

2017 *Next Step* survey

Destinations of Year 12 completers from 2016 in Queensland

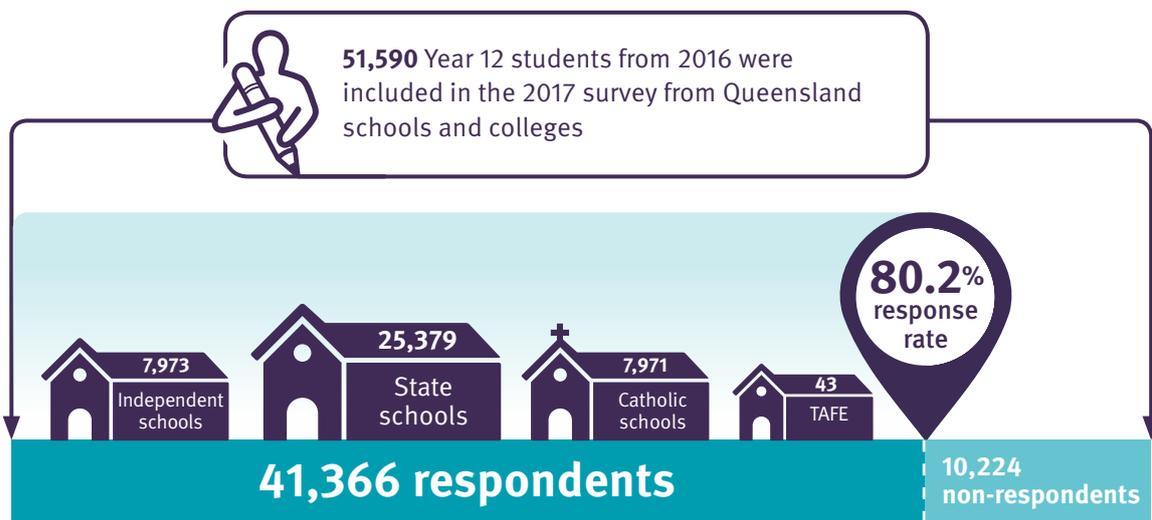
Since 2005, the Department of Education and Training's *Next Step* survey has captured information about the journey from school to further study and employment for Year 12 completers.

Insights gained from *Next Step* assists schools to review and plan their services for students, and school system personnel to evaluate education policies as they affect the transition from school to further study and employment.

The survey is conducted approximately six months after the end of the school year, timed to occur after tertiary education places for the year have been accepted. All students who attend State, Catholic and Independent schools, and TAFE secondary colleges in Queensland are included.



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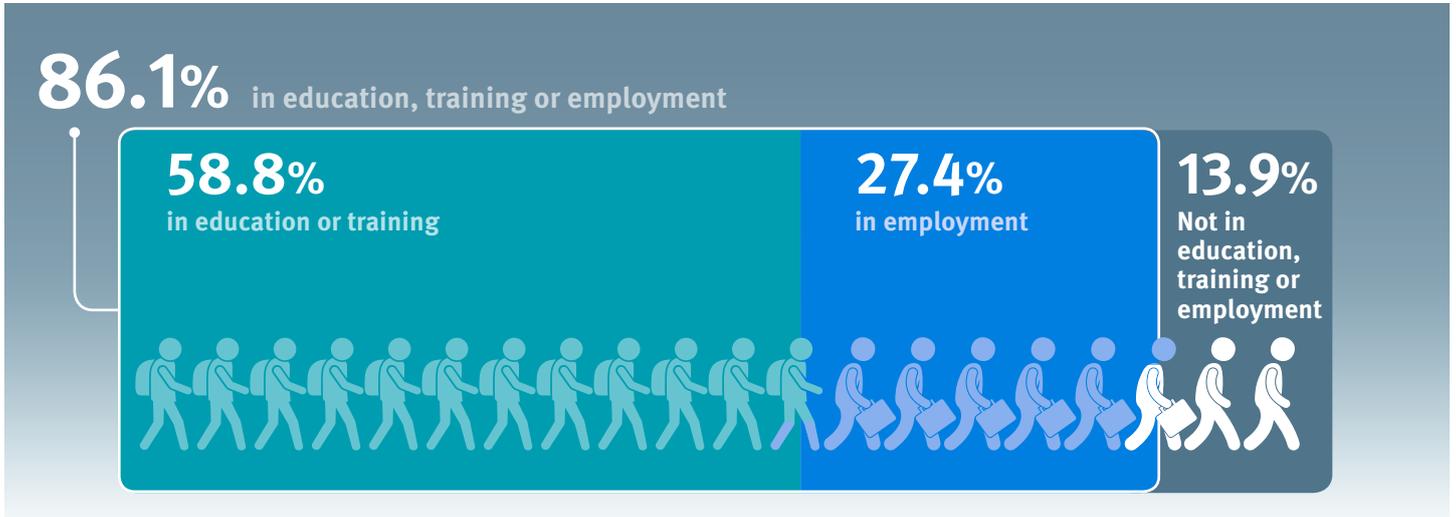


