



Australian Capital Territory

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING

ACT Government School Census

August 2007

Highlights

In August 2007 there were:

- 34 705 students attending 88 government schools
- 18 746 students attending a primary school, representing 54.0% of all government school students
- 10 006 students attending a high school, representing 28.8% of all government school students
- 5606 students attending secondary colleges, representing 16.2% of all government school students
- 347 students attending a special school, representing 1.0% of all government school students
- 1767 students accessing special education programs
- increases of 60 primary school students and 8 high school students from the February 2007 census.

Government student enrolments

There were 34 705 students attending 88 government schools as at 3 August 2007, representing a decrease of 473 enrolments or 1.3% since August 2006 (Table 1). The overall decrease comprises of a decrease of 345 (1.8%) in government primary school enrolments, a decrease of 118 (1.2%) in government high school enrolments and a decrease of 26 (0.5%) in government college enrolments. The decrease was partly offset by an increase of 16 or 4.8% in government special school enrolments.

Since 2003 the number of students attending a government school has decreased by 2034 enrolments or 5.5%. The overall reduction comprises a decrease of 1466 (7.3%) in government primary school enrolments, a decrease of 320 (3.1%) in government high school enrolments, a decrease of 268 (4.6%) in government college enrolments. The decrease was partly offset by an increase of 20 (6.1%) in government special school enrolments.

Table 1 - Number of government students by sector, August 2003 to 2007

Year	Primary school	High school	College	Special school	Total
2007	18,746	10,006	5,606	347	34,705
2006	19,091	10,124	5,632	331	35,178
2005	19,288	10,278	5,582	348	35,496
2004	19,705	10,301	5,619	330	35,955
2003	20,212	10,326	5,874	327	36,739

While the above shows a decrease in enrolments in the majority of government school sectors between August 2006 and August 2007, there has been an increase in the majority of sectors since the February census of 2007. Enrolments have increased in the government primary school sector by 60 enrolments, the government high school sector by 8 enrolments, and the government special school sector by 9 enrolments. The government college sector has dropped by 392 enrolments, which closely resembles past year trends and reflects a number of college students completing their college studies before the end of the calendar year and/or taking up full time employment or an apprenticeship.

