

Census of ACT schools

February 2022

This publication provides information on students enrolled in ACT schools at 18 February 2022.

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Executive Summary

This publication presents the results from the census conducted on Friday 18 February 2022 of enrolments in ACT schools. The census covers enrolments in all sectors, public, catholic and independent schools for students from preschool to year 12.

Student enrolments by level of schooling

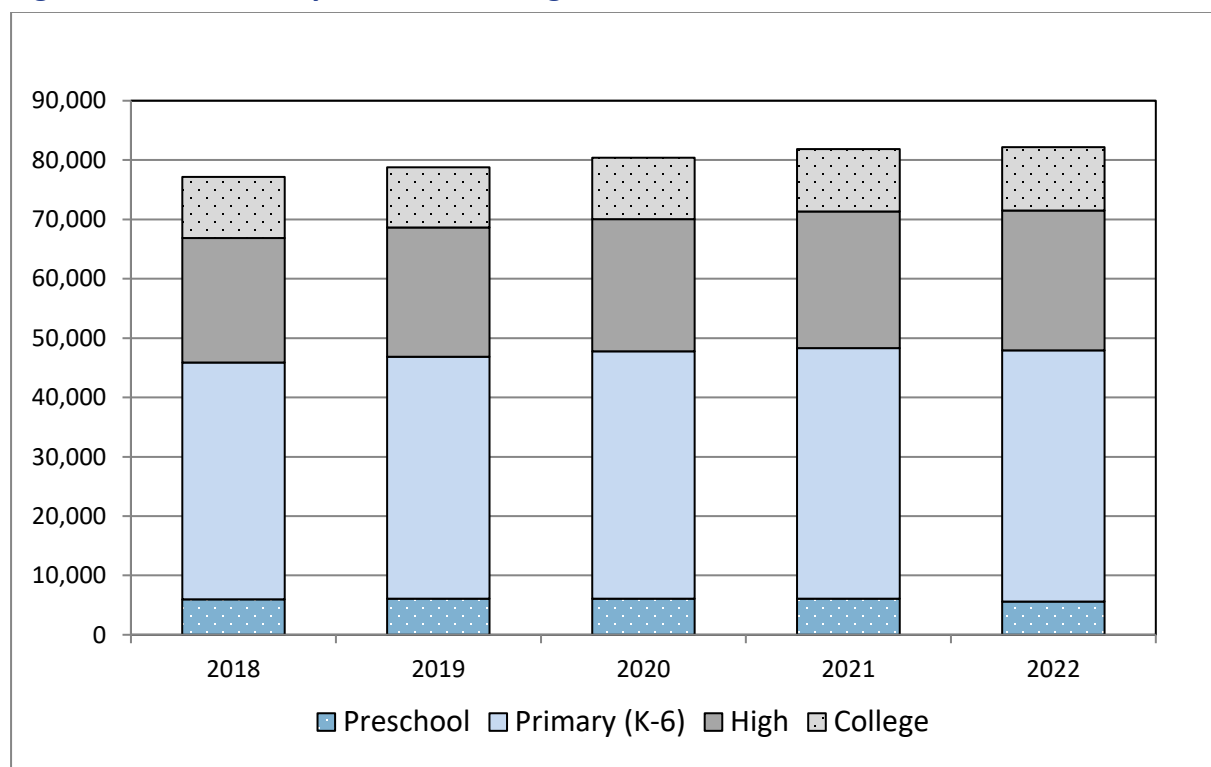
In February 2022, across the whole of the ACT there were 82,175 students enrolled in ACT public and non-government schools (Table 1), representing an increase of 301 students (0.4%) since February 2021.

Annual enrolment increases in ACT schools were consistently over two percent from 2016-2020, however growth has slowed, particularly in the last 12 months. This is partly explained by a change in the annual rate of growth in the estimated resident population (ERP) for school aged children, from around two percent in previous years to less than one percent between June 2020 and June 2021 (Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), 2022).

The most noticeable change in enrolment growth is in preschool, where enrolments across the Territory fell by 490 students (-8.0%) overall.

Preschool enrolment is not compulsory. The reduced enrolments in non-compulsory preschool in 2022 was most likely due to a combination of factors including the reported reduction in the estimated resident population for preschool aged children (ABS, 2022) and parents and carers choosing not to enrol their children in preschool, possibly related to the risks and the changed work arrangements arising from the pandemic.

