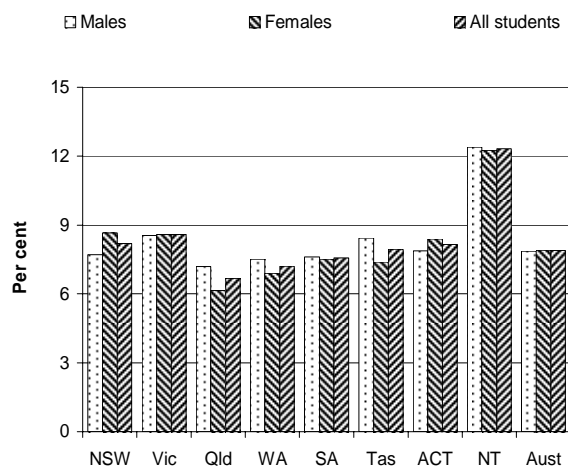


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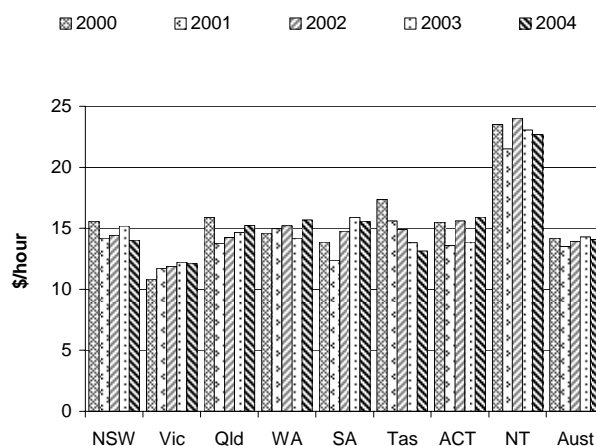
- The focus of the vocational education and training (VET) chapter is the provision of VET in publicly owned technical and further education (TAFE) institutes and universities with TAFE divisions, other government and community institutions, and government funded activity by private registered training organisations.
- Approximately 1.6 million people participated in VET programs that were government funded or delivered on a fee for service basis by public providers in 2004 (p. 4.3). These students completed over 279.7 million hours of VET programs, which were delivered in 933 TAFE and other public training institutions and associated major campuses and 7659 community education and other registered provider locations (pp. 4.4–5).
- Government recurrent expenditure on VET totalled \$3.9 billion in 2004 — a real decrease of 3.1 per cent from 2003 (p. 4.3).
- Indigenous students reported higher VET participation rates (16.0 per cent of Indigenous people compared with 8.3 per cent of all Australians) but lower load pass rates than the national average (63.7 per cent for Indigenous students compared with 77.4 per cent for all students) in 2004 (pp. 4.16 and 4.55).
- Among TAFE institute graduates who were unemployed prior to their course, and took the course for vocational reasons, 47 per cent indicated they were employed after the course in 2004 (p. 4.35).

### Selection of results

VET participation rate for people aged 15–64 years, by sex, 2004 (p. 4.13)



Government real recurrent expenditure per adjusted annual curriculum hour (2004 dollars) (p. 4.21)



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## Progress since 2005 Report

- Reporting on 'government recurrent expenditure per load pass' and 'cost of capital per hour'.
- Development of a stand-alone indicator for Indigenous people participating in VET.

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VET participation rate for people aged 15–64 years, by sex, 2004 (per cent)<sup>a, b</sup>

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
Male students	7.7	8.6	7.2	7.5	7.6	8.4	7.9	12.4	7.9
Female students	8.7	8.6	6.1	6.9	7.5	7.4	8.4	12.2	7.9
All students	8.2	8.6	6.7	7.2	7.6	7.9	8.1	12.3	7.9

<sup>a</sup> Government recurrent funded VET students, excluding students participating in VET programs in schools. Not adjusted for recognition of prior learning, credit transfer and student enrolment no participation. <sup>b</sup> The participation rate is the number of 15–64 year old students participating in VET expressed as a proportion of the population aged 15–64 years.

Source: NCVER (unpublished); DEST 2005, *Annual National Report of the Australian Vocational Education and Training System 2004*, Canberra; table 4A.8.

Government real recurrent expenditure per adjusted annual hour of curriculum  
(2004 \$ per hour)<sup>a</sup>

	NSW	Vic	Qld	WA	SA	Tas	ACT	NT	Aust
2000	15.58	10.83	15.91	14.61	13.88	17.36	15.51	23.51	14.20
2001	14.20	11.72	13.78	14.97	12.39	15.61	13.59	21.52	13.51
2002	14.44	11.88	14.25	15.22	14.78	14.90	15.62	24.04	13.92
2003	15.18	12.23	14.66	14.18	15.91	13.84	13.88	23.05	14.29
2004	14.03	12.14	15.25	15.68	15.59	13.15	15.91	22.70	14.09

<sup>a</sup> The ACT is the only jurisdiction not to levy payroll tax on its VET employees. A payroll tax estimate, based on the ACT payroll tax rate has been included in the expenditure data for the ACT. Data for Australia exclude the ACT payroll tax estimate.

Source: NCVER (unpublished); DEST 2005, *Annual National Report of the Australian Vocational Education and Training System 2004*, Canberra; table 4A.13.

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