



Education and Training

ACT SCHOOL CENSUS

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This publication provides information on students enrolled in ACT schools as at 18 February 2009.

Key Findings

In 2009, there were 64 380 students attending ACT public and non-government schools.

There were 38 280 students attending the 83 public schools, an increase of 50 students since 2008. This is the first increase in public school enrolments for over 10 years.

In 2009, there were 26 100 students attending the 44 non-government schools, including 514 preschool students.

There were 35 338 students (54.9% of all students) attending a primary school.

In 2009, there were 19 206 students (29.8% of all students) attending a high school.

A total of 9 508 students (14.8% of all students) attended secondary colleges.



Introduction

This publication presents the results from the ACT school census conducted on Wednesday 18 February 2009. The census covers public, Catholic and independent schools for preschool to year 12.

This is the first time that preschool enrolments in non-government schools have been included in the ACT school census, providing a more complete picture of school education in the ACT. Due to the inclusion of preschool enrolments at non-government schools, direct comparisons with previous years' data for primary level and all students should not be made.

This year, also for the first time, this publication presents information on the number of students of school age who undertook school equivalent courses through home education or the Canberra Institute of Technology.

Student enrolments 2005 to 2009

In 2009, there were 64 380 students enrolled in ACT public and non-government schools (Table 1).

In 2009, there were 38 280 students enrolled in public schools, up 50 students (0.1%) from 2008. This is the first time in over 10 years that there has been an increase in the number of students attending a public school.

In ACT public primary and college sectors, the number of students increased by 184 (0.8%) and 27 (0.5%) students respectively since 2008. Almost nine in 10 (88.1%) preschool level enrolments were in public schools in 2009. The increase in public college enrolments from 2008 to 2009 reverses the general declining trend over the past decade, including a decrease of 150 enrolments from 2007 to 2008. Increases in primary and college enrolments were partly offset by a decrease of 162 students (1.7%) in public high schools in 2009 since 2008.

The increase in public school students from 2008 to 2009 was also accompanied by an increase in non-government school enrolments (excluding preschool) of 203 students (0.8%). Independent schools recorded an increase in enrolments across the primary school, high school and college levels, while the Catholic sector recorded increases in both the primary and high school levels, but a decline in college enrolments in 2009 compared to 2008.

In 2009, public schools accounted for 38 280 students or 59.5% of the total student population.

Table 1: Number of enrolments by level of schooling and sector, 2005 to 2009

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Public					
Primary ^{1,2}	22 611	22 402	22 206	22 239	22 423
High	10 237	10 095	9 998	9 816	9 654
College	5 903	6 013	5 998	5 848	5 875
Special	340	322	338	327	328
<i>Subtotal public</i>	<i>39 091</i>	<i>38 832</i>	<i>38 540</i>	<i>38 230</i>	<i>38 280</i>
Non-government					
<i>Independent schools</i>					
Primary	3 687	3 709	3 820	4 097	4 699 ³
High	5 603	5 666	5 775	5 874	5 900
College	2 195	2 245	2 256	2 366	2 379
<i>Catholic Systemic schools</i>					
Primary	8 067	8 106	8 162	8 168	8 216 ³
High	3 671	3 676	3 674	3 608	3 652
College	1 331	1 277	1 263	1 270	1 254
<i>Subtotal non-government schools</i>	<i>24 554</i>	<i>24 679</i>	<i>24 950</i>	<i>25 383</i>	<i>26 100³</i>
Total	63 645	63 511	63 490	63 613	64 380³

¹ Includes preschool level enrolments.

² Includes a small number of Indigenous students or special school students that attend more than one primary school.

³ Break in data series. 2009 data cannot be directly compared to previous years data due to the inclusion of preschool level students in non-government schools for the first time in 2009.

Since 2008, the total number of Indigenous students in ACT schools has increased by 84 students, primarily due to an increase of 109 students (11.2%) at public schools (Table 2). Offsetting this increase in public sector Indigenous student enrolments were declines in both the independent and Catholic sectors, down five and 20 students respectively. The public sector continues to have the highest number of Indigenous students in 2009 (1 082 or 81.4%).

Since 2005, the number of students identifying as being of Indigenous origin has increased by 111 students (9.1%) to 1 330 students in 2009. While the number of Indigenous students has almost doubled since 2005 within the independent sector, this increase is from a relatively low base. The Catholic system has seen virtually no change in the number of Indigenous students since 2005, while the public school system has shown the greatest increase numerically, with an increase of 70 students (6.9%).

