

Caveats for 2009 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 \(ACACA\)](http://www.acaca.edu.au) website.

Senior secondary measures	
Senior secondary certificate awarded	The number of students for each school who left at the end of the specified year having fulfilled the requirements for a senior secondary certificate issued by a Board of Studies in the relevant state or territory.
Completed senior secondary school	The number of students for each school who left at the end of the specified year 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 ²	
Senior secondary certificate awarded	Students awarded the NSW Higher School Certificate in the specified year and who did not have an enrolment the following year at the same school.
Completed senior secondary school	Students awarded any Year 12 credential in the specified year (Record of Achievement or Higher School Certificate) and who did not have an enrolment the following year at the same school. A Record of Achievement is awarded for the completion of one or more courses in Year 12.

Victoria	
Senior secondary certificate awarded	For Victorian Schools, these are students who have completed either a Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) and/or Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL) at the intermediate and/or senior level(s).
Completed senior secondary school	For Victorian Schools, these are students who were eligible to complete a Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) and/or Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL) at the intermediate and/or senior level(s).

Queensland ¹	
Senior secondary certificate awarded	Incorporates all students including international, fee paying and visa students. This measure represents students who left school at the end of the specified year having completed Year 12 or equivalent. These students received a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) or Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement (QCIA).
Completed senior secondary school	The measure incorporates all students including international, fee paying and visa students. This represents school-aged students who left school at the end of the specified year having completed Year 12 or equivalent. Students received a Senior Statement.

South Australia ²	
Senior secondary certificate awarded	This measure includes those students who had an enrolment in the specified year. These students may or may not have returned to study in the following year.
Completed senior secondary school	This measure includes those students who had an enrolment in the specified year but no enrolment in the following year. These students did not undertake any further SACE study in the following year.

Western Australia ¹	
Senior secondary certificate awarded	The measure represents the number of Year 12 students who left school at the end of the specified year and who had completed the requirements of the Western Australian Certificate of Education. It does not include international, full fee paying or mature aged students.
Completed senior secondary school	The measure represents the number of full time Year 12 students who left school at the end of the specified year, completed 2 years of study post year 10 and who received a final statement of results. It does not include international, full fee paying or mature aged students.

Tasmania ²	
Senior secondary certificate awarded	<p>Providers are only included if they have at least 10 students in the Year 12 outcomes or in the VET outcomes.</p> <p>Count of students shown in Tasmanian Qualifications Authority (TQA) records as finishing year 12 or year 13 in the specified year at this provider and receiving a formal statement showing one or more results in senior secondary courses and/or VET.</p> <p>The accuracy and completeness of this measure depend on the accuracy and completeness of information sent to the TQA by providers.</p>
Completed senior secondary school	Count of students (any age, any residential/citizen status) shown in TQA records as finishing year 12 or year 13 in the specified year at this provider having completed the equivalent of two years full-time post-year 10 education and training. The accuracy and completeness of this measure depends on the accuracy and completeness of information sent to the TQA by providers.

Northern Territory ¹	
Senior secondary certificate awarded	The term 'left school at the end of the specified year' is defined as a student with a Northern Territory Certificate of Education (NTCE) enrolment in that year and no NTCE enrolments in the following year.
Completed senior secondary school	Number of students for each school who left at the end of the specified calendar year having completed the equivalent of 'two or more years post Year 10 studies' has been defined as a student whose sum of Northern Territory Certificate of Education (NTCE) enrolments for the prior year is greater than the sum of their NTCE enrolments for the specified year.

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

¹ Students aged 15 to 19 as at 31 December for that calendar year.

² Any age, any residential/citizen status.