 19.2 |
| Year 1 | 25.5 | 23.6 | 21.3 | 21.1 | 21.2 | 21.3 | 21.2 | 21.2 | 21.2 | 21.3 | 21.4 | 21.3 |
| Year 2 | 26.2 | 25.1 | 24.1 | 22.6 | 22.5 | 22.6 | 22.7 | 22.6 | 22.7 | 22.7 | 22.7 | 22.7 |
| Year 3 | 26.6 | 26.1 | 25.9 | 25.7 | 25.7 | 25.8 | 25.6 | 25.7 | 25.5 | 25.6 | 25.6 | 25.9 |
| Year 4 | 26.8 | 26.4 | 26.4 | 26.2 | 26.1 | 26.2 | 26.2 | 26.1 | 25.9 | 25.9 | 25.9 | 26.2 |
| Year 5 | 26.8 | 26.6 | 26.6 | 26.5 | 26.5 | 26.5 | 26.4 | 26.4 | 26.2 | 26.3 | 26.2 | 26.5 |
| Year 6 | 26.8 | 26.7 | 26.6 | 26.5 | 26.5 | 26.5 | 26.4 | 26.3 | 26.2 | 26.1 | 26.2 | 26.4 |
| Kindergarten - Year 6 | 26.9 | 25.3 | 24.6 | 24.3 | 24.2 | 24.3 | 24.2 | 24.0 | 24.0 | 24.0 | 24.0 | 24.1 |

## Notes:

- Class size audits were not conducted in 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001.
- The average class size for each year level is calculated from regular and multi-age classes that contain a student from that year level.
- Students attending schools for specific purposes (SSPS), students in support classes in regular schools and distance education students are excluded from average class size calculations.
- See explanatory note 12.

Table 8
Enrolments (FTE) in NSW government schools, 1970, 1980, 1990, 1995-2015

| Year | Primary | Secondary | SSP | Total |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1970 | 503,547 | 257,874 |  | 761,421 |
| 1980 | 515,769 | 283,352 |  | 799,121 |
| 1990 | 434,814 | 304,006 | 4,366 | 743,186 |
| 1995 | 446,722 | $305,395.6$ | 3,789 | $755,906.6$ |
| 1996 | 450,465 | $306,823.3$ | 3,749 | $761,037.3$ |
| 1997 | 451,560 | $308,922.7$ | 3,690 | $764,172.7$ |
| 1998 | 452,565 | $309,136.7$ | 3,673 | $765,374.7$ |
| 1999 | 453,454 | $308,116.1$ | 3,762 | $765,332.1$ |
| 2000 | 454,363 | $303,681.1$ | 3,792 | $761,836.1$ |
| 2001 | 451,096 | $301,771.4$ | 3,873 | $756,740.4$ |
| 2002 | 447,897 | $302,988.0$ | 3,915 | $754,800.0$ |
| 2003 | 443,213 | $304,034.0$ | 3,938 | $751,185.0$ |
| 2004 | 438,677 | $302,849.6$ | 3,981 | $745,507.6$ |
| 2005 | 434,876 | $302,578.3$ | 4,124 | $741,578.3$ |
| 2006 | 432,660 | $303,622.0$ | 4,133 | $740,415.0$ |
| 2007 | 429,900 | $304,457.7$ | 4,278 | $738,635.7$ |
| 2008 | 428,331 | $303,055.7$ | 4,392 | $735,778.7$ |
| 2009 | 429,000 | $303,180.7$ | 4,466 | $736,646.7$ |
| 2010 | 430,177 | $307,291.2$ | 4,673 | $742,141.2$ |
| 2011 | 433,873 | $306,893.2$ | 4,774 | $745,540.2$ |
| 2012 | 438,681 | $304,632.1$ | 4,921 | $748,234.1$ |
| 2013 | 446,848 | $303,433.6$ | 5,064 | $755,345.6$ |
| 2014 | 456,151 | $302,339.7$ | 5,207 | $763,697.7$ |
| 2015 | 465,767 | $300,871.1$ | 5,340 | $771,978.1$ |

## Notes:

- Since 1993 some students have enrolled part-time. All enrolments are reported in full-time equivalent units (FTES) and include full-time and part-time students.
- See explanatory notes $1,3,6$ and 7.

Figure 2

Age-grade distribution of students in NSW government schools, mid-year 2015, primary students by age and year of schooling (excluding support students)

| Age | Kindergarten |  | Year 1 |  | Year 2 |  | Year 3 |  | Year 4 |  | Year 5 |  | Year 6 |  | Total |  | Primary <br> Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Yrs:Mths | Boys | Girls | Boys | Girls | Boys | Girls | Boys | Girls | Boys | Girls | Boys | Girls | Boys | Girls | Boys | Girls |  |
| Under 5 | 561 | 845 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 561 | 845 | 1,406 |
| 5-5:11 | 26,424 | 27,115 | 516 | 742 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 26,941 | 27,858 | 54,799 |
| 6-6:11 | 8,644 | 5,969 | 26,210 | 26,942 | 480* | 750* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 35,333 | 33,660 | 68,993 |
| 7-7:11 | 15 | 12 | 8,237 | 5,882 | 26,242 | 26,955 | 502 | 772 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 34,996 | 33,621 | 68,617 |
| 8-8:11 |  |  | 28* | 13 | 8,845 | 6,042 | 25,262 | 26,254 | 427 | 662 |  |  |  |  | 34,561 | 32,972 | 67,533 |
| 9-9:11 |  |  |  |  | 35* | 16* | 8,317 | 5,879 | 24,268 | 24,926 | 457 | 642* |  |  | 33,076 | 31,462 | 64,538 |
| 10-10:11 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 37 | 19* | 8,136 | 5,695 | 22,813 | 23,620 | 451 | 559* | 31,439 | 29,892 | 61,331 |
| 11-11:11 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 38* | 19 | 7,616 | 5,448 | 21,957 | 22,973 | 29,610 | 28,441 | 58,051 |
| 12-12:11 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 49* | 25 | 7,976 | 5,623 | 8,023 | 5,648 | 13,671 |
| 13 and over |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 68 | 39 | 71 | 39 | 110 |
| Subtotal | 35,644 | 33,941 | 34,991 | 33,579 | 35,602 | 33,763 | 34,118 | 32,924 | 32,869 | 31,302 | 30,935 | 29,735 | 30,452 | 29,194 | 234,611 | 224,438 | 459,049 |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 459 |  |  |

Notes:

- Students in distance education and Opportunity Classes (OC) are included with their appropriate grade levels. Students in support classes either in mainstream schools or schools for specific purposes (SSPs) are
- Figures with an asterisk (*) may contain up to 5 students from adjacent rows in the same column. For example, the total number of year 2 boys aged 6-6:11 contains up to 5 students aged $5-5: 11$
(excluding support students)
- Students in distance education are included with their appropriate grade levels. Students in support classes either in mainstream schools or schools for specific purposes (SSPs) are not included.
- Figures with an asterisk (*) may contain up to 5 students from adjacent rows in the same column. For example, the total number of year 8 boys aged 12-12:11 contains up to 5 students aged under 12

Figure 4
Enrolments (FTE) in NSW government schools by age and gender, mid-year 2015
21 and Over
20:00-20:11
$20: 00-20: 11$
$19: 00-19: 11$
$19: 00-19: 11$
$18: 00-18: 11$
$18: 00-18: 11$
$17: 00-17: 11$
17:00-17:11
16:00-16:11
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Enrolments (FTE) in NSW government schools by year of schooling and gender,

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Table 11
Age-grade distribution of students in NSW government schools, mid-year 2015
part-time secondary students by age and year of schooling

| Age <br> Yrs:Mths | Year 11 <br> Boys | Girls | Year 12 <br> Boys | Girls | Total <br> Boys | Total <br> Girls |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Under 16 | 6 | 14 |  |  | 6 | 14 | 20 |
| Part-time |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Full-time equivalent

| Subtotal | 219.3 | 242.5 | 436.1 | 506.2 | 655.4 | 748.7 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 461.8 |  | 942.3 |  | $1,404.1$ |  |

## Notes:

- See explanatory notes 6 and 7 .

Table 12
Enrolments in support classes and schools for specific purposes (SSPs) by category, mid-year 2015

| Category | Primary Schools | Secondary Schools | Schools for Specific Purposes | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AU | 701 | 659 | 37 | 1,397 |
| BD | 22 | 64 | 471 | 557 |
| DB |  |  | 3 | 3 |
| ED | 302 | 557 | 899 | 1,758 |
| H | 116 | 140 | 6 | 262 |
| IE |  | 2,191 |  | 2,191 |
| IM | 1,719 | 3,341 | 14 | 5,074 |
| 10 | 878 | 998 |  | 1,876 |
| IO/AU | 366 | 59 | 35 | 460 |
| IO/IS | 681 | 754 | 2,895 | 4,330 |
| IS | 31 |  | 109 | 140 |
| JJ |  |  | 282 | 282 |
| MC | 1,830 | 1,394 | 528 | 3,752 |
| P | 62 | 90 | 13 | 165 |
| TUT | 10 | 103 | 19 | 132 |
| V |  |  | 29 | 29 |
| Total | 6,718 | 10,350 | 5,340 | 22,408 |

Key:

| AU | Autism | IM | Mild intellectual disability | MC | Multicategorical |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| BD | Behaviour disorder | IO | Moderate intellectual disability | P | Physical disability |
| DB | Visual and hearing disability | IO/AU | Both autism and moderate intellectual disability | TUT | Tutorial |
| ED | Emotional disturbance | IO/IS | Moderate or severe intellectual disability | V | Visual disability |
| H | Hearing disability | IS | Severe intellectual disability |  |  |
| IE | Intensive English | JJ | Juvenile Justice |  |  |

## Notes:

- Students in SSPs, except those in juvenile justice schools, are reported by the type of support class they are enrolled in, not by the type of SSP.
- See explanatory notes 3 and 4 .

