

Stop TAFE Cuts

The value of TAFE in Australia

TAFE has touched the lives of most Australian families at some time in their lives. There are 58 TAFE Colleges across Australia, including hundreds of campuses spread across most regional, rural and metropolitan areas.

More than 1.06 million students were enrolled in TAFE in 2012.

People attend TAFE throughout their whole working lives:

- 550 000 were aged 15-24
- 440 000 aged between 25-44
- 260 000 were over 45.

TAFE provide accessible education and training for all Australians:

- 65 000 Indigenous students
- 80 000 students with a disability
- 190 000 students from a non-English speaking background

390 000 apprentices and trainees undertaking off-the-job training while enrolled at TAFE institutes.

TAFE is providing an important pathway to skills and employment for young Australians

- One in three of 15-19 year olds are at TAFE.
- One in five 20-24 year olds are at TAFE

TAFE is also providing ongoing opportunities for people to re-skill and gain new qualifications throughout their careers.

In every industry and in every area of the economy, TAFE is providing essential qualifications.

TAFE trains nurses and mechanics, childcare workers and writers. We all need TAFE.