

ABBREVIATIONS/ACRONYMS

ACPET	Australian Council for Private Education and Training
AQF	Australian Qualification Framework
ARC	Australian Research Council
ATEM	Association for Tertiary Education Management
AUQA	Australian Universities Quality Agency
AVCC	Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee
AWE	Average Weekly Earnings
CAE	College of Advanced Education
CAPA	Council of Australian Postgraduate Associations
CPA	Competition Principles Agreement
CRC	Co-operative Research Centres
DETYA	Department of Employment, Training and Youth Affairs
EFTSU	Effective Full-Time Student Unit
GATS	General Agreement on Trade in Services
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
Go8	Group of Eight
HECS	Higher Education Contribution Scheme
HEFA	Higher Education Funding Act
ICT	Information and Communications Technology
IGS	Institutional Grants Scheme
IP	Intellectual Property
MCEETYA	Ministerial Council on Education, Employment, Training and Youth Affairs

NBEET	National Board of Education, Employment and Training
NHMRC	National Health and Medical Research Council
NCVER	National Council for Vocational Education and Research
NTEU	National Tertiary Education Union
OECD	Organisation of Economic Cooperation and Development
PELS	Postgraduate Education Loans Scheme
RAE	Research Assessment Exercise
RIBG	Research Infrastructure Blocks Grant
RTS	Research Training Scheme
SET	Science, Engineering and Technology
TAFE	Tertiary and Further Education
UNS	Unified National System
VET	Vocational Education and Training