Figure 1: Number of government students by sector, August 2007 and February 2007

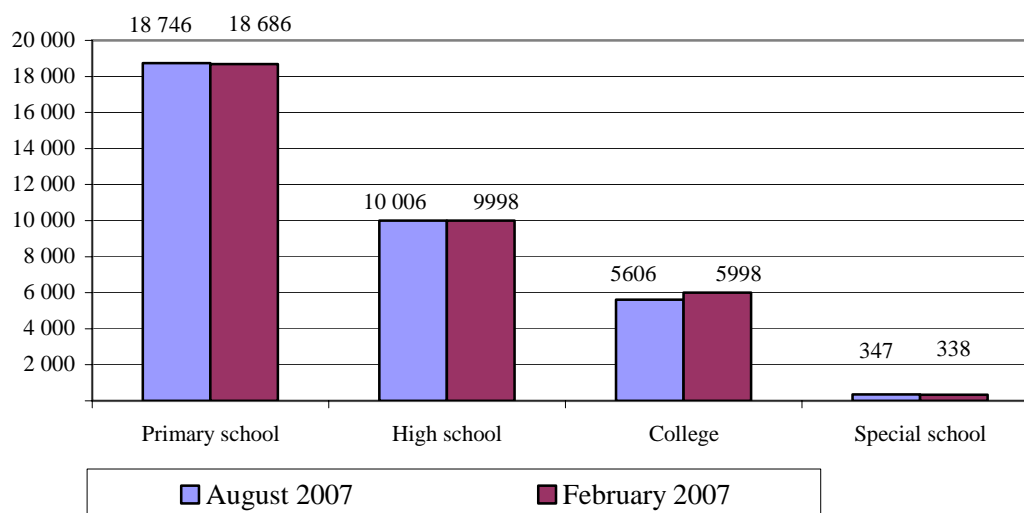


Table 2: Number of government students by gender and year level, August 2007

Year Level	Males	Females	Persons	Percentage of total
<i>Primary school enrolments</i>				
Pre primary (a)	14	12	26	0.1
Kindergarten	1 363	1 236	2 599	7.5
Year 1	1 366	1 328	2 694	7.8
Year 2	1 331	1 350	2 681	7.7
Year 3	1 404	1 308	2 712	7.8
Year 4	1 331	1 389	2 720	7.8
Year 5	1 366	1 314	2 680	7.7
Year 6	1 351	1 283	2 634	7.6
<i>Subtotal primary school enrolments</i>	<i>9 526</i>	<i>9 220</i>	<i>18 746</i>	<i>54.0</i>
<i>High school enrolments</i>				
Year 7	1 328	1 189	2 517	7.3
Year 8	1 213	1 217	2 430	7.0
Year 9	1 320	1 210	2 530	7.3
Year 10	1 327	1 202	2 529	7.3
<i>Subtotal high school enrolments</i>	<i>5 188</i>	<i>4 818</i>	<i>10 006</i>	<i>28.8</i>
<i>College enrolments</i>				
Year 11	1 529	1 549	3 078	8.9
Year 12	1 235	1 271	2 506	7.2
Mature (b)		19	19	0.1
Older (c)	1	2	3	0.0
<i>Subtotal college enrolments</i>	<i>2 765</i>	<i>2 841</i>	<i>5 606</i>	<i>16.2</i>
<i>Special school enrolments (d)</i>				
Pre/primary school level	119	61	180	0.5
High school level	75	38	113	0.3
College level	32	22	54	0.2
<i>Subtotal special school enrolments</i>	<i>226</i>	<i>121</i>	<i>347</i>	<i>1.0</i>
TOTAL	17 705	17 000	34 705	100.0

(a) Students attending special classes at a mainstream school at pre Kindergarten level.

(b) A mature age student is one who is twenty by 1 March of the year of commencement of her/his college studies

(c) An older student is one who is a student who is commencing or recommencing studies after their original cohort has graduated.

(d) Only includes students in special schools.

Table 3: Number of government primary school enrolments by year level, region and school, August 2007

	Pre Primary	K	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Total
<i>North Canberra</i>									
Ainslie		54	68	63	55	49	40	49	378
Campbell		40	46	37	41	32	43	23	262
Co-operative school		17	20	17	0	0	0	0	54
Lyneham		55	57	70	64	70	62	58	436
Majura		56	63	41	49	47	54	39	349
North Ainslie		43	31	40	31	38	41	34	258
North Ainslie - IEC (a)		24	12	9	9	9	10	11	84
Turner (b)	26	64	51	69	78	43	57	55	443
<i>Subtotal North Canberra</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>353</i>	<i>348</i>	<i>346</i>	<i>327</i>	<i>288</i>	<i>307</i>	<i>269</i>	<i>2,264</i>
<i>South Canberra</i>									
Forrest		48	41	62	63	76	76	68	434
Narrabundah		6	6	12	8	10	12	13	67
Red Hill		91	64	76	75	65	68	74	513
Telopea Park		63	59	60	59	59	60	48	408
Yarralumla		23	20	18	23	21	20	22	147
<i>Subtotal South Canberra</i>		<i>231</i>	<i>190</i>	<i>228</i>	<i>228</i>	<i>231</i>	<i>236</i>	<i>225</i>	<i>1,569</i>
<i>Woden Valley</i>									
Curtin		51	52	60	53	71	66	70	423
Farrer		31	42	40	36	46	41	43	279
Garran		59	57	38	78	46	66	74	418
Hughes		19	41	33	34	44	34	33	238
Hughes - IEC (a)		13	12	6	6	9	5	2	53
Lyons		16	10	9	13	8	5	11	72
Mawson		18	32	18	30	26	21	16	161
Torrens		57	62	48	53	74	63	48	405
<i>Subtotal Woden Valley</i>		<i>264</i>	<i>308</i>	<i>252</i>	<i>303</i>	<i>324</i>	<i>301</i>	<i>297</i>	<i>2,049</i>
<i>Weston Creek</i>									
Arawang		49	41	54	68	57	56	51	376
Chapman		73	60	61	67	55	62	50	428
Duffy		28	27	30	15	22	20	18	160
Stromlo HS (Year 6 students only)		0	0	0	0	0	0	51	51
<i>Subtotal Weston Creek</i>		<i>150</i>	<i>128</i>	<i>145</i>	<i>150</i>	<i>134</i>	<i>138</i>	<i>170</i>	<i>1,015</i>
<i>Belconnen North</i>									
Charnwood-Dunlop		29	22	24	31	28	31	28	193
Evatt		48	50	27	52	39	42	56	314
Fraser		69	53	55	56	58	46	53	390
Giralang		15	15	18	22	16	20	16	122
Kaleen		54	56	71	66	58	76	51	432
Maribyrnong		26	34	31	32	34	25	19	201
Miles Franklin		59	76	56	51	62	42	48	394
Mount Rogers		18	29	24	24	27	15	31	168
<i>Subtotal Belconnen North</i>		<i>318</i>	<i>335</i>	<i>306</i>	<i>334</i>	<i>322</i>	<i>297</i>	<i>302</i>	<i>2,214</i>