Table 2: Number of Indigenous enrolments by sector, 2005 to 2009

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Public schools					
Public schools	1 012	983	925	973	1 082
Non-government schools					
Independent schools	44	51	71	89	84 ¹
Catholic Systemic schools	163	161	177	184	164 ¹
<i>Subtotal non-government schools</i>	<i>207</i>	<i>212</i>	<i>248</i>	<i>273</i>	<i>248¹</i>
Total	1 219	1 195	1 173	1 246	1 330¹

¹ Break in data series. 2009 data cannot be directly compared to previous years data due to the inclusion of preschool level students in non-government schools for the first time in 2009.

Since 2008, the number of special needs students has remained relatively constant, with an overall increase of 12 students (0.5%). The vast majority of special needs students are enrolled in public schools. In 2009, over eight in 10 (81.3%) special needs students were enrolled in a public school, up 25 students since 2008. The increase in public school special needs students was partly offset by a decline in non-government school special needs students, which declined by 13 students since 2008.

Since 2005 the number of students with special needs has increased by 231 students (11.8%) to 2 195 (Table 3). The public sector has experienced growth in special needs students each year since 2005 to 1 784 students in 2009, an increase of 117 students (7.0%), compared to 2005. The non-government sector has also seen an increase in special needs students, up 114 students (38.4%) since 2005.

Table 3: Number of enrolments by special needs and sector, 2005 to 2009

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Public schools	1 667	1 698	1 711	1 759	1 784
Non-government schools ^{1,2}	297	329	418	424	411
Total	1 964	2 027	2 129	2 183	2 195

¹ There were no preschool level students with special needs in non-government schools in 2009.

² Includes all students flagged as special needs, including those students not formally assessed at the time of the census.

Table 4 shows the split of male and female students across the various levels of schooling from 2005 to 2009. In total, there are slightly more males (51.0% in 2009) than females, although at the college level there was generally a lower proportion of males than in primary and high schools. In 2009, almost two-thirds (66.2%) of students at special schools were male. The 2009 results follow a similar trend from previous years.

Table 4: Number of enrolments by level of schooling and gender, 2005 to 2009

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
<i>Primary schools^{1,2}</i>					
Male	17 466	17 462	17 361	17 614	18 049 ³
Female	16 899	16 755	16 827	16 890	17 289 ³
Subtotal primary schools	34 365	34 217	34 188	34 504	35 338 ³
<i>Per cent male</i>	50.8%	51.0%	50.8%	51.0%	51.1%
<i>Per cent female</i>	49.2%	49.0%	49.2%	49.0%	48.9%
<i>High schools</i>					
Male	10 007	9 902	9 948	9 911	9 773
Female	9 504	9 535	9 499	9 387	9 433
Subtotal high schools	19 511	19 437	19 447	19 298	19 206
<i>Per cent male</i>	51.3%	50.9%	51.2%	51.4%	50.9%
<i>Per cent female</i>	48.7%	49.1%	48.8%	48.6%	49.1%
<i>Colleges</i>					
Male	4 699	4 800	4 798	4 756	4 789
Female	4 730	4 735	4 719	4 728	4 719
Subtotal colleges	9 429	9 535	9 517	9 484	9 508
<i>Per cent male</i>	49.8%	50.3%	50.4%	50.1%	50.4%
<i>Per cent female</i>	50.2%	49.7%	49.6%	49.9%	49.6%
<i>Special schools</i>					
Male	227	216	222	215	217
Female	113	106	116	112	111
Subtotal special schools	340	322	338	327	328
<i>Per cent male</i>	66.8%	67.1%	65.7%	65.7%	66.2%
<i>Per cent female</i>	33.2%	32.9%	34.3%	34.3%	33.8%
<i>All schools</i>					
Male	32 399	32 380	32 329	32 496	32 828 ³
Female	31 246	31 131	31 161	31 117	31 552 ³
Total all schools	63 645	63 511	63 490	63 613	64 380³
<i>Per cent male</i>	50.9%	51.0%	50.9%	51.1%	51.0%
<i>Per cent female</i>	49.1%	49.0%	49.1%	48.9%	49.0%

¹ Includes preschool level enrolments.

² Includes a small number of Indigenous students or special school students that attend more than one primary school.

³ Break in data series. 2009 data cannot be directly compared to previous years data due to the inclusion of preschool level students in non-government schools for the first time in 2009.