Figure 5
Enrolments in support classes in ordinary schools and SSPs by category, mid-year 2015


Key:

| AU | Autism | IM | Mild intellectual disability | MC | Multicategorical |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| BD | Behaviour disorder | IO | Moderate intellectual disability | P | Physical disability |
| DB | Visual and hearing disability | IO/AU | Both autism and moderate intellectual disability | TUT | Tutorial |
| ED | Emotional disturbance | IO/IS | Moderate or severe intellectual disability | V | Visual disability |
| H | Hearing disability | IS | Severe intellectual disability |  |  |
| IE | Intensive English | JJ | Juvenile Justice |  |  |

## Table 13

Age-grade distribution of students in NSW government schools, mid-year 2015
students in schools for specific purposes by age and category

| Age Yrs:Mths | BD | ED | IO/IS | IS | JJ | MC | Total |  | All |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Boys | Girls |  |
| 4-4:11 |  |  | 22 | 2 |  | 9 | 23 | 15 | 38 |
| 5-5:11 |  | 3 | 121 | 6 |  | 42 | 123 | 59 | 182 |
| 6-6:11 |  | 12 | 181 | 3 |  | 52 | 193 | 72 | 265 |
| 7-7:11 | 3 | 19 | 167 | 7 |  | 57 | 186 | 77 | 263 |
| 8-8:11 | 3 | 26 | 200 | 9 |  | 52 | 209 | 90 | 299 |
| 9-9:11 | 4 | 48 | 165 | 9 |  | 31 | 205 | 58 | 263 |
| 10-10:11 | 22 | 62 | 205 | 5 |  | 31 | 254 | 86 | 340 |
| 11-11:11 | 37 | 60 | 238 | 7 |  | 33 | 318 | 80 | 398 |
| 12-12:11 | 46 | 53 | 246 | 4 | 1 | 37 | 293 | 104 | 397 |
| 13-13:11 | 81 | 85 | 263 | 8 | 7 | 42 | 373 | 125 | 498 |
| 14-14:11 | 120 | 128 | 273 | 10 | 26 | 36 | 440 | 159 | 599 |
| 15-15:11 | 105 | 115 | 243 | 7 | 43 | 37 | 395 | 166 | 561 |
| 16-16:11 | 43 | 144 | 224 | 15 | 49 | 33 | 370 | 147 | 517 |
| 17-17:11 | 7 | 109 | 236 | 13 | 85 | 25 | 338 | 145 | 483 |
| 18-18:11 |  | 29 | 110 | 4 | 43 | 10 | 139 | 61 | 200 |
| 19 and over |  | 6 | 1 |  | 28 | 1 | 35 | 2 | 37 |
| Subtotal |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3,894 | 1,446 | 5,340 |
| Total | 471 | 899 | 2,895 | 109 | 282 | 528 |  |  |  |

## Key:

BD Behaviour disorder
ED Emotional disturbance
IO/IS Moderate or severe intellectual disability
IS Severe intellectual disability
JJ Juvenile Justice
MC Multi-categorical

## Notes:

- Students in SSPs, except those in juvenile justice schools, are reported by the type of support class they are enrolled in, not by the type of SSP.
- The total figures includes additional support class types (autism, hearing disability, mild intellectual disability, moderate intellectual disability, physical disability, tutorial class, visual disability, both autism and moderate intellectual disability, both visual and hearing disability). These figures have not been provided separately in the table due to suppression rules.
- See explanatory note 3.

Table 14
Age distribution of students in NSW government preschools and early intervention programs, mid-year 2015

## Preschools

| Age <br> Yrs:Mths | All Students | Aboriginal and Torres <br> Strait Islander Students |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 3 and Under | 151 | 27 |
| 4:00-4:11 | 3,418 | 412 |
| 5:00-5:11 | 709 | 126 |
| 6 and Over | $\mathbf{4 , 2 7 8}$ | $\mathbf{5 6 5}$ |
| Total |  |  |

## Early Intervention

| Age | All Students | Aboriginal and Torres <br> Yrs:Mths |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 3 and Under | 52 | 52 |
| $4: 00-4: 11$ | 341 | 38 |
| $5: 00-5: 11$ | 317 |  |
| 6 and Over |  | 98 |
| Total | $\mathbf{7 1 0}$ |  |

## Notes:

- Figures reported above are children enrolled in a preschool or an Early Intervention program that is run by a NSW government school. These government preschool classes provide full-time or part-time schooling at pre-primary level.
- In NSW, most children receiving a preschool education are enrolled at a government funded community preschool or in a Long Day Care centre which offers a preschool program.

Table 15
Enrolments (FTE) in distance education by year of schooling, mid-year 2015

| Primary | Boys | Girls | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Kindergarten | 41 | 45 | 86 |
| Year 1 | 55 | 43 | 98 |
| Year 2 | 56 | 59 | 115 |
| Year 3 | 65 | 59 | 124 |
| Year 4 | 61 | 63 | 124 |
| Year 5 | 59 | 63 | 122 |
| Year 6 | 66 | 62 | 128 |
| Primary Support | 5 | 8 | 13 |
| Total Primary | $\mathbf{4 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{4 0 2}$ | $\mathbf{8 1 0}$ |
| Secondary | Boys | Girls | Total |
| Year 7 | 45 | 40 | 85 |
| Year 8 | 107 | 77 | 184 |
| Year 9 | 181 | 180 | 361 |
| Year 10 | 307 | 375 | 682 |
| Year 11 | 189.9 | 229.3 | 419.2 |
| Year 12 | 71 | 111.3 | 182.3 |
| Secondary Support | 20 | 13 | 33 |
| Total Secondary | $\mathbf{9 2 0 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 0 2 5 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 9 4 6 . 5}$ |
| Total All Students | $\mathbf{1 , 3 2 8 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 4 2 7 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 , 7 5 6 . 5}$ |

## Notes:

- All enrolments are reported in full-time equivalent units (FTE), and include full-time and part-time students whose main school is the distance education centre.
- See explanatory note 5

Table 16
Enrolments (FTE) of Aboriginal students by SA4 groupings and grade groups in NSW government schools, mid-year 2015

| SA4 Groupings | K-2 | Yr3-6 | Primary <br> Total | Yr7-10 | Yr11-12 | Secondary <br> Total | SA4 Groups <br> Total | \% <br> Aboriginal |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Sydney-North | 102 | 123 | 225 | 118 | 37.8 | 155.8 | 396.8 | $0.5 \%$ |  |
| Sydney-Inner | 366 | 434 | 800 | 361 | 125.3 | 486.3 | $1,322.3$ | $2.4 \%$ |  |
| Sydney-South | 288 | 358 | 646 | 319 | 105.4 | 424.4 | $1,100.4$ | $1.4 \%$ |  |
| Sydney-South West | 933 | 1,275 | 2,208 | 1,018 | 261.6 | $1,279.6$ | $3,576.6$ | $4.2 \%$ |  |
| Sydney-West | 877 | 1,087 | 1,964 | 805 | 243.4 | $1,048.4$ | $3,131.4$ | $3.9 \%$ |  |
| Sydney-North West | 811 | 982 | 1,793 | 888 | 233.8 | $1,121.8$ | $2,961.8$ | $4.8 \%$ |  |
| Sydney Total | $\mathbf{3 , 3 7 7}$ | $\mathbf{4 , 2 5 9}$ | $\mathbf{7 , 6 3 6}$ | $\mathbf{3 , 5 0 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 , 0 0 7 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{4 , 5 1 6 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 , 4 8 9 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 . 8 \%}$ |  |
| North East NSW | 2,222 | 2,841 | 5,063 | 2,598 | 740.3 | $3,338.3$ | $8,453.3$ | $13.4 \%$ |  |
| North West NSW | 3,852 | 4,679 | 8,531 | 4,178 | $1,087.4$ | $5,265.4$ | $13,895.4$ | $20.9 \%$ |  |
| South West NSW | 1,881 | 2,269 | 4,150 | 2,133 | 500.7 | $2,633.7$ | $6,883.7$ | $12.8 \%$ |  |
| South East NSW | 1,571 | 2,065 | 3,636 | 1,806 | 503.9 | $2,309.9$ | $5,990.9$ | $8.4 \%$ |  |
| Central Coast, Newcastle | 1,649 | 2,117 | 3,766 | 1,998 | 557.8 | $2,555.8$ | $6,437.8$ | $8.2 \%$ |  |
| Regional Total | $\mathbf{1 1 , 1 7 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 3 , 9 7 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 5 , 1 4 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 , 7 1 3}$ | $\mathbf{3 , 3 9 0 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 6 , 1 0 3 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{4 1 , 6 6 1 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 . 5 \%}$ |  |
| State Total | $\mathbf{1 4 , 5 5 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 8 , 2 3 0}$ | $\mathbf{3 2 , 7 8 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 6 , 2 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{4 , 3 9 7 . 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 , 6 1 9 . 4}$ | $\mathbf{5 4 , 1 5 0 . 4}$ | $\mathbf{7 . 0 \%}$ |  |
| Aboriginal total as a percentage of | $\mathbf{7 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 . 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 . 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 . 6 \%}$ | $5.0 \%$ | $\mathbf{6 . 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 . 0 \%}$ |  |  |
| total enrolments in each grade group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Notes:

- Students in Distance Education and Opportunity Classes (OC) are included with their appropriate grade levels.
- Primary support students are included in Year 3 to 6 . Secondary support students are included in Year 7 to 10.
- There were 749 Aboriginal students enrolled in SSPs, representing $14.0 \%$ of total SSP enrolments. This figure is not broken down into SA4 groupings but is included in SA4 Groups Total.
- Previous publications of the Statistical Bulletin compared enrolments in DoE regions. From 2014 these geographies have been discontinued and replaced with a geographical structure based on the new ABS Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS). Groups of ASGS Statistical Area 4 (SA4) boundaries in New South Wales have been combined into 11 groups for reporting and publication of Department data.
- See explanatory notes 8 and 16.

