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# State school enrolments

August 2019-23

- A total of 570,259 students were enrolled in Queensland state schools in August 2023.
- From 2019 to 2023, enrolments grew by 9,258 (1.7%).
- In 2023, the largest proportion of state school students were in Metropolitan South Region (22.7%), South East Region (19.5%), and Metropolitan North Region (18.2%).

**Table 1: Students by region**

Region	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Central Queensland	47,260	47,730	47,146	46,165	46,175
Darling Downs South West	39,643	39,833	39,213	38,485	37,849
Far North Queensland	36,497	37,801	38,102	38,175	37,427
Metropolitan North	100,364	103,202	104,084	103,722	104,028
Metropolitan South	122,645	126,747	128,034	128,572	129,667
North Coast	76,871	77,553	77,287	75,926	75,337
North Queensland	33,505	34,286	34,351	33,673	33,109
South East	107,484	110,442	111,055	110,732	110,982
<b>Total</b>	<b>561,001</b>	<b>573,923</b>	<b>575,173</b>	<b>571,550</b>	<b>570,259</b>

Notes:

- Counts are individual students within each grouping. As students may have multiple enrolments across groups, column sums may exceed totals.
- Includes students from Prep Year to Year 12.
- The Department of Education has eight integrated service-delivery regions across Queensland.

- In 2023, 330,337 students (57.9% of total state school students) were enrolled in primary year levels and 239,922 (42.1%) were enrolled in secondary year levels.

**Table 2: Students by year level**

Year level	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Prep Year	47,673	46,956	46,585	44,923	44,158
Year 1	48,468	48,000	47,039	46,773	45,539
Year 2	48,155	48,839	48,125	47,255	47,437
Year 3	48,849	48,384	48,909	48,095	47,702
Year 4	49,806	48,996	48,378	48,841	48,631
Year 5	48,828	49,568	48,511	47,778	48,653
Year 6	49,023	49,100	49,527	48,483	48,220
<b>Total Primary</b>	<b>340,796</b>	<b>339,839</b>	<b>337,067</b>	<b>332,140</b>	<b>330,337</b>
Year 7	42,879	44,403	43,624	43,431	42,410
Year 8	41,965	43,119	44,324	43,502	43,588
Year 9	39,831	42,068	42,810	43,835	43,186
Year 10	39,358	40,036	41,865	42,663	43,762
Year 11	33,799	35,087	34,834	36,085	36,073
Year 12	22,407	29,398	30,676	29,918	30,945
<b>Total Secondary</b>	<b>220,206</b>	<b>234,084</b>	<b>238,109</b>	<b>239,410</b>	<b>239,922</b>
<b>Queensland</b>	<b>561,001</b>	<b>573,923</b>	<b>575,173</b>	<b>571,550</b>	<b>570,259</b>

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- A smaller half cohort of students was introduced in Prep Year in 2007 to align with the shift in the compulsory school starting age from 2008. 2020 was the first year without the half cohort enrolled in a state school year level.

- A total of 65,102 First Nations students were enrolled in Queensland state schools in August 2023, making up 11.4% of all Queensland's state school students.
- From 2019 to 2023, First Nations enrolments grew by 7,012 (12.1%), compared to 1.7% for all students.
- In 2023, the largest proportion of First Nations students were in Far North Queensland Region (18.8%), North Queensland Region (14.0%), and Metropolitan South Region (13.2%).

**Table 3: First Nations students by region**

Region	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Central Queensland	6,990	7,283	7,408	7,683	8,113
Darling Downs South West	6,037	6,296	6,405	6,431	6,662
Far North Queensland	12,032	12,295	12,467	12,508	12,261
Metropolitan North	5,261	5,602	5,915	6,105	6,290
Metropolitan South	7,317	7,736	8,191	8,288	8,581
North Coast	6,252	6,488	6,690	6,619	6,819
North Queensland	8,196	8,563	8,849	8,904	9,105
South East	6,406	7,005	7,461	7,625	7,978
<b>Total</b>	<b>58,090</b>	<b>60,730</b>	<b>62,779</b>	<b>63,598</b>	<b>65,102</b>

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- First Nations students are self-identified at the time of enrolment.

**Table 4: First Nations students by year level**

- In 2023, 39,597 First Nations students (60.8% of total First Nations enrolments in Queensland state schools) were enrolled in primary year levels and 25,505 First Nations students (39.2%) were enrolled in secondary year levels.

Year level	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Prep Year	5,255	5,518	5,676	5,502	5,652
Year 1	5,297	5,281	5,581	5,634	5,576
Year 2	5,316	5,381	5,349	5,642	5,748
Year 3	5,258	5,394	5,482	5,398	5,781
Year 4	5,225	5,340	5,519	5,549	5,514
Year 5	5,235	5,287	5,438	5,566	5,657
Year 6	5,242	5,350	5,389	5,450	5,670
<b>Total Primary</b>	<b>36,826</b>	<b>37,551</b>	<b>38,431</b>	<b>38,737</b>	<b>39,597</b>
Year 7	4,692	5,010	5,139	4,972	5,160
Year 8	4,319	4,646	4,989	5,028	4,995
Year 9	4,088	4,294	4,599	4,838	4,921
Year 10	3,668	4,037	4,277	4,593	4,892
Year 11	2,877	2,939	3,088	3,117	3,175
Year 12	1,626	2,257	2,260	2,316	2,371
<b>Total Secondary</b>	<b>21,264</b>	<b>23,179</b>	<b>24,348</b>	<b>24,861</b>	<b>25,505</b>
<b>Queensland</b>	<b>58,090</b>	<b>60,730</b>	<b>62,779</b>	<b>63,598</b>	<b>65,102</b>

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