Student enrolments 2009

Table 5: Number of enrolments by level of schooling, grade and gender, 2009

Level of schooling	Males	Females	Persons	Percentage of total
<i>Primary schools^{1,2}</i>				
Preschool	2 226	2 080	4 306	6.7
Kindergarten	2 378	2 188	4 566	7.1
Year 1	2 203	2 156	4 359	6.8
Year 2	2 125	2 064	4 189	6.5
Year 3	2 219	2 195	4 414	6.9
Year 4	2 284	2 155	4 439	6.9
Year 5	2 322	2 229	4 551	7.1
Year 6	2 292	2 222	4 514	7.0
<i>Subtotal primary schools</i>	<i>18 049</i>	<i>17 289</i>	<i>35 338</i>	<i>54.9</i>
<i>High schools</i>				
Year 7	2 397	2 321	4 718	7.3
Year 8	2 450	2 320	4 770	7.4
Year 9	2 576	2 378	4 954	7.7
Year 10	2 350	2 414	4 764	7.4
<i>Subtotal high schools</i>	<i>9 773</i>	<i>9 433</i>	<i>19 206</i>	<i>29.8</i>
<i>Colleges</i>				
Year 11	2 500	2 443	4 943	7.7
Year 12	2 287	2 253	4 540	7.1
Mature	2	18	20	0.0
Older	-	5	5	0.0
<i>Subtotal colleges</i>	<i>4 789</i>	<i>4 719</i>	<i>9 508</i>	<i>14.8</i>
<i>Special schools</i>				
Primary school level	109	42	151	0.2
High school level	73	51	124	0.2
College level	35	18	53	0.1
<i>Subtotal special schools</i>	<i>217</i>	<i>111</i>	<i>328</i>	<i>0.5</i>
Total	32 828	31 552	64 380	100.0

¹ Includes 36 Indigenous students and 15 special school students attending more than one primary school in 2009.

² Includes preschool level students in non-government schools for the first time.

Table 6: Number of enrolments by level of schooling, grade and sector, 2009

Level of schooling	Public schools	Non-government schools	Persons	Percentage of total
<i>Primary schools^{1,2}</i>				
Preschool	3 792	514	4 306	6.7
Kindergarten	2 836	1 730	4 566	7.1
Year 1	2 658	1 701	4 359	6.8
Year 2	2 585	1 604	4 189	6.5
Year 3	2 687	1 727	4 414	6.9
Year 4	2 613	1 826	4 439	6.9
Year 5	2 646	1 905	4 551	7.1
Year 6	2 606	1 908	4 514	7.0
<i>Subtotal primary schools</i>	<i>22 423</i>	<i>12 915</i>	<i>35 338</i>	<i>54.9</i>
<i>High schools</i>				
Year 7	2 300	2 418	4 718	7.3
Year 8	2 402	2 368	4 770	7.4
Year 9	2 549	2 405	4 954	7.7
Year 10	2 403	2 361	4 764	7.4
<i>Subtotal high schools</i>	<i>9 654</i>	<i>9 552</i>	<i>19 206</i>	<i>29.8</i>
<i>Colleges</i>				
Year 11	3 103	1 840	4 943	7.7
Year 12	2 747	1 793	4 540	7.1
Mature	20	-	20	0.0
Older	5	-	5	0.0
<i>Subtotal colleges</i>	<i>5 875</i>	<i>3 633</i>	<i>9 508</i>	<i>14.8</i>
<i>Special schools</i>				
Primary school level	151	-	151	0.2
High school level	124	-	124	0.2
College level	53	-	53	0.1
<i>Subtotal special schools</i>	<i>328</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>328</i>	<i>0.5</i>
Total	38 280	26 100	64 380	100.0
<i>Sector totals including special school enrolments</i>				
Primary school ^{1,2}	22 574	12 915	35 489	55.1
High school level	9 778	9 552	19 330	30.0
College level	5 928	3 633	9 561	14.9
Total	38 280	26 100	64 380	100.0

¹ Includes preschool level students in non-government schools for the first time.² Includes 36 Indigenous students and 15 special school students attending more than one primary school in 2009.