Table 17
Enrolment of students of language background other than English (LBOTE) in NSW government schools,
March 2015 by SA4 groupings and grade groups

| SA4 Groupings | K-2 | Yr3-6 | Primary Total | Yr7-10 | Yr11-12 | Secondary Total | SA4 Groups Total | \% LBOTE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sydney-North | 9,401 | 10,028 | 19,429 | 8,727 | 4,684 | 13,411 | 32,973 | 39.8 \% |
| Sydney-Inner | 7,283 | 8,256 | 15,539 | 8,880 | 4,787 | 13,667 | 29,325 | 53.6 \% |
| Sydney-South | 12,061 | 15,028 | 27,089 | 12,298 | 5,796 | 18,094 | 45,553 | 59.4 \% |
| Sydney-South West | 11,783 | 16,119 | 27,902 | 14,767 | 6,817 | 21,584 | 49,720 | 59.0 \% |
| Sydney-West | 15,512 | 17,661 | 33,173 | 12,004 | 5,819 | 17,823 | 51,390 | 64.1 \% |
| Sydney-North West | 4,152 | 5,192 | 9,344 | 5,046 | 2,913 | 7,959 | 17,369 | 27.9 \% |
| Sydney Total | 60,192 | 72,284 | 132,476 | 61,722 | 30,816 | 92,538 | 226,330 | 51.3 \% |
| North East NSW | 954 | 1,171 | 2,125 | 995 | 473 | 1,468 | 3,596 | 5.6 \% |
| North West NSW | 780 | 956 | 1,736 | 724 | 298 | 1,022 | 2,766 | 4.1 \% |
| South West NSW | 940 | 1,163 | 2,103 | 859 | 427 | 1,286 | 3,407 | 6.3 \% |
| South East NSW | 2,204 | 2,768 | 4,972 | 2,300 | 1,096 | 3,396 | 8,406 | 11.7 \% |
| Central Coast, Newcastle | 1,752 | 2,160 | 3,912 | 1,992 | 865 | 2,857 | 6,831 | 8.6 \% |
| Regional Total | 6,630 | 8,218 | 14,848 | 6,870 | 3,159 | 10,029 | 25,006 | 7.4 \% |
| State Total | 66,822 | 80,502 | 147,324 | 68,592 | 33,975 | 102,567 | 251,336 | 32.3 \% |

## Notes:

- LBOTE enrolments for 2015 are compared to enrolments (headcount) in March 2015.
- There were 1,445 LBOTE students enrolled in SSPs, representing $32.4 \%$ of total SSP enrolments. This figure is not broken down into SA4 groupings but is included in SA4 Groups Total.
- Primary support students are included in Year 3 to 6 . Secondary support students are included in Year 7 to 10.
- For more detailed analysis of students of language background other than English, please refer to CESE Bulletin Issue 14 - Language Diversity in NSW, 2015.
- See explanatory notes 10 and 16 .

Table 18
Enrolments (FTE) in NSW government schools by FOEI quarters and SA4 groupings, April 2015

| SA4 Groupings | Quarter 1 | Quarter 2 | Quarter 3 | Quarter 4 | Total | Quarter 1 (\%) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sydney-North | 2,923 | 8,376 | 19,503 | 52,088 | 82,890 | 3.5\% |
| Sydney-Inner | 4,922 | 7,564 | 12,752 | 29,775 | 55,013 | 8.9\% |
| Sydney-South | 15,059 | 19,104 | 21,410 | 21,340 | 76,913 | 19.6\% |
| Sydney-South West | 31,225 | 26,144 | 17,630 | 10,185 | 85,184 | 36.7\% |
| Sydney-West | 24,056 | 19,452 | 17,820 | 20,048 | 81,376 | 29.6\% |
| Sydney-North West | 11,753 | 15,949 | 15,580 | 19,119 | 62,401 | 18.8\% |
| Sydney Total | 89,938 | 96,589 | 104,695 | 152,555 | 443,777 | 20.3\% |
| North East NSW | 22,083 | 19,468 | 13,140 | 9,460 | 64,151 | 34.4\% |
| North West NSW | 27,569 | 20,808 | 12,017 | 7,457 | 67,851 | 40.6\% |
| South West NSW | 19,068 | 16,966 | 10,784 | 7,558 | 54,376 | 35.1\% |
| South East NSW | 20,157 | 21,590 | 16,449 | 13,806 | 72,002 | 28.0\% |
| Central Coast, Newcastle | 21,343 | 24,012 | 18,545 | 16,063 | 79,963 | 26.7\% |
| Regional Total | 110,220 | 102,844 | 70,935 | 54,344 | 338,343 | 32.6\% |
| NSW | 200,158 | 199,433 | 175,630 | 206,899 | 782,120 | 25.6\% |

## Notes:

- Enrolments are from system extracts in April and are not mid-year census enrolments which are extracted in August.
- See explanatory notes 15 and 16.

Table 19
Primary students in NSW government schools studying a language other than English by year of schooling and language, May 2015

| Language Name | Kinder | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Chinese (Mandarin) | 2,844 | 2,808 | 3,462 | 2,893 | 2,825 | 2,850 | 2,569 | 20,251 |
| Italian | 1,481 | 1,804 | 1,800 | 2,125 | 1,990 | 1,762 | 1,611 | 12,625 |
| Arabic | 1,629 | 1,676 | 1,390 | 1,322 | 1,414 | 1,195 | 1,237 | 9,885 |
| French | 790 | 850 | 875 | 947 | 840 | 720 | 742 | 5,764 |
| Japanese | 705 | 750 | 682 | 863 | 845 | 801 | 681 | 5,327 |
| Vietnamese | 687 | 607 | 669 | 724 | 770 | 637 | 700 | 4,794 |
| Indonesian | 425 | 467 | 423 | 605 | 546 | 535 | 571 | 3,572 |
| Greek | 502 | 643 | 545 | 452 | 429 | 452 | 457 | 3,480 |
| Korean | 630 | 407 | 347 | 389 | 434 | 371 | 326 | 2,904 |
| Spanish | 322 | 217 | 249 | 220 | 219 | 182 | 171 | 1,580 |
| Wiradjuri | 220 | 246 | 223 | 232 | 234 | 176 | 179 | 1,523 |
| German | 141 | 163 | 155 | 165 | 181 | 114 | 177 | 1,096 |
| Assyrian | 71 | 102 | 73 | 89 | 89 | 83 | 99 | 606 |
| Hebrew | 129 | 134 | 87 | 107 | 51 | 57 | 38 | 603 |
| Macedonian | 57 | 59 | 69 | 104 | 88 | 78 | 79 | 534 |
| Khmer | 73 | 59 | 78 | 73 | 74 | 63 | 62 | 482 |
| Hindi | 12 | 106 | 85 | 84 | 101 | 30 | 16 | 434 |
| Gamilaraay | 71 | 62 | 73 | 44 | 38 | 48 | 45 | 406 |
| Turkish | 70 | 50 | 67 | 54 | 57 | 51 | 54 | 405 |
| Tamil | 17 | 65 | 67 | 73 | 113 | 19 | 20 | 374 |
| Bundjalung | 68 | 43 | 44 | 56 | 52 | 37 | 45 | 351 |
| Dharug | 79 | 76 | 87 | 15 | 16 | 18 | 18 | 309 |
| Bengali | 66 | 47 | 41 | 36 | 45 | 40 | 27 | 302 |
| Gumbaynggir | 76 | 46 | 19 | 34 | 28 | 31 | 38 | 286 |
| Ngemba / Ngiyampaa | 11 | 48 | 61 | 50 | 40 | 37 | 38 | 285 |
| Greek (Modern) |  |  |  | 59 | 57 | 105 | 58 | 279 |
| Dari | 55 | 47 | 30 | 37 | 40 | 33 | 24 | 266 |
| Samoan | 33 | 37 | 34 | 36 | 39 | 42 | 36 | 257 |
| Punjabi | 47 | 50 | 41 | 47 | 51 |  |  | 236 |
| Auslan | 33 | 43 | 22 | 33 | 32 | 32 | 30 | 225 |
| Portuguese |  |  |  |  |  | 118 | 105 | 223 |
| Dhurga | 40 | 28 | 27 | 28 | 21 | 18 | 25 | 187 |
| Urdu | 32 | 31 | 23 | 24 | 28 | 17 | 14 | 169 |
| Serbian | 1 | 24 | 20 | 33 | 24 | 28 | 26 | 156 |
| Tongan | 19 | 14 | 24 | 17 | 23 | 15 | 16 | 128 |
| Wadi Wadi | 11 | 12 | 10 | 15 | 7 | 10 | 9 | 95 |
| Paakantji / Barkindji | 10 | 10 | 13 | 15 | 12 | 15 | 9 | 84 |
| Russian | 11 | 9 | 7 | 13 | 9 | 12 | 8 | 69 |
| Nepali | 7 | 10 | 11 | 10 | 3 | 9 | 7 | 57 |
| Maori | 10 | 6 | 2 | 7 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 47 |
| Farsi | 5 | 4 | 8 | 3 | 6 | 5 | 8 | 39 |
| Gathang |  |  |  | 11 | 10 | 8 | 5 | 34 |
| Dhanggatti / Dunghutti / Thunghutti | 5 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 4 |  |  | 32 |
| Dharawal |  | 15 | 16 |  |  |  |  | 31 |
| Lao | 5 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 28 |
| Maori (Cook Island) | 3 | 2 | 3 | 10 |  | 9 |  | 27 |
| Fijian | 8 | 1 | 4 | 6 |  |  | 4 | 23 |
| Chinese (Cantonese) | 6 | 9 |  |  |  |  |  | 15 |
| Total | 11,517 | 11,895 | 11,973 | 12,171 | 11,897 | 10,874 | 10,393 | 80,885 |

## Notes:

- The table includes data from the K-6 Community Languages Program (CLP) and the K-6 Languages Program (non-CLP) collections.
- Students may study more than one language.
- Students in Distance Education and Opportunity Classes (OC) are included with their appropriate grade levels.
- There were an additional 165 students in support classes who studied a language other than English.
- The overall totals for individual languages may include students in support classes.