Figure 1: Enrolments by level of schooling, 2018 to 2022



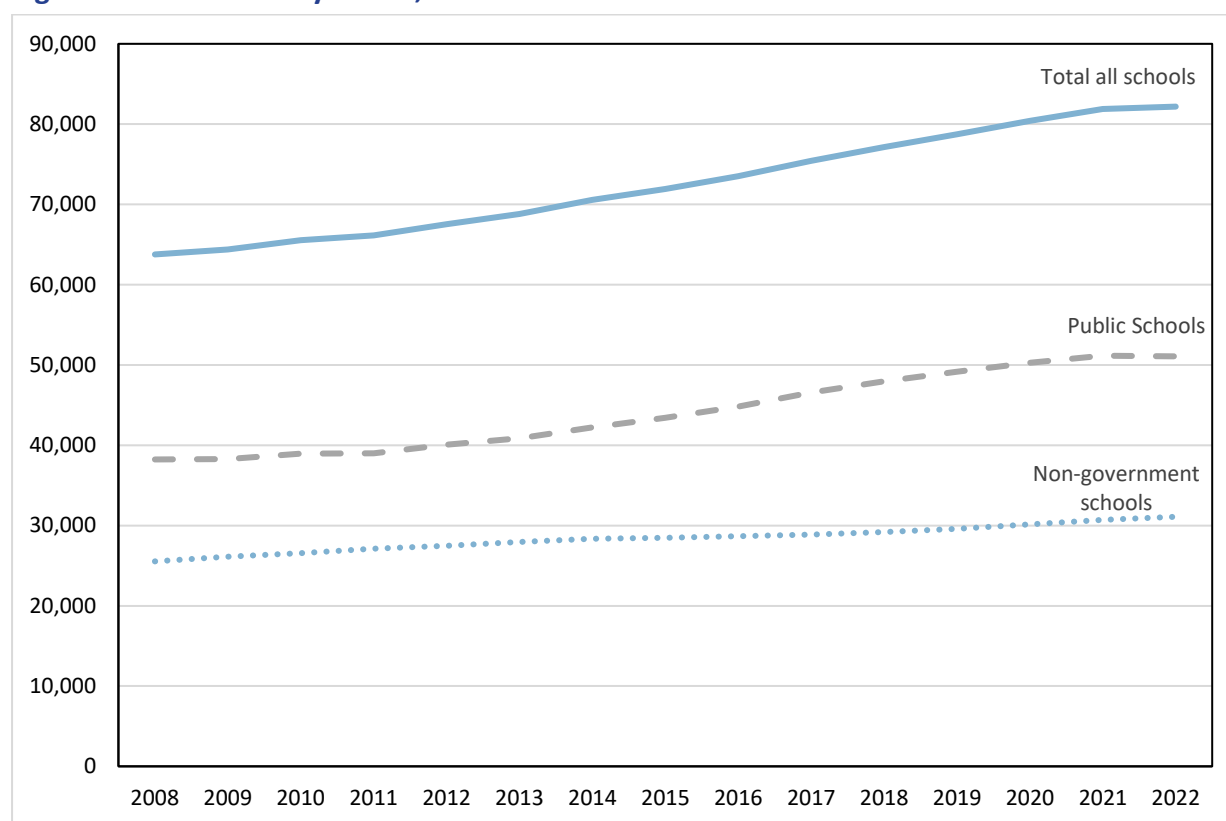
There were:

- 47,920 students enrolled in primary schools (P-12). This represents a decrease of 405 enrolments (-0.8%) since February 2021.
 - preschool enrolments decreased by 490 students (-8.0%) to 5,602 students
 - kindergarten to year 6 enrolments increased by 85 students (0.2%) to 42,318 students.
- 23,584 students enrolled in high schools, an increase of 585 enrolments (2.5%) from February 2021 to 2022.
- 10,671 students enrolled in colleges, an increase of 121 enrolments (1.1%) from February 2021 to 2022.

Student enrolments by sector

From 2012 to 2021 the annual growth rate in ACT school enrolments was consistently around two percent. However, from February 2021 to 2022 there was very little (0.4%) growth in the number of enrolments in ACT schools.

Figure 2: Enrolments by sector, 2008 to 2022



Public school enrolment growth over time

The annual growth rate in public school enrolments peaked in 2017 at 3.9 percent. Since then the growth rate has fallen each year, with the greatest decline being in the last 12 months. In February 2022, public school enrolments decreased by 65 students (-0.1%) compared with an increase of 881 students (1.8%) between 2020 and 2021.

Non-government schools enrolment growth over time

The annual growth rate in non-government enrolments has fluctuated over the last few years with a period of low growth from 2015 to 2017 (less than one percent annually), followed by increased growth from 2018 (1.2%) to 2021 (1.9%). In February 2022, non-government school enrolments increased by 366 students (1.2%) compared with 577 (1.9%) between 2020 and 2021.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students

At the February 2022 census, there were 2,800 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students enrolled in ACT schools (Table 2 and Table 4), an increase of 72 students (2.6%) compared with February 2021.

There were 2,156 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students were enrolled in ACT public schools, representing 77.0 percent of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in schools in the ACT. Eighty-three students were enrolled in Koori preschool programs; with 45 children taking up the option to attend both Koori and universal preschool programs.

Student enrolments by year level

Table 3 shows the number and proportion of enrolments by level of schooling and year level for both public and non-government sectors. The percentage of public sector enrolments in ACT was 66.4 percent in primary school, 53.5 percent in high school, and 62.4 percent in college.

Student enrolments by gender

Consistent with previous years, there were slightly more males (51.2%) than females (48.4%) enrolled in ACT schools in February 2022 (Table 5). There were proportionally more male than female students in primary, high school and college, however, in college the proportion of male students (49.9%) was only slightly greater than female students (49.3%).

Non-school education

It is recognised that there are alternative educational pathways for students to undertake school level courses other than by attending an ACT public or non-government school. At February 2022 census, 413 children and young people were home educated in the ACT, an increase of 4.6 percent since February 2021.

In addition, a further 119 students who were of school age were undertaking school equivalent courses at the Canberra Institute of Technology in February 2022, a decrease of 18.5 percent since February 2021.

Tables

Table 1: Enrolments by level of schooling, 2018 to 2022¹

Level of schooling	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Preschool	5,964	6,088	6,090	6,092	5,602
Annual growth (%)		2.1	0.0	0.0	-8.0
Primary (K-6)	39,896	40,754	41,690	42,233	42,318
Annual growth (%)		2.2	2.3	1.3	0.2
High	20,993	21,795	22,275	22,999	23,584
Annual growth (%)		3.8	2.2	3.3	2.5
College	10,289	10,115	10,361	10,550	10,671
Annual growth (%)		-1.7	2.4	1.8	1.1
Total all schools	77,142	78,752	80,416	81,874	82,175
Overall Annual growth (%)		2.1	2.1	1.8	0.4

