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ACARA - NAPLAN results comparison

Question

Can ACARA please provide a summary for NAPLAN results of students in regional and remote communities, and a comparison between results for metropolitan, provincial, remote and very remote schools? Can this also be provided with socioeconomic data?

Answer

The Australian Curriculum Assessment & Reporting Authority (ACARA) has provided the following response:

NAPLAN results by geolocation are publicly available in the NAPLAN national report. Please see http://reports.acara.edu.au/Home/Results. Please note that for 2016 the NAPLAN data used the Australian Bureau of Statistics definition for geolocation i.e. the five possible locations are: Major Cities, Inner Regional, Outer Regional, Remote, and Very Remote and so results for metropolitan, provincial, remote and very remote schools cannot be provided for 2016.

Socioeconomic data are not used in the NAPLAN national reporting and this demographic variable is not included in the NAPLAN ability estimation model. Consequently, these data cannot be provided with the requested information.