Table 20
Language participation Year 7-9 by gender and year of schooling, August 2015

| Language Name | Year 7 |  |  | Year 8 |  |  | Year 9 |  |  | All Students |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total |
| Japanese | 5,798 | 5,606 | 11,404 | 5,111 | 5,045 | 10,156 | 1,001 | 1,387 | 2,388 | 11,910 | 12,038 | 23,948 |
| French | 3,899 | 3,836 | 7,735 | 3,738 | 4,081 | 7,819 | 312 | 866 | 1,178 | 7,949 | 8,783 | 16,732 |
| Italian | 1,019 | 1,122 | 2,141 | 1,519 | 1,715 | 3,234 | 114 | 291 | 405 | 2,652 | 3,128 | 5,780 |
| Chinese (Mandarin) | 1,340 | 1,408 | 2,748 | 1,135 | 1,131 | 2,266 | 239 | 385 | 624 | 2,714 | 2,924 | 5,638 |
| Indonesian | 1,133 | 1,070 | 2,203 | 1,057 | 948 | 2,005 | 43 | 114 | 157 | 2,233 | 2,132 | 4,365 |
| German | 582 | 367 | 949 | 1,149 | 923 | 2,072 | 172 | 213 | 385 | 1,903 | 1,503 | 3,406 |
| Spanish | 514 | 534 | 1,048 | 539 | 581 | 1,120 | 74 | 113 | 187 | 1,127 | 1,228 | 2,355 |
| Latin | 167 | 215 | 382 | 181 | 207 | 388 | 63 | 75 | 138 | 411 | 497 | 908 |
| Korean | 206 | 214 | 420 | 147 | 90 | 237 | 57 | 58 | 115 | 410 | 362 | 772 |
| Arabic | 108 | 104 | 212 | 154 | 232 | 386 | 50 | 51 | 101 | 312 | 387 | 699 |
| Greek (Modern) | 70 | 86 | 156 | 218 | 126 | 344 | 36 | 48 | 84 | 324 | 260 | 584 |
| Gumbaynggir | 234 | 201 | 435 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 234 | 201 | 435 |
| Wiradjuri | 95 | 91 | 186 | 79 | 51 | 130 |  |  |  | 174 | 142 | 316 |
| Vietnamese | 17 | 33 | 50 | 82 | 81 | 163 | 22 | 37 | 59 | 121 | 151 | 272 |
| Gamilaraay | 70 | 53 | 123 | 54 | 45 | 99 |  |  |  | 124 | 98 | 222 |
| Dhurga | 95 | 84 | 179 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 95 | 84 | 179 |
| Hindi | 7 | 5 | 12 | 22 | 20 | 42 | 8 | 8 | 16 | 37 | 33 | 70 |
| Macedonian | 13 | 11 | 24 | 10 | 13 | 23 | 7 | 12 | 19 | 30 | 36 | 66 |
| Hebrew | 17 | 17 | 34 | 11 | 13 | 24 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 33 | 31 | 64 |
| Turkish | 5 | 12 | 17 | 7 | 8 | 15 | 7 | 21 | 28 | 19 | 41 | 60 |
| Ngemba / Ngiyampaa | 22 | 9 | 31 | 16 | 12 | 28 |  |  |  | 38 | 21 | 59 |
| Paakantji / Barkindji | 10 | 7 | 17 | 19 | 22 | 41 |  |  |  | 29 | 29 | 58 |
| Serbian | 8 | 11 | 19 | 5 | 13 | 18 | 4 | 9 | 13 | 17 | 33 | 50 |
| Polish | 7 | 5 | 12 | 8 | 6 | 14 | 5 | 6 | 11 | 20 | 17 | 37 |
| Yuwaalaraay | 14 | 11 | 25 | 3 | 1 | 4 |  |  |  | 17 | 12 | 29 |
| Wergaia | 9 | 11 | 20 | 5 | 3 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 14 | 28 |
| Croatian | 2 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 8 | 14 | 9 | 16 | 25 |
| Punjabi |  |  |  |  |  |  | 9 | 5 | 14 | 9 | 5 | 14 |
| Filipino | 12 |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 12 |  | 12 |
| Khmer | 0 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 12 |
| Bengali | 5 |  | 5 | 1 | 5 | 6 |  |  |  | 6 | 5 | 11 |
| Armenian | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 8 |
| Sign Languages | 1 | 4 | 5 | 2 |  | 2 |  |  |  | 3 | 4 | 7 |
| Hungarian | 1 |  | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 6 |
| Greek (Classical) |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 5 |
| Maltese |  | 2 | 2 |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Russian |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 5 |
| Portuguese | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Total | 15,482 | 15,136 | 30,618 | 15,278 | 15,385 | 30,663 | 2,246 | 3,718 | 5,964 | 33,006 | 34,239 | 67,245 |

## Notes:

- The table includes students studying a language through the Saturday School of Community Languages.
- The table includes only students learning a language on average for more than 1 hour per week for 35 or more weeks a year.
- There were an additional 20,675 students who were learning a language for a shorter duration.

Table 21
Course enrolments in Year 10 subjects in NSW government schools, 2015

| BOS Course ID | Course name | Hours | Boys | Girls | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 300 | English | 200 | 25,780 | 25,248 | 51,028 |
| 302 | English (Life Skills) |  | 1,297 | 568 | 1,865 |
| 323 | Mathematics | 200 | 25,826 | 25,264 | 51,090 |
| 325 | Mathematics (Life Skills) |  | 1,287 | 571 | 1,858 |
| 350 | Science | 200 | 25,838 | 25,272 | 51,110 |
| 352 | Science (Life Skills) |  | 1,282 | 560 | 1,842 |
| 410 | Aboriginal Studies | 200 | 101 | 112 | 213 |
| 411 | Aboriginal Studies | 100 | 49 | 45 | 94 |
| 412 | Aboriginal Studies (Life Skills) |  | 18 | 10 | 28 |
| 430 | Commerce | 200 | 4,678 | 4,328 | 9,006 |
| 431 | Commerce | 100 | 959 | 1,020 | 1,979 |
| 432 | Commerce (Life Skills) |  | 9 | 7 | 16 |
| 440 | Geography | 200 | 185 | 95 | 280 |
| 441 | Geography | 100 | 50 | 213 | 263 |
| 450 | History | 200 | 1,468 | 1,473 | 2,941 |
| 451 | History | 100 | 611 | 729 | 1,340 |
| 452 | History Elective Life Skills |  | 4 | 7 | 11 |
| 500 | Work Education | 200 | 361 | 350 | 711 |
| 501 | Work Education | 100 | 629 | 624 | 1,253 |
| 502 | Work Education (Life Skills) |  | 313 | 134 | 447 |
| 792 | Aboriginal Languages (Life Skills) |  | 11 | 8 | 19 |
| 800 | Arabic | 200 | 22 | 68 | 90 |
| 801 | Arabic | 100 | 4 | 20 | 24 |
| 810 | Chinese | 200 | 214 | 244 | 458 |
| 811 | Chinese | 100 | 55 | 75 | 130 |
| 812 | Chinese (Life Skills) |  | 14 | 1 | 15 |
| 820 | Classical Greek | 200 | 1 | 7 | 8 |
| 870 | French | 200 | 276 | 862 | 1,138 |
| 871 | French | 100 | 54 | 126 | 180 |
| 872 | French (Life Skills) |  | 4 | 1 | 5 |
| 880 | German | 200 | 133 | 195 | 328 |
| 881 | German | 100 | 24 | 35 | 59 |
| 882 | German (Life Skills) |  | 8 | 6 | 14 |
| 890 | Hebrew | 200 | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| 891 | Hebrew | 100 | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| 910 | Indonesian | 200 | 35 | 87 | 122 |
| 911 | Indonesian | 100 | 3 | 5 | 8 |
| 920 | Italian | 200 | 67 | 253 | 320 |
| 921 | Italian | 100 | 39 | 59 | 98 |
| 922 | Italian (Life Skills) |  | 15 | 11 | 26 |
| 930 | Japanese | 200 | 703 | 1,015 | 1,718 |
| 931 | Japanese | 100 | 148 | 167 | 315 |
| 932 | Japanese (Life Skills) |  | 4 | 1 | 5 |
| 940 | Korean | 200 | 29 | 45 | 74 |
| 941 | Korean | 100 | 4 | 11 | 15 |
| 950 | Latin | 200 | 46 | 70 | 116 |
| 951 | Latin | 100 |  | 2 | 2 |
| 990 | Modern Greek | 200 | 7 | 8 | 15 |
| 991 | Modern Greek | 100 | 1 | 21 | 22 |
| 992 | Modern Greek (Life Skills) |  |  | 1 | 1 |
| 1010 | Russian | 200 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| 1040 | Spanish | 200 | 21 | 61 | 82 |
| 1041 | Spanish | 100 | 17 | 47 | 64 |
| 1042 | Spanish (Life Skills) |  | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| 1050 | Turkish | 200 | 7 | 10 | 17 |
| 1051 | Turkish | 100 | 1 | 1 | 2 |

