

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2014-2015

Outcome 3 - Higher Education, Research & International

Department of Education Question No. ED0026_15

Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question

Number of Higher Education Providers

Can the Department clarify the number of higher education providers in Australia at the current time? Please provide details by category as follows: • Public universities • Private universities • TAFE-sector providers • Private for-profit providers • Private non-profit providers. Please provide details of current higher education enrolments in each category, broken down by level of course.

Answer

A total of 137 Higher Education Institutions reported their student enrolments in 2013. Detailed breakdown of student enrolments by provider category and by level of course is below:

Table 1: Student enrolments by provider category and by level of course, 2013

		2013
Table A (Public Universities and the Australian Catholic University)	Higher Degree Research	61,753
	Postgraduate Coursework	263,521
	Bachelor	829,673
	Sub-Bachelor*	21,800
	Enabling Courses	21,629
	Non-award Courses	16,991
Table B (Private Universities)	Higher Degree Research	503
	Postgraduate Coursework	3,705
	Bachelor	12,175
	Sub-Bachelor*	326
	Enabling Courses	942
Table C (Other Private Universities)	Non-award Courses	923
	Postgraduate Coursework	204
Non-University Higher Education Institutions	Higher Degree Research	215
	Postgraduate Coursework	17,168
	Bachelor	39,731
	Sub-Bachelor*	22,086
	Enabling Courses	<5
	Non-award Courses	428

* Diploma, Advanced Diploma, Associate Degree and Other Undergraduate Courses.