1. Includes a small number of students who attended two schools who are counted as two enrolment episodes in the census.

Table 1a: Enrolments at public schools by level of schooling, 2018 to 2022¹

Level of schooling	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Preschool	4,597	4,641	4,560	4,640	4,225
Annual growth (%)		1.0	-1.7	1.8	-8.9
Primary (K-6)	25,762	26,486	27,212	27,574	27,595
Annual growth (%)		2.8	2.7	1.3	0.1
High	11,062	11,598	11,844	12,253	12,612
Annual growth (%)		4.8	2.1	3.5	2.9
College	6,524	6,427	6,656	6,686	6,656
Annual growth (%)		-1.5	3.6	0.5	-0.4
Total public schools	47,945	49,152	50,272	51,153	51,088
Overall Annual growth (%)		2.5	2.3	1.8	-0.1

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Table 1b: Enrolments at independent schools by level of schooling, 2018 to 2022¹

Level of schooling	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Preschool	774	857	917	841	756
Annual growth (%)		10.7	7.0	-8.3	-10.1
Primary (K-6)	5,476	5,682	5,756	5,872	5,977
Annual growth (%)		3.8	1.3	2.0	1.8
High	5,890	6,002	6,063	6,219	6,368
Annual growth (%)		1.9	1.0	2.6	2.4
College	2,401	2,371	2,402	2,458	2,540
Annual growth (%)		-1.2	1.3	2.3	3.3
Total independent schools	14,541	14,912	15,138	15,390	15,641
Overall Annual growth (%)		2.6	1.5	1.7	1.6

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Table 1c: Enrolments at Catholic systemic schools by level of schooling, 2018 to 2022¹

Level of schooling	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Preschool	593	590	613	611	621
Annual growth (%)		-0.5	3.9	-0.3	1.6
Primary (K-6)	8,658	8,586	8,722	8,787	8,746
Annual growth (%)		-0.8	1.6	0.7	-0.5
High	4,041	4,195	4,368	4,527	4,604
Annual growth (%)		3.8	4.1	3.6	1.7
College	1,364	1,317	1,303	1,406	1,475
Annual growth (%)		-3.4	-1.1	7.9	4.9
Total Catholic systemic	14,656	14,688	15,006	15,331	15,446
Overall Annual growth (%)		0.2	2.2	2.2	0.8

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Table 2: Enrolments of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students by level of schooling, 2018 to 2022¹

Level of schooling	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Preschool	251	282	280	298	261
Annual growth (%)		12.4	-0.7	6.4	-12.4
Primary (K-6)	1,248	1,262	1,339	1,386	1,445
Annual growth (%)		1.1	6.1	3.5	4.3
High	629	695	713	721	738
Annual growth (%)		10.5	2.6	1.1	2.4
College	273	288	313	323	356
Annual growth (%)		5.5	8.7	3.2	10.2
Total all schools	2,401	2,527	2,645	2,728	2,800
Overall Annual growth (%)		5.2	4.7	3.1	2.6

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Table 2a: Enrolments of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students at public schools by level of schooling, 2018 to 2022¹

Level of schooling	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Preschool	233	268	268	285	234
Annual growth (%)		15.0	0.0	6.3	-17.9
Primary (K-6)	984	1,004	1,075	1,117	1,143
Annual growth (%)		2.0	7.1	3.9	2.3
High	447	491	502	492	515
Annual growth (%)		9.8	2.2	-2.0	4.7
College	223	234	260	263	264
Annual growth (%)		4.9	11.1	1.2	0.4
Total public schools	1,887	1,997	2,105	2,157	2,156
Overall Annual growth (%)		5.8	5.4	2.5	0.0

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Table 2b: Enrolments of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students at non-government schools by level of schooling, 2018 to 2022¹

Level of schooling	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Preschool	18	14	12	13	27
<i>Annual growth (%)</i>		-22.2	-14.3	8.3	107.7
Primary (K-6)	264	258	264	269	302
<i>Annual growth (%)</i>		-2.3	2.3	1.9	12.3
High	182	204	211	229	223
<i>Annual growth (%)</i>		12.1	3.4	8.5	-2.6
College	50	54	53	60	92
<i>Annual growth (%)</i>		8.0	-1.9	13.2	53.3
Total non-government schools	514	530	540	571	644
<i>Overall Annual growth (%)</i>		3.1	1.9	5.7	12.8

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Table 3: Enrolments by academic year and sector, 2022¹

Level of schooling	Public	Non-government	Total Persons
Primary			
Preschool	4,225	1,377	5,602
Kindergarten	4,192	1,946	6,138
Year 1	3,996	1,984	5,980
Year 2	4,154	1,999	6,153
Year 3	3,952	2,125	6,077
Year 4	3,905	2,168	6,073
Year 5	3,696	2,224	5,920
Year 6	3,700	2,277	5,977
Subtotal primary	31,820	16,100	47,920
High			
Year 7	3,288	2,893	6,181
Year 8	3,174	2,709	5,883
Year 9	3,029	2,751	5,780
Year 10	3,121	2,619	5,740
Subtotal high	12,612	10,972	23,584
College			
Year 11	3,493	2,120	5,613
Year 12	3,079	1,895	4,974
Older	84	-	84
Subtotal college	6,656	4,015	10,671
Total all schools	51,088	31,087	82,175

1. Includes a small number of students who attended two schools who are counted as two enrolment episodes in the census.

– Nil.

Table 4: Enrolments of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander enrolments by academic year and sector, 2022¹

Level of schooling	Public	Non -government	Total
Primary			
Preschool	234	27	261
Kindergarten	196	44	240
Year 1	157	44	201
Year 2	183	34	217
Year 3	158	46	204
Year 4	167	42	209
Year 5	126	43	169
Year 6	156	49	205
Subtotal primary	1,377	329	1,706
High			
Year 7	155	50	205
Year 8	116	56	172
Year 9	114	54	168
Year 10	130	63	193
Subtotal high	515	223	738
College			
Year 11	123	55	178
Year 12	130	37	167
Older	11	-	11
Subtotal college	264	92	356
Total all schools	2,156	644	2,800

1. Includes a small number of students who attended two schools who are counted as two enrolment episodes in the census.

– Nil.