Table 21
Course enrolments in Year 10 subjects in NSW government schools, 2015 (continued)

| BOS Course ID | Course name | Hours | Boys | Girls | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1071 | Vietnamese | 200 | 36 | 29 | 65 |
| 1072 | Vietnamese | 100 | 9 | 8 | 17 |
| 1605 | Agricultural Technology | 200 | 2,271 | 1,887 | 4,158 |
| 1606 | Agricultural Technology | 100 | 576 | 469 | 1,045 |
| 1607 | Agricultural Technology (Life Skills) |  | 85 | 34 | 119 |
| 1625 | Food Technology | 200 | 3,815 | 7,433 | 11,248 |
| 1626 | Food Technology | 100 | 1,151 | 1,565 | 2,716 |
| 1627 | Food Technology (Life Skills) |  | 423 | 220 | 643 |
| 1650 | Design and Technology | 200 | 478 | 538 | 1,016 |
| 1651 | Design and Technology | 100 | 309 | 387 | 696 |
| 1652 | Design \& Technology (Life Skills) |  | 93 | 32 | 125 |
| 1700 | Graphics Technology | 200 | 1,227 | 274 | 1,501 |
| 1701 | Graphics Technology | 100 | 397 | 154 | 551 |
| 1702 | Graphics Technology (Life Skills) |  | 4 |  | 4 |
| 1800 | Industrial Technology (Automotive) | 200 | 281 | 15 | 296 |
| 1801 | Industrial Technology (Automotive) | 100 | 90 | 2 | 92 |
| 1802 | Industrial Technology (Building and Construction) | 200 | 368 | 16 | 384 |
| 1803 | Industrial Technology (Building and Construction) | 100 | 181 | 32 | 213 |
| 1804 | Industrial Technology (Ceramics) | 200 | 1 |  | 1 |
| 1805 | Industrial Technology (Ceramics) | 100 | 1 | 16 | 17 |
| 1806 | Industrial Technology (Electronics) | 200 | 1,187 | 43 | 1,230 |
| 1807 | Industrial Technology (Electronics) | 100 | 322 | 27 | 349 |
| 1808 | Industrial Technology (Engineering) | 200 | 2,399 | 138 | 2,537 |
| 1809 | Industrial Technology (Engineering) | 100 | 474 | 50 | 524 |
| 1810 | Industrial Technology (Farm Maintenance) | 200 | 54 | 8 | 62 |
| 1811 | Industrial Technology (Farm Maintenance) | 100 | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| 1812 | Industrial Technology (Leather) | 200 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 1813 | Industrial Technology (Leather) | 100 | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| 1814 | Industrial Technology (Metal) | 200 | 2,316 | 204 | 2,520 |
| 1815 | Industrial Technology (Metal) | 100 | 804 | 116 | 920 |
| 1816 | Industrial Technology (Multimedia/Photography) | 200 | 508 | 211 | 719 |
| 1817 | Industrial Technology (Multimedia/Photography) | 100 | 225 | 157 | 382 |
| 1820 | Industrial Technology (Timber) | 200 | 6,022 | 944 | 6,966 |
| 1821 | Industrial Technology (Timber) | 100 | 1,253 | 373 | 1,626 |
| 1830 | Information \& Software Technology | 200 | 4,763 | 1,354 | 6,117 |
| 1831 | Information \& Software Technology | 100 | 865 | 307 | 1,172 |
| 1832 | Information \& Software Technology (Life Skills) |  | 121 | 49 | 170 |
| 1840 | Industrial Technology - Automotive (Life Skills) |  | 4 |  | 4 |
| 1841 | Industrial Technology -Building \& Construction (Life Skills) |  | 7 |  | 7 |
| 1842 | Industrial Technology - Ceramics (Life Skills) |  | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 1843 | Industrial Technology - Electronics (Life Skills) |  | 4 |  | 4 |
| 1844 | Industrial Technology - Engineering (Life Skills) |  | 8 | 1 | 9 |
| 1847 | Industrial Technology - Metal (Life Skills) |  | 51 | 3 | 54 |
| 1848 | Industrial Technology - Multimedia/Photography (Life Skills) |  | 7 | 1 | 8 |
| 1850 | Industrial Technology - Timber (Life Skills) |  | 172 | 41 | 213 |
| 1900 | Textiles Technology | 200 | 31 | 1,797 | 1,828 |
| 1901 | Textiles Technology | 100 | 32 | 680 | 712 |
| 1902 | Textiles Technology (Life Skills) |  | 19 | 35 | 54 |
| 2000 | Dance | 200 | 89 | 1,717 | 1,806 |
| 2001 | Dance | 100 | 21 | 266 | 287 |
| 2002 | Dance (Life Skills) |  | 15 | 14 | 29 |
| 2010 | Drama | 200 | 1,454 | 3,255 | 4,709 |
| 2011 | Drama | 100 | 384 | 700 | 1,084 |
| 2012 | Drama (Life Skills) |  | 53 | 25 | 78 |

Table 21
Course enrolments in Year 10 subjects in NSW government schools, 2015 (continued)

| BOS Course ID | Course name | Hours | Boys | Girls |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |

## Number of students meeting the curriculum requirements for the Record of School Achievement (RSA), Year 10 students in NSW government schools, 2015

In 2012, the School Certificate was discontinued and replaced by the Record of School Achievement (RSA). The RSA is a record of a student's achievements from Year 10 until they leave school.

The table shows the number of Year 10 students that completed the mandatory courses for an RSA. Some courses may have been completed when the students were in Year 7, 8 or 9. For example, the Languages course would have been completed by students when they were in Year 7 or 8.

|  | Boys | Girls | Total |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Number of students | 26,339 | 25,263 | 51,602 |

Source: Department of Education, data derived from Board of Studies, Teaching and Education Standards data.

## Notes:

- The table includes students studying a language through the Saturday School of Community Languages.
- Hours equal to the number of hours studied over Years 9 and 10.
- From 2012, eligible students who leave school before receiving their Higher School Certificate (HSC) will receive the NSW Record of School Achievement (RSA).
- Students need to complete the mandatory requirements for Stage 5 (Year 10) to be eligible for a RSA. They must have:
» attended a government school, an accredited non-government school or a recognised school outside NSW;
» undertaken and completed courses of study that satisfy the Board's curriculum and assessment requirements for the Record of School Achievement;
» complied with any other regulations or requirements (such as attendance) imposed by the Minister or the Board; and
» completed Year 10.
- Students intending to leave school before completing their HSC can take optional online literacy and numeracy tests. They are designed to provide an overview of a student's level of achievement in these areas.
- Students are required to complete the following mandatory curriculum for the RSA:
» English
» Mathematics
» Science
» Human Society and its Environments
» Languages other than English
» Technological and Applied Studies
» Creative Arts
» Personal Development, Health and Physical Education

Table 22
Course enrolments in Year 11 and Year 12 subjects in NSW government schools, 2015

| Course Name | Units | Year 11 |  |  | Year 12 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total |
| Aboriginal Studies | 2 | 240 | 460 | 700 | 118 | 239 | 357 |
| Aboriginal Studies Life Skills | 2 | 7 | 10 | 17 | 6 | 3 | 9 |
| Aged Care Specialisation Study | 1 |  |  |  |  | 6 | 6 |
| Agriculture | 2 | 667 | 738 | 1,405 | 457 | 471 | 928 |
| Agriculture Life Skills | 2 | 38 | 15 | 53 | 33 | 21 | 54 |
| Ancient History | 2 | 3,682 | 4,666 | 8,348 | 2,674 | 3,834 | 6,508 |
| Arabic Beginners | 2 |  | 3 | 3 |  |  |  |
| Arabic Continuers | 2 | 74 | 107 | 181 | 47 | 86 | 133 |
| Arabic Extension | 1 |  |  |  | 13 | 23 | 36 |
| Armenian Continuers | 2 |  | 2 | 2 |  | 2 | 2 |
| Automotive | 2 | 30 | 4 | 34 | 14 | 1 | 15 |
| Automotive | 4 | 2 |  | 2 | 2 |  | 2 |
| Automotive Examination (Mechanical Technology) | 2 |  |  |  | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Automotive Specialisation Study | 1 | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| Biology | 2 | 5,292 | 8,405 | 13,697 | 3,628 | 6,162 | 9,790 |
| Business and Economics Life Skills | 2 | 15 | 21 | 36 | 12 | 16 | 28 |
| Business Services | 2 | 366 | 909 | 1,275 | 247 | 699 | 946 |
| Business Services | 4 | 16 | 20 | 36 | 19 | 41 | 60 |
| Business Services Examination | 2 |  |  |  | 196 | 518 | 714 |
| Business Services Specialisation Study | 1 |  | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |
| Business Studies | 2 | 6,007 | 5,825 | 11,832 | 4,294 | 4,273 | 8,567 |
| Chemistry | 2 | 5,111 | 4,181 | 9,292 | 3,581 | 2,882 | 6,463 |
| Chinese Background Speakers | 2 | 327 | 405 | 732 | 216 | 310 | 526 |
| Chinese Beginners | 2 | 14 | 38 | 52 | 6 | 15 | 21 |
| Chinese Continuers | 2 | 11 | 25 | 36 | 11 | 24 | 35 |
| Chinese Extension | 1 |  |  |  | 4 | 1 | 5 |
| Citizenship and Legal Studies Life Skills | 2 | 40 | 25 | 65 | 49 | 29 | 78 |
| Classical Greek Continuers | 2 | 3 | 1 | 4 |  |  |  |
| Community and Family Studies | 2 | 670 | 6,245 | 6,915 | 375 | 4,579 | 4,954 |
| Community and Family Studies Life Skills | 2 | 60 | 87 | 147 | 23 | 87 | 110 |
| Community Pharmacy Specialisation Study | 2 |  | 2 | 2 |  | 1 | 1 |
| Construction | 2 | 3,153 | 132 | 3,285 | 1,929 | 53 | 1,982 |
| Construction | 4 | 74 | 3 | 77 | 44 | 8 | 52 |
| Construction Examination | 2 |  |  |  | 1,363 | 35 | 1,398 |
| Construction School-based Apprenticeship | 2 | 1 |  | 1 | 1 |  | 1 |
| Construction School-based Apprenticeship | 4 | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| Construction School-based Apprenticeship Specialisation | 2 |  |  |  | 1 |  | 1 |
| Creative Arts Life Skills | 2 | 301 | 141 | 442 | 233 | 134 | 367 |
| Croatian Continuers | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| Dance | 2 | 54 | 814 | 868 | 28 | 614 | 642 |
| Dance Life Skills | 2 | 5 | 13 | 18 | 3 | 7 | 10 |
| Design and Technology | 2 | 1,458 | 751 | 2,209 | 920 | 509 | 1,429 |
| Design and Technology Life Skills | 2 | 48 | 7 | 55 | 22 | 10 | 32 |
| Drama | 2 | 1,104 | 2,165 | 3,269 | 728 | 1,729 | 2,457 |
| Drama Life Skills | 2 | 25 | 18 | 43 | 18 | 26 | 44 |
| Earth and Environmental Science | 2 | 774 | 627 | 1,401 | 495 | 333 | 828 |
| Economics | 2 | 2,199 | 1,356 | 3,555 | 1,530 | 954 | 2,484 |
| Electrotechnology | 2 | 11 |  | 11 | 2 |  | 2 |
| Electrotechnology Examination | 2 |  |  |  | 2 |  | 2 |
| Engineering Studies | 2 | 2,139 | 148 | 2,287 | 1,419 | 86 | 1,505 |
| English (Advanced) | 2 | 6,251 | 9,126 | 15,377 | 4,975 | 7,703 | 12,678 |
| English (Standard) | 2 | 10,735 | 10,292 | 21,027 | 9,354 | 9,321 | 18,675 |
| English as a Second Language | 2 | 1,172 | 1,173 | 2,345 | 941 | 954 | 1,895 |
| English Extension | 1 | 1,380 | 2,322 | 3,702 |  |  |  |

