**FEE-FREE TAFE ENROLMENT DATA1**

Through the Fee-Free TAFE Skills Agreement, the Commonwealth Government has partnered with states and territories to deliver over $1.5 billion funding for 500,000 Fee-Free TAFE and vocational education and training (VET) places across Australia over 2023 to 2026. Since January 2023 to 30 September 2024, Fee-Free TAFE has:

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|  | **National total** | **NSW** | **Vic.** | **Qld.** | **WA** | **SA** | **Tas.** | **NT** | **ACT** |
| **Total enrolments** | 568,451 | 249,812 | 108,488 | 109,088 | 70,256 | 18,205 | 6,416 | 2,430 | 3,756 |

Note: Comparisons should not be made between each state and territories’ enrolment data due to their varied implementation approaches.

**Top Priority Sector Enrolments**

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|  | **National Enrolments** |
| **Agriculture** | 22,114 |
| **Care** | 150,985 |
| **Construction** | 39,231 |
| **Early Childhood Education and Care** | 40,766 |
| **Technology and Digital** | 54,795 |

**Key Demographic Enrolments**

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|  | **National Enrolments** |
| **Young people under 24** | 192,202 |
| **First Nations Australians** | 34,122 |
| **Job seeker (includes unemployed, income support recipients, and those at risk of unemployment** | 139,928 |
| **Language other than English spoken at home** | 124,667 |

**Enrolments by Gender**

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|  | **National Enrolments** |
| **Female** | 354,070 |
| **Male** | 210,644 |
| **Non-binary / other / unspecified** | 3,737 |

1 Source: DEWR analysis for state and territory Fee-Free TAFE data reported under Part 3 of the Fee-Free TAFE Skills Agreement.

**Age Enrolments**

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|  | **National Enrolments** |
| **Under 17** | 7,812 |
| **17-24** | 184,390 |
| **25-34** | 141,386 |
| **35-44** | 125,561 |
| **45-54** | 74,123 |
| **55+** | 35,179 |

**Top 5 courses by Enrolments**

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|  | **National Top Courses** |
| **1** | Certificate III in Individual Support  |
| **2** | Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care |
| **3** | Diploma of Nursing |
| **4** | Certificate IV in Training and Assessment |
| **5** | Certificate IV in Accounting and Bookkeeping |