Table 7: Number of Indigenous enrolments by level of schooling, grade and sector, 2009

Year Level	Public	Non-government	Persons	Percentage of total
<i>Primary schools¹</i>				
Preschool	111	1	112	8.4
Kindergarten	87	16	103	7.7
Year 1	90	16	106	8.0
Year 2	80	17	97	7.3
Year 3	87	12	99	7.4
Year 4	89	13	102	7.7
Year 5	76	28	104	7.8
Year 6	90	21	111	8.3
<i>Subtotal primary schools</i>	<i>710</i>	<i>124</i>	<i>834</i>	<i>62.7</i>
<i>High schools</i>				
Year 7	69	24	93	7.0
Year 8	68	21	89	6.7
Year 9	70	30	100	7.5
Year 10	54	22	76	5.7
<i>Subtotal high schools</i>	<i>261</i>	<i>97</i>	<i>358</i>	<i>26.9</i>
<i>Colleges</i>				
Year 11	47	15	62	4.7
Year 12	42	12	54	4.1
Mature	2	-	2	0.2
Older	1	-	1	0.1
<i>Subtotal colleges</i>	<i>92</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>119</i>	<i>8.9</i>
<i>Special schools</i>				
Primary school level	9	-	9	0.7
High school level	7	-	7	0.5
College level	3	-	3	0.2
<i>Subtotal special schools</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>1.4</i>
Total	1 082	248	1 330	100.0
<i>Sector totals including special school enrolments</i>				
Primary school ¹	719	124	843	63.4
High school level	268	97	365	27.4
College level	95	27	122	9.2
Total	1 082	248	1 330	100.0

¹ Includes preschool level students in non-government schools for the first time.

Table 8: Number of primary school enrolments by sector, school and grade, 2009

	P	K	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Total
Public schools¹									
<i>North Canberra</i>									
Ainslie School	65	49	44	65	64	57	47	46	437
Campbell Primary School	58	50	41	43	37	30	40	28	327
Lyneham Primary School	41	50	44	61	58	66	57	61	438
Majura Primary School	74	78	67	53	55	36	46	38	447
Northside Primary IEC	-	33	10	3	11	9	13	11	90
North Ainslie Primary School	66	31	31	35	32	36	30	34	295
O'Connor Cooperative School	24	23	17	16	-	-	-	-	80
Turner School	73	70	57	63	65	76	76	49	529
<i>Subtotal North Canberra</i>	<i>401</i>	<i>384</i>	<i>311</i>	<i>339</i>	<i>322</i>	<i>310</i>	<i>309</i>	<i>267</i>	<i>2 643</i>
<i>South Canberra</i>									
Forrest Primary School	43	42	54	66	54	62	63	78	462
Narrabundah Early Childhood School	52	8	3	3	-	-	-	-	66
Narrabundah Koori Program	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
Red Hill Primary School	89	67	80	91	69	81	84	66	627
Telopea Park School	-	59	64	61	57	64	62	57	424
Yarralumla Primary School	56	42	22	35	29	22	28	24	258
<i>Subtotal South Canberra</i>	<i>251</i>	<i>218</i>	<i>223</i>	<i>256</i>	<i>209</i>	<i>229</i>	<i>237</i>	<i>225</i>	<i>1 848</i>
<i>Woden Valley</i>									
Curtin Primary School	71	34	66	52	55	70	48	70	466
Farrer Primary School	39	44	32	37	51	44	36	42	325
Garran Primary School	48	65	64	68	62	44	82	42	475
Southside Primary IEC	-	24	11	15	13	12	6	4	85
Hughes Primary School	35	27	27	25	40	29	32	34	249
Lyons Early Childhood School	28	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Mawson Primary School	37	26	31	18	25	25	19	22	203
Torrens Primary School	74	60	62	56	67	51	52	66	488
<i>Subtotal Woden Valley</i>	<i>332</i>	<i>287</i>	<i>293</i>	<i>271</i>	<i>313</i>	<i>275</i>	<i>275</i>	<i>280</i>	<i>2 326</i>
<i>Weston Creek</i>									
Arawang Primary School	108	50	49	43	49	61	71	47	478
Chapman Primary School	100	71	61	78	60	58	54	54	536
Duffy Primary School	47	36	32	22	35	24	20	16	232
Stromlo High School	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41	41
<i>Subtotal Weston Creek</i>	<i>255</i>	<i>157</i>	<i>142</i>	<i>143</i>	<i>144</i>	<i>143</i>	<i>145</i>	<i>158</i>	<i>1 287</i>
<i>Belconnen North</i>									
Charnwood-Dunlop School	94	51	43	26	27	24	35	36	336
Evatt Primary School	40	46	40	47	48	25	51	39	336
Fraser Primary School	57	50	61	67	45	54	53	53	440
Giralang Primary School	24	28	22	17	14	21	14	9	149
Kaleen Primary School	68	44	63	62	71	73	59	64	504
Maribyrnong Primary School	25	35	26	24	38	32	37	36	253
Miles Franklin Primary School	70	56	44	60	63	43	47	53	436
Mount Rogers Primary School	72	42	24	21	24	25	31	24	263
<i>Subtotal Belconnen North</i>	<i>450</i>	<i>352</i>	<i>323</i>	<i>324</i>	<i>330</i>	<i>297</i>	<i>327</i>	<i>314</i>	<i>2 717</i>