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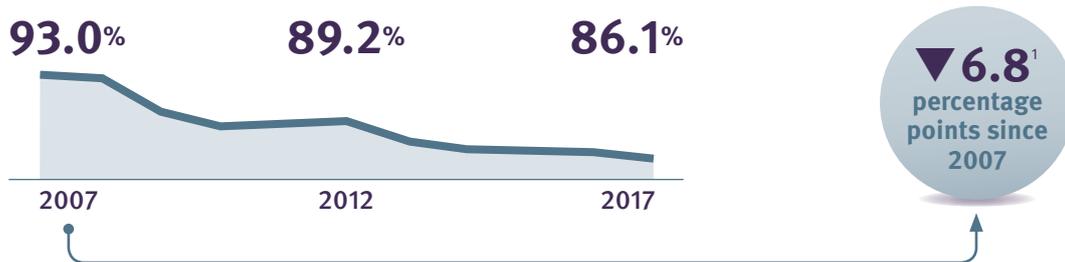
For more information on the survey or to build a customised *Next Step* report for your region visit the *Next Step* website www.qld.gov.au/year12completers

Post-school engagement

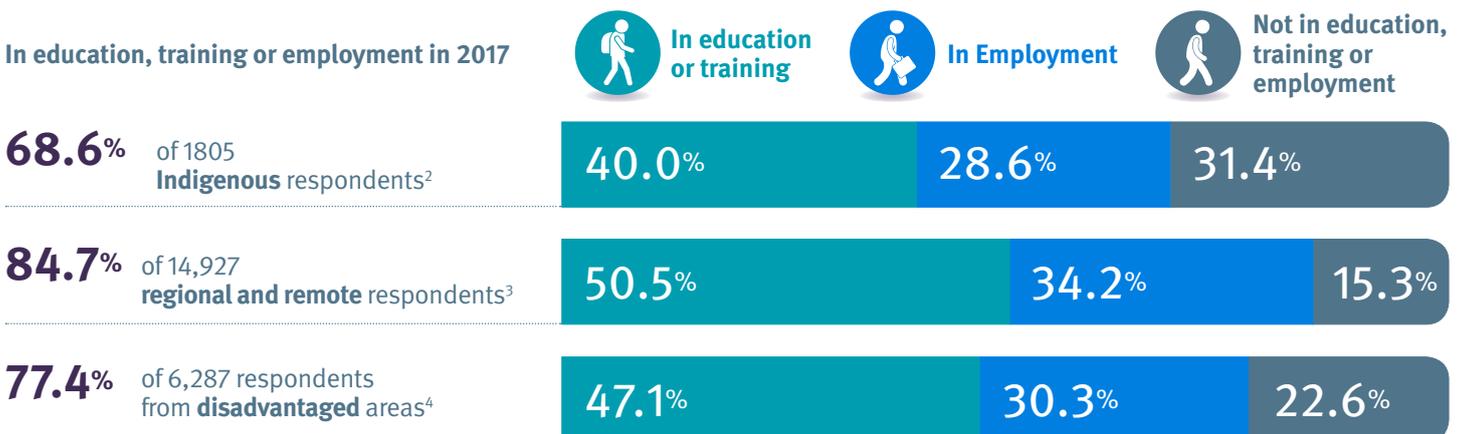
Engagement in education, training or employment