Table 3 continued

	Pre Primary	K	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Total
<i>Belconnen South</i>									
Aranda		51	54	58	53	58	56	52	382
Cook		9	17	15	11	16	10	11	89
Floreay		41	51	62	45	63	60	63	385
Hawker		39	31	32	35	45	35	27	244
Higgins		33	30	27	25	27	26	16	184
Holt		33	35	23	27	27	22	30	197
Latham		27	32	29	38	22	34	36	218
Macgregor		50	36	45	42	64	33	41	311
Macquarie		26	39	20	30	26	33	30	204
Southern Cross		24	10	10	18	11	12	34	119
Weetangera		49	48	50	54	35	43	41	320
<i>Subtotal Belconnen South</i>		382	383	371	378	394	364	381	2,653
<i>Tuggeranong North</i>									
Fadden		34	45	34	46	39	38	40	276
Gowrie		18	26	32	28	20	24	34	182
Monash		46	65	54	55	66	65	62	413
Taylor		37	29	24	26	27	19	26	188
Urambi		36	32	30	29	33	29	36	225
Village Creek		16	14	24	29	20	26	24	153
Village Creek - IEC (a)		15	3	7	3	2	4	3	37
Wanniassa		27	30	34	29	31	47	39	237
Wanniassa Hills		35	49	54	43	43	41	37	302
<i>Subtotal Tuggeranong North</i>		264	293	293	288	281	293	301	2,013
<i>Tuggeranong South</i>									
Bonython		55	47	68	46	48	60	38	362
Calwell		44	54	37	61	62	61	50	369
Chisholm		27	34	34	38	38	35	36	242
Charles Conder		58	62	64	65	87	80	76	492
Gilmore		26	31	32	34	29	38	41	231
Gordon		53	65	64	73	79	66	67	467
Isabella Plains		18	26	24	27	18	29	32	174
Richardson		23	28	35	28	30	28	27	199
Theodore		35	53	54	50	59	36	64	351
<i>Subtotal Tuggeranong South</i>		339	400	412	422	450	433	431	2,887
<i>Gungahlin</i>									
Amaroo		118	118	135	87	91	95	107	751
Ngunnawal		61	62	77	70	58	70	24	422
Gold Creek		54	54	50	48	75	63	107	451
Palmerston		57	68	58	74	67	75	16	415
<i>Subtotal Gungahlin</i>		290	302	320	279	291	303	254	2,039
<i>Other ACT areas</i>									
Jervis Bay (c)		8	7	8	3	5	8	4	43
<i>Subtotal other ACT areas</i>		8	7	8	3	5	8	4	43
Total primary schools		26 2,599	2,694	2,681	2,712	2,720	2,680	2,634	18,746

(a) Introductory English Centre.

(b) Students attending special classes at a mainstream school at pre kindergarten level.

(c) The ACT Department of Education and Training administers Jervis Bay School for the Australian Government under a service agreement.

Table 4: Number of government high school enrolments by year level, region and school, August 2007