Table 22
Course enrolments in Year 11 and Year 12 subjects in NSW government schools, 2015 (continued)

| Course Name | Units | Year 11 |  |  | Year 12 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total |
| English Extension 1 | 1 |  |  |  | 617 | 1,619 | 2,236 |
| English Extension 2 | 1 |  |  |  | 200 | 640 | 840 |
| English Life Skills | 2 | 1,083 | 485 | 1,568 | 793 | 492 | 1,285 |
| Entertainment Industry | 2 | 457 | 533 | 990 | 334 | 432 | 766 |
| Entertainment Industry | 4 |  |  |  | 1 |  | 1 |
| Entertainment Industry Examination | 2 |  |  |  | 255 | 370 | 625 |
| Filipino Continuers | 2 | 5 | 2 | 7 | 3 | 7 | 10 |
| Financial Services | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 |  | 1 | 1 |
| Financial Services Examination | 2 |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |
| Food Technology | 2 | 1,027 | 2,214 | 3,241 | 619 | 1,630 | 2,249 |
| Food Technology Life Skills | 2 | 288 | 137 | 425 | 161 | 120 | 281 |
| French Beginners | 2 | 174 | 607 | 781 | 83 | 367 | 450 |
| French Continuers | 2 | 100 | 267 | 367 | 50 | 172 | 222 |
| French Extension | 1 |  |  |  | 5 | 45 | 50 |
| Fundamentals of English | 2 | 259 | 248 | 507 |  |  |  |
| Fundamentals of English (Part 1) | 1 | 327 | 343 | 670 |  |  |  |
| Fundamentals of English (Part 2) | 1 | 5 | 21 | 26 |  |  |  |
| Geography | 2 | 1,534 | 1,192 | 2,726 | 1,042 | 824 | 1,866 |
| Geography Life Skills | 2 | 101 | 35 | 136 | 44 | 18 | 62 |
| German Beginners | 2 | 47 | 68 | 115 | 25 | 50 | 75 |
| German Continuers | 2 | 71 | 108 | 179 | 54 | 57 | 111 |
| German Extension | 1 |  |  |  | 6 | 14 | 20 |
| Heritage Chinese (Mandarin) | 2 | 24 | 68 | 92 | 14 | 78 | 92 |
| Heritage Indonesian | 2 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Heritage Japanese | 2 | 14 | 17 | 31 | 4 | 10 | 14 |
| Heritage Korean | 2 | 19 | 49 | 68 | 21 | 40 | 61 |
| Hindi Continuers | 2 | 6 | 7 | 13 | 4 | 13 | 17 |
| History Extension | 1 |  |  |  | 230 | 528 | 758 |
| History Life Skills | 2 | 123 | 51 | 174 | 79 | 29 | 108 |
| Hospitality | 2 | 2,229 | 4,803 | 7,032 | 1,403 | 3,481 | 4,884 |
| Hospitality | 4 | 62 | 140 | 202 | 62 | 96 | 158 |
| Hospitality Examination (Food and Beverage) | 2 |  |  |  | 528 | 1,539 | 2,067 |
| Hospitality Examination (Kitchen Operations and Cookery) | 2 |  |  |  | 566 | 1,390 | 1,956 |
| Hospitality Specialisation Study | 1 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 9 |
| Hospitality Specialisation Study | 2 |  | 2 | 2 | 18 | 36 | 54 |
| Human Services | 2 | 10 | 115 | 125 | 31 | 176 | 207 |
| Human Services | 4 | 3 | 16 | 19 |  |  |  |
| Human Services Examination | 2 |  |  |  | 16 | 90 | 106 |
| Human Society and its Environment Life Skills | 2 | 406 | 170 | 576 | 275 | 166 | 441 |
| Hungarian Continuers | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| IDT Examination (Digital Animation) | 2 |  |  |  | 14 |  | 14 |
| IDT Examination (Networking and Hardware) | 2 |  |  |  | 9 |  | 9 |
| IDT Examination (Web and Software Applications) | 2 |  |  |  | 434 | 99 | 533 |
| Indonesian Background Speakers | 2 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| Indonesian Beginners | 2 | 14 | 17 | 31 | 2 | 10 | 12 |
| Indonesian Continuers | 2 | 16 | 36 | 52 | 6 | 26 | 32 |
| Indonesian Extension | 1 |  |  |  | 1 | 7 | 8 |
| Industrial Technology | 2 | 5,369 | 826 | 6,195 | 3,220 | 481 | 3,701 |
| Industrial Technology Life Skills | 2 | 149 | 18 | 167 | 94 | 7 | 101 |
| Information and Digital Technology | 2 | 607 | 109 | 716 | 547 | 135 | 682 |
| Information and Digital Technology | 4 | 20 | 2 | 22 | 27 | 3 | 30 |
| Information and Digital Technology Specialisation Study | 1 | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| Information and Digital Technology Specialisation Study | 2 | 15 | 3 | 18 | 5 | 2 | 7 |
| Information and Digital Technology Specialisation Study | 3 | 10 |  | 10 | 9 | 2 | 11 |

Table 22
Course enrolments in Year 11 and Year 12 subjects in NSW government schools, 2015 (continued)

| Course Name | Units | Year 11 |  |  | Year 12 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total |
| Information Processes and Technology | 2 | 1,812 | 402 | 2,214 | 1,403 | 269 | 1,672 |
| Information Processes and Technology Life Skills | 2 | 47 | 11 | 58 | 33 | 6 | 39 |
| Italian Beginners | 2 | 109 | 282 | 391 | 39 | 136 | 175 |
| Italian Continuers | 2 | 25 | 58 | 83 | 11 | 53 | 64 |
| Italian Extension | 1 |  |  |  |  | 11 | 11 |
| Japanese Background Speakers | 2 | 3 | 10 | 13 | 8 | 5 | 13 |
| Japanese Beginners | 2 | 375 | 504 | 879 | 197 | 320 | 517 |
| Japanese Continuers | 2 | 214 | 395 | 609 | 163 | 290 | 453 |
| Japanese Extension | 1 |  |  |  | 54 | 102 | 156 |
| Khmer Continuers | 2 | 3 | 7 | 10 | 5 | 3 | 8 |
| Korean Background Speakers | 2 | 35 | 35 | 70 | 25 | 27 | 52 |
| Korean Continuers | 2 | 3 | 21 | 24 | 1 | 14 | 15 |
| Latin Continuers | 2 | 29 | 36 | 65 | 27 | 33 | 60 |
| Latin Extension | 1 |  |  |  | 20 | 25 | 45 |
| Legal Studies | 2 | 3,100 | 4,897 | 7,997 | 2,319 | 3,568 | 5,887 |
| Macedonian Continuers | 2 | 5 | 12 | 17 | 7 | 5 | 12 |
| Mathematics | 2 | 7,048 | 6,066 | 13,114 | 4,683 | 4,086 | 8,769 |
| Mathematics Extension | 1 | 3,744 | 2,972 | 6,716 |  |  |  |
| Mathematics Extension 1 | 2 |  |  |  | 2,950 | 2,209 | 5,159 |
| Mathematics Extension 2 | 2 |  |  |  | 1,309 | 796 | 2,105 |
| Mathematics General | 2 | 12,930 | 12,201 | 25,131 |  |  |  |
| Mathematics General 2 | 2 |  |  |  | 8,749 | 8,943 | 17,692 |
| Mathematics Life Skills | 2 | 1,067 | 469 | 1,536 | 755 | 468 | 1,223 |
| Metal and Engineering | 2 | 1,402 | 49 | 1,451 | 752 | 24 | 776 |
| Metal and Engineering | 4 | 24 | 2 | 26 | 46 | 1 | 47 |
| Metal and Engineering Examination | 2 |  |  |  | 529 | 17 | 546 |
| Metal and Engineering SBA Specialisation | 2 |  |  |  | 1 |  | 1 |
| Metal and Engineering School-based Apprenticeship | 2 | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| Metal and Engineering Specialisation Study | 2 | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  |
| Modern Greek Beginners | 2 | 25 | 26 | 51 | 5 | 20 | 25 |
| Modern Greek Continuers | 2 | 21 | 29 | 50 | 12 | 35 | 47 |
| Modern Greek Extension | 1 |  |  |  | 4 | 18 | 22 |
| Modern History | 2 | 3,633 | 3,946 | 7,579 | 2,664 | 3,196 | 5,860 |
| Music 1 | 2 | 2,022 | 1,953 | 3,975 | 1,493 | 1,451 | 2,944 |
| Music 2 | 2 | 205 | 265 | 470 | 175 | 188 | 363 |
| Music Extension | 1 |  |  |  | 111 | 124 | 235 |
| Music Life Skills | 2 | 75 | 36 | 111 | 69 | 47 | 116 |
| Persian Background Speakers | 2 | 18 | 17 | 35 | 14 | 10 | 24 |
| Personal Development, Health \& PE Life Skills | 2 | 791 | 327 | 1,118 | 553 | 313 | 866 |
| Personal Development, Health and Physical Education | 2 | 5,066 | 5,881 | 10,947 | 3,680 | 4,511 | 8,191 |
| Physics | 2 | 5,775 | 1,753 | 7,528 | 4,462 | 1,255 | 5,717 |
| Polish Continuers | 2 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 8 |
| Portuguese Continuers | 2 |  | 5 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Primary Industries | 2 | 783 | 422 | 1,205 | 450 | 339 | 789 |
| Primary Industries | 4 | 26 | 5 | 31 | 22 | 11 | 33 |
| Primary Industries Examination | 2 |  |  |  | 341 | 270 | 611 |
| Primary Industries Specialisation Study | 1 |  |  |  | 5 | 6 | 11 |
| Primary Industries Specialisation Study | 2 | 24 | 3 | 27 | 29 | 8 | 37 |
| Punjabi Continuers | 2 | 5 | 7 | 12 |  |  |  |
| Retail Operations Extension | 1 |  |  |  | 1 | 5 | 6 |
| Retail Services | 2 | 546 | 1,158 | 1,704 | 461 | 1,090 | 1,551 |
| Retail Services | 4 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 26 | 27 | 53 |
| Retail Services Examination | 2 |  |  |  | 339 | 752 | 1,091 |
| Russian Continuers | 2 | 18 | 17 | 35 | 9 | 11 | 20 |
| Science Life Skills | 2 | 539 | 255 | 794 | 345 | 218 | 563 |