Table 5: Enrolments by level of schooling and gender, 2022^{1, 2, 3}

Level of schooling	Males	Females	Non-binary/ Not stated	Total Persons
Primary				
Preschool	2,819	2,665	118	5,602
Kindergarten	3,188	2,950	n.p.	6,138
Year 1	3,067	2,913	n.p.	5,980
Year 2	3,189	2,964	n.p.	6,153
Year 3	3,080	2,997	n.p.	6,077
Year 4	3,134	2,939	n.p.	6,073
Year 5	3,030	2,890	n.p.	5,920
Year 6	3,104	2,873	n.p.	5,977
Subtotal primary	24,605	23,185	130	47,920
High				
Year 7	3,154	3,007	20	6,181
Year 8	3,037	2,829	17	5,883
Year 9	2,946	2,809	25	5,780
Year 10	2,997	2,714	29	5,740
Subtotal high	12,134	11,359	91	23,584
College				
Year 11	2,829	2,731	53	5,613
Year 12	2,489	2,454	31	4,974
Older	12	72	-	84
Subtotal college	5,330	5,257	84	10,671
Total all schools	42,069	39,801	305	82,175

1. Includes a small number of students who attended two schools who are counted as two enrolment episodes in the census.

2. Non-binary/Not stated includes students who identify as non-binary or a different term, plus a small number of students whose gender was not stated.

3. Small random adjustments have been made to the male and female cell values for kindergarten to year 6 to prevent the release of identifiable non-binary statistics. As a result, the male and female sub-totals for primary do not equal the sum of the corresponding preschool to year 6 cell values.

n.p. – not published as less than 5 enrolments in cell.

- Nil.

Student enrolments by School

Tables 6 to 8 show the distribution of student enrolments by schooling level, region and school.

Primary school enrolments

The North/Gungahlin network (31.3%) had the highest proportion of primary school enrolments followed by South/Weston (26.1%), Belconnen (25.4%), and Tuggeranong (17.2%).

Table 6: Number of primary school level enrolments by year level, network and school, 2022¹

Primary schools	P	K	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Total
Public schools									
Belconnen Network									
Aranda Primary School	65	75	58	85	74	80	87	88	612
Charnwood-Dunlop School	72	56	64	60	42	47	47	29	417
Charnwood-Dunlop School IEC	-	22	4	8	2	4	2	8	50
Cranleigh School	8	25	13	12	10	10	8	14	100
Evatt Primary School	50	40	37	50	39	47	43	26	332
Florey Primary School	64	68	68	55	59	53	59	56	482
Fraser Primary School	56	75	75	81	79	82	76	74	598
Giralang Primary School	33	37	47	50	42	34	46	39	328
Hawker Primary School	42	44	44	48	44	53	56	50	381
Kaleen Primary School	65	64	60	65	66	64	67	73	524
Kingsford Smith School	70	58	48	47	50	47	47	57	424
Kingsford Smith Koori Preschool	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Latham Primary School	43	62	43	60	58	54	35	40	395
Macgregor Primary School	88	75	82	85	90	58	55	77	610
Macquarie Primary School	40	51	38	39	47	39	49	41	344
Maribyrnong Primary School	85	71	62	68	75	69	54	69	553
Miles Franklin Primary School	65	64	67	72	70	75	71	66	550
Mount Rogers Primary School	86	76	72	79	90	64	70	63	600
Southern Cross Early Childhood School	86	61	50	36	-	-	-	-	233
Weetangera Primary School	64	61	68	66	69	72	70	69	539
Subtotal Belconnen	1,095	1,085	1,000	1,066	1,006	952	942	939	8,085

Table 6: Number of primary school enrolments by year level, network and school, 2022¹ (continued)

Primary schools	P	K	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Total
<i>North/Gungahlin Network</i>									
Ainslie School	66	52	54	48	66	64	45	48	443
Amaroo School	107	95	108	96	150	160	155	161	1,032
Campbell Primary School	40	43	41	33	45	34	51	49	336
Franklin School	74	80	81	75	53	52	45	35	495
Gold Creek School	107	89	87	93	83	80	77	69	685
Harrison School	108	144	133	152	145	151	143	137	1,113
Jervis Bay School	17	6	6	7	3	4	5	4	52
Lyneham Primary School	55	50	65	60	74	71	71	89	535
Majura Primary School	88	102	119	97	95	118	99	93	811
Margaret Hendry School	128	97	107	94	69	38	39	43	615
Neville Bonner Primary School	115	104	88	114	113	103	89	86	812
Ngunnawal Primary School	99	109	115	94	86	80	80	82	745
Ngunnawal Koori Preschool	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
North Ainslie Primary School	79	74	77	96	76	92	81	98	673
O'Connor Cooperative School	16	20	19	14	-	-	-	-	69
Palmerston District Primary School	129	109	115	117	108	92	79	85	834
Throsby School	72	40	22	16	14	10	11	7	192
Turner School	46	55	62	57	63	74	72	63	492
Subtotal North/Gungahlin	1,366	1,269	1,299	1,263	1,243	1,223	1,142	1,149	9,954
<i>South/Weston Network</i>									
Arawang Primary School	64	81	67	77	62	75	69	63	558
Chapman Primary School	74	87	80	88	79	78	67	78	631
Charles Weston School	83	94	71	86	87	65	64	41	591
Curtin Primary School	58	54	64	51	62	72	74	68	503
Duffy Primary School	41	70	48	58	53	61	51	45	427
Evelyn Scott School	60	61	37	45	25	29	18	24	299
Farrer Primary School	42	38	38	46	37	50	52	42	345
Forrest Primary School	42	66	67	72	83	86	88	80	584
Garran Primary School	43	88	73	87	84	87	89	85	636
Hughes Primary School	44	50	45	53	63	55	48	62	420
Hughes Primary School IEC	-	13	18	15	10	12	8	6	82
Lyons Early Childhood School	56	36	29	27	-	-	-	-	148
Malkara School	8	5	11	7	9	7	13	9	69
Mawson Primary School	74	70	78	71	71	70	53	63	550
Narrabundah Early Childhood School	54	27	18	15	-	-	-	-	114
Narrabundah Koori Preschool	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
Red Hill Primary School	81	96	92	114	101	111	113	126	834
Telopea Park School	0	83	83	83	78	80	86	82	575
Torrens Primary School	72	46	59	61	69	56	67	67	497
Yarralumla Primary School	58	44	47	62	54	57	63	36	421
Subtotal South/Weston	974	1,109	1,025	1,118	1,027	1,051	1,023	977	8,304