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	P	K	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Total
<i>Belconnen South</i>									
Aranda Primary School	75	63	58	59	54	59	41	46	455
Florey Primary School	80	50	41	35	54	51	40	62	413
Hawker Primary School	35	35	28	48	30	37	33	48	294
Kingsford Smith School	94	77	56	76	86	71	82	83	625
Kingsford Smith Koori Program	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
Latham Primary School	38	32	38	33	33	27	36	20	257
Macgregor Primary School	62	31	54	43	39	38	39	52	358
Macquarie Primary School	49	38	38	25	45	28	36	35	294
Southern Cross Early Childhood School	40	13	11	7	-	-	-	-	71
Weetangera Primary School	61	59	49	47	48	45	56	24	389
<i>Subtotal Belconnen South</i>	<i>544</i>	<i>398</i>	<i>373</i>	<i>373</i>	<i>389</i>	<i>356</i>	<i>363</i>	<i>370</i>	<i>3 166</i>
<i>Tuggeranong North</i>									
Fadden Primary School	43	40	45	32	45	42	42	40	329
Gowrie Primary School	47	19	34	17	29	31	29	19	225
Monash Primary School	65	58	58	51	63	56	64	61	476
Taylor Primary School	61	41	38	32	26	23	33	21	275
Tuggeranong Primary IEC	-	15	3	5	9	3	2	4	41
Urambi Primary School	82	30	27	35	33	35	31	42	315
Wanniassa Hills Primary School	70	54	51	40	53	53	54	44	419
Wanniassa Koori Program	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Wanniassa School	39	28	25	25	29	33	29	36	244
<i>Subtotal Tuggeranong North</i>	<i>420</i>	<i>285</i>	<i>281</i>	<i>237</i>	<i>287</i>	<i>276</i>	<i>284</i>	<i>267</i>	<i>2 337</i>
<i>Tuggeranong South</i>									
Bonython Primary School	57	41	62	55	52	62	55	44	428
Calwell Primary School	72	49	53	47	60	43	57	73	454
Calwell Koori Program	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
Caroline Chisholm School	37	22	29	26	31	29	38	35	247
Conder Primary School	112	66	36	49	47	55	64	74	503
Gilmore Primary School	33	32	32	22	32	28	29	33	241
Gordon Primary School	109	66	40	51	57	59	60	74	516
Isabella Plains Early Childhood School	53	13	7	3	-	-	-	-	76
Richardson Primary School	42	20	27	23	29	37	30	34	242
Theodore Primary School	49	37	38	35	45	56	47	52	359
<i>Subtotal Tuggeranong South</i>	<i>571</i>	<i>346</i>	<i>324</i>	<i>311</i>	<i>353</i>	<i>369</i>	<i>380</i>	<i>419</i>	<i>3 073</i>
<i>Gungahlin</i>									
Amaroo School	178	118	111	111	102	126	94	106	946
Gold Creek School	112	46	49	58	56	55	45	111	532
Harrison School	100	113	87	58	51	49	44	24	526
Ngunnawal Primary School	85	73	71	51	68	71	65	31	515
Ngunnawal Koori Program	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Palmerston Primary School	53	52	55	47	54	49	70	31	411
<i>Subtotal Gungahlin</i>	<i>546</i>	<i>402</i>	<i>373</i>	<i>325</i>	<i>331</i>	<i>350</i>	<i>318</i>	<i>303</i>	<i>2 948</i>
<i>Other ACT Areas</i>									
Jervis Bay Primary School	22	7	15	6	9	8	8	3	78
<i>Subtotal other ACT areas</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>78</i>
<i>Subtotal public schools</i>	<i>3 792</i>	<i>2 836</i>	<i>2 658</i>	<i>2 585</i>	<i>2 687</i>	<i>2 613</i>	<i>2 646</i>	<i>2 606</i>	<i>22 423</i>