Table 22
Course enrolments in Year 11 and Year 12 subjects in NSW government schools, 2015 (continued)

| Course Name | Units | Year 11 |  |  | Year 12 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Boys | Girls | Total | Boys | Girls | Total |
| Senior Science | 2 | 1,773 | 1,412 | 3,185 | 2,191 | 1,889 | 4,080 |
| Serbian Continuers | 2 | 8 | 7 | 15 | 5 | 7 | 12 |
| Society and Culture | 2 | 1,107 | 3,936 | 5,043 | 607 | 2,471 | 3,078 |
| Society and Culture Life Skills | 2 | 25 | 20 | 45 | 13 | 9 | 22 |
| Software Design and Development | 2 | 1,706 | 179 | 1,885 | 1,065 | 69 | 1,134 |
| Spanish Beginners | 2 | 44 | 146 | 190 | 27 | 95 | 122 |
| Spanish Continuers | 2 | 31 | 50 | 81 | 26 | 61 | 87 |
| Spanish Extension | 1 |  |  |  | 8 | 20 | 28 |
| Studies of Religion I | 1 | 309 | 361 | 670 | 113 | 215 | 328 |
| Studies of Religion I Life Skills | 1 |  | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |
| Studies of Religion II | 2 | 219 | 901 | 1,120 | 143 | 678 | 821 |
| Studies of Religion II Life Skills | 2 |  | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Swedish Continuers | 2 |  | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |
| Tamil Continuers | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| Technology Life Skills | 2 | 333 | 147 | 480 | 256 | 127 | 383 |
| Textiles and Design | 2 | 35 | 1,354 | 1,389 | 21 | 1,020 | 1,041 |
| Textiles and Design Life Skills | 2 | 2 | 16 | 18 | 1 | 12 | 13 |
| Tourism, Travel and Events | 2 | 3 | 17 | 20 | 1 | 12 | 13 |
| Tourism, Travel and Events Examination | 2 |  |  |  |  | 2 | 2 |
| Turkish Continuers | 2 | 8 | 43 | 51 | 6 | 15 | 21 |
| Ukrainian Continuers | 2 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Vietnamese Continuers | 2 | 65 | 84 | 149 | 59 | 85 | 144 |
| Visual Arts | 2 | 2,165 | 4,983 | 7,148 | 1,462 | 3,905 | 5,367 |
| Visual Arts Life Skills | 2 | 238 | 135 | 373 | 149 | 132 | 281 |
| Work and the Community Life Skills | 2 | 743 | 322 | 1,065 | 500 | 347 | 847 |

Source: Department of Education, data derived from Board of Studies, Teaching and Education Standards data.

## Notes:

- Based on school of tuition, board developed courses only, and includes subjects studied through distance education, the Open High School and Saturday School of Community Languages.

Table 23
Apparent retention in NSW government schools, 2005-2015

| Year | Year 7-10 |  |  | Year 7-11 |  |  | Year 7-12 |  |  | Year 10-11 |  |  | Year 10-12 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Boy | Girl | Total | Boy | Girl | Total | Boy | Girl | Total | Boy | Girl | Total | Boy | Girl | Total |
| 2005 | 94.8 | 95.4 | 95.1 | 72.5 | 83.2 | 77.7 | 61.5 | 73.0 | 67.2 | 76.5 | 86.6 | 81.4 | 64.2 | 75.9 | 69.9 |
| 2006 | 95.2 | 95.8 | 95.5 | 73.1 | 83.1 | 78.0 | 60.5 | 72.5 | 66.4 | 77.1 | 87.1 | 82.0 | 63.9 | 75.5 | 69.6 |
| 2007 | 96.0 | 96.6 | 96.3 | 73.9 | 83.8 | 78.7 | 60.0 | 71.5 | 65.7 | 77.6 | 87.5 | 82.4 | 63.3 | 75.0 | 69.1 |
| 2008 | 96.6 | 96.6 | 96.6 | 73.9 | 84.0 | 78.8 | 60.3 | 72.0 | 66.0 | 77.0 | 86.9 | 81.9 | 63.3 | 75.2 | 69.1 |
| 2009 | 95.6 | 97.4 | 96.5 | 77.3 | 85.1 | 81.1 | 61.5 | 73.9 | 67.6 | 80.0 | 88.1 | 84.0 | 64.1 | 76.5 | 70.2 |
| 2010 | 99.4 | 100.2 | 99.8 | 81.1 | 89.7 | 85.3 | 64.9 | 74.8 | 69.7 | 84.8 | 92.2 | 88.4 | 67.1 | 77.4 | 72.2 |
| 2011 | 102.2 | 102.4 | 102.3 | 83.3 | 91.3 | 87.2 | 66.1 | 77.6 | 71.7 | 83.7 | 91.1 | 87.3 | 69.1 | 79.7 | 74.3 |
| 2012 | 101.4 | 102.8 | 102.1 | 86.1 | 93.3 | 89.6 | 66.9 | 77.4 | 72.0 | 84.3 | 91.0 | 87.6 | 67.3 | 77.3 | 72.2 |
| 2013 | 102.0 | 102.1 | 102.0 | 88.1 | 94.6 | 91.3 | 69.0 | 79.7 | 74.3 | 86.9 | 92.0 | 89.4 | 67.6 | 77.8 | 72.6 |
| 2014 | 103.0 | 103.2 | 103.1 | 89.3 | 94.9 | 92.1 | 70.9 | 81.2 | 75.9 | 87.6 | 92.9 | 90.2 | 69.9 | 79.0 | 74.4 |
| 2015 | 103.3 | 103.9 | 103.6 | 90.2 | 95.9 | 93.0 | 71.3 | 80.7 | 75.9 | 87.6 | 93.0 | 90.2 | 70.0 | 79.0 | 74.4 |

## Notes:

- Apparent retention is based on full-time equivalent units (FTEs), including full-time and part-time students. Students enrolled in distance education classes are included with their appropriate grade levels.
- Legislation raising the minimum school leaving age from 15 to 17 came into effect in January 2010. The Year 12 cohort in 2012 was the first group of students who were required to complete Year 10. This meant that the Year 10 enrolment figure was higher than in previous years, resulting in a relative decline in Year 10 to Year 12 apparent retention in 2012, despite the Year 7 to Year 12 apparent retention rate increasing slightly.
- See explanatory note 9

Figure 6
Apparent retention (\%) in NSW government schools, 2005-2015


Table 24
NSW government school HSC completions, Year 12 students only, 2005-2015

| Number of Students | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| HSC Record of Achievement (All Students) | 38,175 | 37,739 | 38,275 | 38,815 | 39,164 | 41,347 | 41,987 | 42,452 | 43,694 | 44,511 | 45,000 |
| HSC Record of Achievement (Aboriginal Students) | 626 | 646 | 736 | 824 | 906 | 991 | 1,082 | 1,242 | 1,381 | 1,386 | 1,366 |
| HSC Award (All Students) | 35,917 | 35,460 | 35,854 | 36,468 | 36,465 | 38,181 | 38,661 | 38,774 | 38,908 | 39,340 | 39,312 |
| HSC Award (Aboriginal Students) | 574 | 603 | 674 | 755 | 815 | 862 | 919 | 1,061 | 1,150 | 1,139 | 1,097 |

## Notes:

- HSC Record of Achievement includes all students who received an HSC Award.
- HSC Record of Achievement includes students who participated in HSC pathways.
- HSC pathways offer a flexible program for students to complete the HSC over a period of up to five years. The pathways provisions include accumulating courses, repeating courses, acceleration, recognition of prior learning, and combining study with part-time traineeships or apprenticeships.
- Bradfield college included.
- See explanatory note 13.

