

Reference No. 13.4

SCHOOL ENROLMENTS 1974 (PRELIMINARY)

MAIN FEATURES

- In 1974 the total number of students enrolled in Australian schools was 2,876,373. This represents an increase of 22,962 (0.8%) over the previous year.
- Of the total, 2,257,847 (78%) were enrolled in government schools and 618,526 (22%) were enrolled in non-government schools.
- 1,811,181 students (63% of the total) were enrolled in primary grades, 1,062,875 (37%) in secondary grades and 2,317 were not classifiable as either primary or secondary.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

This statement contains preliminary summary

statistics of the number of students enrolled in government and non-government schools in Australia at the schools censuses in August 1974. More detailed statistics will be published at a later date in the annual bulletin *Schools 1974* (Reference No. 13.5).

2. The scope and definition of statistics in this statement are as shown in the explanatory notes to *Schools 1973* (Reference No. 13.5) which was published in October 1974. A diagram illustrating the grading systems in Australia is also contained in that bulletin.

3. Additional information can be found in publications of the Deputy Commonwealth Statistician in each State, various publications of the Department of Education, and in the annual reports of the State Education Departments.

TABLE 1. - STUDENTS, BY CATEGORY OF SCHOOL, IN PRIMARY, SECONDARY AND UNCLASSIFIABLE GRADES, STATES AND TERRITORIES (a), 1974

	Government			Non-government			All schools		
	Primary	Secondary	Not classifiable (b)	Primary	Secondary	Not classifiable (b)	Primary	Secondary	Total
N.S.W.	490,660	286,897	..	128,257	90,843	..	618,917	377,740	996,657
Vic.	375,692	232,985	..	109,833	86,587	..	485,525	319,572	805,097
Qld	222,054	98,170	..	54,544	37,317	..	276,598	135,487	412,085
S.A.	152,901	79,578	..	22,399	16,494	..	175,300	96,072	271,372
W.A.	128,209	59,369	1,336	25,091	18,108	..	153,300	77,477	232,113
Tas.	48,066	29,347	973	7,581	6,426	8	55,647	35,773	92,401
N.T.	15,190	3,762	..	2,958	364	..	18,148	4,126	22,274
A.C.T.	20,975	11,683	..	6,771	4,945	..	27,746	16,628	44,374
Australia - 1974	1,453,747	801,791	2,309	357,434	261,084	8	1,811,181	1,062,875	2,874,056
1973	1,450,082	788,220	2,340	358,592	254,164	13	1,808,674	1,042,384	2,851,058
1972	1,453,483	773,286	2,172	364,862	247,131	17	1,818,345	1,020,417	2,838,762

(a) Owing to differences in the number of years of primary and secondary schooling, the statistics are not comparable between States and Territories. (b) Students at special schools not classifiable as primary or secondary students.

TABLE 2. - STUDENTS AT GOVERNMENT AND NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS : STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1970 TO 1974

	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974
GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS					
New South Wales	760,092	771,392	779,854	776,799	777,557
Victoria	585,440	593,933	602,614	605,644	608,677
Queensland	295,543	299,876	306,570	314,779	320,224
South Australia	228,788	231,440	232,812	231,786	232,479
Western Australia	174,024	179,889	183,539	185,220	188,914
Tasmania	77,447	78,164	78,212	77,991	78,386
Northern Territory	13,790	15,168	16,799	17,984	18,952
Australian Capital Territory	25,053	26,709	28,541	30,439	32,658
<i>Australia</i>	<i>2,160,177</i>	<i>2,196,571</i>	<i>2,228,941</i>	<i>2,240,642</i>	<i>2,257,847</i>
NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS					
New South Wales	221,533	222,195	221,400	219,918	219,100
Victoria	191,028	191,215	192,155	193,437	196,420
Queensland	89,856	90,719	91,012	90,650	91,861
South Australia	37,387	37,876	37,689	37,962	38,893
Western Australia	41,944	42,113	42,298	42,578	43,199
Tasmania	14,399	14,147	13,791	13,852	14,015
Northern Territory	2,728	2,921	3,076	3,087	3,322
Australian Capital Territory	9,181	9,888	10,589	11,285	11,716
<i>Australia</i>	<i>608,056</i>	<i>611,074</i>	<i>612,010</i>	<i>612,769</i>	<i>618,526</i>
ALL SCHOOLS					
New South Wales	981,625	993,587	1,001,254	996,717	996,657
Victoria	776,468	785,148	794,769	799,081	805,097
Queensland	385,399	390,595	397,582	405,429	412,085
South Australia	266,175	269,316	270,501	269,748	271,372
Western Australia	215,968	222,002	225,837	227,798	232,113
Tasmania	91,846	92,311	92,003	91,843	92,401
Northern Territory	16,518	18,089	19,875	21,071	22,274
Australian Capital Territory	34,234	36,597	39,130	41,724	44,374
<i>Australia</i>	<i>2,768,233</i>	<i>2,807,645</i>	<i>2,840,951</i>	<i>2,853,411</i>	<i>2,876,373</i>

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