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	P	K	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Total
Non-government schools²									
<i>Independent schools</i>									
Blue Gum Community School	75	22	16	9	9	8	4	8	151
Brindabella Christian College	-	37	34	31	32	40	31	29	234
Burgmann Anglican School	51	97	82	56	56	56	56	84	538
Canberra Christian School	-	2	10	5	8	7	-	1	33
Canberra Girls' Grammar School	52	51	61	40	67	71	75	75	492
Canberra Grammar School	106	70	74	74	68	68	86	95	641
Canberra Montessori School	71	22	15	13	20	8	8	9	166
Covenant College	-	12	8	10	7	18	10	10	75
Emmaus Christian School	38	27	21	27	27	26	25	26	217
Islamic School of Canberra	-	21	24	21	9	14	14	8	111
Marist College Canberra	-	-	-	-	-	120	121	144	385
Orana School	35	52	57	37	53	50	56	55	395
Radford College	44	44	44	45	49	48	96	96	466
St Edmund's College Canberra	-	-	-	-	-	65	93	100	258
Trinity Christian School	-	71	64	80	79	81	81	81	537
<i>Subtotal independent schools</i>	<i>472</i>	<i>528</i>	<i>510</i>	<i>448</i>	<i>484</i>	<i>680</i>	<i>756</i>	<i>821</i>	<i>4 699</i>
<i>Catholic Systemic schools</i>									
Good Shepherd Primary School	-	91	101	88	104	86	87	62	619
Holy Family Parish Primary School	42	97	91	90	96	77	72	68	633
Holy Spirit Primary School	-	67	77	80	82	85	83	74	548
Holy Trinity Primary School	-	46	46	26	50	39	39	30	276
Rosary Primary School	-	46	55	53	56	51	69	69	399
Sacred Heart Primary School	-	53	46	53	56	51	45	31	335
St Anthony's Parish Primary School	-	62	67	59	66	69	71	72	466
St Bede's Primary School	-	27	30	30	30	27	28	28	200
St Benedict's Primary School	-	29	22	28	22	20	18	18	157
St Clare of Assisi Primary School	-	107	101	99	106	98	85	104	700
St Francis of Assisi Primary School	-	78	69	72	84	74	67	76	520
St John the Apostle Primary School	-	50	57	47	51	65	56	86	412
St John Vianney Primary School	-	51	48	47	48	34	47	20	295
St Joseph's Primary School	-	27	25	20	41	25	24	21	183
St Jude's Primary School	-	54	40	41	44	26	47	33	285
St Matthew's Primary School	-	44	47	48	49	43	39	42	312
St Michael's Primary School	-	28	30	25	24	36	41	27	211
St Monica's Primary School	-	73	69	63	61	78	49	71	464
St Thomas Aquinas Primary School	-	37	23	27	29	29	22	29	196
St Thomas More's Primary School	-	21	29	31	22	22	28	16	169
St Thomas The Apostle Primary School	-	48	48	52	59	41	62	48	358
St Vincent's Primary School	-	19	25	20	14	16	17	17	128
Sts Peter & Paul Primary School	-	47	45	57	49	54	53	45	350
<i>Subtotal Catholic Systemic schools</i>	<i>42</i>	<i>1 202</i>	<i>1 191</i>	<i>1 156</i>	<i>1 243</i>	<i>1 146</i>	<i>1 149</i>	<i>1 087</i>	<i>8 216</i>
<i>Subtotal non-government schools</i>	<i>514</i>	<i>1 730</i>	<i>1 701</i>	<i>1 604</i>	<i>1 727</i>	<i>1 826</i>	<i>1 905</i>	<i>1 908</i>	<i>12 915</i>
Total primary schools	4 306	4 566	4 359	4 189	4 414	4 439	4 551	4 514	35 338

¹ Includes 36 Indigenous students and 15 special school students attending more than one primary school in 2009.² Includes preschool level students for the first time.