Post school engagement in education, training or employment over time



Engagement by subgroups



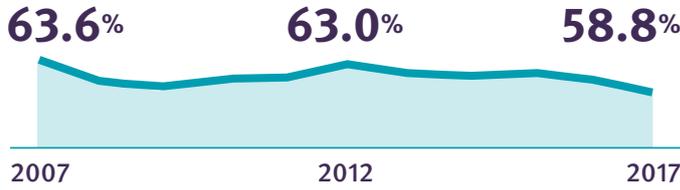
All Year 12 completers were assigned to a **main destination**. This categorisation system prioritises education related destinations over other destinations. For example Year 12 completers who were both studying and working are reported as studying for their main destination.

¹ Percentages in this report have been rounded to one decimal point
² Comparisons with other groups should be interpreted with caution due to the lower survey response rate for Indigenous persons (67.3%)
³ Students who were not living in a 'Major Cities' category area of the Australian Bureau of Statistics' Remoteness Structure
⁴ Australian Bureau of Statistics' Index of Relative Socio-Economic Disadvantage (Queensland, Quintile 1, area based).

Main Destination

◆ Percentage point change

In education or training



Bachelor degree study remains high and is the most popular destination for Year 12 completers.

Female

More likely than males to be undertaking **Bachelor Degree** study;
44.7% compared to 33.9%

Male

More likely than females to be undertaking employment-based training as an **apprentice**;
11.2% compared to 1.4%

- 39.3%**
Bachelor Degree
▲ 1.0 since 2012
- 5.7%**
VET Certificate IV or above
▼ 1.8 since 2012
- 2.6%**
VET Certificate III
▲ 0.4 since 2012
- 2.3%**
VET Certificate I-II or other
▼ 1.2 since 2012
- 6.2%**
Apprenticeship
▼ 1.7 since 2012
- 2.6%**
Traineeship
▼ 1.0 since 2012

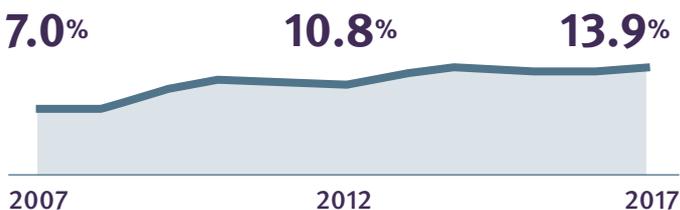
In employment



Changes in employment rates are influenced by the economic environment. The decline in full-time employment suggests labour market conditions remain challenging.

- 8.8%**
Full-time employment
▼ 1.2 since 2012
- 18.5%**
Part-time employment
▲ 2.4 since 2012

Are not in education, training or employment

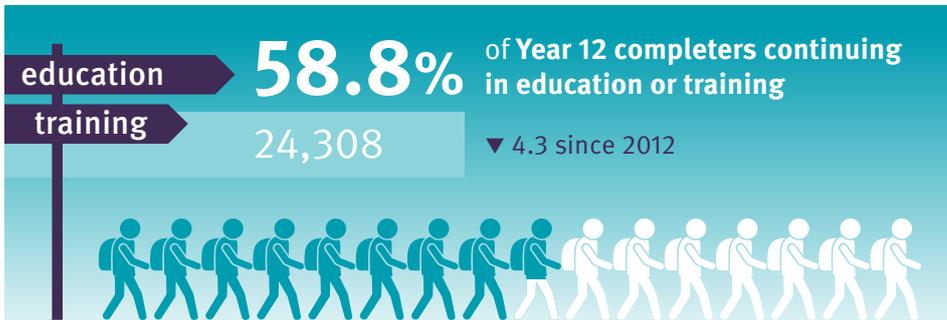


38.3% of the 5,741 Year 12 completers who were not in education, training or employment at the time of the 2017 survey had deferred a place at university or indicated they were taking a gap year from study. A further 6.3% were waiting for a job or study course to begin.