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Total
<i>North Canberra</i>					
Campbell	157	150	148	164	619
Lyneham	249	256	230	239	974
AEP (a)	0	0	0	18	18
ACT Secondary IEC (b)	8	9	14	9	40
<i>Subtotal North Canberra</i>	<i>414</i>	<i>415</i>	<i>392</i>	<i>430</i>	<i>1,651</i>
<i>South Canberra</i>					
Alfred Deakin	200	208	183	208	799
Telopea Park	179	165	183	172	699
<i>Subtotal South Canberra</i>	<i>379</i>	<i>373</i>	<i>366</i>	<i>380</i>	<i>1,498</i>
<i>Woden Valley</i>					
Melrose	199	201	213	195	808
<i>Subtotal Woden Valley</i>	<i>199</i>	<i>201</i>	<i>213</i>	<i>195</i>	<i>808</i>
<i>Weston Creek</i>					
Stromlo	156	157	170	186	669
SAEP (c)			8	30	38
<i>Subtotal Weston Creek</i>	<i>156</i>	<i>157</i>	<i>178</i>	<i>216</i>	<i>707</i>
<i>Belconnen North</i>					
Kaleen	53	60	85	55	253
Melba	180	182	145	134	641
<i>Subtotal Belconnen North</i>	<i>233</i>	<i>242</i>	<i>230</i>	<i>189</i>	<i>894</i>
<i>Belconnen South</i>					
Belconnen	199	178	191	169	737
Canberra	171	165	201	189	726
<i>Subtotal Belconnen South</i>	<i>370</i>	<i>343</i>	<i>392</i>	<i>358</i>	<i>1,463</i>
<i>Tuggeranong North</i>					
Kambah	22	17	28	57	124
Wanniassa	97	67	109	88	361
<i>Subtotal Tuggeranong North</i>	<i>119</i>	<i>84</i>	<i>137</i>	<i>145</i>	<i>485</i>
<i>Tuggeranong South</i>					
Calwell	130	119	126	111	486
Caroline Chisholm	108	135	127	138	508
Lanyon	174	151	171	167	663
<i>Total Tuggeranong South</i>	<i>412</i>	<i>405</i>	<i>424</i>	<i>416</i>	<i>1,657</i>
<i>Gungahlin</i>					
Amaroo School	92	72	52	57	273
Gold Creek	143	138	146	143	570
<i>Subtotal Gungahlin</i>	<i>235</i>	<i>210</i>	<i>198</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>843</i>
Total high schools	2,517	2,430	2,530	2,529	10,006

(a) Alternative Education Program located at Dickson College.

(c) Introductory English Centre located at Dickson College.

(c) Southside Alternative Education Program located at the Canberra College.

Table 5: Number of college enrolments by year level, region of school and school, August 2007

	Year 11	Year 12	Mature (a)	Older (b)	Total
<i>North Canberra</i>					
Dickson College	327	230			557
ACT Secondary IEC (c)	21				21
<i>Subtotal North Canberra</i>	<i>348</i>	<i>230</i>			<i>578</i>
<i>South Canberra</i>					
Narrabundah College	465	410			875
<i>Subtotal South Canberra</i>	<i>465</i>	<i>410</i>			<i>875</i>
<i>Woden Valley</i>					
The Canberra College	417	376	19	2	814
<i>Subtotal Woden Valley</i>	<i>417</i>	<i>376</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>814</i>
<i>Belconnen North</i>					
Copland College	199	205			404
<i>Subtotal Belconnen North</i>	<i>199</i>	<i>205</i>			<i>404</i>
<i>Belconnen South</i>					
Hawker College	417	349		1	767
Lake Ginninderra College	304	244 ^(d)			548
<i>Subtotal Belconnen South</i>	<i>721</i>	<i>593</i>		<i>1</i>	<i>1 315</i>
<i>Tuggeranong</i>					
Erindale College	487	313			800
Lake Tuggeranong College	441	379			820
<i>Subtotal Tuggeranong</i>	<i>928</i>	<i>692</i>			<i>1 620</i>
Total college enrolments	3 078	2 506	19	3	5 606

(a) A mature age student is one who is twenty by 1 March of the year of commencement of her/his college studies

(b) An older student is one who is a student who is commencing or recommencing studies after their original cohort has graduated.

(c) ACT Secondary Introductory English Centre located at Dickson College.

(d) The number of Year 12 Lake Ginninderra College students was reduced by 10 students on 14 September 2007.

Table 6: Number of government special school enrolments by sector, region and school, August 2007

	Pre primary	Primary	High	College	Total
<i>North Canberra</i>					
Black Mountain School	0	0	38	54	92
<i>South Canberra</i>					
The Woden School	0	7	75	0	82
<i>Woden Valley</i>					
Malkara Special School	28	69	0	0	97
<i>Belconnen</i>					
Cranleigh Special School	31	45	0	0	76
Total special school enrolments	59	121	113	54	347

Explanatory Notes

1. Reference Date

The August 2007 government school census was conducted on Friday August 3 2007.

2. Scope and Coverage

The August census includes all ACT government schools. Jervis Bay School is included as the ACT Department of Education and Training administers the school for the Australian Government under a service agreement.

3. Collection

ACT government school census data was electronically downloaded.

4. Student Enrolments

The census includes students enrolled in a school on census day.

5. Special Schools

Special schools cater for students who require intensive levels of support for intellectual and physical disabilities, or who require additional emotional and/or behavioral assistance.

6. Introductory English Centres (IECs)

IECs are for students who require intensive full time English language instruction.

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