Table 9: Number of high school enrolments by sector, school and grade, 2009

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Total
Public schools					
<i>North Canberra</i>					
Campbell High School	156	139	170	148	613
Connect10 Central ¹	-	-	3	8	11
Secondary IEC	8	21	18	12	59
Lyneham High School	238	255	257	249	999
<i>Subtotal North Canberra</i>	<i>402</i>	<i>415</i>	<i>448</i>	<i>417</i>	<i>1 682</i>
<i>South Canberra</i>					
Alfred Deakin High School	187	193	201	203	784
Telopea Park School	179	173	182	163	697
<i>Subtotal South Canberra</i>	<i>366</i>	<i>366</i>	<i>383</i>	<i>366</i>	<i>1 481</i>
<i>Woden Valley</i>					
Melrose High School	211	198	205	201	815
<i>Subtotal Woden Valley</i>	<i>211</i>	<i>198</i>	<i>205</i>	<i>201</i>	<i>815</i>
<i>Weston Creek</i>					
Stromlo High School	150	183	151	163	647
<i>Subtotal Weston Creek</i>	<i>150</i>	<i>183</i>	<i>151</i>	<i>163</i>	<i>647</i>
<i>Belconnen North</i>					
Kaleen High School	48	45	55	64	212
Melba Copland Secondary School	120	198	179	185	682
<i>Subtotal Belconnen North</i>	<i>168</i>	<i>243</i>	<i>234</i>	<i>249</i>	<i>894</i>
<i>Belconnen South</i>					
Belconnen High School	93	151	190	168	602
Canberra High School	103	136	168	181	588
Connect10 Northern ¹	-	-	3	5	8
Kingsford Smith School	126	-	-	-	126
<i>Subtotal Belconnen South</i>	<i>322</i>	<i>287</i>	<i>361</i>	<i>354</i>	<i>1 324</i>
<i>Tuggeranong North</i>					
Wanniassa School	84	82	93	59	318
Connect10 Southern ¹	-	-	7	6	13
<i>Subtotal Tuggeranong North</i>	<i>84</i>	<i>82</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>65</i>	<i>331</i>
<i>Tuggeranong South</i>					
Calwell High School	95	125	137	109	466
Caroline Chisholm School	89	103	111	125	428
Lanyon High School	140	141	188	150	619
<i>Subtotal Tuggeranong South</i>	<i>324</i>	<i>369</i>	<i>436</i>	<i>384</i>	<i>1 513</i>
<i>Gungahlin</i>					
Amaroo School	138	120	100	93	451
Gold Creek School	135	139	131	111	516
<i>Subtotal Gungahlin</i>	<i>273</i>	<i>259</i>	<i>231</i>	<i>204</i>	<i>967</i>
<i>Subtotal public schools</i>	<i>2 300</i>	<i>2 402</i>	<i>2 549</i>	<i>2 403</i>	<i>9 654</i>

Table 9 Continued

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Total
Non-government schools					
<i>Independent schools</i>					
Blue Gum Community School	8	6	3	-	17
Brindabella Christian College	40	30	22	18	110
Burgmann Anglican School	83	81	91	107	362
Canberra Girls' Grammar School	152	177	155	180	664
Canberra Grammar School	176	156	165	168	665
Covenant College	16	16	15	8	55
Daramalan College	250	250	253	253	1 006
Emmaus Christian School	26	24	23	25	98
Marist College Canberra	227	216	212	207	862
Orana School	54	54	50	44	202
Radford College	176	176	176	176	704
St Edmund's College Canberra	178	173	169	164	684
The Galilee School	1	6	7	2	16
Trinity Christian School	108	107	117	123	455
<i>Subtotal independent schools</i>	<i>1 495</i>	<i>1 472</i>	<i>1 458</i>	<i>1 475</i>	<i>5 900</i>
<i>Catholic Systemic schools</i>					
MacKillop Catholic College	288	295	310	292	1 185
Merici College	191	163	202	170	726
St Clare's College	226	222	222	215	885
St Francis Xavier College	218	216	213	209	856
<i>Subtotal Catholic Systemic schools</i>	<i>923</i>	<i>896</i>	<i>947</i>	<i>886</i>	<i>3 652</i>
<i>Subtotal non-government schools</i>	<i>2 418</i>	<i>2 368</i>	<i>2 405</i>	<i>2 361</i>	<i>9 552</i>
Total high schools	4 718	4 770	4 954	4 764	19 206

¹ The Connect10 program supports students to develop a personal pathway plan that may include one or more of the following goals: completion of Year 10 Certificate, transition to years 11 and 12, vocational learning, employment and/or re-engagement with high school.