Table 6: Number of primary school enrolments by year level, network and school, 2022¹
(continued)

Primary schools	P	K	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Total
<i>Tuggeranong Network</i>									
Bonython Primary School	44	56	49	47	58	68	33	62	417
Calwell Primary School	57	39	42	46	40	42	29	31	326
Caroline Chisholm School	37	26	25	40	38	35	43	46	290
Charles Conder Primary School	94	65	63	80	58	73	54	49	536
Fadden Primary School	36	40	43	43	38	28	32	25	285
Gilmore Primary School	31	15	17	22	14	23	12	18	152
Gordon Primary School	74	77	74	63	59	62	48	69	526
Gowrie Primary School	37	38	35	42	42	39	48	38	319
Isabella Plains Early Childhood School	63	43	41	32	-	-	-	-	179
Monash Primary School	65	76	50	62	68	58	68	61	508
Namadgi School	49	54	63	59	59	54	45	54	437
Richardson Primary School	22	34	21	16	22	26	18	16	175
Richardson Koori Preschool	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
Taylor Primary School	40	36	41	45	59	41	49	47	358
Theodore Primary School	31	45	30	31	42	32	35	43	289
Wanniassa Hills Primary School	46	52	51	51	48	70	40	52	410
Wanniassa School	34	33	27	28	31	28	35	24	240
Wanniassa Koori Preschool	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
Subtotal Tuggeranong	790	729	672	707	676	679	589	635	5,477
Subtotal public schools	4,225	4,192	3,996	4,154	3,952	3,905	3,696	3,700	31,820
<i>Non-government schools</i>									
<i>Independent schools</i>									
Blue Gum Community School	111	23	23	22	22	15	15	14	245
Brindabella Christian College	38	71	74	76	73	80	84	82	578
Burgmann Anglican School	44	104	103	103	110	109	112	140	825
Canberra Christian School	23	33	26	28	32	29	18	27	216
Canberra Girls' Grammar School	137	67	59	55	67	65	65	71	586
Canberra Grammar School	115	87	101	99	119	120	124	143	908
Canberra Montessori School	20	24	15	15	14	11	6	3	108
Covenant Christian School	12	19	22	13	18	21	16	13	134
Emmanuel Christian School	39	50	46	51	50	46	49	51	382
Islamic School of Canberra	-	30	29	29	30	30	30	45	223
Marist College Canberra	-	-	-	-	-	129	129	168	426
Orana Steiner School	60	36	30	39	39	52	50	49	355
Radford College	87	90	92	90	123	123	123	123	851
St Edmund's College Canberra	-	-	-	-	-	31	51	66	148
Taqwa School	-	20	23	26	21	16	20	11	137
Trinity Christian School	70	70	77	80	77	78	81	78	611
Subtotal independent schools	756	724	720	726	795	955	973	1,084	6,733

Table 6: Number of primary school enrolments by year level, network and school, 2022¹
(continued)

Primary schools	P	K	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Total
<i>Catholic systemic schools</i>									
Good Shepherd Primary School	-	110	112	111	111	102	103	97	746
Holy Family Primary School	123	84	90	87	93	70	69	68	684
Holy Spirit Primary School	107	116	109	106	104	102	102	96	842
Holy Trinity Primary School	59	52	65	66	62	42	46	48	440
Mother Teresa School	97	97	105	104	104	111	99	86	803
Rosary Primary School	-	44	51	49	52	45	36	47	324
Sacred Heart Primary School	-	32	25	33	35	34	16	24	199
St Anthony's Parish Primary School	65	56	61	61	60	65	45	73	486
St Bede's Primary School	-	28	20	30	28	16	21	18	161
St Benedict's Primary School	-	21	20	18	29	16	19	25	148
St Clare of Assisi Primary School	-	76	67	66	79	82	78	71	519
St Francis of Assisi Primary School	-	64	66	69	64	58	74	79	474
St John the Apostle Primary School	-	40	39	43	55	59	59	52	347
St John Vianney's Primary School	-	22	18	18	15	23	13	12	121
St Joseph's Primary School	44	39	52	29	41	48	33	42	328
St Jude's Primary School	63	52	73	64	75	45	69	47	488
St Matthew's Primary School	-	42	45	42	59	37	56	52	333
St Michael's Primary School	-	28	23	26	27	25	42	25	196
St Monica's Primary School	-	55	40	55	52	49	70	57	378
St Thomas Aquinas Primary School	63	46	39	46	46	52	48	51	391
St Thomas More's Primary School	-	22	24	27	26	20	25	22	166
St Thomas The Apostle Primary School	-	33	48	48	40	39	50	39	297
St Vincent's Primary School	-	24	26	28	27	37	27	23	192
Sts Peter & Paul Primary School	-	39	46	47	46	36	51	39	304
Subtotal Catholic systemic schools	621	1,222	1,264	1,273	1,330	1,213	1,251	1,193	9,367
Subtotal non-government schools	1,377	1,946	1,984	1,999	2,125	2,168	2,224	2,277	16,100
Total all ACT schools	5,602	6,138	5,980	6,153	6,077	6,073	5,920	5,977	47,920

1. Includes a small number of students who attended two schools who are counted as two enrolment episodes in the census.

IEC – Intensive English Centre.

