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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION

TOPIC: Low SES students

REFERENCE: Written Question - Senator Mason

QUESTION No.: AI-200

How many low-SES students attend higher education courses at non-university higher education providers, both in total and broken down by state/territory and provider (where available)?

ANSWER

The latest available data on low-SES student numbers are for 2010, which show 5,417 low-SES students studying at non-university higher education providers in Australia, representing 14.2 per cent of the domestic student population at those providers approved under the *Higher Education Support Act 2003 (HESA)*. Private providers not approved under *HESA* are not included.

A detailed breakdown for individual providers is at Attachment 1.

Selected Higher Education Student and Staff Statistics
 Table: Low SES students at Non-University Higher Education providers, 2010

State and Provider		Domestic onshore students	Low SES students	% Low SES
TOTAL		38,634	5,417	14.2
New South Wales	ACPE Limited	1,120	167	15.5
	Alphacrucis College	315	66	21.2
	Australian College of Applied Psychology	3,422	687	20.1
	Australian Film, Television and Radio School	393	13	3.3
	Avondale College	1,184	271	23
	Billy Blue College	2,280	267	11.8
	Blue Mountains International Hotel Management School	155	16	13.3
	Campion Institute Limited	74	17	23
	Cengage Education	183	28	29.8
	East Coast Gestalt Training	75	<10	n.p.
	Group Colleges Australia Pty Ltd	<10	<10	n.p.
	Insearch	497	42	8.6
	Institute of Counselling	67	<10	n.p.
	International College of Management, Sydney	431	40	9.3
	International Conservatorium of Music	102	27	26.5
	JMC Academy	1,554	242	15.8
	Jansen Newman Institute	202	<10	n.p.
	Macleay College	371	49	13.2
	Moore Theological College	452	23	5.1
	Morling College	113	13	11.7
	National Institute of Dramatic Art	161	11	6.9
	Nature Care College	184	<10	n.p.
	Raffles KVB Institute	335	41	12.2
	SAE Institute	1,994	285	14.3
	Sydney College of Divinity	732	122	16.9
	Sydney Institute of Business and Technology	616	26	4.5
	Tabor College (NSW)	82	<10	n.p.
	The Australian Institute of Music	981	109	11.2
	The College of Law Pty Ltd.	2,541	208	8.6
	Wesley Institute	566	76	13.6
Whitehouse Institute of Design	489	53	10.9	
Wollongong College Australia	52	<10	n.p.	
Victoria	Australian Academy of Design	255	51	20
	Australian Institute of Public Safety	309	66	21.4
	Box Hill Institute of TAFE	484	39	8.1
	Cairnmillar Institute School of Counselling and Psychotherapy	122	<10	n.p.
	Carrick Higher Education Pty Ltd	62	20	32.3
	Chifley Business School	274	33	12.6
	Gordon Institute of TAFE	50	<10	n.p.
	Harvest Bible College	374	78	21.5
	Holmes Institute	52	<10	n.p.
	Holmesglen Institute of TAFE	442	71	16.1
	Leo Cussen Institute	331	35	10.7
	Marcus Oldham College	212	51	24.4
	Melbourne College of Divinity	1,258	153	12.2
	Melbourne Institute for Experiential and Creative Arts Therapy	107	<10	n.p.

	Melbourne Institute of Business and Technology	884	115	13.2
	Melbourne Institute of Technology	194	41	21.1
	Monash College Group	111	16	14.4
	Northern Melbourne Institute of TAFE	332	33	10
	Oceania Polytechnic Institute of Education	91	19	20.9
	Stotts Colleges Pty Ltd	<10	<10	n.p.
	Tabor College - Victoria	437	43	9.8
	The Australian Guild of Music Education	25	<10	n.p.
	William Angliss Institute of TAFE	152	12	7.9
Queensland	Australian College of Natural Medicine	3,526	480	13.7
	Australian Institute of Professional Counsellors Pty Ltd	62	13	21
	Christian Heritage College	910	185	20.3
	Gestalt Association of Queensland	61	<10	n.p.
	Jazzworx! Pty Ltd	31	<10	n.p.
	Queensland Institute of Business and Technology	293	57	19.7
	Southbank Institute of Technology	366	62	17
Western Australia	Curtin International College	149	15	11.1
	Harvest West Bible College Inc	62	<10	n.p.
	Perth Bible College	58	10	17.5
	Perth Institute of Business and Technology	47	<10	n.p.
	Swan TAFE	33	<10	n.p.
South Australia	Adelaide Central School of Art	254	19	7.5
	Adelaide College of Divinity	99	26	26.3
	Australian Institute of Management SA	79	<10	n.p.
	Australian Lutheran College	306	62	20.3
	Bradford College	84	13	15.7
	Carnegie Mellon University	38	<10	n.p.
	Educational Enterprises Australia Pty Ltd	20	<10	n.p.
	International College of Hotel Management	<10	<10	n.p.
	South Australian Institute of Business and Technology	235	56	24.3
	Tabor College Adelaide	776	170	22.3
	University College London	10	<10	n.p.
Tasmania	Tabor College Tasmania	97	37	39.4
Australian Capital Territory	Canberra Institute of Technology	54	<10	n.p.
Multi-State	Australian College of Theology	2,687	317	11.9
	TOTAL	38,634	5,417	14.2

(a) Includes only domestic students where permanent home address is in Australia.

(b) The ABS Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) Index of Education and Occupation is used to identify postcodes nationally as low (bottom 25% of the population), medium (middle 50%) or high (top 25%) socioeconomic status (SES). An estimate of the number of low SES students is made by counting the number of domestic students whose reported postcode of permanent home location is a low SES postcode.

"<10" = less than 10 students (actual number suppressed for privacy/confidentiality reasons)

"n.p." = not published.