- 11.0%**
Seeking work
▲ 2.2 since 2012
- 2.8%**
Not in the labour force, education or training
▲ 0.9 since 2012

Destination: Education and Training

◆ Percentage point change



Females

61.8%
in education or training

More likely than males to study in the fields of **Health** or **Society and Culture**



Males

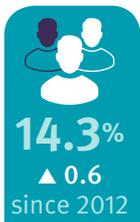
55.7%
in education or training

More likely than females to study in the fields of **Engineering and Related Technologies** or **Architecture and Building**

What are they studying?



Health



Society & Culture



Management & Commerce



Engineering & Related Technologies



Natural and Physical Sciences

Where are they studying?



How are they studying?

7.1% enrolled in a **double field of study**



77.1% studying **full-time**



62.2% combining study with **paid employment**

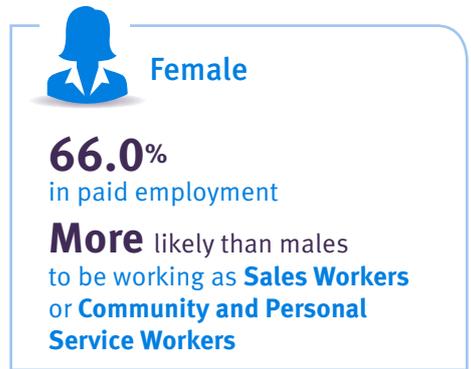


Main reason for not studying for the 17,058 respondents not in education and training:

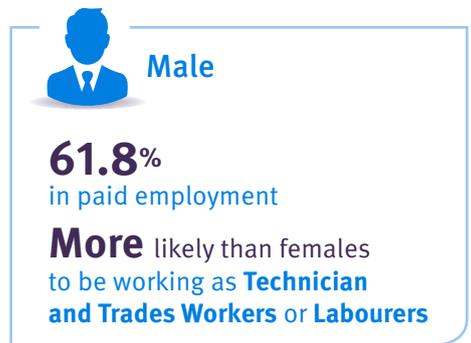


Destination: Employment

◆ Percentage point change



Which industries are they working in?



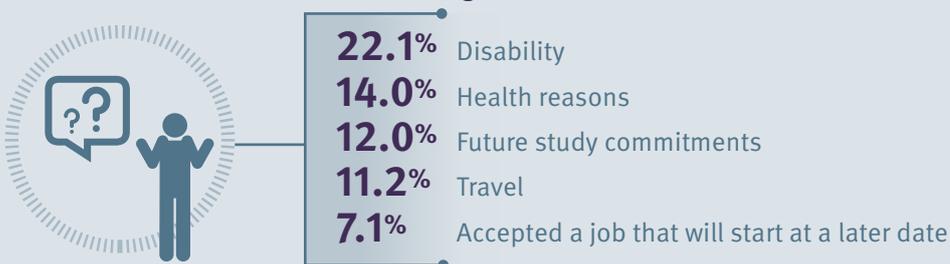
What jobs are they doing?⁶



How are they working?



Main reason for not seeking work for the 1,178 respondents not in the labour force, education or training:



⁵ This section examines the labour market outcomes for all Year 12 completers. The 63.9% figure includes 27.4% who were only working and 36.6% who were both working and studying. Those who were working and studying are reported as studying for their main destination.
⁶ Occupation data unavailable for 2012.