

Caveats for 2024 Year 12 results

These caveats reflect differences in rules and definitions for reporting on senior secondary certificates in the various states and territories. More detailed information is available on the [Australasian Curriculum, Assessment and Certification Authorities \(ACACA\)](https://www.acara.edu.au) website.

Senior secondary measures	
Senior secondary certificate awarded	The number of students for each school who left at the end of 2024 having fulfilled the requirements for a senior secondary certificate issued by an ACACA in the relevant state or territory.
Completed senior secondary school	The number of students for each school who left at the end 2024 having completed the equivalent of two or more years post Year 10 studies (not necessarily full-time nor consecutive) who are eligible for a statement of results, or a record of achievements.

New South Wales ¹	
Senior secondary certificate awarded	Students awarded the NSW Higher School Certificate in the specified year, who did not have an enrolment in any NSW school on March 31 of the following calendar year.
Completed senior secondary school	Students awarded the NSW Higher School Certificate or the NSW Record of School Achievement identifying completion of at least one HSC course, who did not have an enrolment in any NSW school on March 31 of the following calendar year.

Victoria	
Senior secondary certificate awarded	<p>For Victorian schools, these are students who have satisfactorily completed the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) including the VCE Vocational Major (VM), and who did not have an enrolment in the following year¹.</p> <p>For further information about the VCE and VCE VM, visit the VCAA website: https://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/Pages/HomePage.aspx</p> <p>¹Enrolments in the following year (2024) were accurate as at 3 May 2024.</p> <p>Note 1: Students who completed the Victorian Pathways Certificate have been excluded from the data as VPC is a foundation secondary certificate and not a senior secondary certificate.</p> <p>Note 2: Includes full-fee-paying students from overseas.</p>
Completed senior secondary school	

Queensland ²	
Senior secondary certificate awarded	<p>This count:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> represents total Year 12 students awarded a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) at the end of Year 12. The QCE is Queensland's senior school qualification, which is awarded to eligible students, usually at the end of Year 12. It recognises broad learning options and offers flexibility in what, where and when learning occurs. includes full-fee-paying international students.
Completed senior secondary school	<p>This count:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> represents total Year 12 students that satisfied the completion requirements for Year 12 in Queensland and were issued with a Senior Statement at the end of Year 12. The Senior Statement is a transcript of the learning account for all students completing Year 12 at a Queensland school. It shows all studies and the results achieved that may contribute to the award of a QCE. includes full-fee-paying international students.

South Australia ¹	
Senior secondary certificate awarded	This measure includes those students who were enrolled in 2024 and achieved their South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE). These students may or may not have returned to study in the following year.
Completed senior secondary school	This measure includes those students who were enrolled in 2024 but not in 2025. These students did not undertake any further South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE) study in 2025.

Western Australia ²	
Senior secondary certificate awarded	The measure represents the number of Year 12 students who left school at the end of 2024 and who had completed the requirements of the Western Australian Certificate of Education. It does not include international students.
Completed senior secondary school	The measure represents the number of full time Year 12 students who left school at the end of 2024, completed two years of study post year 10 and who received a final statement of student achievement. It does not include international students.

Tasmania	
Senior secondary certificate awarded	The number of Year 12/13 students in 2024, who were aged 15-19 and an Australian citizen, having met the standards required for the award of the Tasmanian Certificate of Education.
Completed senior secondary school	The number of Year 12/13 students in 2024, who were aged 15-19 and an Australian citizen, having received a formal statement showing one or more results in senior secondary courses and/or VET.

Northern Territory ²	
Senior secondary certificate awarded	<p>1. Number of students who attained the Northern Territory Certificate of Education and Training (NTCET) in the reporting year. This includes students who were not in Year 12 but nevertheless satisfied all the requirements for conferral of the NTCET.</p> <p>2 Students who were dual-enrolled in a home school and the Northern Territory School of Distance Education (NTSDE) are attributed to the attainment figures of home school rather than NTSDE. This is applicable to both the calculation of NTCET completers and potential NTCET completers</p>
Completed senior secondary school	<p>Number of students registered with the SACE Board of South Australia as potential Northern Territory Certificate of Education and Training (NTCET) completers for the reporting year.</p> <p>2. Students who were dual-enrolled in a home school and the Northern Territory School of Distance Education (NTSDE) are attributed to the attainment figures of home school rather than NTSDE. This is applicable to both the calculation of NTCET completers and potential NTCET completers</p>

Australian Capital Territory	
Senior secondary certificate awarded	Incorporates all students who received an ACT Senior Secondary Certificate at the end of the year.
Completed senior secondary school	Includes students who received an ACT Senior Secondary Certificate and those who were undertaking year 12 studies at the end of the year but did not meet the requirements for a Senior Secondary Certificate.

¹ Any age, any residential/citizen status.

² Students aged 15 to 19 as at 31 December for that calendar year.