– Nil.

High school enrolments

The North/Gungahlin network (31.2%) also had the highest proportion of high school enrolments followed by South/Weston (28.7%), Belconnen (25.2%), and Tuggeranong (14.9%).

Table 7: Number of high school level enrolments by year level, network and school, 2022¹

High schools	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Total
Public schools					
<i>Belconnen Network</i>					
Belconnen High School	155	155	140	136	586
Canberra High School	220	220	229	226	895
Kingsford Smith School	127	113	104	115	459
Melba Copland Secondary School	238	186	163	132	719
University of Canberra (UC) High School Kaleen	136	134	116	127	513
University of Canberra Senior Secondary College (UC SSC) Lake Ginninderra	-	-	-	4	4
Subtotal Belconnen	876	808	752	740	3,176
<i>North/Gungahlin Network</i>					
Amaroo School	244	248	199	218	909
Black Mountain School	18	26	14	21	79
Campbell High School	135	146	175	187	643
Dickson College IEC	3	7	4	8	22
Gold Creek School	163	138	149	149	599
Gungahlin College	-	-	-	20	20
Harrison School	168	160	147	154	629
Lyneham High School	262	266	269	238	1,035
Subtotal North/Gungahlin	993	991	957	995	3,936
<i>South/Weston Network</i>					
Alfred Deakin High School	239	191	221	213	864
Melrose High School	196	206	223	192	817
Mount Stromlo High School	240	233	198	205	876
Telopea Park School	246	268	245	234	993
Woden School, The	23	11	20	18	72
Subtotal South/Weston	944	909	907	862	3,622
<i>Tuggeranong Network</i>					
Calwell High School	96	108	100	113	417
Caroline Chisholm School	107	101	98	113	419
Erindale College	-	-	-	59	59
Lanyon High School	133	113	99	95	440
Namadgi School	62	66	60	69	257
Wanniassa School	77	78	56	75	286
Subtotal Tuggeranong	475	466	413	524	1,878
Subtotal public schools	3,288	3,174	3,029	3,121	12,612

Table 7: Number of high school level enrolments by year level, network and school, 2022¹
(continued)

High Schools	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Total
Non-government schools					
<i>Independent schools</i>					
Blue Gum Community School	10	7	13	8	38
Brindabella Christian College	88	72	75	72	307
Burgmann Anglican School	167	111	135	134	547
Canberra Girls Grammar School	110	92	110	112	424
Canberra Grammar School	211	223	219	218	871
Communities@Work Galilee School	3	7	19	13	42
Covenant Christian School	35	19	27	17	98
Daramalan College	258	255	262	264	1,039
Emmaus Christian School	43	24	27	25	119
Islamic School of Canberra	33	19	17	14	83
Marist College Canberra	225	253	244	230	952
Orana Steiner School	51	56	40	46	193
Radford College	208	208	209	203	828
St Edmund's College Canberra	131	112	103	76	422
Trinity Christian School	108	99	103	95	405
Subtotal independent schools	1,681	1,557	1,603	1,527	6,368
<i>Catholic systemic schools</i>					
Merici College	190	149	150	129	618
St Clare's College	212	209	222	208	851
St Francis Xavier College	239	233	235	217	924
St John Paul II College	206	199	188	194	787
St Mary MacKillop College	365	362	353	344	1,424
Subtotal Catholic systemic schools	1,212	1,152	1,148	1,092	4,604
Subtotal non-government schools	2,893	2,709	2,751	2,619	10,972
Total high schools	6,181	5,883	5,780	5,740	23,584

1. Includes a small number of students who attended two schools who are counted as two enrolment episodes in the census.

IEC – Intensive English Centre.

- Nil.

College enrolments

The South/Weston network (32.3%) had the highest proportion of college enrolments followed by North/Gungahlin (28.9%), Belconnen (21.8%), and Tuggeranong (17.0%).

Table 8: Number of college level enrolments by year level, network and school, 2022¹

Colleges	Year 11	Year 12	Older	Total
Public schools				
<i>Belconnen Network</i>				
Hawker College	330	278	-	608
Melba Copland Secondary School	114	65	-	179
UC SSC Lake Ginninderra	355	309	-	664
Subtotal Belconnen	799	652	-	1,451
<i>North/Gungahlin</i>				
Black Mountain School	27	21	-	48
Dickson College	417	344	-	761
Dickson College IEC	8	-	-	8
Gunghalin College	590	514	-	1,104
Subtotal North/Gungahlin	1,042	879	-	1,921
<i>South Weston</i>				
Narrabundah College	494	470	-	964
The Canberra College	543	526	-	1,069
The Canberra College - CCCares	8	7	84	99
The Woden School	11	8	-	19
Subtotal South/Weston	1,056	1,011	84	2,151
<i>Tuggeranong</i>				
Erindale College	300	254	-	554
Lake Tuggeranong College	296	283	-	579
Subtotal Tuggeranong	596	537	-	1,133
Subtotal public schools	3,493	3,079	84	6,656
Non-government schools				
<i>Independent schools</i>				
Brindabella Christian College	47	33	-	80
Burgmann Anglican School	123	125	-	248
Canberra Girls Grammar School	103	102	-	205
Canberra Grammar School	203	197	-	400
Communities@Work Galilee School	17	25	-	42
Daramalan College	223	194	-	417
Marist College Canberra	206	155	-	361
Orana Steiner School	28	14	-	42
Radford College	210	195	-	405
St Edmund's College Canberra	96	84	-	180
Trinity Christian School	81	79	-	160
Subtotal independent schools	1,337	1,203	-	2,540

Table 8: Number of college level enrolments by year level, network and school, 2022¹
(continued)

Colleges	Year 11	Year 12	Older	Total
<i>Catholic systemic schools</i>				
Merici College	78	102	-	180
St Clare's College	140	96	-	236
St Francis Xavier College	182	151	-	333
St John Paul II College	102	85	-	187
St Mary MacKillop College	281	258	-	539
Subtotal Catholic systemic schools	783	692	-	1,475
Subtotal non-government schools	2,120	1,895	-	4,015
Total colleges	5,613	4,974	84	10,671

1. Includes a small number of students who attended two schools who are counted as two enrolment episodes in the census.

IEC - Intensive English Centre.

