

Australian Government

AEI State Summary Sheet: Annual 2006 data Western Australia

International student enrolments and commencements

	Western Australia				Australia					
Sector	2005	2006	Growth	2005	2006	Growth				
Enrolments										
Higher Education	14,510	15,008	3.4%	163,779	172,297	5.2%				
VTE	6,456	6,735	4.3%	66,556	83,685	25.7%				
ELICOS	6,464	7,201	11.4%	64,998	77,468	19.2%				
Schools	2,225	2,053	-7.7%	25,156	24,717	-1.7%				
Other	1,741	1,633	-6.2%	25,590	25,651	0.2%				
Total	31,396	32,630	3.9%	346,079	383,818	10.9%				
Commencements										
Higher Education	5,836	5,887	0.9%	65,836	69,082	4.9%				
VTE	3,678	4,060	10.4%	38,344	49,809	29.9%				
ELICOS	4,923	5,465	11.0%	49,939	59,615	19.4%				
Schools	905	914	1.0%	10,533	11,342	7.7%				
Other	1,552	1,426	-8.1%	21,412	21,448	0.2%				
Total	16,894	17,752	5.1%	186,064	211,296	13.6%				

Source: AEI – Market Indicator Data 2006

- Western Australia recorded 32,630 international student enrolments and 17,752 commencements from students on a student visa in 2006 increases of 3.9% and 5.1% respectively on 2005. This is much stronger growth than the 2.2% and 2.9% recorded for the 2004 to 2005 period.
- In 2006, Western Australia had an 8.5% share of total international student enrolments on a student visa in Australia, down from 9.1% the previous year.
- Most enrolments continue to be in higher education 15,008 46.0% of total Western Australian enrolments), with growth of 3.4% on 2005.
- Highest enrolment and commencement growth was in the ELICOS sector (11.4% and 11.0% on 2005).
- Largest source nationalities of enrolments were China (12.9% of total) and Malaysia (11.3%). Hong Kong, Singapore and the Republic of Korea contributed a further 6.7% each.

Top 10 Nationalities in Western Australia, 2006

Nationality	Higher Education	VTE	ELICOS	Schools	Other	Total					
Nationality Education VTE ELICOS Schools Other Total Enrolments											
China	2,061	664	909	453	130	4,217					
Malaysia	2,675	591	93	261	57	3,677					
Hong Kong	953	755	351	160	63	2,282					
Singapore	1,842	200	5	149	58	2,254					
Republic of Korea	227	265	1,439	300	10	2,241					
Indonesia	1,176	508	148	172	28	2,032					
Japan	223	477	958	135	35	1,828					
Thailand	314	227	400	98	6	1,045					
Brazil	37	272	717	3	2	1,031					
United States of America	174	176	1	16	657	1,024					
Other	5,326	2,600	2,180	306	587	10,999					
Total	15,008	6,735	7,201	2,053	1,633	32,630					
Commencements											
China	910	339	718	183	61	2,211					
Malaysia	987	344	73	140	48	1,592					
Republic of Korea	92	155	1,107	145	7	1,506					
Japan	97	314	685	59	32	1,187					
Hong Kong	354	395	236	59	52	1,096					
Indonesia	414	249	110	59	15	847					
United States of America	71	126	1	6	633	837					
Brazil	23	215	592	2	1	833					
Singapore	580	106	4	56	55	801					
Thailand	137	132	312	30	3	614					
Other	2,222	1,685	1,627	175	519	6,228					
Total	5,887	4,060	5,465	914	1,426	17,752					

Source: AEI – Market Indicator Data 2006

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