Table 25
Schools attendance rates by Aboriginality and year level, 2015

| Grade | Semester 1 (\%) |  |  | Semester 2 (\%) |  |  | Full Year (\%) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Aboriginal | NonAboriginal | All <br> Students | Aboriginal | NonAboriginal | All <br> Students | Aboriginal | NonAboriginal | All Students |
| Year 1 | 90.2 | 94.1 | 93.8 | 88.3 | 92.3 | 92.0 | 89.3 | 93.3 | 93.0 |
| Year 2 | 90.6 | 94.3 | 94.0 | 88.7 | 92.5 | 92.3 | 89.7 | 93.5 | 93.2 |
| Year 3 | 90.4 | 94.4 | 94.1 | 88.6 | 92.5 | 92.2 | 89.6 | 93.5 | 93.3 |
| Year 4 | 90.4 | 94.3 | 94.0 | 88.3 | 92.5 | 92.2 | 89.4 | 93.5 | 93.2 |
| Year 5 | 90.2 | 94.3 | 94.0 | 88.4 | 92.5 | 92.2 | 89.4 | 93.5 | 93.2 |
| Year 6 | 89.9 | 93.8 | 93.5 | 87.5 | 91.9 | 91.6 | 88.8 | 92.9 | 92.7 |
| Primary Support | 87.8 | 91.0 | 90.5 | 85.5 | 89.3 | 88.7 | 86.8 | 90.3 | 89.7 |
| Primary Total | 90.2 | 94.1 | 93.9 | 88.2 | 92.3 | 92.0 | 89.3 | 93.3 | 93.0 |
| Year 7 | 86.0 | 93.3 | 92.7 | 82.1 | 90.9 | 90.2 | 84.2 | 92.2 | 91.6 |
| Year 8 | 82.6 | 91.3 | 90.6 | 79.4 | 89.6 | 88.8 | 81.1 | 90.5 | 89.8 |
| Year 9 | 79.2 | 90.1 | 89.3 | 75.6 | 88.1 | 87.2 | 77.6 | 89.2 | 88.4 |
| Year 10 | 74.4 | 88.7 | 87.7 | 71.5 | 86.7 | 85.7 | 73.2 | 87.8 | 86.8 |
| Secondary Support | 75.2 | 85.2 | 83.5 | 74.1 | 83.5 | 81.9 | 74.7 | 84.4 | 82.8 |
| Secondary Total | 80.2 | 90.6 | 89.8 | 77.0 | 88.6 | 87.7 | 78.8 | 89.7 | 88.9 |
| Yr1 - Yr10 (Inc. Support) | 86.5 | 92.9 | 92.4 | 84.1 | 91.0 | 90.5 | 85.4 | 92.1 | 91.6 |

## Notes:

- The attendance data are for full-time, Year 1-10 students only (including Support).
- All students in Years 1 to 10 in NSW government schools are regarded as full-time
- Ungraded students in NSW Government Schools are classified as either primary or secondary according to their level of education.
- For more detailed analysis of Semester 1 school attendance, please refer to CESE Bulletin Issue $\mathbf{1 5}$ - Government School Student Attendance 2015 (Semester 1)
- See explanatory note 11.

Figure 7
Full year attendance rates (\%) in NSW government schools, Aboriginal, non-Aboriginal and all students, Years 1-10, 2015


## Explanatory Notes

Each year the education departments of all states and territories in Australia, and the Australian Government Department of Education and Training collect data on government and non-government schools, and their students. Since 1994 the date for collection has been the first Friday in August, as close as possible with the national Census of Population and Housing conducted every five years. The 2015 census of NSW Government schools was conducted on August 7th. Initial results were published in CESE Bulletin Issue 16, Inbrief Mid-year Census, 2015.

In 1996, there were changes to the collection dates for some of the information reported in this bulletin. Data on students by age, gender and year of schooling, for all students and for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, are collected at the mid-year census. Data on students of non-English speaking background are collected in Term 1.

This Bulletin consolidates data from the Department's Term 1 and midyear data collections. It also reports on nongovernment data collected by the Australian Government Department of Education and Training.

Government and non-government school data form part of the National Schools Statistics Collection which is reported annually by the Australian Bureau of Statistics in Schools Australia (Catalogue No. 4221.0).

## 1. Primary and Secondary Schools

Primary schools enrol students in Kindergarten to Year 6; secondary schools generally enrol students in Years 7 to 12, although some secondary schools only enrol students in the senior years, i.e. Years 11 to 12 or the junior years, i.e. Years 7 to 10 .

## 2. Central/Community Schools

Central/community schools have primary and secondary departments and may be established where there is an enrolment in secondary classes of 20 or more. Enrolments in primary departments and secondary departments are included with the appropriate student data.

## 3. Schools for Specific Purposes

Schools for specific purposes (SSPs) are for students with specific needs. Students in SSPs are reported according to the type of specific need rather than by their year of schooling. Students with multiple disabilities are reported according to their main disability.

Most schools for specific purposes have permanent enrolments and include schools for students with intellectual (mild, moderate and severe) and physical disabilities, visual or hearing impairment, behaviour disorders or emotional disturbance, and students in juvenile justice centres. Some SSPs have no permanent enrolments because the children temporarily attending them are enrolled and counted in their own schools. These are mainly hospital schools.

## 4. Support Classes

Some students with specific needs are enrolled in support classes in primary, secondary and central schools. Students enrolled in support classes are reported according to the type of specific need rather than by their year of schooling. Support classes for students of mixed abilities are classified according to the predominant type of specific need present in the class. Support class enrolments are included with other primary and secondary enrolments in some tables; other tables combine enrolments in support classes in ordinary schools with enrolments in SSPs.

## 5. Distance Education

Distance education centres (DECs) provide schooling for students who are isolated or whose special circumstances prevent them from attending a regular school. They operate either as separate schools or as units within regular primary, central and high schools. Students enrolled in DECs are counted in their corresponding years of schooling.

In conjunction with the Open High School, DECs also provide individual subject enrolment, widening study opportunities for secondary students. These students are enrolled and counted at their home schools.

## 6. Part-time Students

Students in Years 11 or 12 can enrol to study as a part-time student or a full-time student. For the annual census, a parttime student is enrolled in less than 10 units, regardless of where those units are studied. All Kindergarten to Year 10 students are considered to be full-time.

## 7. Full-time Equivalent Enrolments

Following the introduction of part-time study in secondary schools in 1993, student enrolments are generally reported in full-time equivalent units (FTE). The FTE for students studying less than 10 units, the minimum workload, is determined by the formula: $0.1 \times$ the number of units studied and represented as a proportion of the full-time enrolment of 1.0 FTE.

## 8. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students

Students are counted as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders (A\&TSI) if they are identified and accepted as such by the community with which they are associated, and they identify themselves on the School Enrolment Form.

## 9. Apparent Retention Rates (ARR)

Retention rates are 'apparent' as they do not track individual students through their final years of secondary schooling. What they measure is the ratio of the total number of full-time school students in a designated year (e.g. Year 12 in 2015) divided by the total number of full-time students in a previous
year (e.g. Year 7 in 2010). This would be the Year 7 to 12 apparent retention rate in 2015.

Care should be taken in the interpretation of apparent retention rates, which can exceed $100 \%$, because the method of calculation does not take into account a range of factors such as migration, interstate movements of students, transfers to and from non-government schools, part-time schooling, students repeating a year of schooling, or students pursuing other education and training pathways.

## 10. Students of Language Background other than English (LBOTE)

Students are counted as being of language background other than English if in their home a language other than English is spoken by the students, parents or guardians.

## 11. Attendance

Government school systems in Australia measure attendance rates throughout the first semester (terms 1 and 2). This is the time period specified for data collection in National Education Agreements between the Commonwealth and state and territory governments. Schools for Special Purposes' attendance data is not collected.

The attendance rate is defined as the number of actual full time equivalent 'student days attended' over the collection period as a percentage of the total number of possible student days attended over the collection period (Measurement Framework for Schooling in Australia KPM 7(b)).

## 12. Class Size

The audit of class sizes in NSW government primary schools is undertaken in March each year. The audit does not include schools for specific purposes, distance education centres or intensive English centres.

The number of classes, average class sizes and enrolment numbers exclude support classes in primary and central schools.

## 13. Higher School Certificate (HSC)

The Higher School Certificate is the highest educational award in secondary education in New South Wales. It is awarded to students who have satisfactorily completed Years 11 and 12 at secondary school. To be eligible, students must meet HSC course requirements and sit for the statewide HSC examinations.

## 14. Colleges

The secondary schools in some areas have been transformed into colleges in order to provide broader opportunities and better facilities for students. A college is the amalgamation of all the secondary schools within a specific area. Each former secondary school has become a campus of their college. A senior college campus is generally for students in Years 11 and 12 but in some cases, may include Year 10 students. The
colleges have formed cooperative ventures with TAFE Institutes and universities. They offer a wide range of options from specialist senior Higher School Certificate courses to school re-entry courses.

## 15. Family Occupation and Education Index

The Family Occupation and Education Index (FOEI) is a schoollevel index of educational disadvantage related to socioeconomic background. It has been selected as the basis of the equity loading for socio-economic background in the Department's Resource Allocation Model.

FOEI is constructed from parental education and occupation information collected from student enrolment forms and recorded in the Enrolment Registration Number system. FOEI uses a statistical regression model to produce a weighted combination of school-level parental education and occupation variables based on the extent to which each variable uniquely predicts average school performance.

## 16. Statistical Area 4 Groupings

Previous publications of the Statistical Bulletin compared enrolments in DEC regions. From 2014 these geographies have been discontinued and replaced with a geographical structure based on the new ABS Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS). Groups of ASGS Statistical Area 4 (SA4) boundaries in New South Wales have been combined into 11 groups for reporting and publication of Department data.

| Name of SA4 Groupings | SA4 Name |
| :---: | :---: |
| Sydney-North | ```Sydney - North Sydney and Hornsby, Sydney - Northern Beaches, Sydney - Ryde``` |
| Sydney-Inner | ```Sydney - City and Inner South, Sydney - Eastern Suburbs, Sydney - Inner West``` |
| Sydney-South | » Sydney - Inner South West, <br> » Sydney - Sutherland |
| Sydney-South West | » Sydney - Outer South West, <br> » Sydney - South West |
| Sydney-West | » Sydney - Blacktown, <br> » Sydney - Parramatta |
| Sydney-North West | » Sydney - Baulkham Hills and Hawkesbury, <br> » Sydney - Outer West and Blue Mountains |
| North East NSW | » Coffs Harbour - Grafton, <br> » Mid North Coast, <br> » Richmond - Tweed |
| North West NSW | » Hunter Valley exc Newcastle, <br> » Far West and Orana, <br> » New England and North West |
| South West NSW | » Central West, <br> » Murray, <br> » Riverina |
| South East NSW | Capital Region, <br> Illawarra, <br> Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven |
| Central Coast, Newcastle | » Central Coast, <br> » Newcastle and <br> » Lake Macquarie |



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