- Nil.

Students to teacher ratio

The students to teacher ratio takes account of all teaching resources allocated to support students. Students to teacher ratios are calculated by dividing the total Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) students by the FTE teaching staff. Overall, the students to teacher ratio for the ACT public school system was 13.3.

Table 9: Students to teacher ratio by school, 2022¹

School Name	Teaching staff FTE (excl preschool staff)	Student FTE (excl preschool enrolments)	Students to teacher ratio
Ainslie School	25.6	377.0	14.7
Alfred Deakin High School	61.7	864.0	14.0
Amaroo School	125.0	1,833.0	14.7
Aranda Primary School	33.3	547.0	16.4
Arawang Primary School	30.3	494.0	16.3
Belconnen High School	49.6	586.0	11.8
Black Mountain School	37.2	126.2	3.4
Bonython Primary School	29.3	373.0	12.7
Calwell High School	37.5	418.0	11.1
Calwell Primary School	20.8	269.0	12.9
Campbell High School	45.2	643.0	14.2
Campbell Primary School	19.0	296.0	15.6
Canberra College, The	79.7	1,168.0	14.7
Canberra High School	64.3	894.4	13.9
Caroline Chisholm School	58.0	672.0	11.6
Chapman Primary School	36.1	556.6	15.4
Charles Conder Primary School	29.9	442.0	14.8
Charles Weston School	34.5	506.6	14.7
Charnwood-Dunlop School	30.4	395.0	13.0
Cranleigh School	19.8	91.2	4.6
Curtin Primary School	27.4	443.8	16.2
Dickson College	57.7	788.8	13.7
Duffy Primary School	28.8	386.0	13.4
Erindale College	48.0	611.6	12.7
Evatt Primary School	26.0	282.0	10.8
Evelyn Scott School	20.6	238.4	11.6
Fadden Primary School	20.4	249.0	12.2
Farrer Primary School	21.9	303.0	13.8
Florey Primary School	31.4	419.0	13.4
Forrest Primary School	34.6	538.0	15.5
Franklin School	29.5	421.0	14.3
Fraser Primary School	34.5	544.0	15.8
Garran Primary School	34.0	593.0	17.4
Gilmore Primary School	13.3	121.0	9.1
Giralang Primary School	23.6	292.8	12.4

Table 9: Students to teacher ratio by school, 2022¹ (continued)

School Name	Teaching staff FTE (excl preschool staff)	Student FTE (excl preschool enrolments)	Students to teacher ratio
Gold Creek School	83.2	1,177.0	14.1
Gordon Primary School	33.0	453.0	13.7
Gowrie Primary School	21.8	282.0	12.9
Gungahlin College	76.0	1,111.2	14.6
Harrison School	111.0	1,633.6	14.7
Hawker College	38.5	608.0	15.8
Hawker Primary School	21.1	339.0	16.1
Hughes Primary School	27.7	459.0	16.6
Isabella Plains Early Childhood School	9.4	116.0	12.3
Jervis Bay School	9.8	35.0	3.6
Kaleen Primary School	28.5	459.0	16.1
Kingsford Smith School	74.9	812.0	10.8
Lake Tuggeranong College	45.3	576.1	12.7
Lanyon High School	39.1	440.0	11.2
Latham Primary School	29.2	352.0	12.1
Lyneham High School	77.8	1,036.0	13.3
Lyneham Primary School	29.2	480.0	16.4
Lyons Early Childhood School	9.2	93.0	10.1
Macgregor Primary School	37.4	521.4	13.9
Macquarie Primary School	25.2	305.0	12.1
Majura Primary School	45.2	723.0	16.0
Malkara School	18.8	59.0	3.1
Margaret Hendry School	42.8	487.0	11.4
Maribyrnong Primary School	32.2	468.0	14.6
Mawson Primary School	38.4	476.0	12.4
Melba Copland Secondary School	76.9	898.0	11.7
Melrose High School	59.6	818.0	13.7
Miles Franklin Primary School	30.9	485.0	15.7
Monash Primary School	35.2	443.0	12.6
Mount Rogers Primary School	38.8	516.0	13.3
Mount Stromlo High School	65.1	875.6	13.5
Namadgi School	60.0	646.0	10.8
Narrabundah College	62.5	964.0	15.4
Narrabundah Early Childhood School	7.2	62.0	8.6
Ngunnawal Primary School	54.8	645.1	11.8
North Ainslie Primary School	37.3	593.4	15.9
O'Connor Cooperative School	6.6	53.0	8.0
Palmerston District Primary School	51.7	705.0	13.6
Red Hill Primary School	44.9	755.0	16.8
Richardson Primary School	13.9	153.0	11.0
Southern Cross Early Childhood School	12.2	147.0	12.0
Taylor Primary School	23.8	318.0	13.4

Table 9: Students to teacher ratio by school, 2022¹ (continued)

School Name	Teaching staff FTE (excl preschool staff)	Student FTE (excl preschool enrolments)	Students to teacher ratio
Telopea Park School	114.4	1,567.4	13.7
Theodore Primary School	21.2	258.0	12.2
Throsby School	14.4	120.0	8.3
Torrens Primary School	30.6	425.0	13.9
Turner School	37.0	446.0	12.1
UC High School Kaleen	41.8	511.4	12.2
UCSSC Lake Ginninderra	45.4	667.8	14.7
Wanniassa Hills Primary School	22.7	364.0	16.0
Wanniassa School	46.5	490.5	10.6
Weetangera Primary School	32.8	475.0	14.5
Woden School, The	25.2	90.2	3.6
Yarralumla Primary School	26.9	363.0	13.5
Canberra public schools total	3,519.8	46,837.1	13.3

1. Excludes preschool students and preschool teaching staff.

FTE – Full-Time Equivalent.