Table 10: Number of college enrolments by sector, school and grade, 2009

	Year 11	Year 12	Mature	Older	Total
Public schools					
<i>North Canberra</i>					
Dickson College	385	343	-	-	728
Secondary IEC	19	7	-	-	26
<i>Subtotal North Canberra</i>	<i>404</i>	<i>350</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>754</i>
<i>South Canberra</i>					
Narrabundah College	471	433	-	-	904
<i>Subtotal South Canberra</i>	<i>471</i>	<i>433</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>904</i>
<i>Woden Valley</i>					
The Canberra College	441	436	20	5	902
<i>Subtotal Woden Valley</i>	<i>441</i>	<i>436</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>902</i>
<i>Belconnen North</i>					
Melba Copland Secondary School	127	165	-	-	292
<i>Subtotal Belconnen North</i>	<i>127</i>	<i>165</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>292</i>
<i>Belconnen South</i>					
Hawker College	401	351	-	-	752
Lake Ginninderra College	434	247	-	-	681
<i>Subtotal Belconnen South</i>	<i>835</i>	<i>598</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>1 433</i>
<i>Tuggeranong</i>					
Erindale College	402	367	-	-	769
Lake Tuggeranong College	423	398	-	-	821
<i>Subtotal Tuggeranong</i>	<i>825</i>	<i>765</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>1 590</i>
<i>Subtotal public schools</i>	<i>3 103</i>	<i>2 747</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>5 875</i>
Non-government schools					
<i>Independent schools</i>					
Burgmann Anglican School	65	88	-	-	153
Canberra Girls' Grammar School	141	150	-	-	291
Canberra Grammar School	140	139	-	-	279
Daramalan College	236	240	-	-	476
Marist College Canberra	181	185	-	-	366
Orana School	21	15	-	-	36
Radford College	178	172	-	-	350
St Edmund's College	154	122	-	-	276
The Galilee School	1	-	-	-	1
Trinity Christian School	80	71	-	-	151
<i>Subtotal independent schools</i>	<i>1 197</i>	<i>1 182</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>2 379</i>
<i>Catholic Systemic schools</i>					
St Clare's College	163	184	-	-	347
St Francis Xavier College	168	158	-	-	326
Mackillop Catholic College	198	167	-	-	365
Merici College	114	102	-	-	216
<i>Subtotal Catholic Systemic schools</i>	<i>643</i>	<i>611</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>1 254</i>
<i>Subtotal non-government schools</i>	<i>1 840</i>	<i>1 793</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>3 633</i>
Total colleges	4 943	4 540	20	5	9 508

Table 11: Number of public special school enrolments by school and level of schooling, 2009

	Primary	High	College	Total
Public schools				
<i>North Canberra</i>				
Black Mountain School	-	49	53	102
<i>South Canberra</i>				
The Woden School	-	75	-	75
<i>Woden Valley</i>				
Malkara School	86	-	-	86
<i>Belconnen</i>				
Cranleigh School	65	-	-	65
Total special schools	151	124	53	328

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. For students residing in the ACT as at February 2009, 139 were home educated. In addition, a further 203 students, who were of school age, undertook school equivalent courses at the Canberra Institute of Technology.

Explanatory Notes

Reference date

The 2009 census was conducted on Wednesday 18 February.

Scope and coverage

The census includes all ACT public and non-government schools providing primary (including preschool level students in non-government schools for the first time in 2009), secondary and special education. Jervis Bay Primary School is included in ACT public primary schools as the ACT Department of Education and Training administers the Jervis Bay Primary School for the Australian Government under a service agreement.

Collection

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

Student enrolments

The census includes students who were officially enrolled in a school on census day and who were active in a primary (includes preschool level students in the non-government sector for the first time in 2009), secondary or special 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 Monday of week 5, term 1.

Connect10

The Connect10 program supports students to develop a personal pathway plan that may include one or more of the following goals: completion of Year 10 Certificate, transition to years 11 and 12, vocational learning, employment and/or re-engagement with high school. Students in the program are an appropriate age for year 9 or 10 and their participation must be approved by a referral panel. The length of placement is long term, designed to engage students in learning and training and transition to future pathways.

Connect10 programs are conducted at Lake Tuggeranong College (Connect10 Southern), Lake Ginninderra College (Connect10 Northern) and Dickson College (Connect10 Central).

Introductory English Centres (IECs)

Introductory English Centres (IECs) are for students who require intensive full time English language instruction.

There are three IECs in the primary sector, conducted at North Ainslie Primary School (Northside Primary IEC), Hughes Primary School (Southside Primary IEC) and Urambi Primary School (Tuggeranong Primary IEC). There is one IEC in the high school sector and the college sector, conducted at Dickson College (Secondary IEC).

Mature students

Students in public schools aged 20 years or over on 31 January in the year of commencement of their college studies are classified as Mature.

Explanatory Notes continued

Older students

Students in public schools aged 18 years by 31 December in the year prior to the commencement of their college studies, but not aged 20 years or over on 31 January in the year of commencement of their college studies, are classified as Older.

Primary school sector

In 2009, the primary school sector includes students from preschool to year 6 for both public and non-government schools. Prior to 2009, non-government primary included kindergarten to year 6 only. Preschool level data may include students who are aged three and attending a preschool program.

High school sector

High schools include those students in years 7, 8, 9 and 10.

College sector

The college sector includes those students in years 11 and 12 as well as those students defined as mature and older.

Special schools

Special schools cater for students with a moderate to profound intellectual disability, severe Autism Spectrum Disorder or with multiple disabilities who require intensive levels of support.

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