

State school count

- The official count of state schools is undertaken each year in August as part of the National Schools Statistics Collection conducted by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.
- As at August 2020, there were 1249 Queensland state schools.
- The overall difference of thirteen schools from 2016 to 2020 was a result of the:
 - opening of seventeen schools (including re-openings),
 - closure of six schools (including the amalgamation of two schools into one),
 - de-amalgamation of two schools to become four stand-alone schools.

School type	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Primary	918	916	918	919	920
Secondary	182	184	185	185	191
Combined Primary and Secondary	91	92	92	92	92
Special	45	46	45	45	46
Queensland	1236	1238	1240	1241	1249

Source: Queensland Department of Education (August 2020)

Notes:

- a. Schools operating across multiple campuses are counted as one school.
- b. The difference of two schools (1236 up to 1238) from 2016 to 2017 is due to the
 - opening of four new schools
 - closure of four schools
 - de-amalgamation of two schools to become four stand-alone schools.
- c. The difference of two schools (1238 up to 1240) from 2017 to 2018 was due to the:
 - opening of four new schools
 - closure of two schools.
- d. The difference of one school (1240 up to 1241) from 2018 to 2019 was due to the:
 - opening of one new school
- e. The difference of eight schools (1241 up to 1249) from 2019 to 2020 was due to the:
 - opening of eight new schools.