Annex 1: ACT public school capacities, 2022

School Name ¹	Capacity 2022 ²	School Name ¹	Capacity 2022 ²
Ainslie Primary School	533	Kaleen Primary School	558
Alfred Deakin High School	963	Kingsford Smith School	1,265
Amaroo School	2,151	Lake Tuggeranong College	928
Aranda Primary School	625	Lanyon High School	795
Arawang Primary School	562	Latham Primary School	438
Belconnen High School	600	Lyneham High School	1,126
Bonython Primary School	514	Lyneham Primary School	625
Calwell High School	674	Lyons Early Childhood School	126
Calwell Primary School	525	Macgregor Primary School	715
Campbell High School	831	Macquarie Primary School	433
Campbell Primary School	450	Majura Primary School	906
Canberra College, The	1,193	Margaret Hendry School	600
Canberra High School	985	Maribyrnong Primary School	689
Caroline Chisholm School	1,282	Mawson Primary School	533
Chapman Primary School	633	Melba Copland Secondary School	1,491
Charles Conder Primary School	547	Melrose High School	1,058
Charles Weston School	800	Miles Franklin Primary School	558
Charnwood-Dunlop Primary School	496	Monash Primary School	516
Curtin Primary School	612	Mount Rogers Primary School	633
Dickson College	1,091	Mount Stromlo High School	1,075
Duffy Primary School	541	Namadgi School	1,218
Erindale College	955	Narrabundah College	1,102
Evatt Primary School	503	Narrabundah Early Childhood School	105
Evelyn Scott School	600	Neville Bonner Primary School	1,112
Fadden Primary School	433	Ngunnawal Primary School	724
Farrer Primary School	456	North Ainslie Primary School	735
Florey Primary School	583	O' Connor Cooperative School	84
Forrest Primary School	733	Palmerston District Primary School	841
Franklin School	533	Red Hill Primary School	833
Fraser Primary School	583	Richardson Primary School	358
Garran Primary School	783	Southern Cross Early Childhood School	147
Gilmore Primary School	310	Taylor Primary School	363
Giralang Primary School	357	Telopea Park School	1,622
Gold Creek School	1,770	Theodore Primary School	433
Gordon Primary School	618	Throsby School	450
Gowrie Primary School	495	Torrens Primary School	583
Gungahlin College	1,280	Turner Primary School	573
Harrison School	2,187	UC High School Kaleen	657
Hawker College	893	UC SSC Lake Ginninderra	825
Hawker Primary School	350	Wanniassa Hills Primary School	608
Hughes Primary School	576	Wanniassa School	935
Isabella Plains Early Childhood School	189	Weetangera Primary School	585
Jervis Bay Primary School	125	Yarralumla Primary School	483

¹ Specialist schools are not included in these data.

² Preschools are excluded from these capacity numbers.

Explanatory Notes

Reference date

This census of enrolments was conducted on Friday 18 February 2022.

Scope and coverage

The February census includes all ACT public schools providing primary, secondary and specialist education. Jervis Bay School was included in ACT public primary schools as the Education Directorate administers the Jervis Bay School for the Australian Government under a service agreement.

Collection

ACT public school census data was electronically downloaded from the Directorate's centralised administrative system. Non-government school census data was electronically submitted to the Directorate.

Student enrolments

The census included students who were officially enrolled in a school on census day and who were active in a primary, secondary or specialist education program at that school. Students who were absent for more than four continuous school weeks prior to census date were included if the principal received written documentation signed by the guardian indicating that the student was to return to school on or before 25 February 2022.

Preschool

Preschool includes three, four, and five-year-old children enrolled in school prior to starting kindergarten. Please note, children can be enrolled in more than one preschool program.

Primary school level

The primary school level of schooling included students from preschool to year 6, unless 'K-6' was specified. Preschool level data also included students who were attending a preschool program as an early entry student.

High school level

The high school level of schooling is equivalent to the lower secondary level of education of the Australian Standard Classification of Education and includes students in years 7, 8, 9 and 10. A small number of year 10 students undertake early access programs at Canberra college.

College level

The college level of schooling is equivalent to the senior secondary level of education of the Australian Standard Classification of Education and includes students in years 11 and 12 as well as those students defined as older. A small number of year 10 students undertake early access programs at a Canberra college.

Older students (O)

Students in public schools aged 18 years by 31 December in the year prior to the commencement of their college studies, were classified as Older (O).

Flexible education

The census included some students who were participating in Flexible Education. Flexible Education provides alternative education options across five campuses. These campuses include the Muliyan Program, the Cottage, Hospital School, Murrumbidgee School and Distance Education. Students attending the Cottage, Hospital School, or Murrumbidgee School were counted in the Census at their mainstream school.

Introductory English Centres

Introductory English Centres (IECs) are for students who require intensive full-time English language instruction. There were five IECs in the primary sector, conducted at Charnwood-Dunlop School, Hughes Primary School, North Ainslie Primary School, Palmerston District Primary School and Wanniasa Hills Primary School. There was one IEC in the secondary sector, conducted at Dickson College. Please note, North Ainslie Primary School, Palmerston District Primary School IEC, and Wanniasa Hills Primary School IEC were temporarily closed

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